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4 **C53**
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■ **Ding Liren** **2734**
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C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 The position is equal. **10.b3 Bb6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Bc5 13.a4 Qe8 14.Ra2 Qg6 15.Rc2 Rad8 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Nh5 18.Kh2 Rf6 19.Nh4 Qf7 20.Rf3** -0.71/24

[20.Nf3= -0.01/21]

20...Rf8 0.01/22

[20...d5∓ -0.71/24 21.exd5 exd5]

21.Rxf6= Nxf6 22.Ne3 -0.37/21

[22.Nf3= 0.01/22]

22...d5∓ 23.exd5 exd5 24.Nf3 -0.71/22

[24.Qe2∓ -0.32/20]

24...Qe6 25.Re2 Re8 -0.08/19

[25...b6∓ -0.59/22]

26.c4 -0.48/21

[26.Re1= -0.08/19]

26...d4 27.Nf1 e4 0.01/25

[27...Qf7∓ -0.42/24]

28.Ng3 -0.35/25

[28.Kg1= 0.01/25]

28...e3 29.fxe3 dxe3 30.Nf1 -0.91/27

[30.Qe1= -0.01/24]

30...Qd6+∓ 31.Kh1 Nd4 Black has more active pieces. **32.Rxe3 Rxe3 33.Nxe3 Nh5** 0.62/26

[33...Nxf3∓ -0.87/24 34.gxf3 Nh5]

34.Kg1 -0.57/24

[34.Nxd4± 0.62/26 Ng3+ 35.Kg1 Qxd4 36.Qf3]

34...Ng3 0.46/27

[34...Nf4!∓ -0.57/24 35.Kf2 Qd8]

35.Kf2 0.01/23

[35.Nxd4± 0.46/27 feels stronger. Qxd4 36.Qf3]

35...Ngf5 1.08/26

[35...Qf4? 36.Nd5 Qf8 37.Kxg3+-]

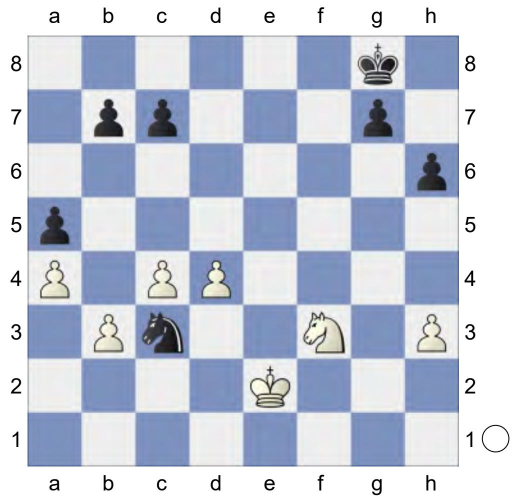
[35...Ne6= 0.01/23]

36.Nxf5± Nxf5 Endgame KQN-KQN. White is a pawn up. **37.d4** 0.19/25

[37.Qe2± 0.90/25]

37...Qg3+= 38.Kg1 Qxg2+ 1.81/5 **39.Kxg2+-** Black must now prevent Qe1. **39...Ne3+ 40.Kf2 Nxd1+±** KN-KN **41.Ke2! Nc3+**

(Diagram)



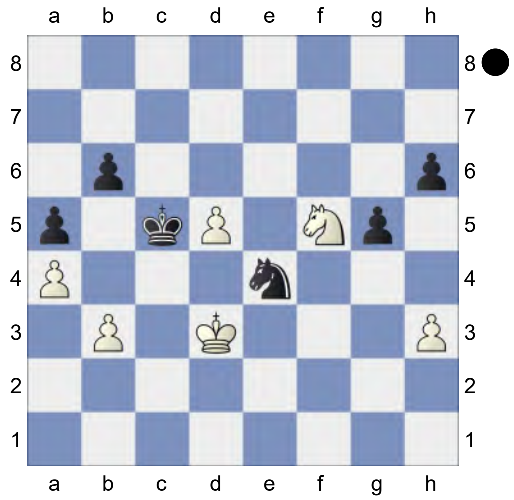
42.Ke3 -0.01/25

[42.Kd2!± 1.14/25 Ne4+ 43.Ke3]

42...Kf7= 43.Ne5+ Ke6 44.Nd3 b6 Dodges Nc5+ **45.d5+ Kd6 46.Nf4 g5 47.Ne6 c6 48.Nd4?** -6.04/30

[48.Kd3= -0.18/28 Na2 *(48...cxd5 49.Nxg5 Kc5 50.Nf3=)* 49.Nd8 *(49.Kd4 Nc1∓)*]

48...cxd5-+ 49.Kd3 Ne4 50.Nf5+ Kc5 51.cxd5



Nf2+ -0.71/28

[51...Kxd5 52.Ne3+ Ke5 53.Ng4+ Kd5 *(53...Kf4 54.Nxh6 Nd6 55.Kd4=)* 54.Ne3+ Ke5 55.Ng4+ Kd5 56.Ne3+=]

[51...Nf6!-+ -4.08/30 52.d6 h5]

52.Ke3∓ Nxh3 53.Ke4 -5.85/28

[53.d6∓ -0.80/26 Nf4 54.Ke4]

53...Nf4? -0.69/28

[53...h5-+ -5.85/28 54.Ke5 h4]

54.d6∓ Kc6 White is on the road to losing. **55.Ke5?** -5.77/28

[White should play 55.Nxh6∓ -0.67/26 Ne6 *(55...Kxd6 56.Nf7+ Kc5 57.Nxg5=)* 56.Nf5]

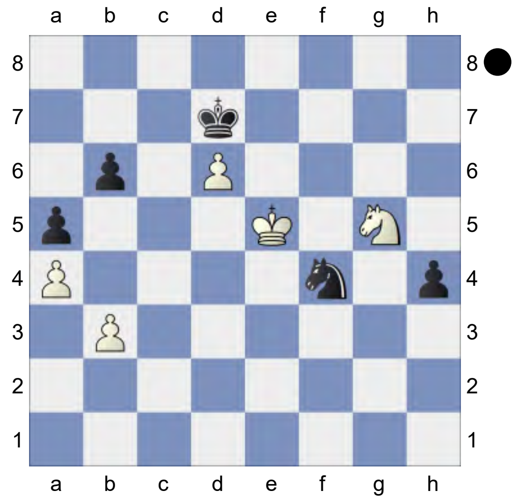
55...h5-+ 56.Nd4+ -8.13/29

[⌓56.Kf6 -5.05/28 Nd3 *(56...g4 57.Ke7∓)* 57.Ke7 *(57.Kxg5 Kd7∓)*]

56...Kd7 57.Nf3 Ne6 58.Kd5 Intending Ne5+ and mate. **58...Nf4+?** -0.01/26

[58...Nc5-+ -5.13/29 59.Nxg5 h4 *(59...Nxb3 60.Nf3=)*]

59.Ke5= h4 60.Nxg5



h3! 61.Nf3 Nd3+ 62.Kd5 Nc5 63.b4 axb4

[63...Nxa4? perishes. 64.Ne5+ Kc8 65.Kc6+-]

64.Kc4 b3 65.Kc3 Kxd6 66.Kb2 Kd5 Strongly threatening ...Kc4!. **67.Kc3 Kd6?** 0.01/18

[67...Kc6-+ -14.24/28 68.Nh2 Kd6 *(68...Nxa4+? 69.Kxb3 b5 70.Ng4-+)*]

68.Kb2! Ke7 69.Kc3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.72

69...Kf6
0-1

5 C54
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[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila,N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...d6N

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6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 h6 The position is equal. **9.Nbd2 Be6 10.b3 Bb6 11.a4 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Qc2 Qf6 14.Ne4 Qg6 15.Kh2 Rad8 16.Ng3** -1.04/20

[16.Nh4= -0.07/18 Qh5 17.Nf3]

16...Rfe8 -0.06/19

[16...Nxc3!∓ -1.04/20 And now ...Bxc4 would win. 17.Bb2 *(17.Qxc3 Bxf2 18.Ne2 Bxe1⩱)* 17...Nd5 *(17...Bxc4 18.bxc4∓)*]

17.Re2 f5 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.Rxe5 c6 0.35/25

[19...f4= -0.25/23 20.Nh5 f3 21.gxf3 Bf7 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8]

20.d4 -0.30/22

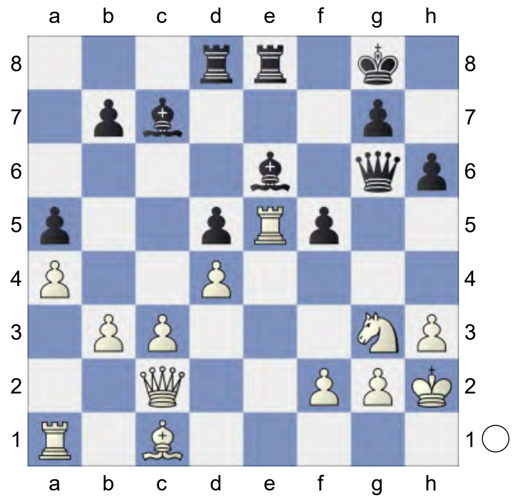
[20.Bxd5⩲ 0.35/25 cxd5 21.d4]

20...Bc7= 21.Bxd5 cxd5 0.22/23

[21...Rxd5 22.Bf4 Rd7 23.c4= *(23.Rxe6 Rxe6 24.Bxc7 Rxc7∓)*]

[Black should play 21...Bxd5⩱ -0.59/23 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8]

(Diagram)



22.Bf4 -0.36/23 **Qf7!∓ 23.Qd2** -1.78/25 **g5-+ 24.Bxg5** -2.50/25

[⌓24.Rxe6 -1.65/24 Rxe6 25.Bxc7 Qxc7 26.Re1]

24...hxg5 25.Qxg5+ Qg7 26.Qf4 -2.81/23

[26.Qe3 -1.96/22 Bf7 *(26...Bxe5? 27.dxe5 Bf7 28.Re1-+)* 27.f4]

26...Bxe5 27.dxe5 Rf8 28.Nh5 Qg6 29.Qh4 -3.20/23

[⌓29.Nf6+ -1.90/21 Rxf6 30.exf6]

29...Rc8? 1.02/22

[29...Qh6-+ -3.20/23 30.Qg3+ Kh7 31.Nf6+ Rxf6 32.exf6 Qxf6]

30.Nf4± White has strong compensation.

30...Qf7 7.52/23

[30...Qg7± 1.21/24]

31.Qh6? -1.21/29

[31.Rd1+- 7.52/23]

31...Rc6∓ 32.Rd1? -2.61/25

[32.Qh4∓ -0.95/25 was worth a try.]

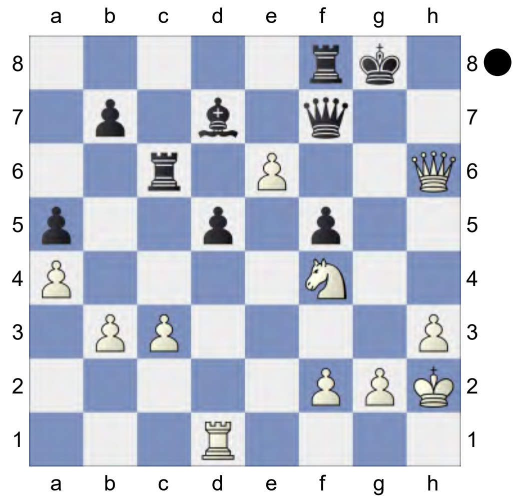
32...Bd7 -1.13/25

[32...Qg7-+ -2.61/25 has better winning chances. 33.Qh4 Qxe5]

33.e6 -1.60/23

[Better is 33.Qh4 -1.13/25 Bc8 34.Nxd5]

(Diagram)



33...Bxe6 -1.17/23

[⌓33...Rxe6! -1.60/23 34.Qg5+ Qg7 35.Qxg7+ Kxg7 36.Rxd5 Re7]

34.Rd3 Threatening mate with Rg3+.

34...Qg7 9.52/23

[34...Qf6∓ -1.38/24 35.Rg3+ Kf7 36.Qh7+ Ke8 37.Qxb7 *(37.Rg6? Qe7-+)* 37...Bc8 *(37...Rxc3?* too greedy. *38.Qb5+ Bd7 39.Qe2+ Kd8 40.Nxd5+-)* 38.Re3+ Kd8]

35.Rg3+- Qxg3+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/Black=0.73

36.fxg3

[36.Kxg3 Bf7 37.Qg5+ Kh7]

1-0

3 **C50**
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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 The position is equal.

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7

11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9.Bg3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ba7 11.Re1N

[11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9.♗e3 00 10. ♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976 *)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 (33) Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.fxe5 Rhf8 31.d4 dxe5 32.d5 Nb8 33.Kg1 Nd7 Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020]

11...Nh7! 12.Nf1 h5 13.h4 g4 14.N3h2 Ne7 0.34/27

[14...Qf6= -0.18/24]

15.Qd2⩲ Kg7 16.Ne3 -0.13/26

[16.d4⩲ 0.48/26]

16...Ng6!= 17.d4 Nxh4 18.Nhf1

[18.dxe5 Ng6 19.Nf5+ *(19.exd6 h4∓)* 19...Bxf5 20.exf5 Nxe5 21.Rxe5 dxe5 22.Bxe5+ f6-+]

18...Qg5 19.Nd5⇄ White is not holding back **19...Ng6!**

[19...Qxd2?! 20.Nxd2 Ng6 21.Nxc7±]

20.Nxc7 Rb8 0.18/25

[20...b5!∓ -0.61/24]

21.Nb5 Bb6 1.12/23

[21...Ra8= 0.16/24]

22.Nxd6 0.47/25

[22.Rad1± 1.12/23]

22...h4 1.46/25

[22...Qxd2!⩲ 0.47/25 23.Nxd2 h4 24.Bxe5+ Nxe5]

23.Bh2 -0.01/24 White is much more active. The black rooks are passive.

[23.Bxe5+± 1.46/25 Nxe5 24.Qxg5+ *(24.dxe5 Qxe5 25.Kh1 Rd8=)* 24...Nxg5 25.dxe5]

23...exd4 0.47/25

[23...Qxd2!= -0.01/24 24.Nxd2 exd4 25.Nf5+ Bxf5 26.Bxb8 *(26.exf5 g3∓)* 26...dxc3 27.exf5 *(27.bxc3 g3=)* 27...cxd2]

24.cxd4 -0.09/26

[White should try 24.Qxg5⩲ 0.47/25 Nxg5 25.cxd4 *(25.Nf5+ Bxf5 26.exf5 Rbc8±)* 25...Bxd4 26.Ne3 Bxb2 27.Rab1]

24...Qxd2 25.Nxd2 Bxd4 Strongly threatening ...g3. **26.Nb3! Be5** 0.01/23

[26...Bb6∓ -0.39/24 deserves consideration. 27.Kf1 a4]

27.Bxe5+

[27.Nxa5? g3 *(27...Bxb2 28.Rab1=)* 28.fxg3 Bxd6 29.gxh4 Bxh2+ 30.Kxh2 Nxh4-+]

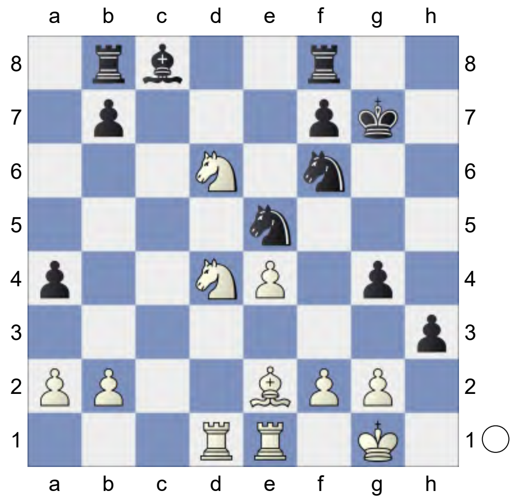
27...Nxe5 28.Rad1 a4 29.Nd4 Nf6 0.89/23

[29...Ng5= -0.06/25 keeps the balance.]

30.Be2 h3? 2.30/23

[30...Rd8⩲ 0.61/24 31.N4f5+ Bxf5 32.Nxf5+ Kf8]

(Diagram)



31.f4? 0.34/22

[31.gxh3!+- 2.30/23 Rd8 32.N4f5+ Bxf5 33.Nxf5+ Kh7 34.hxg4]

31...gxf3± 32.gxf3

[32.Nxf3 Nfg4 33.Rd5 f6 34.gxh3 Nxf3+ 35.Bxf3 Ne5 36.Kf2]

32...Rd8 33.N4f5+ Kf8 34.Kh2 Nh5

[34...Bxf5 simplifies 35.Nxf5 Nh5 36.Rxd8+ Rxd8 37.Rd1 Rxd1 38.Bxd1 Nf4]

35.Nc4 Dancing on a razor blade.

35...Bxf5 36.Nxe5 Be6 37.Bc4 Ke7 38.Bxe6 Kxe6 39.Nd3 Rbc8 40.Rd2 -7.71/28

[40.Kxh3? Rxd3 41.Kg4 Nf6+ 42.Kf4 Nh5+ 43.Kg4 Nf6+ 44.Kf4 Rxd1 45.Rxd1 Rc2-+]

[40.Re2= -0.02/26]

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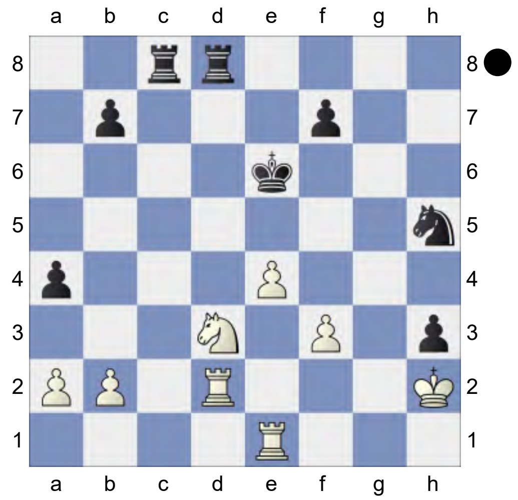

Repels Rc2 **40...Rd6?** 0.35/25

[40...Rxd3!-+ -7.71/28 41.Rxd3 Rc2+ 42.Kxh3 Nf4+ *(42...Rxb2? 43.Kg4+-)* 43.Kg3 Nxd3]

41.Red1

[41.Kxh3? Rxd3 42.Red1 Nf4+ *(42...Rxf3+? 43.Kg4-+)* 43.Kg3 Rcd8 44.Rxd3 Nxd3-+]

White leaves nothing to chance now.

41...Rdc6 1.54/24 Prevents Nc5+.

[41...Ke7!± 0.35/26 42.Ne5 *(42.Kxh3? Rcd8-+)* 42...Rxd2+ 43.Rxd2 Nf4]

42.Nf2 0.34/24

[Much less strong is 42.Kxh3 Rg8±]

[42.Nb4± 1.54/24 Rb6 43.Nd5]

42...Nf4 1.36/26

[42...Rc2± 0.34/24]

43.Kg3!±

[43.Nxh3? perishes. Rh8 44.Kg3 Nxh3-+]

43...Ng6 2.00/22

[43...Nh5+± 1.26/24 44.Kxh3 b6]

44.Nxh3+- and Ng5+ would now be decisive **44...Rc2?** 6.00/25

[44...a3 1.81/23 45.f4 *(45.bxa3 Ra8±)* 45...Kf6]

45.Ng5+ 2.63/27

[⌓45.Rd7 6.00/25]

45...Kf6 46.f4 Rxd2 47.Rxd2

Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **47...Rc1?** 7.10/23

[47...Ke7 2.85/23 48.Rd4 a3]

48.Rd7 White is clearly winning. **48...Nh8 49.Rd6+ Ke7 50.Rb6 Rc7 51.f5 f6 52.Re6+** Deflection **52...Kd7 53.Rxf6 Rc2 54.Rb6 Rc7 55.Ne6 Rc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.76

56.Kf4

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.0-0N -0.43/21

[9.Nbd2= 0.00/22 Qe7 *(9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Qe2 Kg7 12.h4 g4 13.Nh2 Ne7 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Nxg4 Nxg3 16.fxg3 Ng8 17.Ne3 Qg5 18.Nef1 Ne7 19.Nf3 Qg6 20.0-0-0 f5 21.Bb3 b5* ½-½ Eljanov,P (2702)-Fressinet,L (2651) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (10) *)* 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 0-1 (36) Buchicchio,G (2767)-Hantel,T (2787) 102/57 Russia 2008 (7) Bxf2 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

9...Qe7 0.26/24

[9...g5∓ -0.43/21 10.Bg3 Bg4]

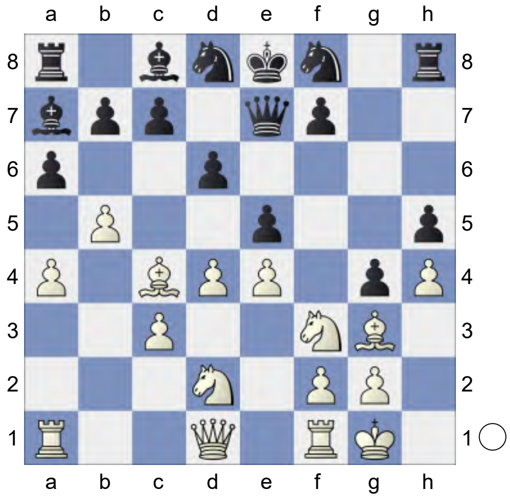
10.Nbd2 White has an edge. **10...g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 12.b4 Nf8! 13.b5 Nd8 14.d4 h5?** 1.61/24

[14...Ng6= -0.23/22]

15.h4!+-

[15.dxe5 h4 16.bxa6 *(16.exd6 cxd6 17.Bxd6 Qxd6∓)* 16...hxg3 17.hxg3 f6-+ *(17...bxa6? 18.Nd4-+; 17...dxe5? 18.axb7 Bxb7 19.Bb5+ Nd7 20.Nh2-+)*]

15...g4



16.Nxe5 White is more active. **16...dxe5 17.Bxe5 Rg8 18.Bg3! Ng6 19.e5! Bf5** Against Ne4 **20.bxa6 bxa6 21.Bd5**

[21.Bxa6 Nxh4 *(21...Kf8 22.Nc4=)* 22.Nc4 Bg6∓]

21...c6 1.89/26

[21...Rb8± 1.36/23]

22.Be4 Be6 23.f4 gxf3 24.Nxf3

[24.Qxf3?! Rb8⩲]

24...Bg4? 2.87/22

[24...Bc4± 0.99/23]

25.Qe1 Rc8? 3.65/21

[25...Bxf3 2.03/21 26.Bxf3 Rb8]

26.Ng5 c5? 6.45/25

[26...Nf8 3.92/21 27.Bf5 Bxf5 28.Rxf5 Rg6]

27.d5 c4+ 28.Kh1 Nxe5 29.Bh7? 1.31/26

[29.d6+- 6.82/25 is more deadly. Qxd6 30.Bf5 *(30.Bh7 Rxg5 31.hxg5 Bb8±)*]

29...Rxg5± 30.hxg5 Nd3 31.Qd2 0.09/22 Some like it hot

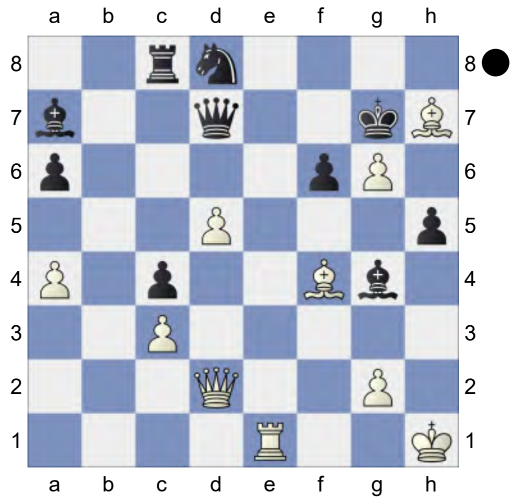
[31.g6± 1.24/25 Nxe1 32.g7 Nxg2 33.g8Q+ *(33.g8B? Ne3-+)* 33...Kd7 34.Rab1 *(34.Kxg2 Qe2+ 35.Kh1 Bf3+ 36.Rxf3 Qxf3+ 37.Kh2 h4=)*]

31...Kf8 5.77/29

[31...Be3= 0.09/22 and Black has nothing to worry. 32.Qc2 Qxg5 33.Bxd3 cxd3 34.Qxd3 Bd2]

32.Rae1+- Nxe1 33.Rxe1 Qd7 34.g6 Kg7 Prevents Qh6+. **35.Be5+ f6 36.Bf4?** -1.39/31

[36.Bxf6++- 19.71/33 Kxf6 37.Qh6]



36...Nf7 -0.01/28

[36...Qxa4 37.Bh6+ *(37.Re7+ Nf7+-)* 37...Kh8 38.Qf4]

[36...Ne6!∓ -1.39/31 37.Bh6+ *(37.dxe6 Qxd2 38.Bxd2 Re8±)* 37...Kh8]

37.d6 -0.48/29

[37.gxf7= -0.01/28 Kxh7 38.d6]

37...Nxd6∓

[37...Qxa4 38.Re7 Qa1+ 39.Qc1 Qxc1+ 40.Bxc1+-]

[37...Be6 feels hotter. 38.gxf7 Kxh7 39.Qe2 Bxf7 40.Qe7 Qxe7 41.Rxe7 Bb8]

38.Qxd6? -2.76/31

[38.Bxd6= -0.29/28 and White is okay. Be6 39.Rd1]

38...Qxd6? -0.21/21

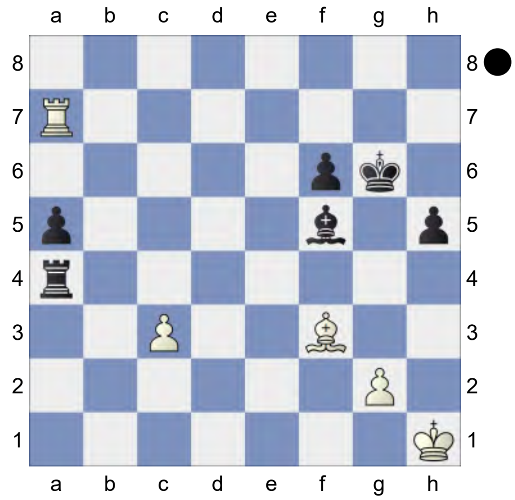
[Better is 38...Bc5-+ -2.76/31 39.Qxd7+ *(39.Qxa6? Re8-+)* 39...Bxd7]

39.Bxd6= Threatens to win with Re7+. **39...Bc5 40.Bxc5 Rxc5** Endgame KRB-KRB **41.Re7+ Kh6 42.Ra7 Ra5 43.Bg8! Kxg6 44.Bxc4 Rxa4 45.Bd3+ Bf5 46.Be2** -1.21/25

[White should try 46.Bxa6∓ -0.34/23 Kh6 47.Ra8]

46...a5∓ 47.Bf3 -1.76/23

[47.c4∓ -1.20/24]



47...Ra1+ -1.05/23

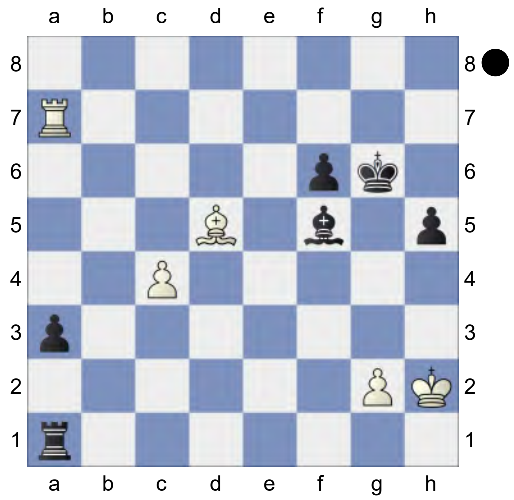
[47...Be6!-+ -1.76/23 48.Kh2 Bg8]

48.Kh2 a4 49.c4 a3

[49...Bg4 simplifies 50.Bxg4 hxg4 51.Kg3 f5]

50.Bd5

(Diagram)



a2 -0.01/25

[50...Kg5!∓ -0.86/26 And now ...Kf4 would win. 51.c5 Kf4]

51.c5= The position is equal. **51...Rc1 52.Rxa2 Rxc5 53.Rd2 Bg4 54.Be4+ Kg5 55.Rd5+ Rxd5 56.Bxd5** KB-KB. Black is a pawn up. **56...h4 57.Bc6 f5 58.Kg1 Kf4 59.Kf2 Ke5 60.Bb7 f4 61.Ba6 Kd4 62.Bb7 Ke5 63.Ba8 Kd4 64.Bb7** Black defended with fortune.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.67

64...Ke5

½-½

2 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2738**

■ **Ding Liren** **2734**

chess.com SpeedChess 2025 (1.23)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

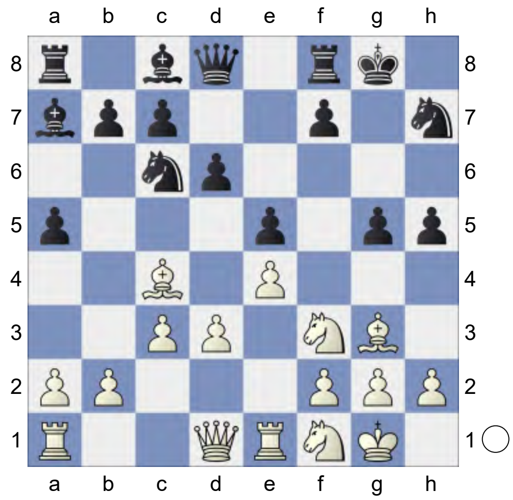
[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila,N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 (45) Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Ba7 11.Nbd2 Nh7 12.Nf1 h5!

(Diagram)



13.h4 g4 14.N3h2 Qf6 15.Ne3 Ne7 16.Qd2 -0.43/21

[16.Nd5= 0.06/20 Nxd5 17.Bxd5]

16...c6 -0.01/21

[16...Be6!∓ -0.43/21]

17.Rad1= b5 18.Bb3 a4!↑ Black has the initiative. **19.Bc2 Be6 20.d4 Bxa2 21.dxe5** -0.61/23

[21.f3= -0.08/22]

21...dxe5∓ 22.Nhxg4? -3.67/22 **hxg4-+ 23.Nxg4 Qg7 24.Nh6+ Kh8 25.Kh1 Bb6 26.Qd6 Ng6 27.Qxc6** -4.86/22

[⌓27.Ng4 -3.46/20 Rac8 28.h5]

27...Qxh6 28.Qxb6 Be6 29.Qxb5 -6.16/19

[⌓29.Kg1 -4.22/18 Nf6 (*29...Nxh4 30.Bxe5+ f6 31.Bg3∓*) 30.Qxb5]

29...Nxh4? -0.95/19

[29...f6-+ -6.16/19 has better winning chances. 30.Kg1 Nxh4 31.Bxa4 Ng5]

30.Qxe5+∓ Kg8 -0.27/24

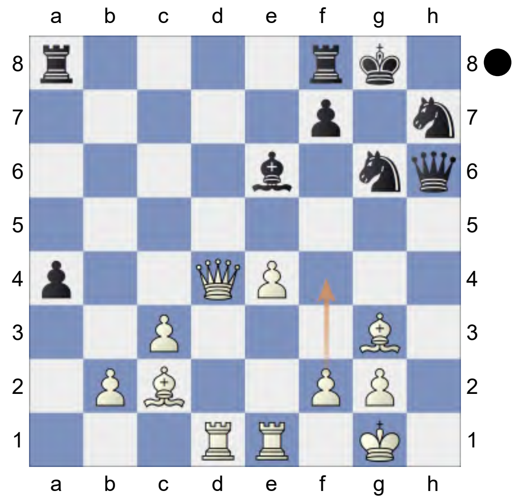
[30...Nf6∓ -0.77/22 Strongly threatening ...Nf3+. 31.Bf4 Qg7]

31.Kg1 -0.65/22

[31.Bf4= -0.27/24 is more appropriate. Qg7 32.Qxg7+ Kxg7 33.Kg1]

31...Ng6∓ 32.Qd4

(Diagram)



Rad8 -0.01/25 **33.Bd6=** The position is equal.

[33.Qxa4 Rxd1 34.Rxd1 (*34.Bxd1 Rd8=*) 34...Qg5]

33...Ng5 34.Qe3 f4! is the strong threat. Dancing on a razor blade.

[34.Bxa4 Nf3+ 35.gxf3 Rxd6-+]

[34.f4? Nxf4 35.Rd2 Nfh3+ 36.Kh2 Nf2+ 37.Kg1 Ng4-+]

34...Rfe8 And White is the lucky defender.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.37

35.Bxa4 Loss on time!?

[Much worse is 35.f4 Rxd6 (*35...Nh7 36.Bxa4 Bg4 37.Rd4±*) 36.Rxd6 Nxf4-+]

1-0

6 **C50**

☐ **Caruana,F** **2789**

■ **Aronian,L** **2744**

GCT Finals 2025 (1.6) 30.09.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

This game is from the 8th round of the Deizisau open, where the top seed

Super GM Etienne Bacrot had run into a painful defeat. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Nbd2**

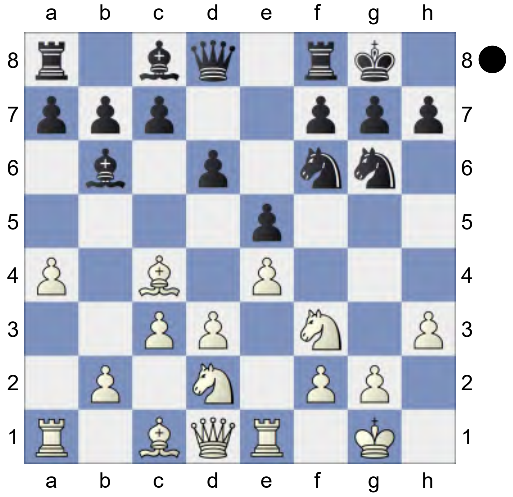
[6.a4 h6 7.c3 a5 8.h3 d6 9.Re1 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Re8 15.Bd2 d5 16.exd5 Rxe1+ 17.Bxe1 Nxd5 18.Nb5 Bb6 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 cxd5 ½-½ (48) Karjakin,S (2783)-Kramnik,V (2811) Vugar Gashimov Mem 2017 (7)]

6...d6N

[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 a6 *(9...Bd6 10.a3 a6 11.Ba2 Bf5 12.b4 Re8 13.Bb2 h6 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.c4 Nxe4 17.dxe4 a5 18.c5 Bf8 19.Qb3 axb4 20.axb4 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 b6 22.b5 Nd4 23.Nxd4 exd4 24.Qd5* 1-0 (48) ♘d7 10.d4 (2744)-Campos (2710) La (ol) 2/333 1966 (3.2) *Qxd5 25.exd5 Re5 26.d6 Rxc5 27.Bxd4 Bxd6 28.Bxc5 Bxc5 29.Ra8+ Kh7 30.Kf1 Kg6 31.Re8 h5 32.Ke2 Kf5 33.g3 g6 34.Kf3 g5 35.g4+ hxg4+ 36.hxg4+ Kf6 37.Rg8 Be7 38.Ke4 Ke6 39.Rh8* 0-1 (48) Kamsky,G (2741)-Svidler,P (2739) FIDE World Cup 2011 (4.2)*)* 10.Nxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qd4+ 12.Kg3 Nxe5 13.Nb3 Qd6 14.Bf4 Nfd7 15.Qh5 b5 16.Bxe5 Nxe5 17.Qxe5 Qg6+ 18.Kh2 bxc4 19.dxc4 Qxc2 20.Rac1 Qf2 21.Nc5 1-0 (30) Shanava,K (2586)-Bacrot,E (2706) 16th Neckar Open 2012 (8.1)]

[6...a5 7.c3 d6 8.h3 Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

7.c3 Bb6 8.h3 Ne7 9.Re1 Ng6 10.a4



c6 11.Bb3 Re8 12.Nf1 -0.35/20

[12.d4= 0.07/21]

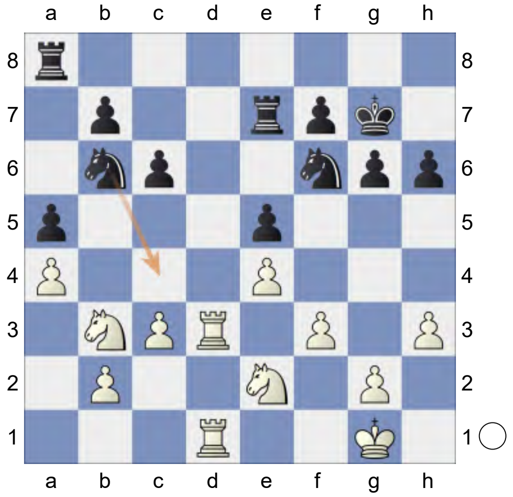
12...d5 13.Bg5 dxe4 0.25/23

[⌓13...h6! -0.20/23 14.Bxf6 Qxf6]

14.dxe4= h6 15.Qxd8 Bxd8 16.Bd2 a5 17.Ng3 Bb6 18.Rad1 Be6 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Be3 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 Nf8 22.Red3 Inhibits N6d7. **22...g6 23.Nd2 N8d7 24.Nb3** Dodges Nc5 **24...Re7 25.f3 Kg7 26.Ne2** -0.07/26

[26.Nf1± 0.32/24]

26...Nb6



27.Nc5 Nc4 28.b3 Nb2 29.Rd8 Rxd8 30.Rxd8 Strongly threatening Rd2. **30...b6 31.Nd3 Nxd3 32.Rxd3**

Endgame KRN-KRN **32...Rd7** The position is equal. **33.Nc1 Kf8 34.Kf2 Ke7 35.Ke3 Ra7 36.Rd2 Nd7 37.Nd3 f6 38.Ra2 Kd6 39.b4 Ra8 40.h4 h5 41.g4 Rh8 42.Rh2 Ra8 43.Ra2 Rh8** and ...hxg4 should not be overlooked **44.Rh2 Ra8 45.Ra2** An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

45...Rh8

½-½

7 C53

☐ Sindarov,Javokhir 2721

■ Vidit,S 2716

Titled Tue 14th Oct 2025 blitz (6)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.a4 -0.42/24

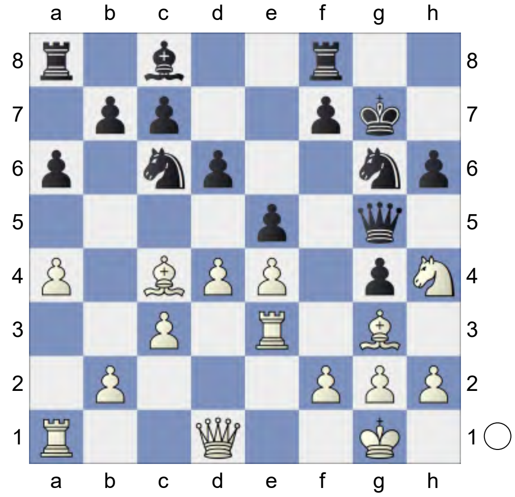
[9.Nbd2= 0.07/22]

9...g5∓ 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Kg7 12.Re1N

[12.b4 g4 13.Bh4 Ne7 14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Kh1 d5 17.Bb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 Ng8 19.g3 Qd3 20.Qe1 Rd8 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Rd1 Qxd1 23.Bxd1 Bxc4 24.Nf5+ Kh7 25.Be2 Be6 26.Bxg4 Nf6 (28) Chapter C50-Games Chapter C50 Game 2 27.Qe2 Nxe4 28.Ne7 1-0 13. ♗f4 ♗f5 (2629)-Arbakov,V (2619) Deutschland 60/178 1994]

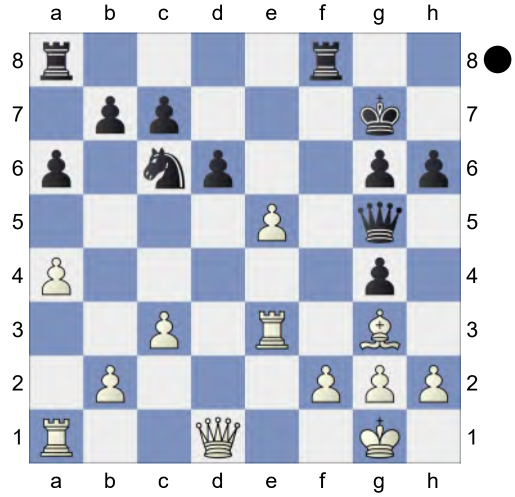
[12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1 Nd3 26.h4 Nxe1 0-1 (56) 3.g3 b5 4. ♗g2_31338 (2629)-Nepeina Leconte, M (2324) Baku FIDE GP 2008 (5)]

12...g4 13.Nh4 Nh5 14.Nf1 Qg5 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Nf4 17.d4 Ng6



18.Nf5+ -0.23/19 **Bxf5= 19.exf5 Qxf5 20.Bd3 Qg5 21.Bxg6 fxg6 22.dxe5** -0.99/21

[22.Qb3= -0.22/22 exd4 23.cxd4]



22...h5!∓ Black is more active. **23.exd6?** -2.43/24

[23.f4∓ -0.73/20 gxf3 24.Rxf3 Nxe5 25.Rxf8 Rxf8 26.Qd4]

23...h4-+ 24.dxc7 hxg3 25.hxg3 Rf7 Prevents Qd7. **26.Re4 Qf5** -0.99/23

[26...Rxc7 27.Rxg4 Qf5 28.Rf4∓]

[26...Qc5-+ -2.23/25 27.Qe2 Rh8 *(27...Rxc7 28.Qxg4 Rf8 29.Rf1∓)*]

27.Rf4∓ Qe6→ aiming for ...Rxf4. Black has strong attack. **28.Qxg4 Qxg4 29.Rxg4 Rxc7 30.Re1** Prevents Re8 **30...Rd7 31.Re6?** -3.43/23

[31.f3∓ -1.11/22 keeps fighting.]

31...Rd1+-+ 32.Kh2 Rh8+ 33.Rh4 Rxh4+ 34.gxh4 Endgame KRN-KR **34...Rd2 35.b4 Rxf2 36.b5 axb5 37.axb5 Na5 38.Kh3 Rf5 39.c4?** -4.90/22

[39.b6 -2.86/24]

39...Nxc4 40.Re7+ Rf7 41.Re4 Nd6 42.Rb4 Rf5 43.b6 Rb5 44.Rd4 Rxb6 45.g4 Rc6 46.h5 b5 47.Kh4 gxh5 48.Kxh5 Rc5+ 49.Kh4 Nf7 -5.66/23

[⌓49...Nf5+ -#18/25 50.gxf5 Rc4 *(50...Rxf5 51.Kg4=)* 51.Rxc4 bxc4 52.Kg5 c3 53.f6+ Kf7 54.Kf5 c2 55.Ke4 c1Q *(55...c1B 56.Ke5=; 55...Kxf6* leads to mate. *56.Ke3 c1Q+ 57.Kd4 Qd2+ 58.Kc4 Ke6 59.Kc5 Qc3+ 60.Kb5 Kd6 61.Ka4 Qb2 62.Ka5 Kc5 63.Ka6 Qb6#)* 56.Kd3 Qd1+ *(56...Kxf6 57.Kd4 Qd2+ 58.Kc4 Ke6 59.Kc5 Kd7 60.Kc4 Kc6 61.Kb3 Kc5 62.Ka3 Kc4 63.Ka4 Qb4#)* 57.Kc4 Kxf6 58.Kc5 Ke5 59.Kc4 Kd6 60.Kb4 Qd3 61.Ka5 Kc5 62.Ka4 Qh3 63.Ka5 Qa3#]

50.Kg3 Rc3+ 51.Kf4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/ Black=0.25 (precise)

51...Rc4

0-1

8 **C50**

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2721**

■ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2697**

Comet Open Titled Losers (4.5) 18.10.25

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Nc3 h6 7.a3 a5N

[7...a6 8.Be3 Bxe3 *(8...d6 9.h3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.exd4 e5 14.dxe5 Nxe5* Chapter Open Ch15-Games Chapter eng Open Ch15*)* 9.fxe3 d6 10.d4 Bg4 11.Qd3 Bh5 12.h3 Nd7 13.Rf2 Bg6 14.g3 Bh7 15.Nh4 Nb6 16.Ba2 Ne7 17.dxe5 d5 18.Nf5 Nc6 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Bxd5 Nxe5 21.Qc3 Re8 22.Raf1 1-0 (47) Chernov,V (2658)-Farakhov,R (2280) (Game 4) Amsterdam 1921 (9.10) Bg6 23.Nh4 Kh7 24.Nxg6 fxg6 25.Bxb7 Rb8 26.Bd5 c6 27.Bf7 Re7 28.Ba2 a5 29.Bb3 Re8 30.Kg2 Qb6 31.Rd1 a4 32.Bxa4 Qxb2 33.Qxb2 Rxb2 34.Bb3 Ra8 35.Rd6 Rxa3 36.Rd8 h5 37.Bg8+ 1-0 (47) Sindarov,J (2658)-Kulpruethanon,T (2280) Asian Games tt 2023 (9.10)]

[7...d6 8.Na4 *(8.h3 Nd4 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 c6 12.Ba2 d5 13.e5 Qe7 14.Bf4 Bb6 15.Qf3 Bc7 16.Rfe1 Be6 17.b3 f6 18.exf6 Rxf6 19.c4 Rxf4 20.Qe2 Rf6 21.Qg4 Qf7 22.Qxd4 Bb6* 0-1 (39) Brygo,P-Berangui,B FRA-chT U18 France 1996 (5)*)* 8...Bb6 9.h3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c4 Bd4 13.Ra2 a6 14.Be3 b5 15.Nb2 Nh5 16.Kh2 g5 17.g3 Qg6 18.Qe2 Rf7 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Nd1 Raf8 21.Nd2 Bb6 22.Bxb6 1-0 (56) 9.h3

(2567)-Kaliszuk,K (2539) WchT 3rd Luzern 1993 (4.3)]

8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 d6 10.d4 Bg4 11.Qd3 Bh5 12.Nh4 White is slightly better. **12...Kh7 13.h3 Nd7 14.Nf5 Bg6 15.Rf2 Ne7 16.g4 Bxf5 17.gxf5 c6 18.Bb3** -0.34/20

[18.Rg2!= 0.08/19 was preferable.]

18...Nf6 0.10/21

[18...Ng8∓ -0.34/20]

19.Kh1 Qc7 20.Rg1 d5 0.63/23

[Better is 20...Rad8= 0.01/21]

21.exd5!± White is more active.

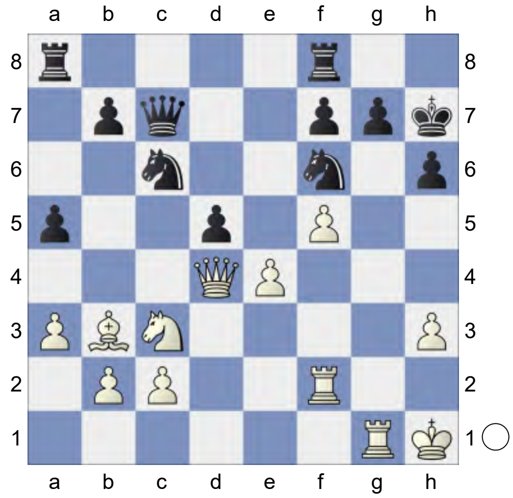
21...cxd5 0.97/22

[21...Nexd5± 0.39/21 22.Rfg2 Rg8]

22.e4± Strongly threatening Qg3.

22...exd4 23.Qxd4 Nc6 1.63/28

[23...dxe4± 0.75/23 was called for. 24.Rfg2 *(24.Nxe4 Ra6=)* 24...Kh8 *(24...Nxf5? too greedy. 25.Nd5+- Remove Defender)* 25.Rxg7 Ra6]



24.Rxg7+!!+- Decoy **24...Kxg7 25.Rg2+** Deflection **25...Kh7 26.Qxf6 Qe5?** #2/6

[26...Rg8± 1.54/32 27.Nxd5 *(27.Bxd5 Rxg2 28.Kxg2 Rg8+ 29.Kf3 Qg3+ 30.Ke2 Ne5-+)* 27...Rxg2 28.Nxc7 Rag8 29.Qxf7+ *(29.Bxf7? gets mated. Rg1+ 30.Kh2 R8g2#)* 29...R8g7]

27.Rg7+ Deflection, Double Attack

27...Kh8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.50

28.Qxh6#

1-0

9 **C50**

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2722**

■ **Vidit,S** **2712**

Titled Tue 23rd Sep 2025 (11) 23.09.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 d6 5.Na4N

[5.d3 Nf6 *(5...h6 6.h3 Nf6 7.Be3 Bb4 8.a3 Ba5 9.d4 Nxe4 10.Nd2 Nxc3 11.bxc3 Bxc3 12.Rb1 exd4 13.Bf4 0-0 14.0-0 Qf6 15.Qf3 Bxd2 16.Bxd2 Qxf3 17.gxf3 Bxh3 18.Rfe1 b6 19.Bd5 Bd7 20.Rbc1* 0-1 (30) Ibrahim,M-Msukwa,T (1674) Olympiad Women-45 2024 (5.76)*; 5...Bg4 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Nd5 Qd7 8.Bb5 Bxe3 9.fxe3 a6 10.Ba4 Nh6 11.c4 0-0 12.h3 Bxf3 13.gxf3 f5 14.Qd2 fxe4 15.fxe4 Rf3 16.0-0-0 Raf8 17.Qg2 Qf7 18.Rdg1 Nd8 19.Bd1 Rf2 20.Qg5* ½-½ (59) Albin,A-Berger,J Wien Trebitsch Memorial-01 1907 (1) *)* 6.Be3 *(6.Bg5 Na5 7.Nd5 Nxc4 8.dxc4 c6 9.Nxf6+ gxf6 10.Bh4 Rg8 11.0-0 Bh3 12.Bg3 Be6 13.Qe2 Qe7 14.Nh4 0-0-0 15.Kh1 d5 16.cxd5 cxd5 17.f4 dxe4 18.Qxe4 Rd4 19.Qxh7 Qd8 20.c3 Rd2* 1-0 (38) Ivanovic,B (2490)-Inkiov,V (2465) Plovdiv 1986 (10)*)* 6...Bb6 *(6...Bd4 7.Bxd4 Nxd4 8.Nxd4 exd4 9.Ne2 c5 10.h3 0-0 11.0-0 d5*

12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Qd2 Be6 14.Ng3 Nc7 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rae1 Qe7 17.Re5 h6 18.Rfe1 Qd6 19.Qe2 Rf7 20.Qh5 Raf8 21.Ne4 ½-½ (58) Lee, M-Eldridge Smith,V AUS-ch U18 Girls 2002 (8.3)*)* 7.h3 0-0 8.Qd2 Na5 9.Bb3 c6 10.0-0-0 Bc7 11.g4 d5 12.exd5 Nxb3+ 13.axb3 Nxd5 14.Rdg1 Re8 15.Ne4 a5 16.Kb1 b6 17.h4 Qe7 18.c4 Nb4 19.Bg5 Qf8 1-0 (29) Marie,M (2155)-Kort,J (2255) Avoine op 16th 2001 (3)]

5...Qf6 6.d3 h6 7.Nxc5 dxc5 8.Be3 The position is equal. **8...b6 9.0-0 Nge7 10.Nd2 Be6 11.a4 0-0 12.Kh1 Rad8** 0.51/21

[12...Ng6= 0.01/22]

13.Qh5 0.01/21

[13.f4!± 0.51/21]

13...Nb4 14.Rac1 Nec6 0.40/25

[14...Ng6= 0.01/21]

15.g3 -0.01/22

[15.f4± 0.40/25]

15...Bxc4= 16.Nxc4 Qe6 17.g4 Rd7 18.b3 Re8

[18...a6 19.g5 hxg5 20.Bxg5 g6]

19.Rg1 -0.30/23

[⌓19.g5 0.16/23]

19...Qg6 20.Qh3 Qe6 21.Qh5 f6 22.Rg3 Qf7 23.Qh3 Nd8 0.01/24

[Black should play 23...Nd4!∓ -0.82/23 24.Bxd4 cxd4]

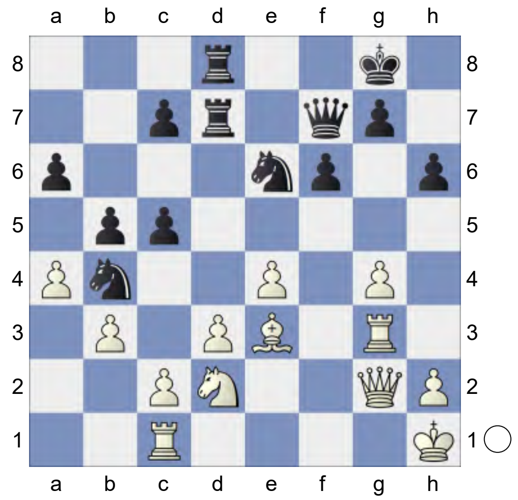
24.f4

[24.g5 hxg5 25.Bxg5 Qe6 26.Qh5]

24...exf4 25.Bxf4 Ne6 26.Be3 a6 27.Qg2 b5 28.Nd2 Red8 0.37/20

[28...c4= -0.01/20 29.bxc4 bxa4]

(Diagram)



29.e5! Deflection **29...fxe5**

[29...Rf8 30.exf6]

30.g5!

[30.Rf1 Nf4 31.Bxf4 exf4∓]

30...hxg5 31.Bxg5 -0.01/20

[31.Nf3± 0.48/23 should be considered. Nf4 32.Bxf4 gxf4 33.Rg4]

31...Rf8! 32.Ne4 -0.74/24 Against Qf2

[32.Nf3= 0.01/22 Qh5 33.Rg1 *(33.Nxe5 Rd5∓)*]

32...Nd5!∓

[32...bxa4? 33.Nf6++-]

33.Rg1 Ndf4 34.Bxf4 exf4

[34...Nxf4 simplifies 35.Ng5 Nxg2 36.Nxf7 Rfxf7 37.Kxg2 bxa4 38.bxa4 c4]

35.Rg6 f3

[35...Qf5!?]

36.Qf2 -0.41/23

[36.Qg4= 0.01/25 Re7 37.Rh6]

36...Qf5

[36...bxa4 looks sharper. 37.bxa4 Qf5 38.Rh6 c4]

37.axb5! axb5 38.R6g3? -2.17/20

[38.Rh6!= -0.27/24]

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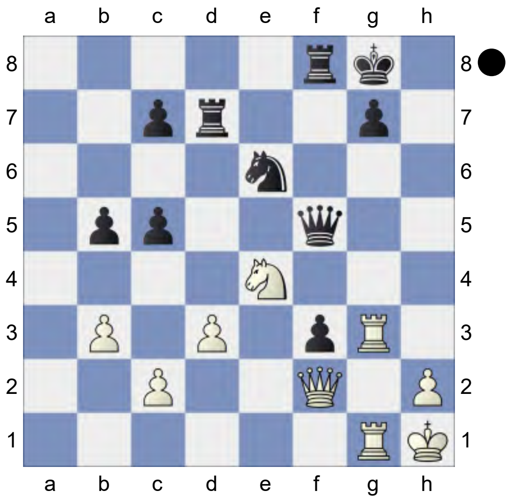

38...c4 -1.09/23 **39.bxc4 bxc4 40.Qe3 cxd3** -0.88/25

[⌓40...Qf4 -1.26/21 and ...cxd3 should not be overlooked 41.Qf2 Rd5 (*41...cxd3 42.cxd3 Rff7 43.Rg6∓*)]

41.cxd3 Rdf7 42.Rf1 Qf4 -0.21/25

[42...Qh5∓ -0.95/24 ...Rf4 poses a challenge 43.Nd6 Re7 (*43...cxd6 44.Qxe6 Qf5 45.Qxd6∓*)]

43.Qf2= Qh4? 7.98/20

[43...Qe5= -0.20/24 44.Qa2 f2]

44.Qa2? -0.21/24

[White has to play 44.Rxg7+!+- 7.98/20 Nxg7 45.Qxh4]

44...Qh6 45.Qd5 -0.99/21

[45.Rfg1= -0.25/24 keeps the balance. f2 46.Rf1]

45...Nf4 -0.01/22 Some like it hot

[45...Rf5∓ -0.99/21 46.Qa2 f2 47.Rxf2 Rxf2 48.Nxf2 Qc1+ 49.Rg1 Qc6+ 50.Ne4 Rf5]

46.Qc4 Threatens to win with Ng5!. **46...Qe6**

[Much less strong is 46...Ne6 47.d4∓]

47.Rgxf3 Qxc4 48.dxc4

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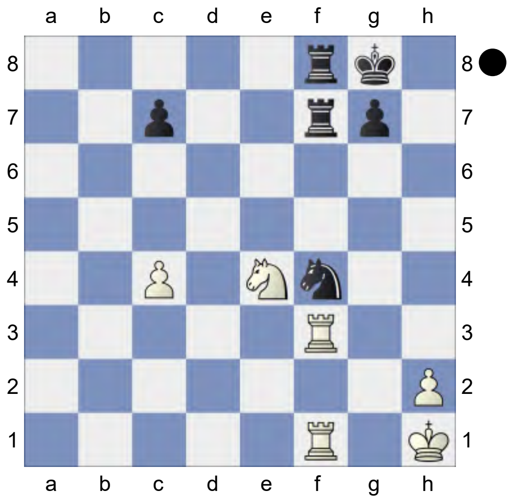

Nd3! Deflection **49.Rxf7 Rxf7 50.Rxf7 Kxf7** Endgame KN-KN **51.Kg2 Ke6 52.Kg3 Ke5 53.Ng5 Nb2 54.c5 Nd3 55.c6 Nb4 56.Nf7+ Kd5 57.Kf4 Nxc6 58.Kg5?** -5.76/28

[58.h4∓ -0.43/26]

58...Ne5-+ 59.Nxe5 Kxe5 KPP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **60.Kg6 c5** Black mates. **61.h4 c4 62.Kxg7** KP-KP **62...c3 63.h5 c2 64.h6 c1Q**

[And not 64...c1B 65.h7 Ke6 66.Kf8= (*66.h8R Bb2+ 67.Kh7 Bxh8=; 66.h8N Bg5=*)]

65.h7 Qg5+ 66.Kf8 Qf6+ 67.Kg8 Qd8+ 68.Kf7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/Black=0.29 (precise)

68...Qd7+

0-1

10 **C50**

□ **Praggnanandhaa,R** **2779**

■ **Caruana,F** **2784**

12th Sinquefield Cup TB blitz (1) 27.8.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3

d6 5.c3 Nf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 *(6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1*)* 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 a5 8.Bb3 0-0 9.h3 b5 The position is equal. **10.Re1 a4 11.Bc2 Re8 12.Nf1 Bb6** 0.48/22

[12...d5= -0.19/22]

13.d4⩲ Bd7 14.Ng3 Na5 15.b3 Nc6 0.77/19

[15...axb3= 0.29/25 16.axb3 Nc6 17.Rxa8 Qxa8]

16.bxa4 bxa4 17.Bxa4? -0.88/22

[17.Rb1⩲ 0.65/18]

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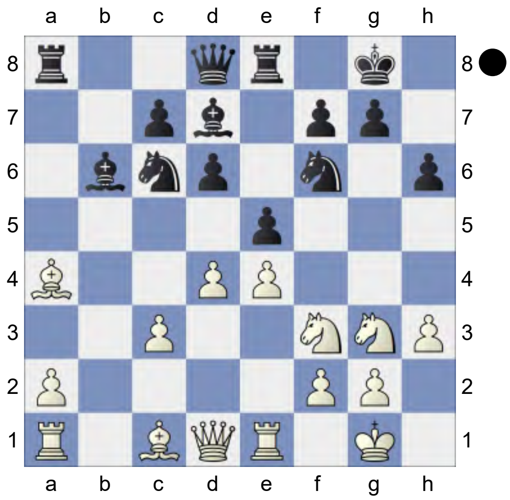

17...Nxd4!⩱ 18.cxd4

[18.Bxd7 Nxf3+]

18...Bxa4 19.Qd3 exd4 20.Nxd4 Nd7 -0.20/21

[Better is 20...d5!⩱ -1.09/22 21.Ndf5 dxe4 22.Qxd8 Rexd8 *(22...Raxd8 23.Be3⩱)*]

21.Bb2 -0.73/20

[21.Ndf5= -0.20/21 keeps the balance.]

21...Ne5 22.Qe2 Bd7 23.Ndf5 -0.93/19

[23.a4⩱ -0.57/19 is superior.]

23...Kh7 0.18/23

[23...g6!⩱ -0.93/19 24.Nxh6+ Kf8 25.Bxe5 dxe5]

24.Kh1= g6 25.f4! gxf5 26.fxe5 This costs Black the game. **26...f4?** 2.28/23

[26...Qg5⩲ 0.38/24 27.Nxf5 Bxf5 28.exf5 dxe5]

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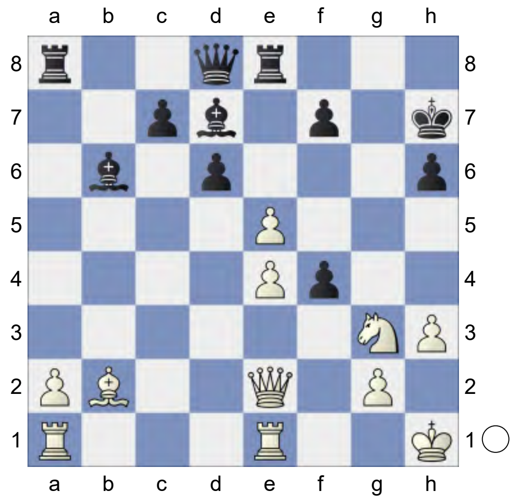


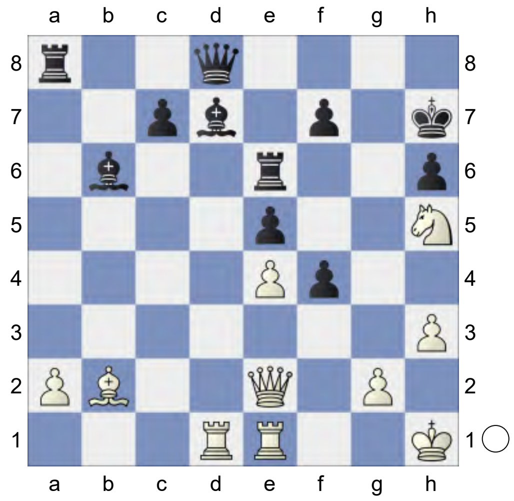
27.Nh5!+-

[27.Qh5 Be6 28.Nf5 Qg5 *(28...Bxa2 29.Qxh6+ Kg8 30.Qg7#)* 29.Qxg5 hxg5 30.exd6 cxd6∓ *(30...Rxa2 31.Rxa2 Bxa2 32.Ra1±; 30...Bxf5 31.exf5 Rxe1+ 32.Rxe1∓)*]

27...dxe5 28.Rad1→ Hoping for Rxd7!. White has strong attack. **28...Re6?** 8.02/24

[28...Rxa2? 29.Rxd7 *(29.Qc4 Be6±)* 29...Qh4 30.Rxf7+ Kg8 31.Rxf4 exf4 32.Qc4+ Kf8 33.Bg7+ *(33.Qxa2? Qxe1+ 34.Kh2 Qg1#)* 33...Ke7 34.Bf6++-]

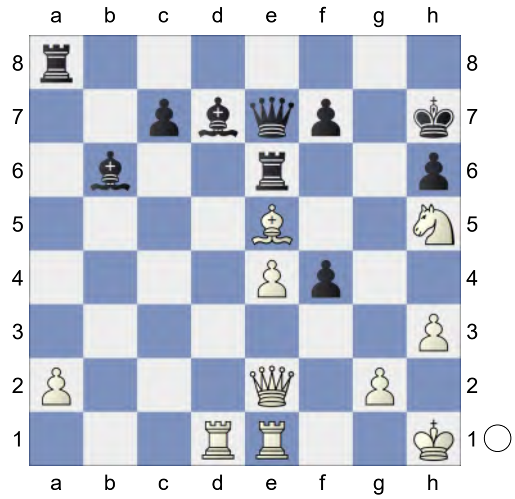
[28...Kg6 1.81/21]



29.Bxe5 3.28/27 **Qe7?** 13.39/26

[29...Rxe5 30.Rxd7 *(30.Nxf4? too greedy. Qe7-+)* 30...Qh4 31.Nxf4± *(31.Rxf7+ Kg8=)*]

[29...Qh4 3.28/27]



30.Bf6! Qe8

[30...Bb5 31.Qg4]

31.Qg4 Qg8 32.Rxd7 White wants to mate with Qf5+. **32...Rxa2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.56/Black=1.06

33.Qf5+

1-0

11 **C50**
☐ **Caruana,F** **2784**
■ **Gukesh,D** **2776**
12th Sinquefield Cup (9.2) 27.08.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.h3 Qe7N

[8...0-0 9.Nbd2 *(9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Nxg5 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Kg7 13.Qf3 Rh8 14.Nd2 Kg6 15.Be3 Kg7 16.Bg5 Kg6 17.Be3 Kg7*

18.Rae1 Be6 19.Qg3+ Kf8 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.Bxa7 Rxa7 22.f4 Rg8 23.Qh4 Rg6 1-0 (43) Nepomniachtchi, I (2767)-Fressinet,L (2672) World Rapid 2016 (5.14)*)* 9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7 Italian Game-4.0-0 2018]

[8...h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6 23.axb6 1-0 (50) 13.b3 ♗f8 14. ♗b2 (2133)-Martinez Catalan,F (2358) FRA-chT Top 16 GpA 2006 (6)]

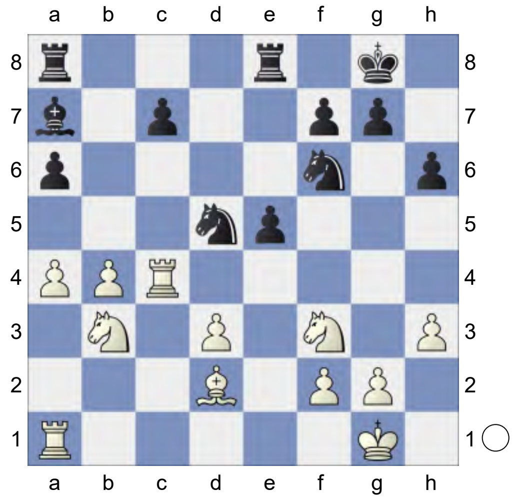
9.b4 White has an edge. **9...Be6 10.Nbd2 0-0 11.Re1 Rfe8 12.Qb3 h6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.Qxe6 Rxe6 15.Nb3 Ree8 16.Bd2 b5 17.Rec1 Ne7 18.c4 bxc4 19.Rxc4 d5** 0.73/23

[19...c6± 0.31/21 deserves consideration.]

20.exd5± White is more active.

[20.Rxc7 dxe4 21.dxe4 *(21.Nxe5? Ned5∓)* 21...Nxe4±]

20...Nexd5



21.Re1! Nd7 22.g3 f6 23.Kg2 Red8 24.d4 exd4 25.Nbxd4

[25.Nfxd4 Ne5 26.Rc2 Bxd4 27.Nxd4 Nxb4 28.Bxb4 Rxd4=]

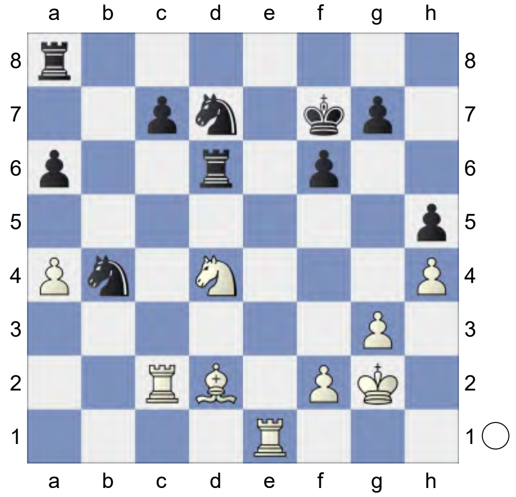
25...Bxd4

[Much worse is 25...N7b6 26.Rc2±]

26.Rxd4

[26.Nxd4 Ne5 27.Rc2 Nxb4 28.Bxb4 Rxd4=]

26...Nf8 27.h4 h5 Black is weak on the dark squares **28.Rc4 Rd6 29.Rc5 Kf7 30.Nd4 Nd7 31.Rc2** Nf5 is the strong threat. **31...Nxb4!**



Discovered Attack. The position is equal. **32.Bxb4**

[32.Rxc7 Rxd4 33.Bxb4 Rxb4]

32...Rxd4 33.Re7+ Kg6 34.Rxc7 Rxb4 35.Rexd7= Endgame KRR-KRR **35...Rg8 36.Ra7 Rxa4 37.Rd6 Ra3 38.Rdxa6 Rxa6 39.Rxa6** KR-KR **39...Re8 40.Ra7 Kh6 41.Ra5 Kg6 42.Ra7 Kh6 43.Ra5 Kg6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)

44.Ra7

½-½

12 C53
☐ **So,W 2745**
■ **Praggnanandhaa,R 2779**
12th Sinquefield Cup TB blitz (2) 27.8.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Bg5 Ba7 7.Nbd2 d6 8.a4 Ne7 White has an edge. **9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.0-0 Ng6 11.d4 h5 12.Re1 h4 13.Nf1 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Qb3 Kd7 16.h3**

[16.Qxb7 Bb6 17.Nxh4 Rxh4-+ *(17...Ra7? 18.Qxb6 cxb6 19.Nxg6-+)*]

16...Qe7 0.46/21

[16...Qg8= -0.01/21 17.Qxb7 Bb6 *(17...Nf4? 18.Ne3-+)*]

17.Ne3±

[17.Kh1 is interesting. Qg7 18.a5 Nf4 19.Ne3]

17...Kc8 0.63/21

[17...Nf4!= 0.20/20 might be stronger.]

18.Rad1 White is much more active.

18...Nf4 19.Kh2 0.05/20

[Better is 19.Kh1± 0.67/20]

19...Qg7 0.74/21

[19...Qh7= 0.05/20 remains equal.]

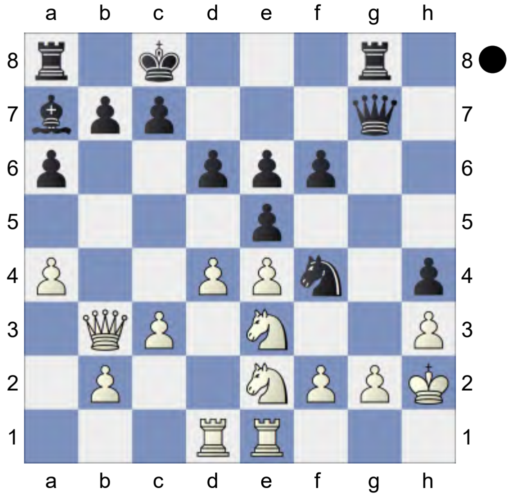
20.Ng1 0.01/23

[20.a5± 0.74/21]

20...Rg8 1.19/22

[20...Qg6= 0.01/23]

21.Ne2±



This costs Black the game. **21...Kd7** 2.72/19

[21...Nxg2? 22.Qxe6+ *(22.Rg1 Qf7+-)* 22...Kd8 *(22...Kb8? 23.Rg1+-)* 23.Rg1+-]

[21...Qg5± 1.24/21]

22.Nxf4+- exf4 23.Ng4 and e5! should not be overlooked **23...f3 24.Re3**

[24.gxf3 Qg5±]

[24.Qxb7 Rgb8 25.Qxa6 Bxd4=]

24...fxg2 25.Rf3

[25.Qxb7? Rgb8 26.Qxa6 Bxd4-+ *(26...Rxb2? 27.Rf3+-)*]

[25.Kxg2 Qg6±]

25...Raf8 5.04/20

[⌓25...Rgf8 3.22/19 26.d5 *(26.Qxb7 Rfb8±; 26.Kxg2? f5-+)* 26...exd5]

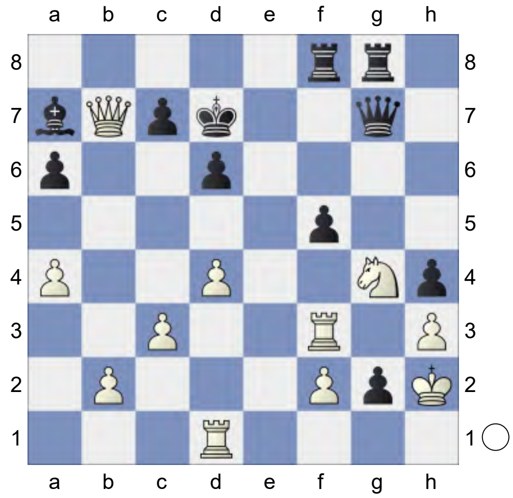
26.Qxb7 f5 7.63/21

[⌓26...Bb6 4.74/18 27.Rg1 *(27.Qxa6 Qe7±; 27.Kxg2 f5=; 27.a5 Bxa5 28.d5 Bb6+-)* 27...a5 28.Rxg2 Ke7]

27.exf5

[27.Qxa7? fxg4 28.Kg1 Rxf3-+ *(28...gxf3? 29.Qxa6 Qg5 30.Qd3-+)*]

27...exf5



28.Ne5+

[28.Qxa7? is the wrong capture. fxg4 29.Kg1 *(29.Rxf8 Qxf8 30.Kg1 gxh3)* 29...Rxf3-+ *(29...gxf3? 30.Qxa6 Rb8 31.b4-+)*]

28...Kd8 29.Kg1

[29.Qxa7? leads to mate. g1Q+ 30.Rxg1 Qxg1#]

29...Bb6 30.a5 Decoy **30...Bxa5 31.Nc6+ Kd7 32.Nxa5 Qe7 33.Qc6+ Kc8 34.Qxa6+ Kd7 35.Qb5+ Kc8 36.Re3 Qg5 37.Qa6+ Kd7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=1.02

38.Rde1

1-0

13 **C53**

☐ **Gukesh,D** **2776**

■ **Caruana,F** **2784**

Saint Louis Rapid 2025 (9.4) 13.08.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

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[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5

Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 h6 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 a5 9.Nbd2 a4 10.Bb5 Bd7! The position is equal. **11.Nf1 Ne7 12.Bxd7 Nxd7 13.d4 Bb6 14.Ng3 f5 15.Qd3** -0.75/21

[15.exf5= 0.19/24 Nxf5 16.Nxf5 Rxf5 17.Qc2]

15...f4 16.Nf1 Kh8 17.N1h2 Ng6 18.Bd2 c5 19.dxc5 Nxc5 20.Qc2 Qc7

[20...d5 21.exd5 Qd6 *(21...e4 22.Rxe4 Nxe4 23.Qxe4=)* 22.c4±]

21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.Re2 Qf7 23.c4 Ne7↑ Black fights for an advantage. **24.Ne1** -0.66/20

[24.Nh4= -0.19/22 deserves consideration.]

24...Nc6 25.Nhf3 Kh7 26.Nd3 -1.57/22

[⌓26.b4 -0.77/23 axb3 27.axb3]

26...g5 27.Nb4? -3.48/22

[27.Bc3 -1.71/21]

27...Rg8-+ 28.Bc3? -5.92/23

[28.Nxc6 -2.58/20 is tougher. bxc6 29.Bc3]

28...g4

[28...Qxc4? 29.Nxc6 *(29.Rxd6 Nxb4 30.Nxe5 Nxc2±)* 29...Qe6 30.Ncxe5 dxe5 31.Nxe5+-]

29.hxg4 Rxg4 30.Rxd6 Rag8 -4.23/24

[⌓30...Qh5 -8.48/21 31.Nh2 Rxg2+ Decoy 32.Kxg2 f3+ 33.Kh1 Qh3 *(33...fxe2 34.Nd5∓)* 34.Rxh6+ Decoy Kxh6 35.Qc1+ Kh7 *(35...Kh5? 36.Qf1-+)*]

31.Nd5 Rxg2+ 32.Kf1 Bd8 -1.76/25 Inhibits Nf6+.

[32...R8g7 33.Rd2± *(33.Nxb6? Qh5-+; 33.Bxe5? Nxe5 34.Rd2 Nxf3-+)*]

[32...R2g6! -4.54/23 33.Rxg6 *(33.Nxe5? Rg1#; 33.Bxe5? Nxe5 34.Rxb6 Qd7-+)* 33...Qxg6]

33.Rxd8 Nxd8 34.Bxe5 -1.76/25

[34.Ke1∓ -0.92/24]

34...Nd7! White must now prevent ...Nxe5. **35.Ke1** -1.87/22

[35.Qc3∓ -1.31/23]

35...Ne6! 36.Qxa4? -3.71/22

[36.Qc3∓ -1.26/20]

36...Ng5? -0.22/21

[36...Nxe5-+ -3.71/22 37.Nxe5 Rg1+ 38.Kd2 Qg7]

37.Nxg5+= R8xg5 38.Bd4 Ne5 Black has compensation. **39.Qb3** Prevents Nf3+. **39...Nc6**

[39...Rg1+ with more complications. 40.Kd2 f3 41.Re3 Rf1]

40.Bf6 Rg6

[40...f3!? 41.Re3 *(41.Qxf3 Nd4=)* 41...Re5±]

41.Qc3 -2.05/23

[41.e5!= 0.01/22 and White is okay. Nd4 42.Qb6 Rg1+ *(42...Nxe2? 43.e6+-)* 43.Kd2 Nxe2 44.e6 Rxf6 45.exf7 Rxb6 46.f8Q *(46.f8R? Rxb2+ 47.Kd3 Rf1-+)* 46...Rxb2+ 47.Kd3 Nc1+ 48.Kd4 Rd2+ 49.Kc5 Nd3+ 50.Kb6 *(50.Kd6 Nxf2 51.Qf5+ Kg8±)* 50...Rb2+ 51.Ka7 Rxa2+ *(51...Nxf2 52.Qf7+ Kh8 53.Nf6 Rxa2+ 54.Kb8)* 52.Kb8]

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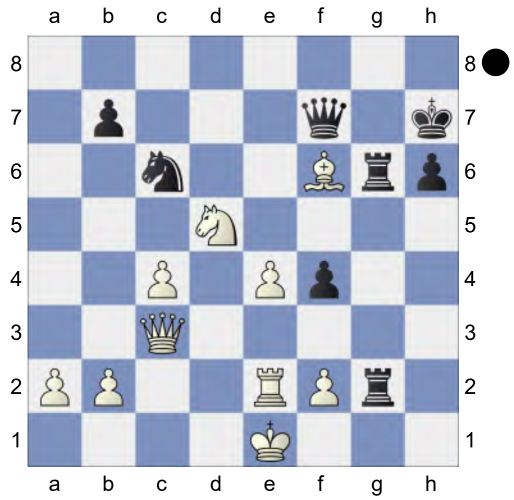

41...h5?? 3.04/23

[41...f3!-+ -2.05/23 and life is good for Black. 42.Re3 (*42.Qxf3 Nd4∓ Pin*) 42...Qe6]

42.e5!+- Qe6? 4.40/23

[42...f3 2.34/23 keeps fighting. 43.Qxf3 Rg1+ 44.Kd2 R6g4]

43.Nxf4 Rg1+ 44.Kd2 Qd7+ 45.Qd3 2.91/24

[⌓45.Nd5 5.88/23]

45...Qxd3+ 46.Kxd3 R6g4 47.Ke4 1.43/23

[47.Nxh5 Rd4+ 48.Ke3 Kg6∓]

[47.Re4+- 3.09/23 has better winning chances.]

47...h4? 6.70/25

[47...Nd4± 1.43/23 48.Kxd4 Rxf4+ 49.Kc5 Rg2 (*49...h4 50.Re3±*)]

48.f3 Nd4

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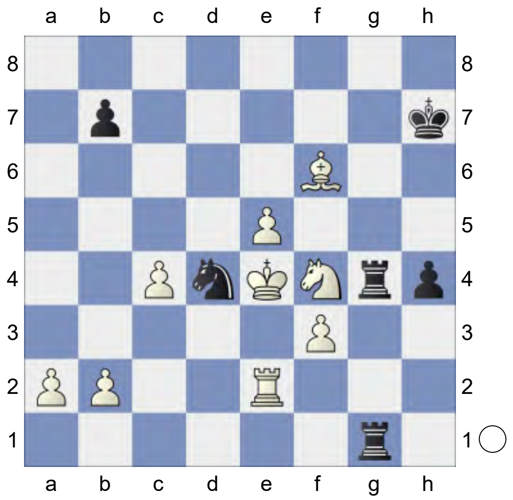


49.Rh2!

[And not 49.Kxd4 Rxf4+ 50.Ke3 (*50.Re4? Rxe4+ 51.fxe4 h3-+*) 50...Rxc4=]

[49.fxg4 Nxe2 50.Nxe2 h3 51.Nxg1 (*51.Kf4? h2-+*) 51...h2+-]

49...Re1+ 50.Kxd4 Rxf4+ Endgame KRR-KRB **51.Kd5 Kg6 52.Bxh4**

[Weaker is 52.Rxh4 Rd1+ 53.Ke6 Rxh4 54.Bxh4 Rd4±]

52...Rd1+ 53.Kc5? 2.15/24

[53.Ke6 7.93/24 Rdd4 54.Rg2+ Kh5 55.Bg5 Rxf3 56.b3]

53...Kf5? 6.66/24

[53...Rdd4 2.15/24]

54.Bf6 Rxf3 55.Rh7 Ra1 56.Rxb7 Rxa2 57.b4 Rc2 58.Rc7 Rfc3 6.72/24

[⌓58...Rf4 4.61/24]

59.Kb5 Rb3 60.Ka4 Rb1 61.Ka5 Ra2+ 62.Kb5 Rab2 63.Be7 Kxe5 64.Bf8 and Bg7+ should not be overlooked **64...Ke4 65.Rd7 Rf1 66.Bg7 Rb3?** 6.77/23

[66...Rg2 3.60/24 67.c5 Rc2 68.Rd4+ Kf5]

67.c5 Rc1 68.Rd6 Kf5 69.c6 Rg3 70.Bb2 Rc2 71.Bd4 Rg8 72.Bb6 Rb8 73.Ka6? 0.41/23

[73.Rd7+- 8.76/23 Ke6 74.Rh7]

73...Ra2+!± 74.Kb5 Rc2! 75.Rh6 Ke5

76.Rh7 Ke6 77.Rb7 Rc8 78.Bc5 Ra2 79.Re7+ Kd5 80.Rd7+ Ke6 81.Re7+? 0.01/16

[81.Rg7+- 7.80/23 Rb8+ 82.Rb7]

81...Kd5!= 82.c7 Prevents Rb8+. White is clearly winning. **82...Raa8 83.Rd7+ Ke6 84.Rd6+ Ke5 85.Kb6 Rg8 86.Kb7 Rae8 87.b5 Ke4 88.b6 Rg7** What a bad dream for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.74/Black=0.83

89.Kc6

1-0

14 C50

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2738**

■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu 2652**

ch-USA 2025 Saint Louis USA (5.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

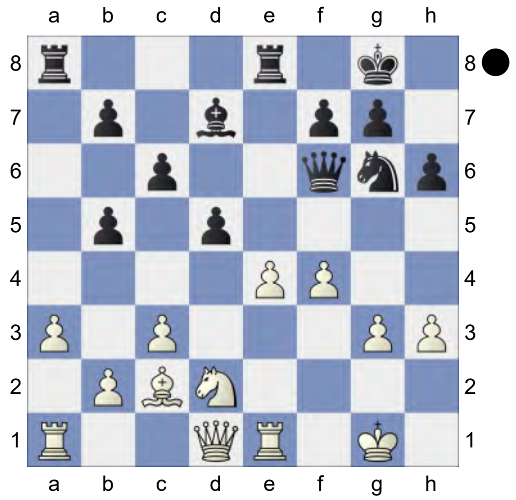
[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo- Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.Nbd2 Bb6 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Nc4 Ng6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Bc2 c6 12.Nxb6 axb6 White has an edge. **13.d4 b5 14.h3 h6 15.a3 Bd7 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Nd2 d5 18.dxe5 Qxe5 19.Bd4 Qf4 20.g3 Qd6 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.f4⇄**

[22.exd5 Rxe1+ 23.Qxe1 cxd5 24.Qf1]



White is not holding back **22...Nxf4! 23.gxf4 Qxf4 24.Qe2! dxe4** 0.93/22

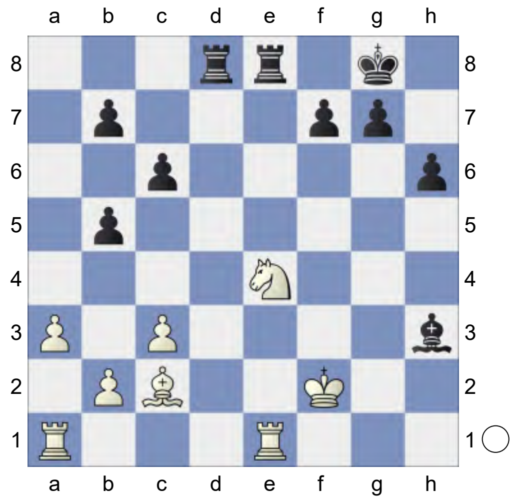
[24...Bxh3= -0.01/24 25.Qf2 Qg5+ 26.Kh2 Be6]

25.Nxe4± Bxh3 26.Qf2

[26.Qh5 is interesting. Bg4 27.Qh4 Re6 28.Nc5]

26...Qxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Rad8

(Diagram)



Prevents Nd6 **28.Nd6!** 0.42/23 **Rxe1⩲ 29.Rxe1 b6 30.Bf5** White is more active. **30...Kf8 31.Bxh3 Rxd6=** Endgame KRB-KR **32.Re4** 0.01/23

[32.Bg4!⩲ 0.68/23]

32...g6 33.Rb4 Ke7 34.Bf1 f5 35.c4 Rd4! 36.Rb3 Rf4+ 0.60/24

[36...bxc4= 0.06/23 37.Rxb6 Kd6]

37.Ke1!⩲ Re4+ 38.Be2 bxc4 39.Rxb6 Kd6 40.Kd2 0.14/21

[40.Rb8± 0.74/22]

40...g5= 41.Rb8 g4 42.Rh8 Re6 2.82/23

[42...g3!= 0.10/23 and Black stays safe. 43.Rxh6+ Ke5]

43.Bxc4+- Rg6 44.Ke3? 0.81/21

[44.Rg8+- 3.19/23 Rxg8 45.Bxg8]

44...f4+± 45.Kf2 g3+ 46.Kg1! Ke5! 47.Re8+ 0.12/22

[White should play 47.Be2!± 0.97/25]

47...Kd4= 48.Be2 c5! 49.a4 White now steadily converts the win. **49...c4?** 3.69/24

[49...Rb6= -0.01/20]

50.Rd8+!+- Ke3 51.Bxc4 f3 52.Rd3+! Ke4 53.a5 1.22/20

[53.Rd7!+- 3.05/23 is the precise move to win. and Bd3+ would now be decisive Ke3 54.Rd3+ Ke4 55.Rd8]

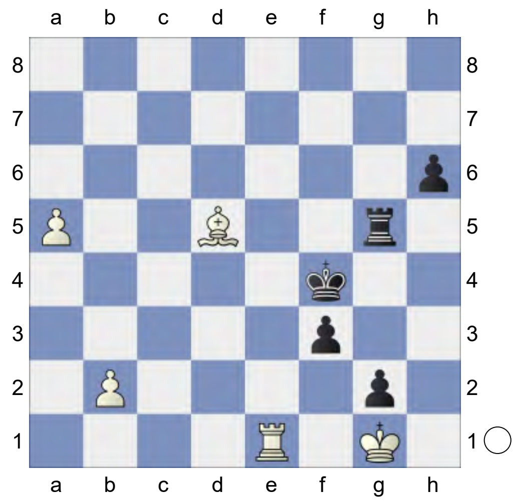
53...g2? 4.61/26

[53...h5± 1.22/20]

54.Rd1 Ke3 (-> ...f2+) **55.Re1+**

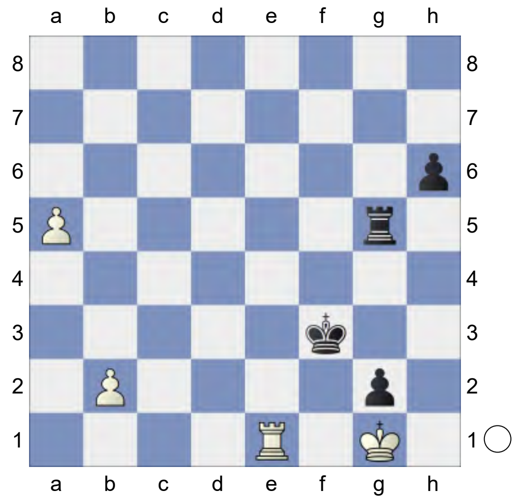
[Wrong is 55.Rd3+? Kf4-+]

55...Kf4 White must now prevent ...Rd6. **56.Bd5! Rg5**



57.Bxf3 Kxf3

[57...Rxa5 58.Kxg2]



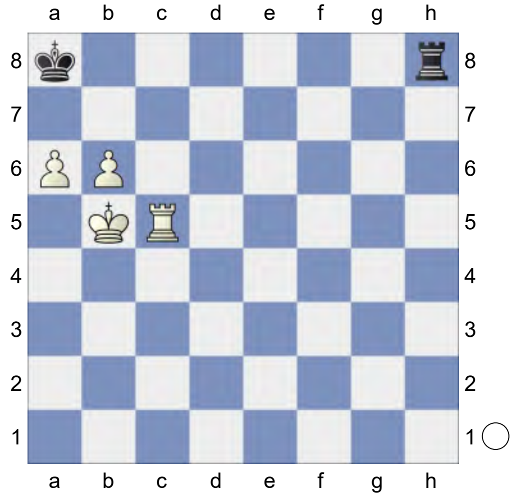
KR-KR **58.Ra1! Ke4 59.b4 Kd5 60.b5 Kc5 61.b6 Kc6 62.Rc1+ Kb7 63.Rc7+ Ka8 64.a6 Rg8** Dodges Rc8+ **65.Rh7 h5 66.Rxh5 Rb8 67.Rh6** Threatening mate with Rf6!.

[67.Kxg2 Rxb6 68.Ra5 Ka7=]

67...Rg8 68.Rh7 12.54/32

[⌓68.Rc6 33.31/32 Re8 69.b7+ *(69.Kxg2 Rf8+-)* 69...Kb8 70.Kxg2]

68...Kb8 69.Rh2 Ka8 70.Rxg2 Rb8 71.Rg6 Rd8 72.Kf2 Re8 73.Kf3 Kb8 74.Kf4 Ka8 75.Kf5 Rb8 76.Ke5 Rf8 77.Kd5 Kb8 78.Kc6 Ka8 79.Rg5 Rh8 80.Kb5 Rd8 81.Rc5 Rh8



82.Rc8+!! 10.64/5 **Rxc8 83.b7+ Kb8** #6/14

[83...Ka7+- 4.66/5]

84.Kb6!

[Not 84.bxc8R+ Kxc8 85.Kc6 Kb8=]

84...Rc7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.39

85.a7#

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15 **C50**

☐ **So,W** **2745**

■ **Gukesh,D** **2776**

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[Kitty Kat]

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Dodges Ng4 **8...Ba7 9.a4** White has an edge. **9...h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 Re8 11.b4N

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 *(12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Rxe5 Qd7 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16))* 12...Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 1-0 (39) Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/(288) 2009 (1.23) 26.Rf1 Rxb2 27.Rxe5 Bb6 28.Re4 Rd2 29.g4 Rd3 30.Rfe1 Rd8 31.h4 Rf6 32.Kg2 Kg8 33.Re8+ Rxe8 34.Rxe8+ Kh7 35.h5 Re6 36.Rf8 f6 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+ Kh8 39.h6 1-0 Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.23)]

11...Qe7 12.Rb1 Be6 13.b5 axb5 14.Rxb5 Nd7 15.Qc2

[15.Rxb7 Bb6 16.Bxe6 fxe6∓ *(16...Qxe6 17.Nc4=)*]

15...Bb6 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.Nc4 Ra6 18.Nxb6 cxb6 0.48/22

[18...Rxb6= 0.12/22 is superior. 19.Be3 Rxb5 20.axb5 Ne7]

19.Be3± Rea8 20.Ra1 Ne7 21.Rab1 -0.01/21

[21.d4⩲ 0.48/21]

21...Rxa4= 22.Bxb6 Nxb6 23.Rxb6 Ng6 24.Rxb7 Nf4 25.Kh2 Ra2 26.R7b2 Rxb2 27.Rxb2 Ra1 28.Nh4 g6 29.Nf3 Kg7 30.Ng1 Qc8! 31.g3⇄ White has counterplay **31...Ne6 32.Nf3 Qa6 33.Qe2 Qa3**

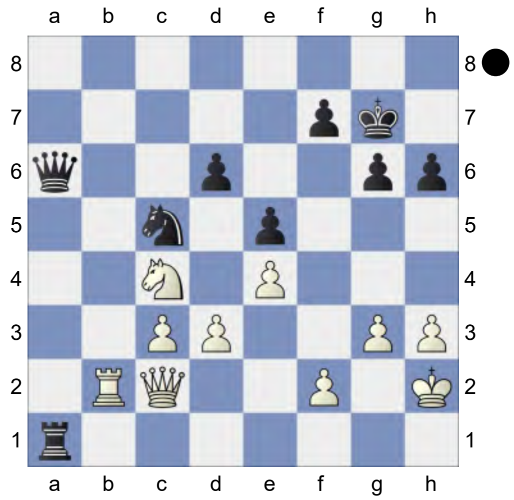
[33...Ra3 34.Rc2 Nc5 35.d4 Qxe2 36.Rxe2 exd4 37.Nxd4 Rxc3 38.Nb5 Rd3]

34.Qc2! Nc5 ...Nxd3! is the strong threat. **35.Nd2! Qa6**

[35...Re1 simplifies 36.Kg2 Qa6 37.Ra2 Qxd3 38.Qxd3 Nxd3 39.Nc4 Rd1]

36.Nc4 -1.13/28

[36.Nb3= -0.01/26 Nxb3 37.Rxb3]

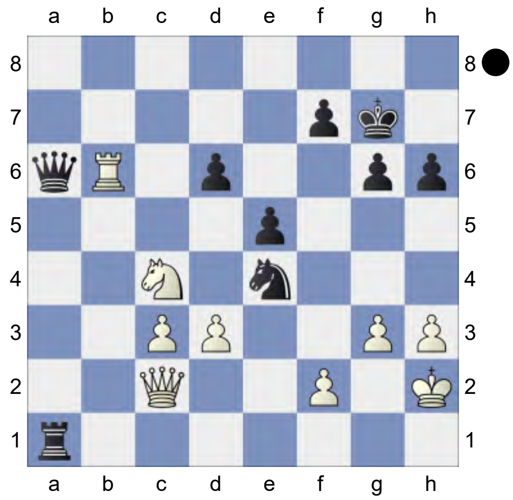


36...Nxe4!∓ Deflection. Black is more active. **37.Rb6** -1.87/29

[37.Rb1∓ -1.03/24 Rxb1 38.Qxb1]

[37.h4 Nxc3]

(Diagram)



37...Qc8!-+ This move loses the game for White. **38.h4** -4.42/27 Prevents Ng5

[38.dxe4∓ -1.44/27 was necessary. Qxc4 39.Rb1 *(39.Rxd6? Qf1-+)* 39...Rxb1 40.Qxb1]

38...Nf6? -1.64/26

[38...Re1 -4.42/27 (-> ...Ng5!) 39.Nxe5 dxe5 *(39...Qxc3 40.Qxc3 Nxc3 41.Nc4=)* 40.dxe4 Qc4]

39.Nxd6? -5.55/29

[39.Rxd6 leads to mate. Qb7]

[39.Rb1 -1.64/26 Ng4+ 40.Kg2 Rxb1 41.Qxb1]

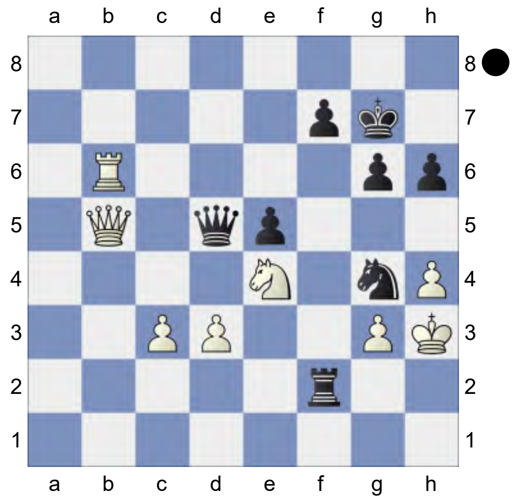
39...Qc5 40.Qb2 Ng4+ 41.Kg2 Qd5+ 42.Ne4 Ra2 Deflection **43.Qb5** -9.30/27

[Not 43.Rb5? Rxb2 *(43...Qxd3 44.Qxa2 Qxe4+ 45.Kg1=; 43...Ne3+? 44.fxe3 Rxb2+ 45.Rxb2-+)* 44.Rxd5 Ne3+ 45.Kf3 Nxd5]

[⌓43.Qb1 -4.39/25 Nxf2 *(43...Rxf2+? 44.Kg1-+)* 44.c4]

43...Rxf2+ 44.Kh3

(Diagram)



h5! 45.Rxg6+

[45.Qb2 Rxb2]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.14 (very precise)

45...fxg6

0-1

16 C53

☐ Firouzja,Alireza 2766

■ Carlsen,M 2839

Esports World Cup 2025 blitz (3.1)

[Kitty Kat]

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 d6 10.h3 Ba7 11.Re1 Ne7 12.Nf1 White is slightly better. **12...Ng6 13.Ng3 c6 14.Bb3 d5 15.exd5**

[15.d4 simplifies Nxe4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Nxe5 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Qxd1 19.Bxd1 Bf5 20.Bg4]

15...Nxd5 16.Bd2 Re8 17.Qc2 Be6 18.Rad1

[18.Nxe5? Nxe5 19.Re4 (*19.Rxe5? Bxf2+* Decoy *20.Kxf2 Qf6+-+*) 19...Ng6-+]

18...Qc7

[18...Nh4 19.Nxe5 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Rxe5 21.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 22.Kxf2 Qf6+]

19.c4 Ndf4 20.Bxf4 Nxf4 21.c5 Bxb3 22.Qxb3 a5

[22...Rad8 keeps more tension. 23.Nf5 Bb8 24.d4 Qd7]

23.d4 -0.99/24

[23.Nf5= 0.18/20]

23...exd4∓ 24.Rxe8+ -1.41/25

[White should play 24.Nf5∓ -0.60/21]

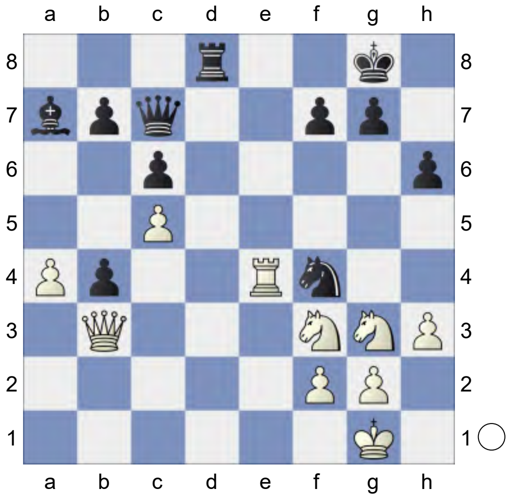
24...Rxe8 25.Rxd4 Rd8 -0.30/21

[25...Ne6∓ -1.60/25 26.Rc4 Rd8]

26.Re4 -1.17/24

[26.Rxd8+= -0.30/21 Qxd8 27.bxa5 Qxa5 28.Qxb7]

26...axb4

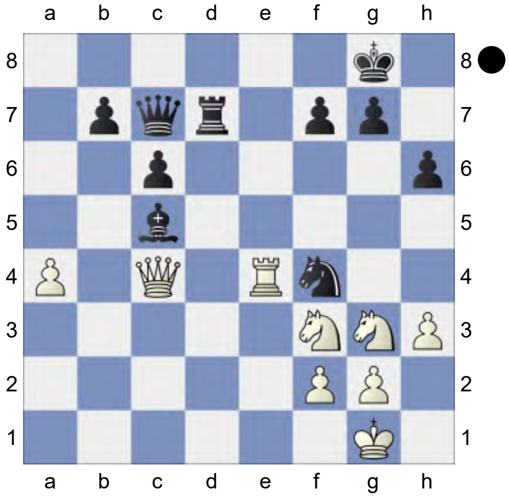


Remove Defender **27.Rxb4 Rd7**

[And not 27...Bxc5 28.Rxb7 Rd3 *(28...Nxh3+? 29.Kf1+-)* 29.Rxc7±]

28.Re4 Black must now prevent Re8+. **28...Bxc5** White does not recover from this. **29.Qc4?** -5.86/26

[29.Re8+∓ -1.02/23 is tougher. Bf8 30.Nf5]



29...Bxf2+! Decoy **30.Kxf2 Nd3+** Deflection **31.Ke3?** -6.66/21

[31.Kg1 -3.79/23 Qxg3 32.Rg4]

31...Qxg3-+ 32.Re8+ Kh7 (-> ...Qf2+) **33.Qe4+ g6 34.Re7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/Black=0.28 (precise)

34...Qf2#

0-1

17 C53

☐ So,W 2745

■ Le,Quang Liem 2729

Saint Louis Blitz 2025 (17.1) 15.08.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.h3 -0.52/22

[8.Nbd2= 0.23/19]

8...Ba7N

[8...Qe7 9.Bb3 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Bd7 11.Qe2 0-0-0 12.0-0-0 g5 13.Bg3 Be6 14.c4 Nd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Nf3 c5 17.Qd2 Qc7 18.Rhf1 Nd7 19.Kb1 Nb8 20.Rc1 Nc6 21.Ba4 Bd7 22.Ne1 a5 23.Nc2 0-1 (79) Suchitraa,V (1114)-Anoud,E (1388) Sharjah Cup (Women) 12th 2022 (7)]

9.Bb3 g5 10.Bg3 Black is better. **10...Ne7** -0.06/20

[10...Nh5∓ -0.77/20]

11.Nbd2= Ng6! 12.Bh2 -0.59/21

[Better is 12.Qc2= 0.00/20]

12...Qe7 13.Qe2 -0.74/21

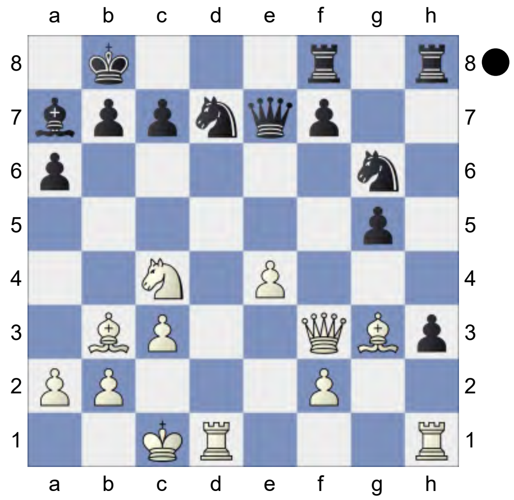
[13.Nf1!∓ -0.31/19 deserves consideration.]

13...Bd7∓ 14.g4 0-0-0 15.0-0-0 Kb8 16.Bg3 -1.77/21

[16.Ne1∓ -0.98/20]

16...Rdf8!-+ 17.d4 h5! 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Nc4 hxg4 20.Nfxe5 gxh3 White must now prevent ...Bc8. **21.Nxd7+ Nxd7 22.Qf3** -2.08/22

[⌓22.Na5 -1.70/23 Nf4 23.Bxf4 gxf4 24.Qf3]



22...Nc5! 23.Bc2 Qe6 24.Rd5 g4 25.Bxc7+ -3.43/23

[25.Qf5 -1.97/22 is the only way for White. Ne7 26.Qxe6 Nxe6 27.Rd7]

25...Ka8

[25...Kxc7 26.Qg3+ Kc8 27.Nd6+ Kd7 28.Nxf7+ Kc8 29.Nd6+ Kb8 30.Ne8+ Rf4 31.Rd8+±]

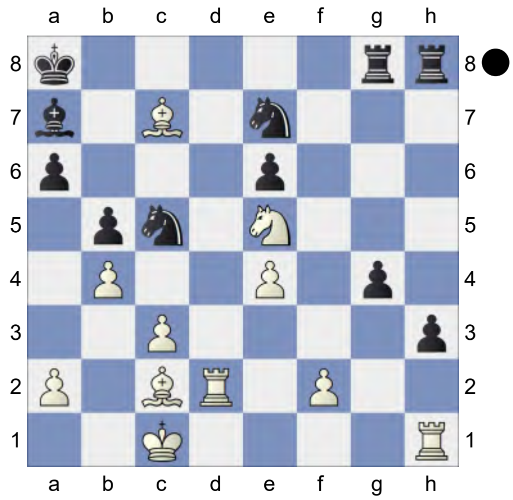
26.Qf5 Ne7 Excellent horsemanship. **27.Qxe6 fxe6** -0.87/24

[27...Nxe6-+ -3.46/24 28.Bd6 Nxd5 29.exd5 Ng7 *(29...Ng5? 30.Bxf8 Bxf2 31.Bd6-+)* 30.Bxf8 Rxf8]

28.Rd2∓ b5↑ Black is on the roll. **29.Ne5 Rfg8 30.b4** -1.82/23

[30.Nd7!∓ -0.57/21]

(Diagram)



30...Na4!-+ 31.Nf7? -3.27/21

[31.Bxa4∓ -1.44/21 was called for. bxa4 32.Nd7]

31...Rh7 32.e5 Rxf7 33.Be4+ Nd5 34.Rxd5

[34.Bxd5+? exd5 35.Bd6 Rxf2 36.Rxf2 Bxf2-+]

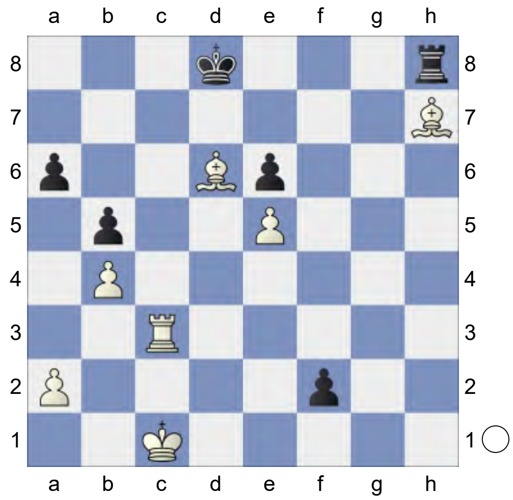
34...Kb7?? 8.04/23

[34...Be3+-+ -4.76/26 35.fxe3 Ka7]

35.Rd7++- Discovered Attack (Check). White is clearly winning.

[35.Rxb5+? too greedy. Kc8 36.Ra5 Nxc3 37.Rxa6 Nxe4-+ *(37...Rxc7? 38.Bc6-+)*]

35...Kc8 36.Rxf7 Nxc3 37.Bh7 Rh8 38.Bd6 Bxf2 39.Rxf2 g3 40.Rxh3 gxf2 41.Rxc3+ Kd8



42.Rf3! Rxh7

[42...f1Q+ 43.Rxf1]

43.Rxf2 Kd7 44.Rc2 Rc7+ is the strong threat. **44...Rh3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.43/ Black=0.46

45.Kb2

1-0

18 **C50**

☐ **Giri,A** **2748**

■ **Vidit,S** **2720**

Abu Dhabi Masters Online blitz (7)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 The position is equal. **9.Nbd2**

[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9...Bd7N

[9...g5!? 10.Bg3□

A) 10...0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.Bc2 *(15.a4 Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020)* 15...Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5 30.Ra1 b4 31.c4 h5 32.gxh5 Nh6 33.g3 e4 34.Rae1 Qe5 35.Qg2 Qxb2 36.dxe4 Ng4 37.c5 Qc3 38.Qe2 Ne5 39.Rc1 dxe4 40.Bd1 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9.♗e3 00 10.♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976;

B) 10...Qe7=]

10.Rc1 g5 11.Bg3 0-0 12.h3 -0.25/20

[12.Re1⩲ 0.37/21]

12...Kg7 0.51/23

[Better is 12...Nh5= -0.25/20 13.Bh2 g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4]

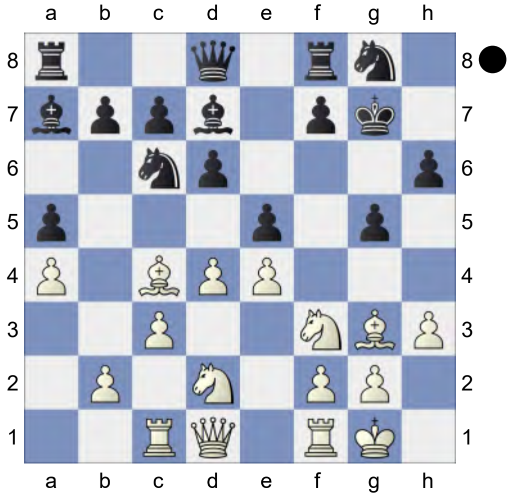
13.a4 -0.32/22

[13.Re1⩲ 0.51/23]

13...Ng8 0.58/22

[13...Nh5⩱ -0.32/22 14.Bh2 g4]

14.d4



Deflection **14...exd4 15.cxd4 Nxd4 16.e5 Bc6 17.exd6 cxd6 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.Ne4** Repels Nf6. Discovered Attack

[19.Bb5 simplifies Bxb5 20.axb5 Bxb2 21.Rc2]

19...Bxb2 1.05/26

[19...Qb6= 0.28/26 20.Nxd6 f5]

20.Nxd6± Bxc1 21.Qd4+ 0.12/23

[21.Qxc1± 1.05/26 Strongly threatening Re1. Qf6 22.Re1]

21...f6!=

[21...Qf6? 22.Be5 Bf4 23.Bxf6+ Nxf6 24.Nf5+ Kg6 25.Bd3+-]

22.Rxc1 Qd7 23.Re1 Rae8 Inhibits Be6. **24.Rxe8 Rxe8 25.Nxe8+ Qxe8 26.Qb6 Ne7 27.Qxa5 Bxa4 28.Bd6 Nc8 29.Bb4** This pair of bishops is nice. **29...Bc6 30.Qc5**

[30.Ba3 Qe5 31.Qb4 Qe8 32.Bf1]

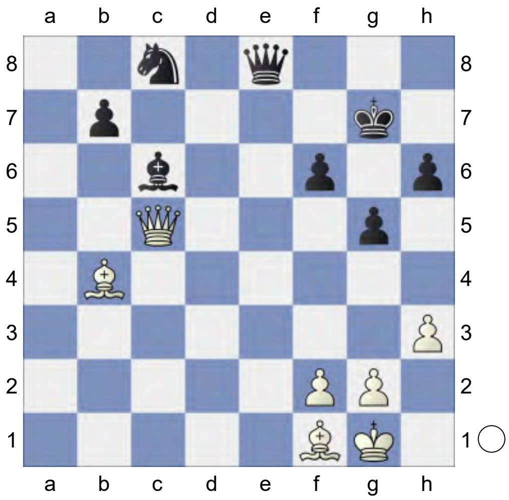
30...Qd8 Prevents Bd3

[30...b6 seems wilder. 31.Qd4 b5 32.Bd3 Qe5]

31.Bf1 White has compensation.

31...Qe8 1.01/27

[31...Be4= 0.07/24 keeps the balance.]



32.f3 -0.10/27

[32.Bd3!± 1.01/27 Bd7 33.Qc7]

32...Qd8 33.Be2 Qb6 34.Kh2 Qxc5 35.Bxc5 Endgame KBB-KBN. Black is a pawn up. **35...Bd5 36.Bb5 Kf7 37.Bd7 Ne7 38.Kg1** -1.02/26

[38.Bb5∓ -0.42/23]

38...h5 -0.43/27

[38...Bc6∓ -1.02/26 39.Bxc6 Nxc6]

39.Bb5∓ h4 40.Kf2 Ng6 41.Bd3 Nf4 42.Bb5 Ke6 43.Bd4 Ke7 44.Bc5+ Kf7! 45.Be3 Ne6 46.Bd3 Nd8 47.Bb5 Ne6 48.Bd7 -0.69/22

[White should play 48.Bd3!= 0.01/22]

48...Nf8 49.f4? -8.73/24 **gxf4-+ 50.Bxf4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.19 (very precise)

50...Nxd7

0-1

19 **C53**

☐ **Dominguez Perez,L** **2738**

■ **Le,Quang Liem** **2729**

Saint Louis Blitz 2025 (10.2) 15.08.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.a4 a5

[6...a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

7.Bg5N

[7.h3 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Be6 10.Ng3 d5 11.exd5 Bxd5 12.Qb3 e4 13.Bxd5 exf3 14.Bxf3 Qxd3 15.Qb5 Nb4 16.Qxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Kd2 Rad8 18.Kc2 Bxf2 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Ne1+ 21.Kb1 c6 0-1 (34) Veres,E (2596)-Krueger,A (2652) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (4.3) 22.Be3 Bg3 23.Bf4 Bf2 24.Be3 Bh4 25.Bb6 Rd2 26.Ka2 Re2 27.Bf3 Nxf3 28.gxf3 Bd8 29.Bc5 Rfe8 30.Rhd1

Bf6 31.Kb3 b5 32.Bd6 Rd8 33.axb5 cxb5 34.Bc7 a4+ 0-1 Santos Ruiz,M (2596)-Korobov,A (2652) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (4.3)]

[7.Nbd2 0-0 8.0-0 Be6 9.Qb3 Qd7 10.Re1 h6 11.Nf1 Bxc4 12.Qxc4 Qe6 13.Qxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Bb4 17.Rec1 d5 18.Ng3 dxe4 19.Nxe4 Nf6 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.Rxc5 Nd5 ½-½ (63) Kramer,A (2596)-Pirk,H (2667) cor 1980 (8)]

7...h6 8.Bh4 The position is equal. **8...Qe7 9.0-0 0-0** 0.39/23

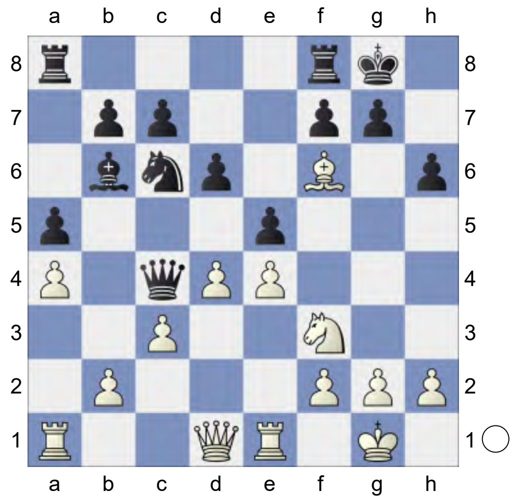
[9...Ba7= -0.13/22]

10.Nbd2± Be6 11.Re1 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Qe6 1.19/27

[12...g5± 0.47/22]

13.d4± Qxc4 14.Bxf6 Bb6 1.80/26

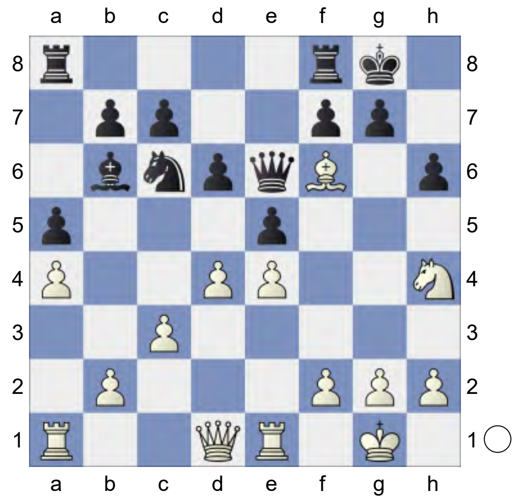
[14...gxf6± 0.85/27 15.dxc5 Rad8]



15.Nh4!+- Qe6

[15...gxf6 16.Nf5 Rfd8 17.d5± *(17.Nxh6+ Kg7±)*]

(Diagram)

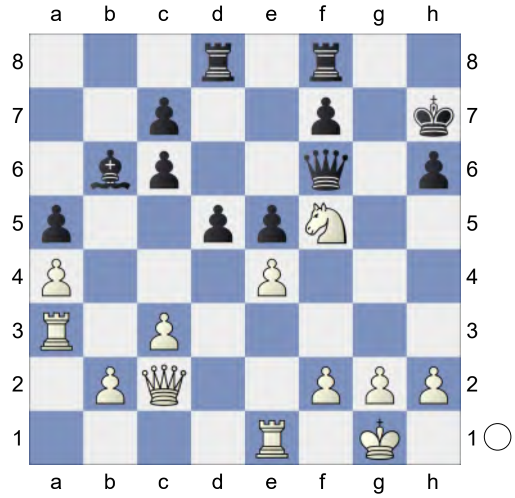


Wards off Qg4 **16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.d5 Qf6 18.Nf5+ Kh7 19.dxc6 bxc6 20.Ra3 d5** 2.61/24

[⌓20...Rg8 1.91/22]

21.Qc2 Rad8 3.53/22

[21...Rg8 2.16/20 might work better. 22.c4 *(22.exd5 e4±)* 22...dxc4 23.Qxc4 Qe6]



22.c4! dxe4? 5.42/25

[22...Rg8 3.16/22 23.Rh3 Rg6]

23.Qxe4 Rd2 24.Rf3

[24.Qxe5? Qxe5 *(24...Bxf2+ 25.Kf1=)* 25.Ne3 Qxb2-+ *(25...Rxb2? 26.h3-+)*]

24...Kh8 25.g3

[25.Qxe5? Qxe5 26.Ne3 Rxb2-+

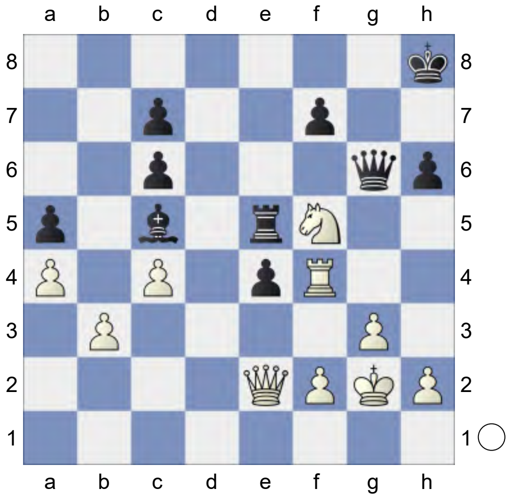
(26...Qxb2? 27.c5-+)]

[25.Nd4 Qd6 26.Nf5 *(26.Qxe5+? Qxe5-+; 26.Nxc6 f6±)* 26...Qe6+-]

25...Re8 26.b3 Qg6 27.Kg2 Bc5 28.Re2 Rxe2 29.Qxe2 e4? 5.87/24

[29...Bd6 3.16/23 30.Nxd6 cxd6]

30.Rf4 Re5



31.Nxh6 Deflection **31...f5**

[31...Qxh6 32.Rh4]

32.Rh4

[32.Nxf5 Rxf5 33.Qxe4 Rg5±]

32...Kg7 33.Qd1 Be7 34.Qd7 Kf8 35.Qc8+ Qe8 36.Qxe8+

[36.Qxc7? Bxh4 37.gxh4 Qg6+ 38.Kf1 Re6 39.Qxa5 Qxh6 40.Qxf5+ Ke8-+]

36...Kxe8 Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **37.Rh5 e3 38.fxe3** Overworked Piece

[38.Rxf5? Rxf5 39.fxe3 *(39.Nxf5? e2-+)* 39...Rf6-+]

38...Rxe3 39.Nxf5 Rxb3 40.Nxe7 Kxe7 41.Rxa5 KR-KR. White is two pawns up. **41...Rc3 42.h4 Rxc4 43.h5 Kf6 44.Kh3 c5 45.g4 Kg5 46.Ra6 Rc3+ 47.Kg2 Kxg4 48.h6 Rc2+ 49.Kf1 Kf3?** 6.94/19

[49...c4 3.43/21 50.Rg6+ Kf5]

50.Ke1 Ke3 51.Kd1 -0.01/26 Repels Rc1+

[51.Re6++- 7.00/20 Kf4 52.a5]

51...Rh2= 52.a5

[52.Rc6!? Kd3□ 53.Ke1= *(53.Kc1 c4=)*]

52...Kd3 53.Ke1 c4 54.Rc6! c3 55.a6! and Rxc3+! would now be decisive

[55.Rxc7 Rxh6 56.Rd7+ Kc2∓]

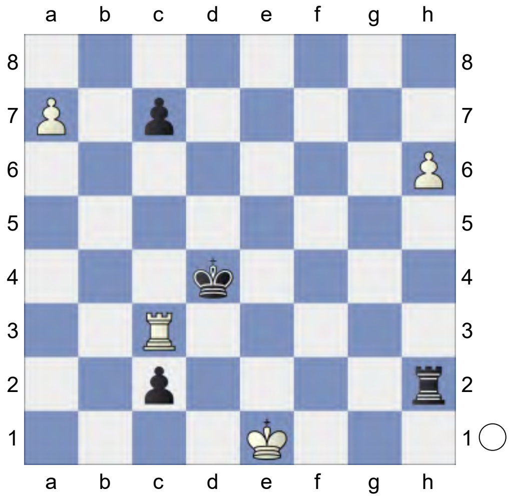
55...c2 (-> ...Rxh6!) **56.a7** Chess con chili. **56...Ke3?** 11.83/23

[56...Re2+= -0.01/16 57.Kf1 Re8]

57.Rc3++-

[57.a8B? Rh1#]

57...Kd4



Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/Black=0.76

58.Rxc2!! Promotion

1-0

20 **C50**
☐ **Giri,A** **2748**
■ **Vidit,S** **2720**
Quantbox Chennai GM 2025 (6.5)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3

[6.h3 a5 7.Nc3 h6 8.Be3 0-0 9.d4

Bb4 10.d5 Ne7 11.Bd3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Ng6 13.Kh2 Nh7 14.Nd2 Qh4 15.Qe1 f5 16.f3 Qe7 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bxf5 Rxf5 19.Ne4 b6 20.c4 Rff8 ½-½ (32) Jumabayev,R (2590)-Nogerbek,K (2493) Asian Continental op 20th 2023 (8)]

6...a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Bd7N

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Boskovic,M (2688)-Kennaugh, C (2720) 45: Lloyds Bank 1994 (6.1) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Rc1 0-0 0.32/20

[10...g5= -0.07/21 11.Bg3 0-0]

11.Re1⩲ g5 12.Bg3 Ne7 13.d4 Ng6 14.h3 Re8 15.Bd3 g4 16.hxg4 Nxg4 17.Nh2 -0.41/22

[17.Nc4= -0.01/23]

17...h5 -0.01/19

[17...Nxh2!∓ -0.41/22 18.Bxh2 Qe7]

18.Be2= Qg5 19.Ndf3 Qe7 20.Nxg4 Bxg4 21.Nd2

[21.Nh2? Bxe2 22.Rxe2 h4-+]

21...Bxe2

[21...exd4 22.Bxg4 hxg4 23.Qxg4]

22.Qxe2 h4 23.Bh2 exd4 24.Nf3 -0.37/21

[24.Qh5= -0.01/22]

24...dxc3∓ 25.Rxc3 Bc5 -0.24/20

[25...Bb6∓ -0.77/21]

26.a3= Qf6 27.Qc2 -0.85/22

[27.Rd3∓ -0.48/20]

27...Bb6∓ 28.Rd3 -1.30/21

[⌓28.Re2 -0.86/21]

28...Re6 29.Rd5 Rae8? 0.15/23

[29...Ne5!∓ -1.43/21 30.Bxe5 dxe5]

30.Rh5= Bd4

[30...a4 seems wilder. 31.Re2 h3 32.Qxa4 Nf4]

31.Rxa5 -0.94/22

[31.Rf5? Qxf5 32.Nxd4 Rxe4 33.Rxe4 Rxe4-+ (*33...Qxe4? 34.Qxe4 Rxe4 35.Nf3-+*)]

[31.Re2= 0.01/23 remains equal.]

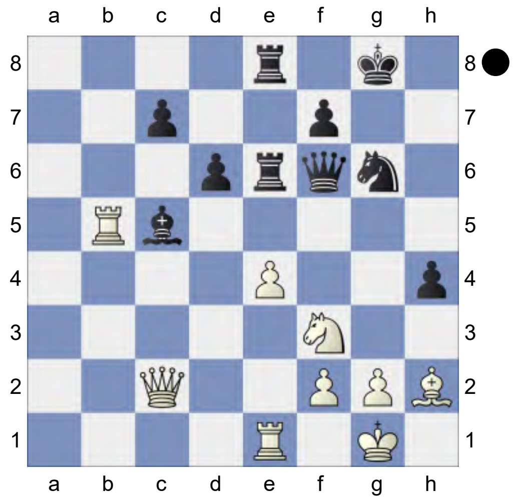
31...Bxb2 -0.19/20

[Better is 31...c5∓ -0.94/22 32.Ra7 d5 (*32...Bxb2 33.Rxb7 Bxa3 34.Bxd6∓*) 33.Nxd4 cxd4]

32.Rb5? -2.03/22

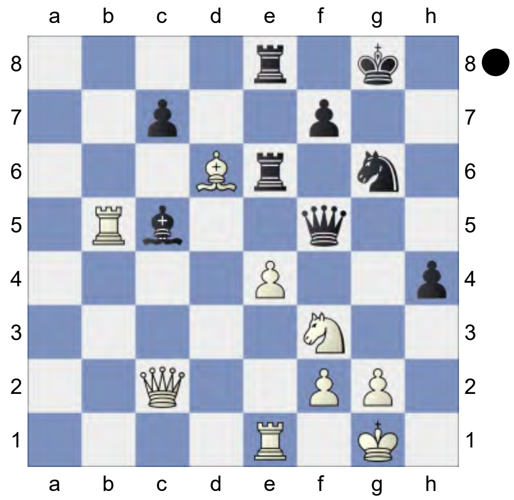
[32.Rh5!= -0.19/20 and White has nothing to worry.]

32...Bxa3-+ 33.Rxb7 Bc5! 34.Rb5



Qf5 -0.76/23 **35.Bxd6∓**

(Diagram)



Bxf2+ Discovered Attack **36.Qxf2 Qxb5 37.Nd4 Qc4 38.Nxe6 Rxe6**

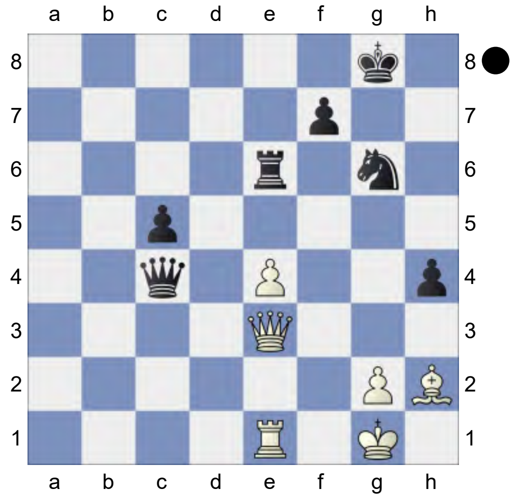
[38...Qxe6 39.Bxc7 h3 40.gxh3∓]

39.Bh2 c5

[39...Rxe4?! 40.Rxe4 Qxe4 41.Bxc7=]

40.Qe3 -1.41/22

[White should try 40.Qf5 -0.77/21]



40...Qd4 -0.45/22

[40...Qb5!∓ -1.41/22 41.Rc1 c4]

41.Qxd4∓ cxd4 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **42.Kf2** -0.75/22

[42.Kf1∓ -0.32/24 might be stronger.]

42...Rc6 -0.19/23

[42...Kg7∓ -0.75/22 and ...Kf6 should not be overlooked 43.Re2 Kf6]

43.Rd1= Rc2+ 44.Kg1 Rc4 45.Kf1 f6 46.Bg1 d3 47.Rxd3 Rxe4 48.Rd4 Re5 49.Bf2 Rh5 50.Kg1 h3 51.gxh3 Rxh3 52.Kg2 Rb3 53.Bg3 Kf7 54.Ra4 Nf8 55.Bh4 Ne6 56.Bxf6 Kxf6 KRN-KR **57.Ra5 Nd4 58.Kf2 Nf5 59.Ke2 Kg5 60.Ra4 Ng3+ 61.Kd2 Kf5 62.Kc2 Re3 63.Ra8 Ne4 64.Rf8+ Ke5 65.Re8+ Kd4 66.Rd8+ Kc4 67.Rc8+ Nc5 68.Kd2 Re7 69.Rc6 Rd7+ 70.Ke3 Rd3+ 71.Ke2 Rh3 72.Rc8 Kd4 73.Rd8+ Kc3 74.Rc8 Kc4 75.Re8 Nd3 76.Rc8+ Kd4 77.Rd8+ Ke4 78.Re8+ Ne5 79.Kd2 Rh2+ 80.Kc3 Re2 81.Rh8 Re3+ 82.Kc2 Ra3 83.Re8 Ra5 84.Kc3 Rc5+ 85.Kb3 Kd4 86.Rd8+ Ke3 87.Rh8 Nf3 88.Kb4 Rc1 89.Rh7 Kd3 90.Rh3 Rc4+ 91.Kb5 Rf4 92.Kc5 Rf5+ 93.Kd6 Kd4 94.Rh1 Rf6+ 95.Ke7 Rb6 96.Rf1 Ke4 97.Rh1 Kd5 98.Rd1+ Ke5 99.Kd7 Nd4 100.Kc7 Rb2 101.Rh1 Ne6+ 102.Kc6 Rc2+ 103.Kb6 Kd5 104.Rh5+ Kd6 105.Kb5 Nf4 106.Rh1 Rc5+ 107.Kb4 Nd3+ 108.Kb3 Rc1 109.Rxc1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

109...Nxc1+

½-½

21 **C53**

□ **Erigaisi,Arjun** **2776**

■ **Liang,Awonder** **2696**

Quantbox Chennai GM 2025 (1.5) 7.8.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4

h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 Bb6 7.Re1 Ng4 8.Re2 0-0 9.h3 Nf6 White is slightly better. **10.Re1 h6 11.Nbd2 Ne7 12.d4 Nc6 13.a4 a5 14.Bb5 exd4 15.Nc4 dxc3 16.Nxb6 cxb6 17.bxc3 Re8 18.Qc2 Bd7 19.Bf4 Ne5 20.Nd4 Nc6 21.Bf1** This pair of bishops is nice. **21...d5 22.e5 Ne4 23.Nb5 Bf5** 0.56/20

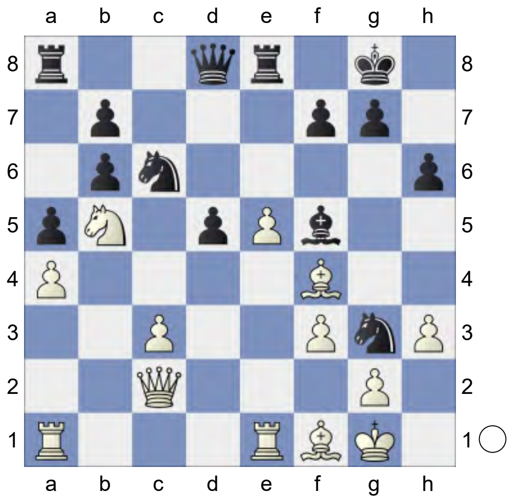
[23...Rc8= 0.04/21]

24.f3

[24.Qa2 seems wilder. Qh4 25.g3 Qe7 26.Qxd5 g5 27.Nd6]

24...Ng3

(Diagram)



Discovered Attack **25.Qd2↑** White has good play. **25...Nxf1 26.Kxf1 Re6 27.Rad1** White is more active. **27...Qh4 28.g4** -0.01/22

[28.Kg1!± 0.48/21 should be considered.]

28...Qxh3+= 29.Kf2 Be4? 1.62/25 **30.fxe4+- dxe4**

[30...Nxe5?! 31.Bxe5 Rxe5 32.Qf4 *(32.exd5 Qh2+ 33.Kf1 Qh1+ 34.Kf2 Qh4+ 35.Kf3 Qh3+ 36.Kf2 Qh4+ 37.Kf3 Qh3+ 38.Kf4 Rae8=)* 32...Qh4+ 33.Qg3 Qf6+ *(33...Qxg3+ 34.Kxg3 dxe4 35.Kf4±)* 34.Kg1±]

31.Rxe4 Rae8 32.Bg3 0.78/26

[32.Rde1+- 1.71/21 has better winning chances.]

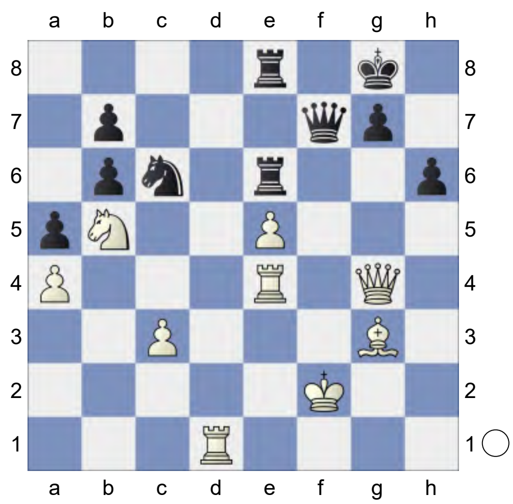
32...f5 1.60/26

[⌓32...Nxe5 0.78/26 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 34.Bxe5 Rxe5]

33.gxf5± Qxf5+ 34.Qf4 Qg6 35.Qg4 Qf7+ 1.87/23

[35...Qxg4± 1.23/24 was necessary. 36.Rxg4 Nxe5]

(Diagram)



36.Qf3!+- Qe7 4.72/21

[36...Nxe5 1.97/23 37.Qxf7+ Nxf7 38.Rxe6 Rxe6]

37.Rde1 Rf8 38.Rf4 Rxf8+ would now be deadly. **38...Re8 39.Qd5** White is clearly winning. **39...Rd8 40.Qc4**

[Weaker is 40.Nd6 Nxe5 41.Rxe5 Rdxd6 42.Rxe6 Rxe6+-]

40...Kh7 41.Qe4+ Kg8 42.Rf3 Qc5+ 43.Kg2 Rde8 44.Nd4 Rxe5 45.Bxe5 Rxe5 46.Qh4 Qd5 Prevents Ne6 **47.Nxc6 Rg5+ 48.Kf2 bxc6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.31 **49.Re8+**

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22 C53

☐ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek 2771**

■ **Gukesh,D 2776**

SuperUnited CRO Blitz 2025 (2.5) 5.7.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 Ba7 7.Re1 d6 8.a4 0-0 9.h3 The position is equal. **9...h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)]

10.a5N

[10.Nbd2 Nh5 *(10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4* ½-½ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7. ♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16) *)* 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2645)-Pajeken,J (2458) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (7) 25.Kg2 Rf7 26.Ne2 Ref8 27.Nxb6 Qc5 28.Qxe6 Kg7 29.d4 Qc6 30.Qd5 Qc7 31.Nxc8 Rxc8 32.Rb5 b6 33.Qb3 Rcf8 34.Rxb6 Qe7 35.Qd5 Qf6 36.Qxd6 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.Qc7+ R6f7 39.Qd6 Rf6 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

10...b5 11.axb6 cxb6 12.d4

[12.Bxa6? Bb8 13.c4 Rxa6-+ *(13...Bxa6? 14.Be3-+)*]

12...b5 13.Bf1 Re8 0.70/25

[Better is 13...exd4= 0.08/22 14.cxd4 d5]

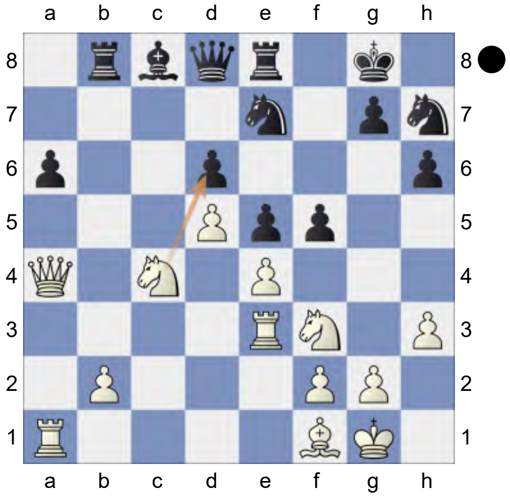
14.d5± Ne7 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Rb8 17.Nbd2 Nh7 0.92/23

[17...Nd7± 0.46/21 should be considered.]

18.c4± bxc4 19.Nxc4 0.65/20

[19.Bxc4± 1.16/21 a5 20.Qa4]

19...f5± 20.Qa4



White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive. **20...Nf6 21.Nfd2 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Nxe4 23.Rxe4 Rf8 24.Qa5 Rb5 25.Qxd8 Rxd8 26.f4 Rxd5 27.fxe5 dxe5 28.Nxe5 Rd2** 0.66/22

[28...Rd1= 0.25/20 29.Re1 Rxa1 30.Rxa1 Kf8]

29.Nc4

[29.Bxa6 Rd1+ 30.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 31.Bf1 Ba6=]

29...R2d7 30.Nb6 Bb7 31.Nxd7 Bxe4 32.Nc5 Bc6 33.Nxa6

[Much weaker is 33.Bxa6 Rd2=]

33...Rd2 34.b4 Rb2 35.Rc1 0.23/24

[White should play 35.Re1± 0.81/22 Nf5 36.Bc4+ Kh7 37.Re2 Rxe2 38.Bxe2]

35...Kf8= 36.Rc5 Rb1 37.b5 Be4 and ...Bd3 would now be decisive **38.Kf2 Nf5! 39.Re5 Rb2+ 40.Be2 Bd3**

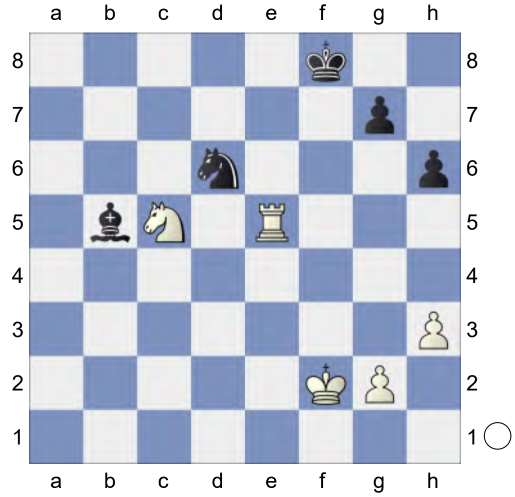
[40...Ng3!? 41.Kxg3 Rxe2=]

41.Nc5 This costs Black the game.

41...Rxe2+?? 6.78/29

[41...Bxe2= 0.12/23 42.Rxe2 *(42.Rxf5+ Kg8∓)* 42...Rxb5]

42.Rxe2+- Bxb5= Endgame KRN-KBN **43.Re5 Nd6**



44.Nb7! Deflection **44...Nxb7**

[44...Ne4+ 45.Rxe4]

45.Rxb5+- KR-KN **45...Nd6 46.Rd5 Ke7 47.Kf3 Ke6 48.Ra5 Nf5 49.Kf4 Ne7 50.Ra6+ Kf7 51.h4 Nd5+ 52.Ke5 Nf6 53.Kf5** Wards off Ng4 **53...g6+ 54.Ke5 Nd7+ 55.Kd6 Nf8 56.Ra3** and Rf3+ should not be overlooked **56...Nh7 57.Rf3+** 12.54/33

[⌓57.Ra7+ 34.15/31 Kg8 58.Ke6]

57...Kg7 58.Ke7 h5 59.g3 g5 60.Ke6 34.11/36

[⌓60.Rf7+ 7.38/33 Kg6 61.Ke6]

60...Kg6 61.Rf7 Kh6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.68

62.Kf5

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23 **C53**
☐ **So,W** **2745**
■ **Gukesh,D** **2776**
SuperUnited CRO Blitz 2025 (10.5)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3N

[8.b4 Ba7 9.a4 Ne7 10.a5 Ng6 11.Nbd2 c6 12.Nf1 d5 13.Bb3 Re8 14.h3 h6 15.Bd2 Be6 16.Ng3 Qd7 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Bxb3 20.Qxb3 Nd5 21.Re4 f5 22.Re2 Kh7 ½-½ (49) Caillot,A (1651)-Navrotescu,A (2190) Sautron W op 02nd 2014 (2) 23.Rd1 Ndf4 24.Red2 Rf8 25.d4 e4 26.Ne5 Qe8 27.Kh2 Nxe5 28.dxe5 Qxe5 29.Rd7 Nd3 30.Qc4 Nxf2 31.Qd4 Qxd4 32.R1xd4 Nd3 33.Rxb7 Rad8 34.Rxd8 Rxd8 35.Nxf5 Ne5 36.Rxg7+ Kh8 37.Re7 Nc4 1-0 (49) Caglar,S (2250)-Stefanou,D (2099) 5569 2021 (7.5) 38.Nxh6 Rd3 39.Rxe4 Rxc3 40.Nf7+ Kg7 41.Ne5 Nd6 42.Rd4 Nf5 43.Rc4 Rxc4 44.Nxc4 Nd4 45.Ne5 Kf6 46.Nd7+ Ke6 47.Nc5+ Kd5 48.Nxa6 Kc4 49.Nc7 1-0 8 Be2 Na6 9 Ba5 Bd7 (2250)-Viksnin (2099) Menorca op 2nd 2023 (7.5)]

8...h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Nf1 Ba7 11.Bb3 Be6 12.Bc2 d5 13.exd5 Bxd5 14.Ng3 White has an edge.

[14.Be3 simplifies Bxe3 15.Nxe3 Be6 16.Nd2]

14...Qd7 15.Nh4 Rad8 16.Nhf5 0.01/18

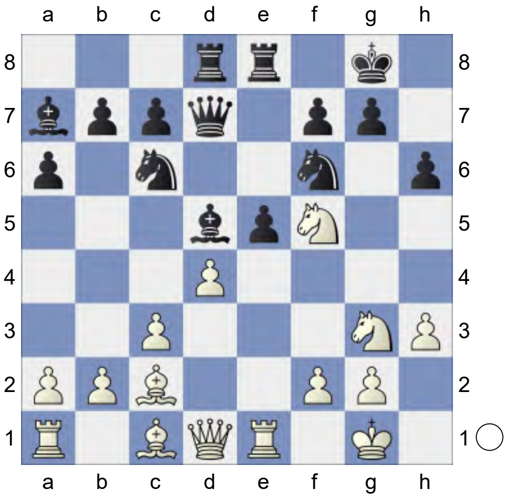
[16.b4± 0.42/18]

16...Qe6? 2.66/21

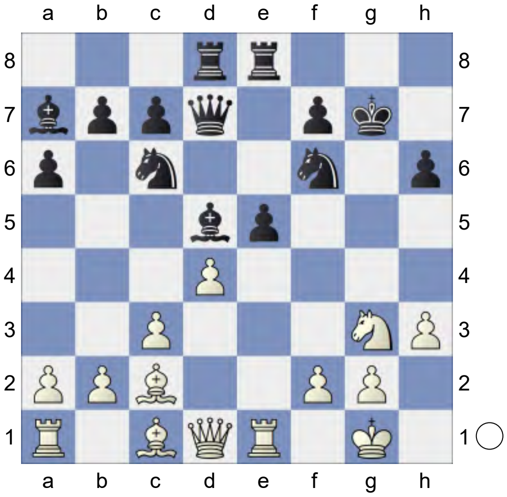
[16...Kh8= 0.01/18]

17.d4+- aiming for Nxg7!. **17...Qd7?** 5.46/22

[17...e4± 1.59/18 is a better chance.]



18.Nxg7! Decoy **18...Kxg7**



19.Bxh6+! Decoy **19...Kh8** And now ... Rg8 would win.

[19...Kg8 20.Nh5]

20.Bg5 Qe6 21.Bf5 Qd6 22.Nh5 Nh7 7.22/22

[⌓22...Ng8 4.84/20 23.Qd2 Qf8]

23.Bxh7

[Weaker is 23.Bxd8 Rxd8±]

23...Kxh7 24.Qg4 Intending Nf6+ and mate. **24...Qg6 25.Qh4 Kg8 26.Re3 exd4 27.Rg3** 9.68/18

[⌓27.Nf6+ 34.55/29 Kg7 28.Nxe8+ *(28.Rxe8 Rxe8* Remove Defender *29.Nxe8+ Kg8+-)* 28...Kg8 29.Rg3 *(29.Bxd8? Qxg2#)*]

27...Re4 28.Nf6+ Kg7 Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/Black=1.84

29.Nxe4 34.53/28

[⌓29.Bh6+ #7/18 Kh8 30.Rxg6 *(30.Nxe4 Qxg3 31.Nxg3 Rd6 32.Nf5 Kg8 33.Nxd6 Ne5 34.Qf6 Nf3+ 35.gxf3 cxd6 36.Qg7#)* 30...fxg6 31.g4 *(31.Nxe4 g5 32.Qxg5 Rg8 33.Qf6+ Kh7 34.Ng5+ Rxg5 35.Qxg5 dxc3 36.Qg7#)* 31...Rxg4+ 32.hxg4 g5 33.Bxg5+ *(33.Qh2 Bg8 34.Bf8+ Bh7 35.Qxh7#)* 33...Kg7 34.Qh7+ Skewer Kf8 35.Bh6#]

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25 **C54**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2766**
■ **So,Wesley** **2745**
Zagreb Superbet Blitz (8) 05.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6

[5...0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 h6 8.h3 Prevents Ng4. a5 9.Bb3 Ba7 10.Nbd2 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Bc4 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 -0.01/23 *(15.exd5± 0.39/21 Bb7 16.Nb3)* 15...Nd7= 16.Bf1 -0.24/22 *(⌓16.Ba2 0.22/21)* 16...c5= 17.dxc5 Nxc5 18.Nd4 Ne4 19.Nxe4 dxe4 ½-½ (40) Firouzja,A (2763)-So,W (2747) Wch Blitz Final 2024 (1.2)]

6.a4 a5

[6...a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

7.Bg5N

[7.h3 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Be6 10.Ng3 d5 11.exd5 Bxd5 12.Qb3 e4 13.Bxd5 exf3 14.Bxf3 Qxd3 15.Qb5 Nb4 16.Qxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Kd2 Rad8 18.Kc2 Bxf2 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Ne1+ 21.Kb1 c6 0-1 (34) Veres,E (2596)-Krueger,A (2652) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (4.3) 22.Be3 Bg3 23.Bf4 Bf2 24.Be3 Bh4 25.Bb6 Rd2 26.Ka2 Re2 27.Bf3 Nxf3 28.gxf3 Bd8 29.Bc5 Rfe8 30.Rhd1 Bf6 31.Kb3 b5 32.Bd6 Rd8 33.axb5 cxb5 34.Bc7 a4+ 0-1 Santos Ruiz,M (2596)-Korobov,A (2652) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (4.3)]

[7.Nbd2 0-0 8.0-0 Be6 9.Qb3 Qd7 10.Re1 h6 11.Nf1 Bxc4 12.Qxc4 Qe6 13.Qxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Bb4 17.Rec1 d5 18.Ng3 dxe4 19.Nxe4 Nf6 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.Rxc5 Nd5 ½-½ (63) Kramer,A (2596)-Pirk,H (2667) cor 1980 (8)]

7...h6 8.Bh4 The position is equal. **8...Bd7!?** A promising side line.

Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 Ba7 12.Bb5** -0.58/21

[12.d4⩲ 0.38/19]

12...Nh5 -0.06/21

[12...h5⩱ -0.58/21 13.h4 *(13.Nxg5? h4-+)* 13...Nh7]

13.d4= exd4 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Nxd4 Ng7 0.44/20

[15...Nxg3= 0.02/21 might be stronger. 16.hxg3 g4]

16.Nc4 0-0 17.Re1

[17.Nxa5? Bxd4 *(17...Qxe4 18.Re1∓)* 18.cxd4 Rxa5-+]

17...f5 18.exf5

[18.Nxa5? Bxd4 *(18...fxe4? 19.Naxc6 Qe8 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Qd5+-)* 19.cxd4 Rxa5-+]

18...Qf7 19.Ne3

[19.Nxa5? Bxd4 *(19...Bxf5? 20.Naxc6 Bxd4 21.Re7+-)* 20.Qxd4 Nxf5-+ *(20...Rxa5? 21.Qe4-+)*]

19...Rae8 20.Qd2 Bb6 21.h3 c5 22.Nb5 Excellent horsemanship.

[22.Ng4 Kh7 23.Nf3 *(23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.Nf3 Bxf5∓)* 23...Nxf5=]

22...Bc6

[22...Bxf5? 23.Nd5+-]

23.c4 Nxf5 24.Nxf5 Qxf5 25.Nc3 h5 1.04/23

[Black should try 25...Rxe1+⩲ 0.35/24 26.Rxe1 h5]

26.f3!± g4? 3.84/27

[26...h4± 0.78/21 is tougher. 27.Rxe8 Rxe8]

27.fxg4+- hxg4 28.h4 Qf6 29.Kh2

[29.Nd5 Bxd5 30.Qxd5+ Kg7±]

29...Qd4 30.Qg5+ Qg7 31.Qh5 Prevents Qxg5. **31...Ba7** 6.35/23

[⌓31...Qf7 4.04/23 32.Qxg4+ Qg7 33.Qxg7+ Kxg7 34.Rxe8 Rxe8]

32.Nd5 Bb8 33.Rf1 Bd7 34.Rxf8+ Deflection **34...Rxf8 35.Re1 Rf7** Repels Ne7+ **36.Re4 c6 37.Nb6!** Nxd7 is the strong threat. **37...Bf5 38.Re8+ Rf8 39.Rxf8+?** 1.37/26

[39.Qxf5+- 7.58/26 and the rest is easy. Rxe8 40.Nd7]

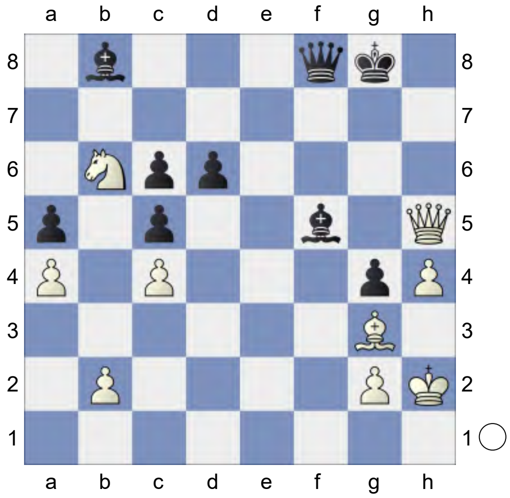
39...Qxf8± 40.Qg5+ Kh7 2.03/24

[40...Kh8± 1.21/25]

41.Qh5+? 0.01/23

[41.Na8+- 2.03/24]

41...Kg8=



42.Qg5+ -0.01/22

[42.Na8!± 0.78/24]

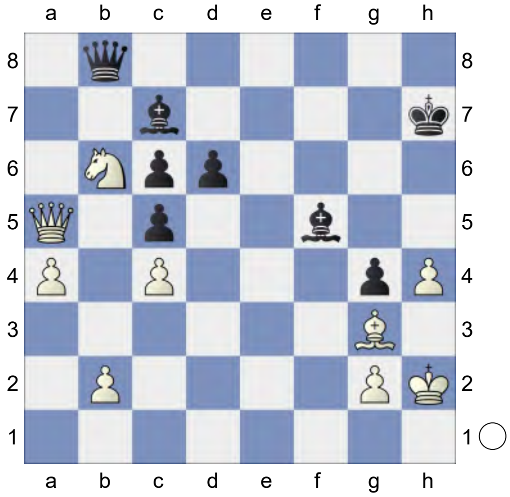
42...Kh7 43.Qd2? -0.01/20

[Better is 43.Na8+- 1.77/25]

43...Bc7? 4.33/23

[43...d5!= -0.01/20]

44.Qxa5+- Qb8



45.Qc3? 0.01/21 **Bxb6=**

[45...Qxb6 46.Qf6 Bg6 47.Qe7+ Kg8 48.Qg5]

46.Qf6 Bg6 47.Bxd6? -1.68/25

[47.h5 Bxh5 48.Qe7+ Kg6]

[47.Qe7+= 0.01/25 Kg8 48.Qg5 *(48.Qe6+ Bf7=)*]

47...Qd8-+ 48.Qxd8 Bxd8 49.Bxc5? -4.98/29

[49.Kg3∓ -1.51/25 nothing else works.]

49...Bc2 -2.87/28

[49...Bxh4 50.a5 Bf5 51.a6∓]

[⌓49...Bc7+ -4.98/29 50.g3 Bd3 *(50...Bc2? 51.a5-+)*]

50.b4? -6.59/28

[50.Kg3 -2.87/28 Bxa4 51.b4]

50...Bc7+ Black is clearly winning.

[50...Bxa4? 51.Kg3∓]

[50...Bxh4 51.a5 Bf5 52.a6∓]

51.g3 Bxa4 52.Kg2 Bb3 53.b5 Bxc4 54.b6 Bb8 55.Kf2 Kg6 56.Be3 Ba6 57.Kg2 Bd6 58.Kf2 c5 59.Bd2 c4 60.Ba5 Kf5 61.Kg2

Weighted Error Value: White=0.64/Black=0.44

61...Bc5

0-1

24 C53

☐ **Firouzja,Alireza 2766**

■ **So,W 2745**

SuperUnited CRO Blitz 2025 (8.5) 5.7.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6

[5...0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 h6 8.h3 a5 9.Bb3 Ba7 10.Nbd2 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Bc4 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Nd7! 16.Bf1 -0.31/23 *(16.Ba2= 0.21/22)* 16...c5∓ 17.dxc5 Nxc5 18.Nd4

A) 18...Nxa4!∓ -0.46/24 19.Nb5 *(19.N2b3 Bd7)* 19...Nc5 20.Nxa7 Rxa7;

B) 18...Ne4 0.01/22 19.Nxe4= dxe4 ½-½ (40) Firouzja,A (2763)-So,W (2747) Wch Blitz Final 2024 (1.2)]

6.a4 a5

[6...a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

7.Bg5N

[7.h3 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Be6 10.Ng3 d5 11.exd5 Bxd5 12.Qb3 e4 13.Bxd5 exf3 14.Bxf3 Qxd3 15.Qb5 Nb4 16.Qxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Kd2 Rad8 18.Kc2 Bxf2 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Ne1+ 21.Kb1 c6 0-1 (34) Veres,E (2596)-Krueger,A (2652) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (4.3) 22.Be3 Bg3 23.Bf4 Bf2 24.Be3 Bh4 25.Bb6 Rd2 26.Ka2 Re2 27.Bf3 Nxf3 28.gxf3 Bd8 29.Bc5 Rfe8 30.Rhd1 Bf6 31.Kb3 b5 32.Bd6 Rd8 33.axb5 cxb5 34.Bc7 a4+ 0-1 Santos Ruiz,M (2596)-Korobov,A (2652) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (4.3)]

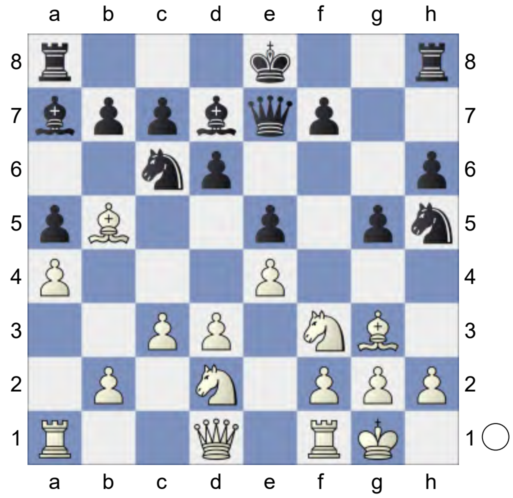
[7.Nbd2 0-0 8.0-0 Be6 9.Qb3 Qd7 10.Re1 h6 11.Nf1 Bxc4 12.Qxc4 Qe6 13.Qxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Nd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Bb4 17.Rec1 d5 18.Ng3 dxe4 19.Nxe4 Nf6 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.Rxc5 Nd5 ½-½ (63) Kramer,A (2596)-Pirk,H (2667) cor 1980 (8)]

7...h6 8.Bh4 The position is equal. **8...Bd7!?** A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 Ba7 12.Bb5** -0.35/22

[12.Rb1= 0.15/18]

12...Nh5 0.01/21

[12...h5∓ -0.35/22 13.h4 (*13.Nxg5? h4-+*) 13...gxh4 14.Bxh4 Rh6]



13.d4N -0.55/23

[13.Nc4 -0.76/20 13.Kh1 0.12 Nxg3! 14.hxg3 h5! Threatens to win with ...h4. 15.Qd2 -1.44/23 (*15.Qb3* -0.76/20) 15...h4∓ 16.g4 h3 -1.01/22 (*⌓16...Bxg4* -1.50/21 *17.Nxa5 Bd7 18.Nxc6 bxc6*) 17.g3 -1.57/21 (*17.Qxg5* -1.01/22 *Qxg5 18.Nxg5*) 17...h2+!∓ 18.Nxh2? -5.74/24 (*18.Kh1∓* -1.45/20) 18...Qf6-+ (-> ...Qh6) 19.Kg2 Rxh2+! 20.Kxh2 Bxg4 0-1 Ritviz,P (2363)-Mendonca,L (2643) Tashkent Agzamov Memorial 18th 2025 (3)]

[13.Kh1!= 0.01/21]

13...exd4 0.08/22

[13...Nxg3∓ -0.55/23 14.hxg3 g4 (*14...exd4 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.Nxd4=*)]

14.Bxc6= bxc6 15.Nxd4 Ng7 16.Nc4 0-0 17.Re1

[17.Nxa5? Bxd4 (*17...Qxe4 18.b4∓*) 18.Qxd4 Rxa5-+]

17...f5 18.exf5

[18.Nxa5? Bxd4 (*18...fxe4? 19.Naxc6 Qf7 20.Nxa7+-*) 19.cxd4 Rxa5-+]

18...Qf7 19.Ne3

[19.Nxa5? Bxd4 (*19...Bxf5? 20.Naxc6 Bxd4 21.Nxd4+-*) 20.cxd4 Rxa5-+]

19...Rae8 20.Qd2 Bb6 21.h3 c5 22.Nb5 A dynamic duo of knights.

[22.Ng4 Kh7 23.Nf3 (*23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.Nf3 Bxf5∓*) 23...Nxf5=]

22...Bc6

[22...Bxf5? 23.Nd5+-]

23.c4 Nxf5 24.Nxf5 Qxf5 25.Nc3 0.21/23 Against Re4

[25.Rad1⩲ 0.60/22 feels stronger.]

25...h5 1.21/22

[25...Kf7= 0.21/23]

26.f3!± g4? 4.02/25

[26...h4± 0.87/21 is tougher. 27.Rxe8 Rxe8]

27.fxg4 hxg4 28.h4 Qf6 29.Kh2

[29.Nd5 Bxd5 30.Qxd5+ Kg7±]

29...Qd4 30.Qg5+ Qg7 31.Qh5 Against Qxg5 **31...Ba7 32.Nd5 Bb8 33.Rf1 Bd7 34.Rxf8+** Deflection **34...Rxf8 35.Re1 Rf7** Inhibits Ne7+. **36.Re4 c6 37.Nb6 Bf5 38.Re8+ Rf8 39.Rxf8+?** 1.54/26

[39.Qxf5+- 7.60/26 is the precise move to win. Rxe8 40.Nd7]

39...Qxf8 40.Qg5+ Kh7 41.Qh5+? -0.01/24

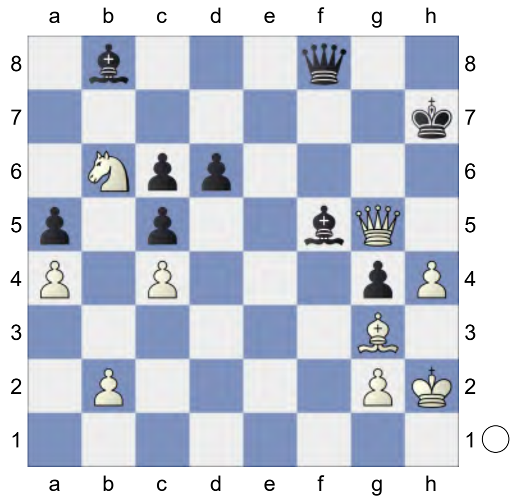
[White has to play 41.Na8!+- 1.79/24]

41...Kg8= 42.Qg5+ -0.01/22

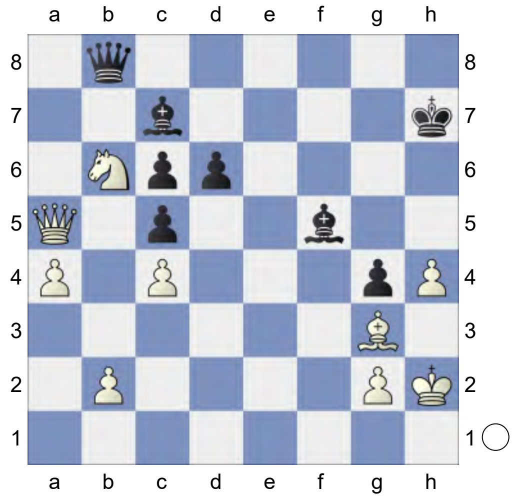
[Better is 42.Na8!± 0.84/25]

42...Kh7

(Diagram)



43.Qd2? 0.01/22
[43.Na8!+- 1.88/24]
43...Bc7? 4.09/24
[43...d5!= 0.01/22 and Black has nothing to worry.]
44.Qxa5+- Qb8



45.Qc3? 0.01/20 **Bxb6=**
[45...Qxb6 46.Qf6 Bg6 47.Qe7+ Kg8 48.Qg5]
46.Qf6 Bg6 47.Bxd6 -1.27/27
[47.h5 Bxh5 48.Qe7+ Kg6∓]
[47.Qe7+= 0.01/25 remains equal. Kg8 48.Qg5 (*48.Qe6+ Bf7∓*)]
47...Qd8∓ 48.Qxd8 Bxd8 49.Bxc5? -5.06/28
[49.Kg3∓ -1.25/25 was the crucial defense.]
49...Bc2
[49...Bxh4 50.a5 Bf5 51.a6∓]
50.b4? -5.24/30
[50.Kg3 -2.99/27 was called for. Bxa4 51.Kxg4]
50...Bc7-+
[Less strong is 50...Bxh4 51.a5 Bf5 52.a6∓]
51.g3 -6.80/27
[⌓51.Kg1 -4.20/29 Bxa4 52.Kf2]
51...Bxa4 Black is clearly winning.
52.Kg2 Bb3 53.b5 Bxc4 54.b6 Bb8 55.Kf2 Kg6 56.Be3 Ba6 57.Kg2 Bd6 58.Kf2 c5 59.Bd2 c4 60.Ba5 Kf5 61.Kg2
Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=0.41
61...Bc5
0-1

26 **C53**
☐ **Giri,A** **2746**
■ **Martinez Alcantara,Jose Eduardo**
Giri-Martinez ICC Match rapid (4)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]
5...d6N
[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4

14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.0-0 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.Re1 -0.01/20

[10.a4⩲ 0.35/20]

10...g5 11.Bg3 Nh7 0.29/21

[11...Bg4 -0.10/18]

12.Bd5 h5 13.h4 g4 14.Nh2 Nf8 15.Nc4 -0.54/24

[15.Bxc6+!= 0.22/22 bxc6 16.d4]

15...Ng6 -0.07/23

[15...Bd7⩱ -0.54/24]

16.d4 -0.46/22 **Bd7!⩱ 17.Qb3! Rb8** 0.15/20

[17...exd4 18.Qxb7 0-0 19.Bxc6+-]

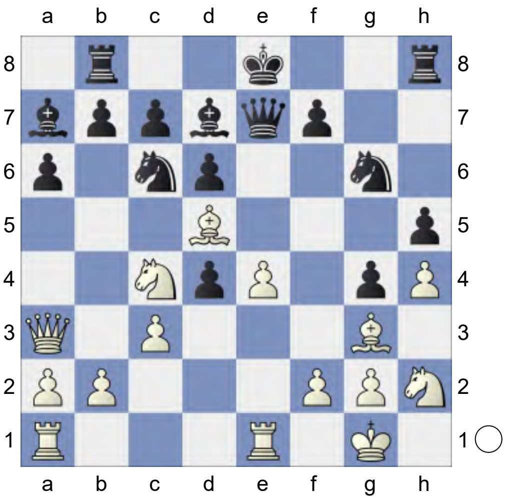
[17...0-0-0 -0.28/23]

18.Qa3 exd4

[18...Nxh4? 19.dxe5 0-0 20.exd6 cxd6 21.Qxd6 Qxd6 22.Bxd6+-]

[18...0-0 simplifies 19.Rad1 Rbe8 20.dxe5 Ncxe5 21.Nxe5 dxe5 22.Qxe7 Rxe7 23.Nf1 Bc8]

(Diagram)



19.e5 -0.66/23 **Ncxe5** 0.13/19

[19...Ngxe5 20.Bxc6 bxc6 *(20...Bxc6? 21.Nxe5 Bb5 22.Nxf7+- Pin)* 21.Nxe5 *(21.Qxa6 Bb6+-)* 21...dxe5 22.Qxa6+- *(22.Rxe5 Be6+-)*]

[19...dxe5⩱ -0.66/23 20.Bxc6 Bxc6 *(20...bxc6 21.Qxa6 Bb6 22.Nxe5±)* 21.Nxe5 Qxa3 *(21...Nxh4? 22.Nxc6 Pin 0-0 23.Nxe7++-)* 22.Nxg6+ *(22.Nxc6+ Kf8±)* 22...Kd8 23.bxa3 fxg6 24.cxd4 Kd7 *(24...Bxd4? 25.Rad1+-)*]

20.cxd4= Bxd4 21.Rad1 Bc5 1.12/21

[21...Ba7= -0.01/20]

22.Qc3!± f6

[22...Nxh4? 23.Nxe5 *(23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Rxe5 Pin 0-0+- Decoy)* 23...dxe5 24.Rxe5+- *(24.Bxh4 f6+-)*]

23.b4 0.56/20

[23.Be4+- 1.89/23 Be6 24.Nf1]

23...Ba7⩲ 24.Nxe5 -0.01/22

[24.Be4!⩲ 0.55/20 Kf7 25.Qc2]

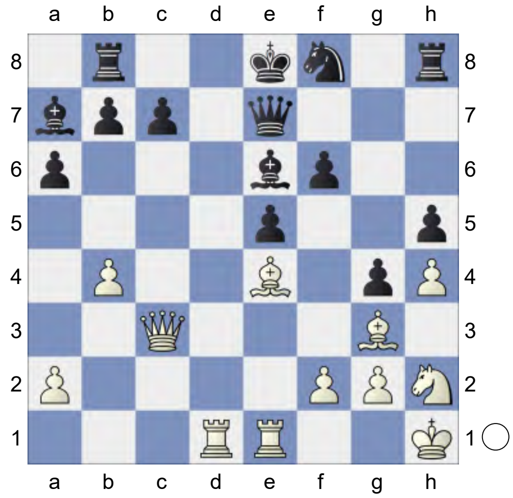
24...dxe5= 25.Kh1 -1.04/22

[25.Qxc7 Kf8 26.Nf1 *(26.Bxb7? Ba4-+)* 26...Kg7⩱]

[25.Be4!= -0.01/20 Kf7 26.Bxg6+ *(26.Qxc7 Rhd8⩱)* 26...Kxg6 27.Bxe5 fxe5 28.Rxe5]

25...Be6⩱ 26.Be4 Nf8 0.01/21

[26...f5!∓ -1.41/22 27.Bb1 (*27.Bxe5 0-0∓*) 27...0-0 (*27...Nxh4? 28.Qxe5 Rh6 29.Qf4+-*)]



27.Bxb7 -2.14/23 **Kf7-+ 28.Bxa6 Qxb4** -0.14/20

[28...Rxb4 29.Rc1∓]

[28...Bd4-+ -2.26/21 29.Rxd4 exd4 30.Qxd4 Qxb4 (*30...Rxb4 31.Qe3⩱*)]

29.Qxc7+= Qe7 30.Qc2 Rd8 1.15/24

[30...Qc5= 0.10/21 31.Qe2 Rb4]

31.Rxd8± Qxd8 32.Rd1 0.01/23

[32.Rb1!± 1.10/24 Rb7+ is the strong threat. Bd5 33.Bb7]

32...Qe7 0.46/22

[32...Bd4= 0.01/23]

33.Rb1 0.08/23

[33.Nf1⩲ 0.46/22 might be stronger.]

33...Bd5? 1.75/23

[33...Nd7= 0.08/23 and Black stays safe.]

34.Qd3? 0.03/21

[White must play 34.Rb5!+- 1.75/23 Qd6 35.Rxd5 Qxa6 (*35...Qxd5? 36.Bc4+-* Pin) 36.a4 (*36.Qc7+ Kg6⩲*)]

34...Bd4!= 35.a4 -0.69/23

[35.f4= 0.17/24]

35...Ne6!∓ 36.Bc4 Qc5 0.07/20

[36...Bxc4∓ -0.53/25 37.Qxc4 f5]

37.Bxd5= Qxd5 38.Qa6? -1.60/22

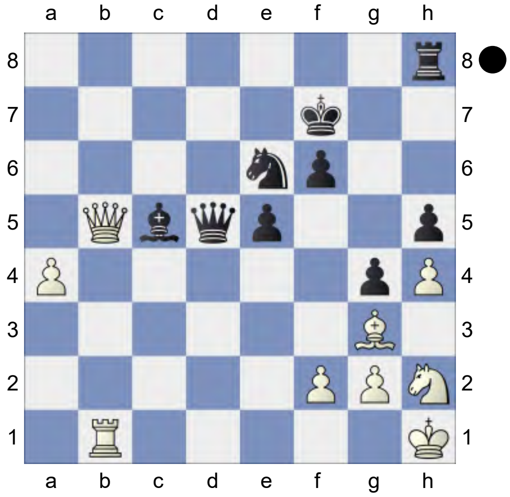
[38.Qc2!= -0.01/21]

38...Bc5 -0.72/24

[⌓38...f5! -1.60/22 39.f3 Rg8 40.fxg4 hxg4]

39.Qb5 -1.45/22

[39.Nf1 -0.72/24]



39...Ra8 -0.85/23

[39...Rd8! -1.45/22 40.Nf1 f5]

40.a5 Kg6 -0.14/23 Black is more active.

[40...Nd4 41.Qd3 Kg7 (*41...Rxa5? 42.Qh7+ Ke6 43.Qg8+ Kd6 44.Qd8+ Ke6 45.Qxa5+-; 41...e4 42.Qd2⩲*) 42.Nf1∓ (*42.a6 e4⩱*)]

[Black should try 40...Rd8∓ -0.90/22 41.Qb2 Ra8]

41.a6 -0.79/24

[41.Nf1= -0.14/23 remains equal.]

41...Nc7 42.Qe2 Rxa6

[42...Nxa6?! 43.Rd1 Bd4 44.Qc2+ f5 45.Bxe5=]

43.f3? -3.18/25

[White should try 43.Qc2+!⩱ -0.61/24 Kg7 44.Qf5]

43...Ra2-+ White is weak on the dark squares **44.Qf1 f5 45.fxg4 hxg4?** -0.76/22

[45...fxg4-+ -3.10/25 has better

winning chances. And now ...Ne6 would win. 46.Rd1 Bd4 47.Qd3+ *(47.Rxd4? exd4 48.Bxc7 d3-+)* 47...Kf6 48.Bxe5+ Remove Defender Qxe5 *(48...Kxe5? 49.Qg3+ Kf5 50.Nf1-+)* 49.Qxd4 Qxd4 Remove Defender 50.Rxd4 Ra1+ 51.Nf1 Rxf1+ 52.Kh2 Ke5]

46.Rd1? -4.45/23

[46.h5+∓ -0.76/22 Kg5 *(46...Kxh5 47.Qxf5+ Kh6 48.Nxg4+ Kg7 49.Qf6+ Kh7 50.Qh6+ Kg8 51.Qg6+ Kh8 52.Rb8+)* 47.h6 Decoy]

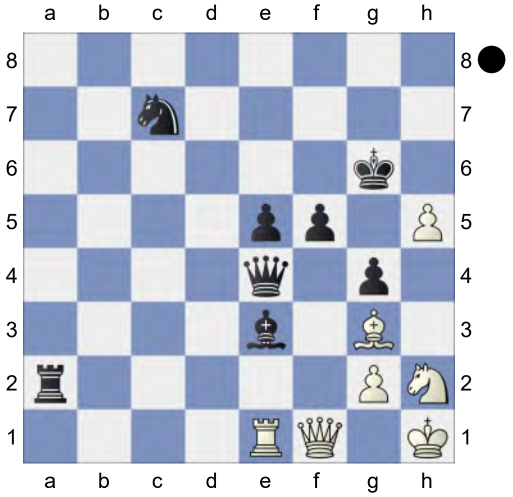
46...Qe4 -1.91/24

[⌓46...Bd4 -4.45/23 47.h5+ Kg5 *(47...Kxh5? 48.Qxf5+ Kh6 49.Nxg4+ Kg7 50.Qg5+ Kf7 51.Rf1+ Ke6 52.Qg6+ Kd7 53.Nf6+ Kd6 54.Nxd5++-)*]

47.Re1? -5.49/23

[47.h5+ -1.91/24 is a better chance. Kg5 *(47...Kxh5? 48.Re1+-)* 48.h6]

47...Be3 48.h5+



Kg5!

[48...Kxh5? 49.Rxe3 Qxe3 50.Qxf5+ Qg5 51.Qh7+ *(51.Qxe5?* is the wrong capture. *Qxe5 52.Bxe5 Nd5-+)* 51...Qh6 52.Qf7+ *(52.Qxc7* leads to mate. *Ra1+)* 52...Qg6 53.Qxa2+-]

49.Rd1 Nd5 50.Qe1 Both players deserved the win here.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.90/Black=0.63

50...Qxg2#

0-1

27 C53
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza 2766**
■ **Duda,J 2725**
SuperUnited CRO Blitz 2025 (1.3) 5.7.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a5N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8

37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 White is slightly better. **8...d6 9.a4 0-0 10.Nbd2 g6 11.h3 Nh5 12.Bh2 Bg5 13.Nf1 Kg7 14.h4 Be7 15.Ne3 Nf6 16.Qb3** 0.01/20

[16.Nd2± 0.51/20]

16...Rb8= 17.0-0-0 Ng4 18.Bg3 Nxe3 19.fxe3 Bf6 20.d4 Qe7 Threatens to win with ...exd4. **21.Nd2** -0.44/21

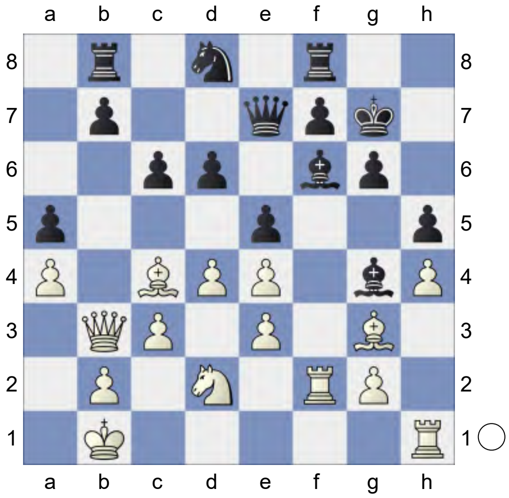
[21.Bd5= 0.01/19 feels stronger. Bd7 22.Rdf1]

21...h5 -0.01/20

[21...Bd7∓ -0.44/21]

22.Rdf1 Bg4 23.Rf2 Nd8 24.Kb1 c6 1.21/22

[24...Bd7= -0.20/19]



25.Qb6 0.31/21

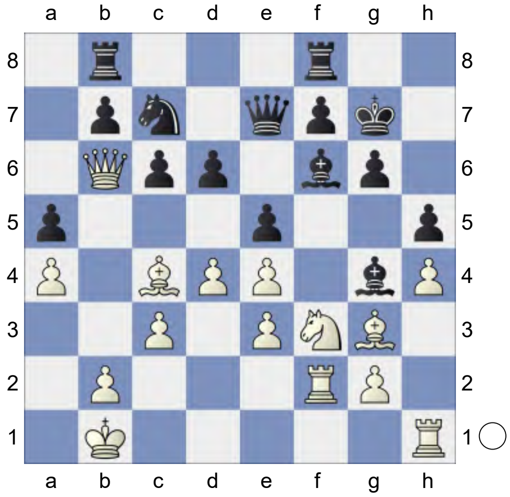
[25.Qa3!± 1.21/22 Threatens to win with Rxf6!. c5 (*25...b5 26.Rhf1±*) 26.dxc5 dxc5 27.Rhf1 Bxh4 28.Bxh4 Qxh4 29.Qxc5]

25...Ne6 26.Nf3 -0.01/19 White has more active pieces.

[White should play 26.Nb3± 0.61/19]

26...Nc7 1.41/20

[26...exd4!= -0.01/19 remains equal. 27.exd4 (*27.Qxa5? dxe3 28.Re2 Ra8-+*) 27...Nc5 28.Bxd6 (*28.dxc5 Qxe4+ 29.Kc1 Qxc4∓*) 28...Qxd6 29.Qxc5 Qg3 (*29...Qxc5 30.dxc5 Rbe8 31.Bd3=*)]



27.Rhf1!±

[27.Qxa5 exd4 28.exd4 Ra8-+ (*28...Qxe4+ 29.Ka2∓*)]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

27...exd4 5.13/22

[27...Be6± 1.53/21 is more resistant. 28.Bd3 Na6]

28.Ng5!+- Be6? 10.63/18

[Reject 28...Na8 29.Qa7+- (*29.Qxa5 Bf5+-*)]

[28...Ne8 3.59/16 29.exd4 Kh8 30.Qxa5 b6]

29.Rxf6 White is clearly winning.

29...Bxc4 30.Bxd6 Black is weak on the dark squares **30...Qd7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.88

31.Qxd4

[Not 31.Bxf8+ Rxf8 32.exd4 (*32.Qxd4 Qxd4 33.exd4 Bxf1+-*) 32...Ne8±]

1-0

28 C50
☐ Abdusattorov,Nodirbek 2771
■ Oparin,G 2660
Saint Louis Blitz 2025 (2.2) 14.08.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.a4

[6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6...h6N

[6...Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1]

7.0-0 Nge7 8.d4 White is slightly better. **8...exd4 9.cxd4 a5 10.h3** Prevents Bg4. **10...0-0 11.Nc3 Nb4 12.Bb3 d5 13.Re1 dxe4 14.Nxe4 Ned5** 0.73/20

[14...Nf5= 0.22/22]

15.Ng3 0.22/21

[15.Ne5± 0.73/20]

15...c6 0.83/21

[15...Re8!= 0.22/21 remains equal.]

16.Ne5± Be6 1.13/21

[⌓16...Bc7 0.72/20]

17.Ra3 Qh4 2.20/21

[17...Nf6± 0.81/19]

18.Nf3? 0.58/20

[18.Re4+- 2.20/21 Qf6 19.Bc4]

18...Qf6 1.79/23

[Black should try 18...Qd8± 0.58/20]

19.Nh5 1.11/21

[19.Bxd5+- 1.79/23 Nxd5 *(19...Bxd5 20.Nh5±)* 20.Nh5]

19...Qf5 20.Ne5 0.29/22

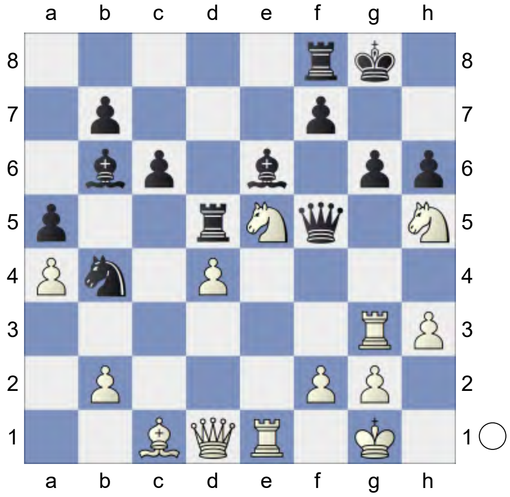
[Better is 20.Bxd5!± 1.15/20 Qxd5 *(20...Qxh5 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.Rae3±; 20...Bxd5? 21.Nh4+-)* 21.Nf4]

20...Rad8= 21.Bxd5! Rxd5

[21...Bxd5? 22.Rg3 g5 23.Ng4+-]

22.Rg3 g6 2.02/22

[22...Bxd4= -0.02/20 23.Qxd4 *(23.Nxg7? Qxf2+ 24.Kh2 Bxe5-+* Discovered Attack; *23.Rxg7+? Kh8-+)* 23...Qxh5 *(23...Rxd4 24.Nxg7 Kh7 25.Nxf5±)*]



23.Ng4!+- A dynamic duo of knights. **23...Kh8 24.Bxh6** 0.77/23

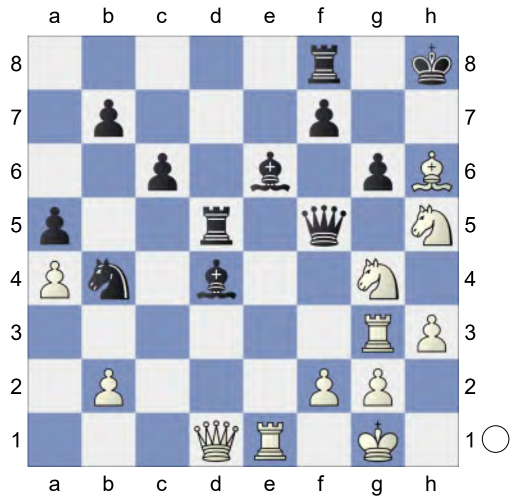
[24.Nhf6 Rxd4 25.Qe2 Nd3 26.Bxh6 *(26.Nxh6? Nxc1 27.Qf3 Qxf3-+)* 26...Nf4]

[24.Ngf6+- 1.79/17 Rxd4 *(24...gxh5? 25.Nxd5 Bxd5 26.Bxh6+-)* 25.Bxh6 Qxf2+ Double Attack *(25...Rxd1 26.Bg7#)* 26.Kh1 Qxf6 *(26...Rg8? 27.Qc1+-)* 27.Nxf6 Rxd1 28.Rxd1]

24...Bxd4±

[24...gxh5? 25.Ne3 *(25.Bxf8 hxg4 26.Rxg4 Nd3∓)* 25...Qf6 26.Nxd5 *(26.Bxf8 Rg5+-)* 26...Qxh6 27.Re5+- *(27.Nxb6 Bf5+-)*]

(Diagram)



25.Qxd4+! Remove Defender **25...Rxd4 26.Bg7+**

[26.Bxf8? Qxh5 *(26...gxh5? 27.Nh6-+)* 27.Nf6 Qh4-+]

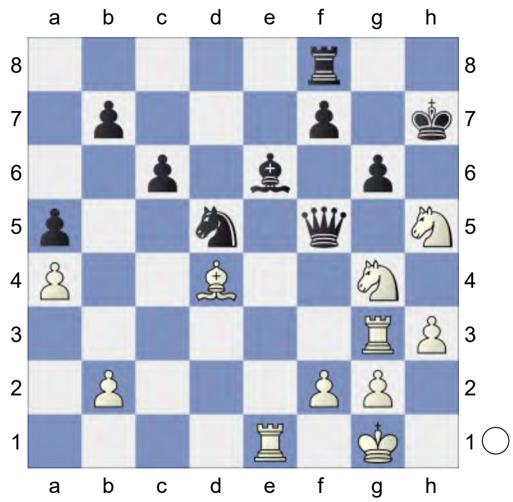
26...Kh7 27.Bxd4

[27.Ngf6+?! Qxf6 28.Bxf6 c5±]

27...Nd5 3.79/23

[27...gxh5? 28.Nf6++-]

[27...Nc2 1.70/24 28.Nhf6+ Kh8]



28.Re5?? -4.10/28

[28.Nhf6+!+- 3.79/23 Nxf6 29.Nxf6+ Kg7 30.Ne4+ *(30.Rf3 Qc2+-)* 30...Kh6 31.Rg5 Skewer Qxe4 Remove Defender *(31...Qf4? 32.Be3+-)* 32.Rxe4 Kxg5 33.Re5+ Kh6 34.Rxa5]

28...Qb1+-+ 29.Kh2 Bxg4!

[29...gxh5 30.Rxh5+ Kg6 31.Nf6+]

30.Rxg4 Strongly threatening Rh4!.

30...f5

[And not 30...gxh5 31.Rxh5#]

[30...f6 31.Rxd5 cxd5 32.Nxf6+ Rxf6 33.Bxf6∓]

31.Rg5 -6.36/21

[31.Nf6+ -2.88/22 Rxf6 32.Rh4+ Kg7 33.Re8]

31...Qd3

[31...gxh5? too greedy. 32.Re6+-]

32.Bc5 -4.94/25

[⌓32.Bc3 -3.24/24 Rf7 *(32...gxh5? 33.f4-+; 32...Nxc3 33.Re7+ Kh6 34.Nf4±)* 33.Rxg6 Kxg6 34.Rxd5]

32...Rf7 33.Ng3 -7.73/22

[⌓33.Re6 -4.00/22 gxh5 34.Rxh5+ Kg8 35.Re8+ Kg7 36.Rh4]

33...Qc4 34.Bd6 Qh4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/Black=0.67

35.f4

0-1

30 C54

☐ **So,Wesley 2745**

■ **Duda,Jan Krzysztof 2725**

Zagreb Superbet Rapid (6) 03.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010

(11)]
[6.Nc3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.a3 a5 9.Bd2 Bd7 10.Ne2 b6 11.Ng3 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.c3 Bc5 14.b4 b5 15.bxc5 bxc4 16.dxc4 dxc5 17.f4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Re8 19.e5 Nh7 20.Qf3 Ng5 1-0 (30) El Hage Serrano,C (1443)-Escalera Medina,I Cochabamba op 6th 2023 (1)]

6...a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7N

8...Ba7 is the modern continuation. 8...La7 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9.Re1 Bd7N 0.62/20

[9...Ba7 10.Na3 -0.44/20 *(10.Nbd2=* 0.22/20 *)* 10...g5 11.Bg3 Nh7 0.56/20 (Better is *11...Bg4!=* -0.27/19) 12.d4⩲ 0-0 0.95/20 *(12...h5!=* 0.19/21 keeps the balance. *)* 13.Nc2 h5 and ...h4 should not be overlooked 14.h3 Kh8 15.Ne3 dxe5 is the strong threat. g4 2.04/20 *(15...f6±* 1.10/19 *)* 16.hxg4+- Bxg4 2.11/21 1-0 (31) Lu,S (2611)-Harutyunian,T (2533) Seville op 45th 2020 (7) *(16...hxg4±* 1.60/22 *17.Nd5 Qd8)*]

[9...g5= 0.25/22 10.Bg3 Bg4]

10.d4⩲ Bb6 11.Na3 g5 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.Bb5

[13.Nxe5?! Nxe5 14.Bxe5 *(14.Qxh5 Bg4∓; 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Qxe5=)* 14...dxe5=]

13...Nxg3 14.hxg3 g4 1.55/22

[⌓14...exd4 0.72/19 15.Nxd4 0-0]

15.Nh4± exd4 16.Nc4 Ba7 17.Bxc6 bxc6 18.cxd4 0-0 19.e5 1.18/20

[19.Nxa5?! Qf6 20.Nb3 Rfb8⩲]

[19.Qd3+- 1.61/18]

19...Rfe8 1.84/21

[19...Qg5± 1.18/20]

20.Nxa5 0.51/23

[20.Qd3+- 1.84/21]

20...Qg5 1.85/23

[20...dxe5⩲ 0.51/23 21.Rxe5 Qf6]

21.Nc4 Rab8 22.b3 0.90/24

[22.exd6+- 1.80/24 Rxe1+ 23.Qxe1 cxd6 24.Rd1 *(24.Nxd6 Bxd4 25.Rd1 c5=)*]

22...h5? 2.77/22

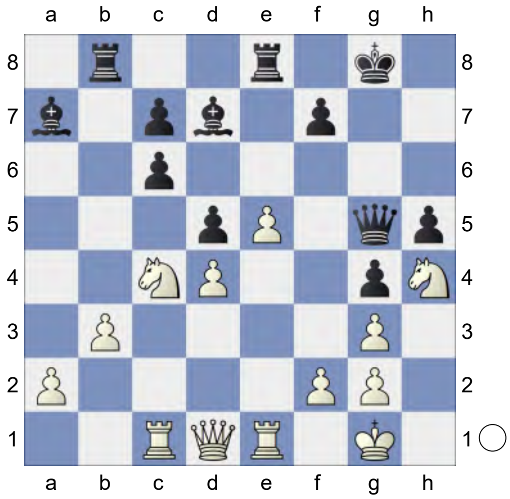
[22...Rb5± 0.90/24]

23.Rc1

[23.exd6 Rxe1+ 24.Qxe1 Re8⩲]

23...d5 2.69/21

[23...Rb5 1.96/20 was worth a try.]



24.e6! Rxe6 25.Rxe6 Bxe6 26.Ne5 Bxd4 27.Nxc6 Bb2 28.Rc2 Rb6

29.Nd4!↑ White is in control. **29...Bxd4** 2.46/20

[⌓29...Ba3 1.68/25]

30.Qxd4+- Ra6? 4.52/22

[30...Qe7 2.36/23 31.Rc5 Ra6]

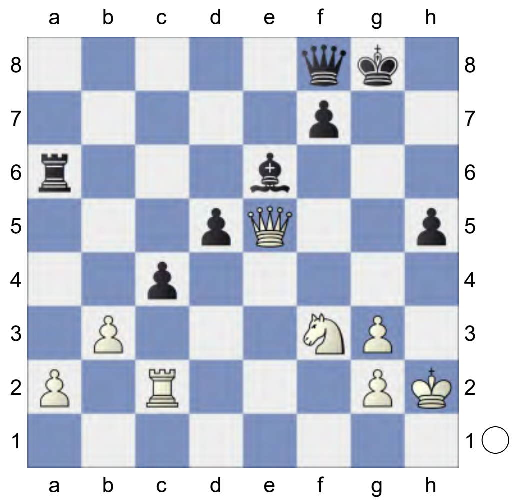
31.Kh2

[31.Rxc7 Rxa2 32.Rb7 Ra8±]

31...c6 32.f4 gxf3 33.Nxf3 Qg7 34.Qf4 c5 35.Qb8+ 1.87/21

[⌓35.Rxc5 3.78/22 Rxa2 36.Ng5]

35...Qf8 36.Qe5 c4



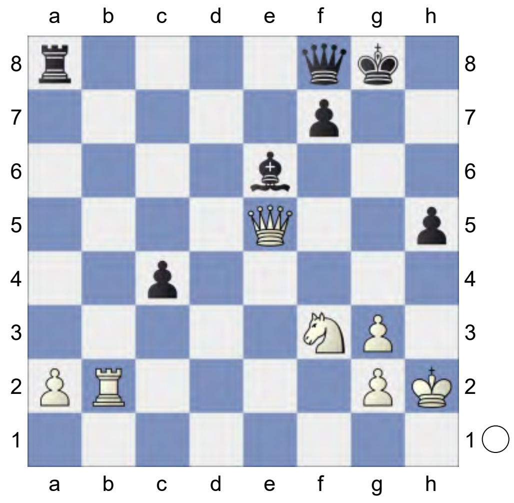
37.bxc4!

[37.Qxh5 Qg7=]

37...dxc4 Black is weak on the dark squares **38.Rb2**

[38.Qxh5 Qg7=]

38...Ra8



Prevents Rb8. **39.Rb5!**

[39.Qxh5 Qg7 40.Rb5 Qh7=]

39...Bg4? 5.86/26

[39...Bd7 2.75/20 is more resistant.]

40.Qf6 Re8 41.Rg5+ Kh7 42.Ne5? 0.14/23

[White must play 42.Nd4+- 5.24/26 c3 43.Nf5]

42...Re6= The position is equal. **43.Qf4 c3 44.Nxg4**

[44.a4!?]

44...hxg4 Endgame KQR-KQR **45.Qf5+**

[45.Qxg4? Qh6+ 46.Kg1 c2 47.Qf5+ Kh8-+]

45...Kh8 46.Rxg4 Rh6+ 47.Kg1

[47.Rh4 simplifies Rxh4+ 48.gxh4 Qd6+ 49.Kh1]

47...Qd8 48.Qe5+

[48.Qxf7 Qb6+ *(48...Qd1+? 49.Kf2-+)* 49.Kf1 *(49.Qf2? c2-+)* 49...Rh1+ *(49...Rf6+? 50.Qxf6+ Qxf6+ 51.Rf4-+)* 50.Ke2 Qb2+ 51.Kd3 Rd1+ *(51...Qxg2 52.Rg8#; 51...Qd2+? 52.Ke4-+)* 52.Ke4 Qb1+ *(52...Qxg2+ 53.Kf5∓)* 53.Ke5 Qb5+ 54.Ke6 Qc6+ 55.Ke5 Qd6+ 56.Kf5 Rd5+-+]

48...f6 49.Qd4

[49.Qxc3? perishes. Qd1+ 50.Kf2 Qxg4-+]

49...Qxd4+

[49...Qc8 is interesting. 50.Qc4 Qb8 51.Qxc3 Qb1+]

50.Rxd4 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **50...Rh5 51.Rc4 Ra5 52.Rxc3 Rxa2 53.Rc7 Ra5 54.Kf2 Rf5+ 55.Ke3 Kg8 56.g4 Ra5 57.Kf4 Rb5 58.Rd7 Ra5 59.Ke4 Rg5 60.Kf4 Ra5 61.Ke4 Rg5 62.Kf4 Ra5** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.36

63.Ke4
½-½

29 **C50**
□ **So,W** **2745**
■ **Duda,J** **2725**
SuperUnited CRO Rapid 2025 (6.2)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.Nc3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.a3 a5 9.Bd2 Bd7 10.Ne2 b6 11.Ng3 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.c3 Bc5 14.b4 b5 15.bxc5 bxc4 16.dxc4 dxc5 17.f4 exf4 18.Bxf4 Re8 19.e5 Nh7 20.Qf3 Ng5 1-0 (30) El Hage Serrano,C (1443)-Escalera Medina,I Cochabamba op 6th 2023 (1)]

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[8...Bg4= -0.02/18 was preferable.]

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9.Re1 -0.01/22

[9.Nbd2⩲ 0.41/20]

9...Bd7N 0.58/19

[9...Ba7 10.Na3 -0.29/20 (*⌓10.Nbd2* 0.26/20) 10...g5= 11.Bg3 Nh7 0.40/20 (*11...Bg4⩱* -0.46/19) 12.d4 0-0 1.06/20 (*12...h5!=* 0.12/20) 13.Nc2 h5 1.22/19 (*⌓13...g4* 0.71/19) 14.h3± Kh8 1.37/17 (Black should play *14...Qf6* 0.98/21) 15.Ne3!± and dxe5 would now be decisive g4 1.77/19 (*15...f6±* 1.07/18) 16.hxg4+- Bxg4 2.21/19 1-0 (31) Lu,S (2611)-Harutyunian,T (2533) Seville op 45th 2020 (7) (*16...hxg4±* 1.39/20 *17.Nh4 Qg5*)]

[9...g5= -0.01/22 10.Bg3 Ba7]

10.d4⩲ Bb6 0.95/21

[10...Ba7⩲ 0.45/20]

11.Na3 0.56/20

[11.Bd5!± 0.95/21]

11...g5 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.Bb5

[13.Nxe5?! Nxe5 14.dxe5 (*14.Qxh5 Bg4⩱*) 14...Nxg3=]

13...Nxg3 14.hxg3 g4 1.63/20

[14...exd4⩲ 0.63/18 15.Bxc6 bxc6]

15.Nh4+- exd4 16.Nc4 Ba7 17.Bxc6! bxc6 18.cxd4 0-0 19.e5 White is more active.

[19.Nxa5?! Qf6 20.Nb3 Rfe8⩲]

19...Rfe8 1.63/17

[19...Qg5± 1.21/18]

20.Nxa5 0.51/23

[20.Qd3+- 1.63/17]

20...Qg5 1.80/20

[20...dxe5⩲ 0.51/23 21.Rxe5 Qd6]

21.Nc4 Rab8 22.b3 0.81/22
[22.exd6+- 1.86/22 Rxe1+ 23.Qxe1 cxd6 24.Rd1 (*24.Nxd6 Bxd4 25.Rd1 c5=*)]

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[22...Rb5± 0.81/22]

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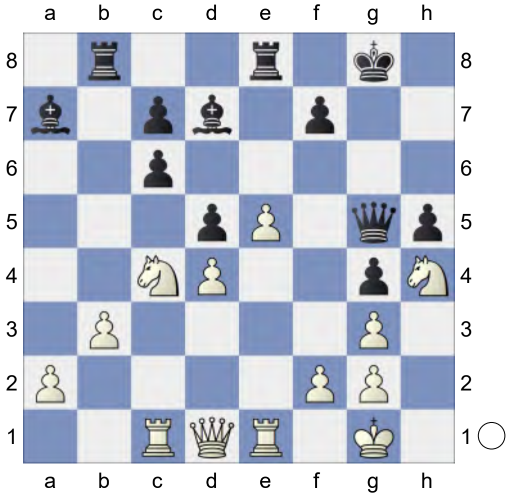


24.e6! 1.92/21 **Rxe6 25.Rxe6 Bxe6 26.Ne5 Bxd4 27.Nxc6 Bb2 28.Rc2 Rb6 29.Nd4! Bxd4** 2.83/19
[29...Ba3± 1.55/23]

30.Qxd4 Ra6? 5.19/21
[30...Qe7 2.00/21 is tougher. 31.Qe5 c5]

31.Kh2
[31.Rxc7 Rxa2 32.Rb7 Ra8±]

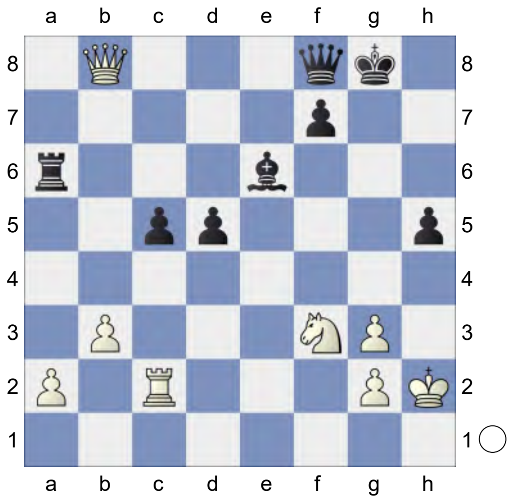
31...c6 5.04/21
[⌓31...Qg7 3.45/19 32.Qd2 c6]

32.f4 gxf3 33.Nxf3 Qg7 4.17/21
[33...Qg4 2.81/19 34.Qc3 Ra8]

34.Qf4 c5 35.Qb8+ 1.52/20
[35.Rxc5+- 4.71/22 is more deadly. Qg4 36.Qb8+ Kg7 37.a4]

35...Qf8±

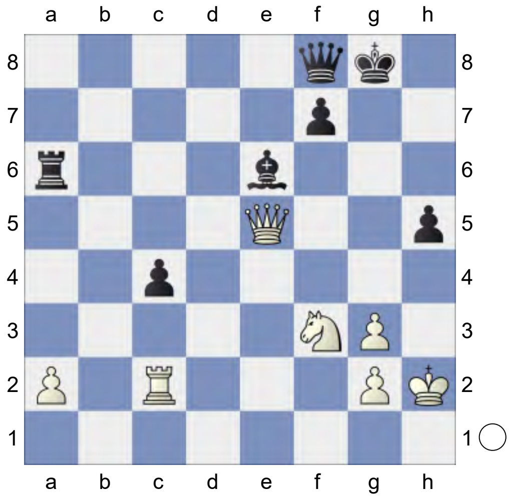
(Diagram)



36.Qe5 c4 2.82/21
[36...f6 1.71/18 is a better defense. 37.Qf4 (*37.Qxh5 Kg7=*) 37...Bf7]

37.bxc4+-
[37.Qxh5 Qg7=]

37...dxc4



Black is weak on the dark squares

38.Rb2!
[38.Qxh5 Qg7=]

38...Ra8 Prevents Rb8 **39.Rb5**
[39.Qxh5 Qg7 40.Rb5 Bg4±]

39...Bg4? 6.32/26
[39...Bd7 1.96/19]

40.Qf6 Re8 41.Rg5+ Kh7 42.Ne5? 0.12/23
[42.Nd4+- 5.97/24 Re4 43.a4 (*43.Nf5 Re6+-*)]

42...Re6= The position is equal. **43.Qf4**

[43.Qf2!? f5□ 44.Nxg4 *(44.Nxc4 Qe7=)* 44...hxg4 45.Rxg4⩲ Pin *(45.Rxf5 Qh6+ 46.Kg1 Qc1+ 47.Qf1 Re1=)*]

43...c3 44.Nxg4

[44.a4 simplifies f5 45.Nxg4 hxg4 46.Qxf5+ Qxf5 47.Rxf5 Rc6 48.Rf1]

44...hxg4 Endgame KQR-KQR **45.Qf5+**

[45.Rxg4 Rh6+ 46.Rh4 Rxh4+ 47.gxh4 Qc5]

[45.Qxg4? Qh6+ 46.Kg1 c2 47.Qf5+ Kh8-+]

45...Kh8 46.Rxg4 Rh6+ 47.Kg1⇄ White is not keeping still **47...Qd8** White must now prevent ...Qb6+.

48.Qe5+

[48.Qxf7 Qd1+ 49.Qf1 Rh1+ *(49...Qxg4? 50.Qf8+ Kh7 51.Qf7+ Qg7 52.Qf5+ Rg6 53.Qh3+ Kg8 54.Qc8+ Qf8 55.Qxc3-+)* 50.Kxh1 Qxf1+ 51.Kh2 c2 52.Rh4+ Kg7 53.Rg4+ Kh6-+]

48...f6 49.Qd4

[49.Qxc3? perishes. Qd1+ 50.Kf2 Qxg4-+]

49...Qxd4+ 50.Rxd4 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **50...Rh5 51.Rc4 Ra5 52.Rxc3 Rxa2 53.Rc7 Ra5 54.Kf2 Rf5+ 55.Ke3 Kg8 56.g4 Ra5 57.Kf4 Rb5 58.Rd7 Ra5 59.Ke4 Rg5 60.Kf4 Ra5 61.Ke4 Rg5 62.Kf4 Ra5**

Black escapes into a draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.50

63.Ke4

½-½

35 C50

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2736**

■ **Vidit,S 2720**

Niemann-Vidit Blitz Day 1 (2) 28.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.a4

[6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 *(7.Re1 Nge7 8.b4 Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6* 1-0 (37) Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2)*)* 7...Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 0-1 (72) Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) 2000 (1)]

6...a5 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Re1N The position is equal.

[8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Ng6 11.Nbd2 0-0 12.Qe1 c6 13.Nh4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Nxh4 15.Nxd6 Qxd6 16.Qxh4 Qxd3 17.Qg5 Be6 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Qxe5 Qd5 20.Qd4 h6 21.Rxf8+ Rxf8 22.Rf1 Rxf1+ ½-½ (30) Odeev,H (2405)-Mikhalevski,V (2511) Budapest Spring 2017 (8) 23.Kxf1 Qf5+ 24.Ke2 Qc2+ 25.Kf3 Qxb2 26.Qd8+ Kf7 27.Qd7+ Kf6 28.Qd8+ Kg6 29.Qd3+ Kf7 30.Qd7+ ½-½ Marciniak,M (2405)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2511) Frunze 35/477 1983 (8)]

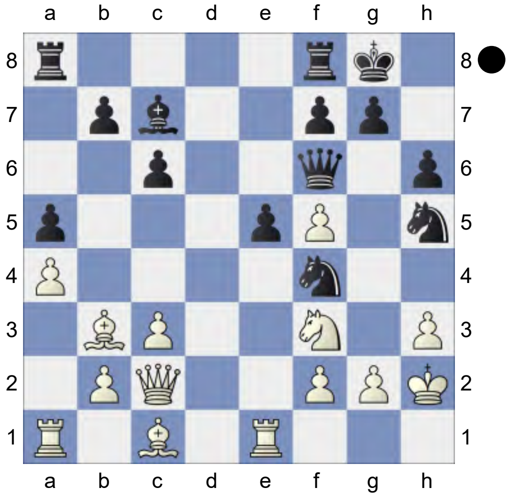
8...0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3

c6 12.d4 Ng6 13.Nc4!? A promising side line .Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

[13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 d5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 dxe4 18.Qh5! Qd5 19.Bf4 e3! 20.Nxe3 Qe4 21.Bg3 ½-½ (37) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m2 2024 (2.6)]

13...Bc7 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Be3N

[15.Qc2 Nh5 16.Ne3 Ngf4 17.Nf5 Qf6 18.Kh2? -1.64/23 *(18.g3= 0.20/19* and White stays safe. *Nxh3+ 19.Kg2)* 18...Bxf5-+ 19.exf5



Nd3! 20.Re4 Nc5 21.Nd2? -3.84/21 *(21.g4∓ -0.71/21)* 21...Nxe4? -1.50/22 *(21...Qxf5-+ -3.84/21* is more deadly. *22.Kg1 Nxe4 23.Qxe4 Qxe4 24.Nxe4 Kh8)* 22.Nxe4 0-1 (38) Jain,V (1931)-Hebbar,E (2201) New York Marshall op 04 2024 (4)]

15...Be6

[15...Nxe4 16.Qxd8 Bxd8 *(16...Rxd8? 17.Bb6+-)* 17.Bc2± *(17.Ncxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Bf6±)*]

16.Qc2 Qe7 17.Ncd2 Rfd8 18.Red1 Nh5 19.Bxe6

[19.Bc4 Nhf4 20.Kh2 Bxc4 21.Nxc4 Qe6 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.b3]

19...Qxe6 20.Qb3

[20.Kh2 keeps more tension. Ngf4 21.Nb3 b6 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Rd1]

20...Qxb3 21.Nxb3 Nf6 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Nfd2 Nf4 24.Kf1 Ne6 25.Ke2 Kf8 26.g3 Ke8 27.f3 Ke7 28.Nc4 This costs Black the game. **28...Ne8?** 3.28/22

[Better is 28...b6± 0.60/21]

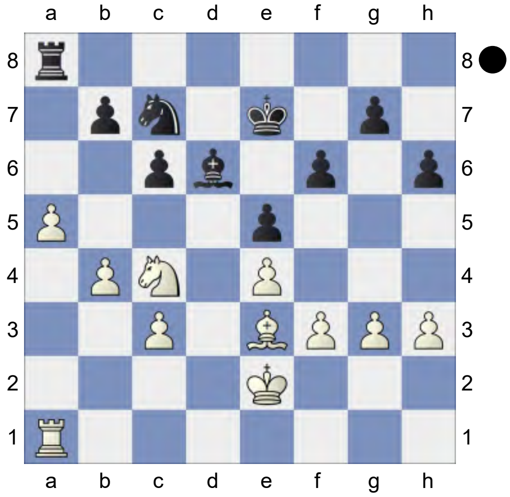
29.Nbxa5+-

[29.Ncxa5 Nd6=]

29...Rb8 30.Nb3 Nd6 31.Nbd2

[31.Nxe5 Nxe4 32.fxe4 Bxe5±]

31...f6 32.a5 Ra8 33.Nxd6 Bxd6 34.b4 Nc7 35.Nc4



Nb5 36.Kd3 Bc7 37.Kc2 Ke6 38.Nb2 h5 39.h4 g6 40.Na4 White is clearly winning. **40...Bd6 41.Rd1 f5 42.Nc5+ Bxc5 43.Bxc5 fxe4 44.fxe4** Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **44...Rg8 45.c4 Nd4+ 46.Bxd4 exd4 47.Rxd4** KR-KR. White is two pawns up. **47...g5 48.b5 gxh4 49.gxh4 Rg2+ 50.Kb3 Rg4 51.Kb4 cxb5 52.cxb5 Rxh4 53.Kc5 Rh1 54.Kb6 Rb1 55.Rd5**

[Stronger than 55.Kxb7 Rxb5+ 56.Ka6 Rb3=]

55...h4 56.Kxb7 and a6 would now be decisive **56...h3 57.Rh5 h2 58.b6**

[Weaker is 58.Rxh2 Rxb5+ 59.Ka6

Rb4+-]

58...h1Q 59.Rxh1 Rxh1 60.a6 Rh7+ 61.Kc6 Rh8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.48

62.b7

1-0

36 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Vidit,S** **2720**

Niemann-Vidit Blitz Day 1 (8) 28.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

Pezzi/Carosi: 'Glenn Flear: 'Think before castling! --- The following miniature illustrates the problem with 'castling into it'. Here this means committing the king early, followed by provoking the opponent to advance his pawns on that front. This doesn't mean that I'm against castling, far from it, but it shouldn't be a routine move. The general rule should be: think before committing your king!''

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.c3N

[6.h3 Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.cxb3 h6 9.Nc3 Be6 10.Bd2 g5 11.b4 Bb6 12.Nh2 g4 13.hxg4 Rg8 14.d4 Nxg4 15.g3 Bxd4 16.Ne2 Bb6 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 18.Kg2 Qh4 19.Qa4+ Bd7 20.Qb3 Qxe4+ 0-1 (23) Diaz Avila,J (1374)-Gonzalez Bolivar,J (1524) COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (5)]

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 ½-½ (24) IBd7 (2698)-Behrmann (2553) Daring Defences 2020 (6.2)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 15.h3 0-1 Knorr,V-Chigorin,M 010 St Petersburg 1874]

6...0-0 7.Re1 a5

[7...Bb6 8.h3 Prevents Ng4 h6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 0.48/22 (*11...c6=* 0.11/21) 12.d4 0.09/21 (*12.Nc4⩲* 0.48/22 deserves consideration.) 12...Re8 0.68/23 (*12...c6!=* 0.09/21) 13.Nc4⩲ Be6 1.14/23 (*13...c6⩲* 0.62/20) 14.Nxb6 Bxb3 15.Qxb3 cxb6 16.Be3 exd4 17.Bxd4 Nxe4 18.Bxb6 Qd7 19.Rad1 Nf4 Threatens to win with ...Nxh3+!. 20.Re3 0.12/22 (*20.Kh2⩲* 0.81/23) 20...d5 0.59/21 (*20...Qf5=* 0.12/22) 21.c4⩲ Qf5 22.cxd5 ½-½ (44) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m1 2024 (1.3)]

8.Nbd2 Be6 9.Bb5 Ba7 The position is equal. **10.Nf1 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.h3 exd4!** 12...exd4 is better than 12...c6. 12...exd4 ist besser als 12...c6. **13.Nxd4 c6!?** Leaves trodden paths.Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade. **14.Bd3 Re8 15.Ng3 Nd7N** 0.95/19

[15...Bd7 16.Ndf5 -0.28/24 (*⌓16.Nf3* 0.23/20) 16...Bxf5 17.Nxf5 d5 18.exd5 Rxe8+ is the strong threat. Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Qxd5 20.Bc2 Re8 21.Qf1 Ne4 0-1 (51) Moussard,J (2649)-Gholami Orimi,M (2402) Sitges Sunway op-A 11th playoff 2024 (1.3)]

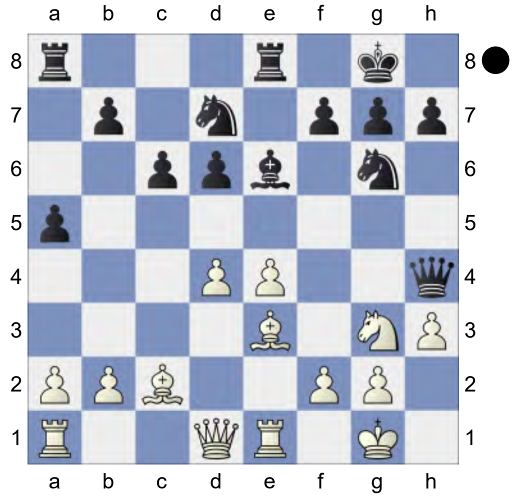
[15...Bd7= 0.07/22 remains equal.]

16.Bc2 Qh4 1.02/20

[16...Nde5⩲ 0.64/20]

17.Be3⩲ Bxd4 18.cxd4

[Don't do 18.Qxd4 Nge5⩲]



18...d5 19.Qd2 h6 Dodges Bg5 **20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.exf5 Ngf8 22.Bf4↑** Keeping Black busy. **22...Nh7 23.Bg3 Qf6 24.h4** 0.60/24

[24.Bc7± 1.10/21]

24...Rxe1+⩲ 25.Rxe1 Qd8 26.f3 a4 2.06/25

[Better is 26...Nhf6⩲ 0.61/21]

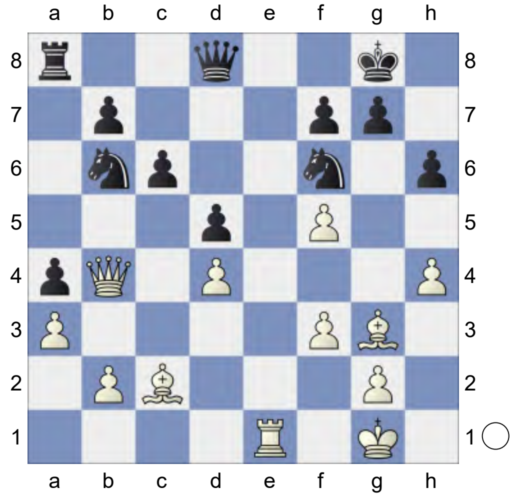
27.a3? 0.49/22

[27.Qb4+- 2.06/25]

27...Nb6? 2.04/23

[27...b5⩲ 0.49/22]

28.Qb4+- Nf6



29.Re4? -8.13/22

Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.31

29...dxe4

0-1

54 **C54**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi** **2720**

Niemann-Vidit m blitz (4) 28.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 (*6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1) 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 7.Nbd2 is the recent fashion. 7.Sbd2 ist aktuell in Mode.

7...Bb6 8.Nbd2

[8.h3 h6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 0.77/26 (*12...c6=* 0.08/23) 13.Nc4± Be6 1.15/25 (*13...c6* 0.73/23) 14.Nxb6 Bxb3 15.Qxb3 cxb6 16.Be3 0.27/27 (*16.d5±* 0.77/25) 16...exd4 0.74/25

(16...Nxe4= 0.27/27 feels stronger. *17.dxe5 Nxe5)* 17.Bxd4± Nxe4 18.Bxb6 ½-½ (44) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m1 2024 (1.3)]

8...Ng4 9.Re2 Na5 0.43/20

[9...Kh8!= -0.26/19]

10.h3± Nh6N 1.12/23

[10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Nxf2 12.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 13.Kxf2 f5 14.Kg1! fxe4 15.dxe4 Qf6 16.Nh2 -0.65/19 *(16.Ncd2±* 0.34/21 *)* 16...Be6 0-1 (62) Sanchit,A (1960)-Shrivastava,K (1760) New Delhi Skillcraft op 1st 2024 (4)]

[10...Nf6± 0.44/22]

11.b4± Nxc4 12.Nxc4 f5 13.Bxh6 gxh6 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.d4 fxe4 16.Rxe4 Bf5 17.Re3 e4 18.Nd2 d5 19.Qh5 Qd6 20.Qh4 b5 1.19/24

[Black should try 20...Qf6± 0.66/21 21.Qg3+ Bg6]

21.f3 exf3 22.Rxf3

[22.Nxf3 Be4±]

22...Bg6 23.Qxh6 Qc6? 5.13/25

[23...Rxf3± 1.15/22 is tougher. 24.Nxf3 Qg3]

24.Raf1+- Rxf3 25.Rxf3 Qd6 26.Nf1 Rxa2 27.Ng3 Ra1+ 28.Kh2 Re1 29.h4 Re8? 6.54/27

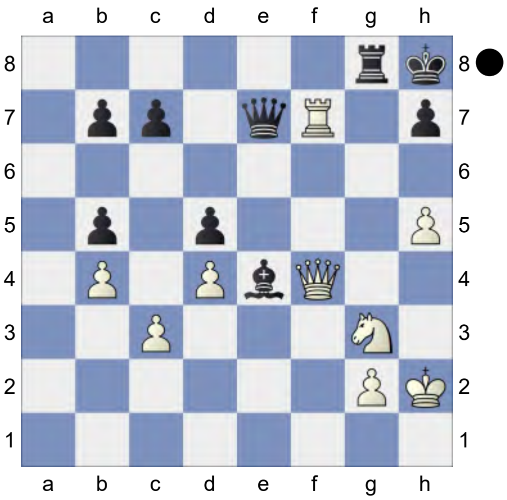
[29...Qe7 2.66/24 30.Rf4 Re6]

30.Qg5

[Weaker is 30.h5 Bc2 31.Qxd6 cxd6±]

30...Kh8 31.Rf6 Qe7 32.h5 Be4 33.Qf4 Rg8 34.Rf7

(Diagram)



Skewer **34...Rg4 35.Rf8+ Rg8 36.Rf7→** 0.01/24 White has some attack.

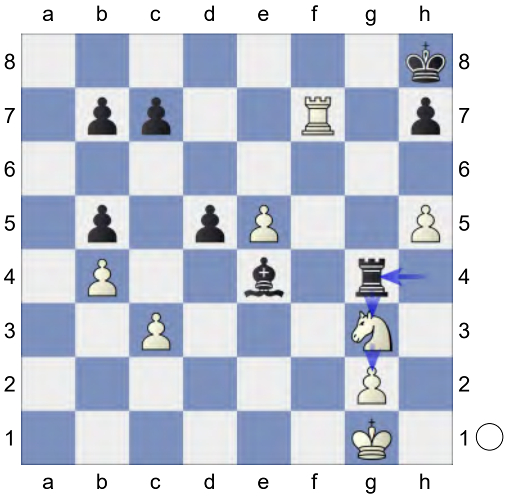
[Better is 36.Rf6+- 5.11/25 Bd3 37.Rf7]

36...Rg4!= (-> ...Qh4+). Deflection

37.Qe5+ White is clearly winning.

37...Qxe5 38.dxe5+- KRB-KRN

38...Rh4+ 39.Kg1 Rg4



40.e6! Hoping for e7. **40...Rxg3**

[40...Kg8 41.Rxc7]

41.e7 Rxg2+ 42.Kf1 Rg8 White took control after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/Black=0.80

43.Rf8

1-0

34 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Vidit,S** **2720**

Niemann-Vidit Blitz Day 1 (10) 28.06.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 (*6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1) 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.Nbd2 -0.20/23

[8.h3 h6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 0.78/24 (*12...c6!=* 0.19/24) 13.Nc4± Be6 1.07/26 (*13...c6±* 0.68/22) 14.Nxb6 Bxb3 15.Qxb3 cxb6 16.Be3 0.39/26 (*16.d5±* 0.78/26) 16...exd4 17.Bxd4 Nxe4 18.Bxb6 Qd7 19.Rad1 0.35/24 (*19.Qb5±* 0.83/25 *Qxb5 20.axb5*) 19...Nf4± Threatens to win with ... Nxh3+!. 20.Re3 d5 21.c4 Qf5 1.04/28 (*21...Nf6!=* 0.29/26) 22.cxd5 ½-½ (44) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m1 2024 (1.3)]

[⌓8.a4 0.23/23]

8...Ne7 0.30/22

[8...Ng4! -0.20/23 9.Re2 Nf6]

9.Bb3 c6! The position is equal. is currently scoring better than 9...Ng6. wohl besser als 9...Sg6. **10.Nc4 Bc7 11.d4 Ng6 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.h3** -0.44/27

[14.Bg5= -0.07/25 deserves consideration.]

14...h6 15.a4 Be6 16.Kf1N

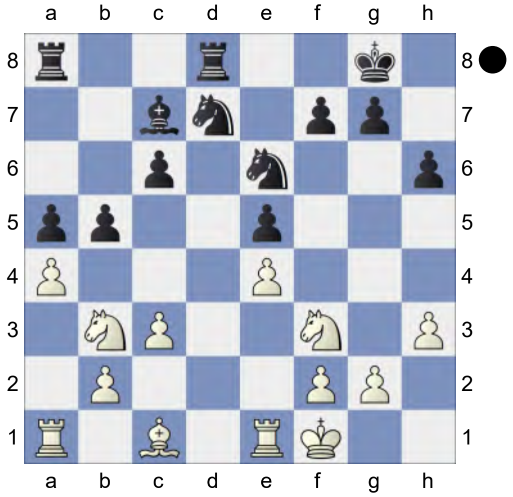
[16.Ncd2 Bxb3 17.Nxb3 Nf8 18.Nfd2 Ne6 19.Nc4 Rd7 20.f3 Rad8 21.Be3 b6 22.Kf2 Kf8 ½-½ Matikozian,A (2429)-Amanov,Z (2399) Los Angeles Metropolitan 25th 2013 (1)]

16...b5 17.Ncd2 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Nb3 -0.75/25

[19.axb5∓ -0.36/26 cxb5 20.Ra6]

19...a5∓ 20.Nfd2 Nd7 Black has more active pieces. **21.Nf3** -1.31/27

[⌓21.Nb1 -0.73/26]

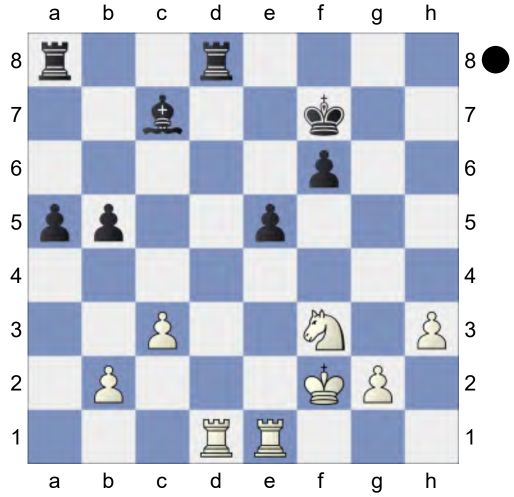


21...Ndc5 -0.77/24

[21...Nb6! -1.31/27 22.axb5 a4]

22.Nxc5 Nxc5 23.axb5 cxb5 24.Be3 Nxe4 25.Bxh6 Discovered Attack

25...Nxf2 0.01/23
[25...Nd6∓ -0.88/24 26.Bc1 f6]
26.Bg5= f6!
[26...Rd3? 27.Kxf2 f6 28.Be3+-]
27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Kxf2 Kf7 29.Rad1 -0.82/22
[29.g4!= -0.21/22]



29...a4 -0.44/23
[Black should try 29...Bd6!∓ -0.82/22]
30.Ke2 Ke6 -0.26/23
[30...Bd6∓ -0.73/24]
31.Rxd8 Rxd8 Endgame KRB-KRN
32.g4 Rg8
[32...b4!?]
33.Rf1 Bd6 34.Nd2 Rh8 35.Ne4 Be7
[35...Rxh3? 36.Rxf6+ (*36.Nxf6? Rh2+* Skewer *37.Kd3 Rxb2-+*) 36...Kd5 37.Nxd6+-]
36.Rf3 Rb8 37.Rf1 -0.74/25
[37.Rf2= -0.21/25 keeps the balance.]
37...b4∓ This costs White the game.
38.c4 -3.86/20
[Better is 38.Rb1!∓ -0.55/24]
38...a3-+ 39.Kd3 -5.56/20
[⌓39.bxa3 -3.76/20 bxa3 40.c5]
39...a2
[Weaker is 39...axb2 40.Kc2∓]
40.c5? -5.97/20
[40.Kc2 -3.47/22 was worth a try. b3+ 41.Kc3]
40...Kd5 Black is clearly winning. **41.Nd2 Rh8 42.Nb3 Rxh3+ 43.Kc2**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.21 (precise)
43...Rh2+
0-1

31 C54
☐ Niemann,Hans Moke 2736
■ Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2720
Niemann-Vidit m blitz (8) 28.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
Pezzi/Carosi: 'Glenn Flear: 'Think before castling! --- The following miniature illustrates the problem with 'castling into it'. Here this means committing the king early, followed by provoking the opponent to advance his pawns on that front. This doesn't mean that I'm against castling, far from it, but it shouldn't be a routine move. The general rule should be: think before committing your king!''
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.c3N
[6.h3 Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.cxb3 h6 9.Nc3 Be6 10.Bd2 g5 11.b4 Bb6 12.Nh2 g4 13.hxg4 Rg8 14.d4 Nxg4 15.g3 Bxd4 16.Ne2 Bb6 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 18.Kg2 Qh4 19.Qa4+ Bd7 20.Qb3 Qxe4+ 0-1 (23) Diaz Avila,J (1374)-Gonzalez Bolivar,J (1524) COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (5)]
[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8

20.Qb4 Qc8 ½-½ (24) IBd7 (2698)-Behrmann (2553) Daring Defences 2020 (6.2)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 15.h3 0-1 Knorr,V-Chigorin,M 010 St Petersburg 1874]

6...0-0 7.Re1 a5

[7...Bb6 8.h3 Against Ng4 h6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 0.72/21 *(12...c6!= 0.14/20)* 13.Nc4± Be6 14.Nxb6 Bxb3 15.Qxb3 cxb6 16.Be3 0.35/23 (White should play *16.d5± 0.83/22)* 16...exd4 0.82/23 *(16...Nxe4⩲ 0.35/23 17.Qb5 Nf6)* 17.Bxd4± Nxe4 18.Bxb6 Qd7 19.Rad1 Nf4 ...Nxh3+! would now be deadly. 20.Re3 0.12/21 *(20.Kh2⩲ 0.57/23)* 20...d5 0.54/23 *(20...Qc6= 0.12/21)* 21.c4⩲ Qf5 0.86/24 *(21...Nf6⩲ 0.40/23)* 22.cxd5 ½-½ (44) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m1 2024 (1.3)]

8.Nbd2 Be6 9.Bb5 Ba7 The position is equal. **10.Nf1 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.h3 exd4!** 0.41/23 12...exd4 is better than 12...c6. 12...exd4 ist besser als 12...c6.

[12...c6= 0.01/19 13.Bd3 Bb6]

13.Nxd4 -0.01/21

[13.cxd4⩲ 0.41/23 d5 14.e5]

13...c6!? Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

14.Bd3 Re8 15.Ng3 Nd7N 0.95/18

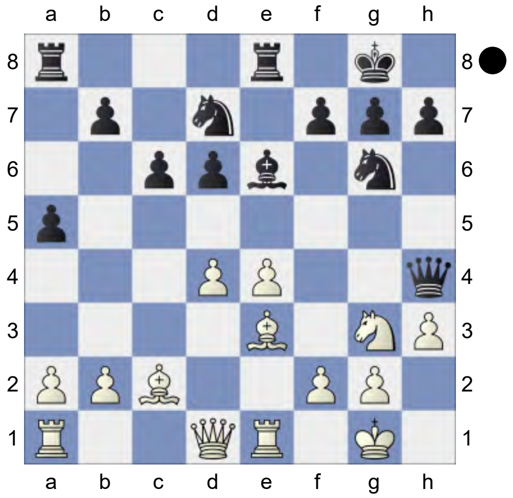
[15...Bd7 16.Ndf5 -0.54/22 *(16.Nf3= 0.21/19)* 16...Bxf5 -0.07/24 *(16...d5∓ -0.54/22)* 17.Nxf5= d5 18.exd5 Hoping for Rxe8+. Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Qxd5 20.Bc2 Re8 21.Qf1 Ne4 0-1 (51) Moussard,J (2649)-Gholami Orimi,M (2402) Sitges Sunway op-A 11th playoff 2024 (1.3)]

[15...Bd7= 0.21/22 remains equal.]

16.Bc2 Qh4 1.10/21

[16...Nde5⩲ 0.63/19 is superior.]

17.Be3± Bxd4 18.cxd4



d5 19.Qd2 h6 Against Bg5 **20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.exf5 Ngf8 22.Bf4↑** White is in control. **22...Nh7 23.Bg3** 0.65/23

[23.b3± 1.08/21]

23...Qf6 1.09/21

[23...Rxe1+⩲ 0.65/23 24.Rxe1 Qd8]

24.h4 0.43/23

[24.Bc7± 1.09/21]

24...Rxe1+!⩲ 25.Rxe1 Qd8 26.f3 a4 2.09/22

[26...Nhf6⩲ 0.64/22]

27.a3? 0.41/23

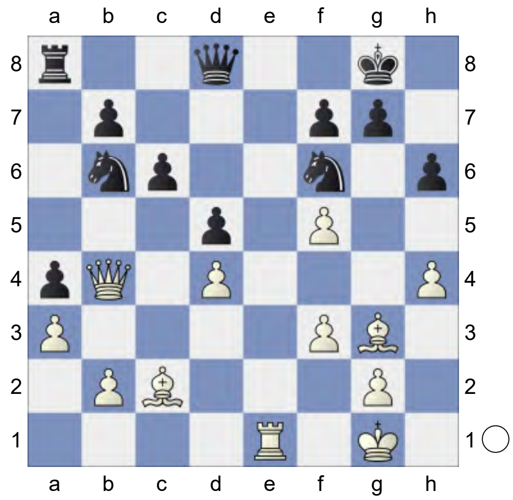
[27.Qb4+- 2.09/22]

27...Nb6? 2.01/23

[27...Nhf6⩲ 0.41/23]

28.Qb4+- Nf6

(Diagram)



29.Re4?? -8.23/23
Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/ Black=0.30
29...dxe4
0-1

32 **C50**
☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**
■ **Vidit,S** **2720**
Niemann-Vidit Blitz Day 1 (18) 28.06.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.0-0 Nf6N

[6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 *(8.b4 0-0 9.Re1 Ng4 10.Re2 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Ng6 13.h3 Nf6 14.a4 a5 15.b5 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Qb3 Ndf4 18.Re4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Ba3 Re8 21.Rae1 Qd7 22.Qe3 Red8* ½-½ (65) Mihai,E (2189)-Egger,R (2064) corr MT/Stern/pr pr 10 2019 *)* 8...a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 Re7 36.Rc1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

[6...Bg4 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Re1 0-0 9.Nf1 Qd7 10.Ne3 Bxe3 11.Bxe3 Na5 12.Bb3 Nxb3 13.axb3 a6 14.Bg5 Kh8 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Ng8 17.g4 f6 18.Bd2 Ne7 19.h4 Rad8 20.c4 c5 21.b4 0-1 (54) Delmar,E-Gossip,G 6th American Congress 1889 (2.33)]

7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 -0.24/17

[⌓8.a4 0.20/16]

8...Ng4!= 9.Re2 Na5 0.44/17

[9...Kh8!= -0.17/17]

10.h3 Nf6 11.b4 0.06/23

[11.Bb5± 0.46/19]

11...Nxc4 12.Nxc4 h6 13.a4 c6! 14.Nxb6! axb6 15.Be3 Re8 16.Re1 d5 17.Qc2 Qc7 18.c4 dxe4 19.dxe4 Be6 0.38/22

[19...c5= -0.01/22]

20.Nd2 -0.01/23

[20.c5± 0.38/22 bxc5 21.bxc5]

20...Red8 21.Qc3 Nh5 0.79/25

[21...c5= 0.01/26]

22.a5 0.35/23

[22.Nf3!± 0.79/25]

22...bxa5± 23.bxa5 Rd7 1.49/23

[23...c5= 0.27/21]

24.Nb3!± Nf4 25.Nc5 0.82/22 Inhibits Rd3.

[⌓25.Bb6 1.33/23 Qb8 26.Nc5]

25...Rdd8? 2.66/23

[25...Re7± 0.82/22]

26.Rab1? 0.03/22

[26.Nxe6!+- 2.66/23 Nxe6 27.Bb6]

26...Bc8= 27.Rb6 Ne6 28.Nd3 f6 29.Reb1 Qf7 30.f3 Qg6 31.Kh2 Ng5 32.Nf2 Qh5 0.63/22

[32...Qe8= 0.23/23]

33.R6b2 Kh7 34.Rd2 Rxd2 35.Qxd2 Ne6 36.Nd3 Nd4 37.Bxd4 exd4 38.c5 Qf7! 39.Rb6 -0.01/23

[39.e5⩲ 0.53/21]

39...Qc7+ 40.Kg1 Qg3 41.Nf2 Qe5 42.Nd3 Qg5 43.Qxg5 hxg5 Endgame KRB-KRN **44.Rb4 Rxa5 45.Rxd4 Ra1+ 46.Kh2 Be6 47.Rd6 Bc4 48.Nf2 Ra5 49.Rd7 Ba6 50.Ng4 Kg8**

[50...Rxc5 51.Nxf6+ Kg6 52.Ne8±]

[50...Kg6?! 51.Ne3±]

51.Ne3 Rxc5 52.Nf5 Kf8! 53.Nxg7

[53.Rxg7? Rxf5 54.Rh7 Rb5-+]

53...Rc2 54.Kg1 -0.01/26

[54.Nf5⩲ 0.62/25]

54...Rc1+ 55.Kh2 Rc2 56.Nf5 Be2 1.30/24

[56...Ra2!⩲ 0.38/23]

57.Kg3!±

[57.Rxb7?! Bxf3 58.Kg3 *(58.Rb8+ Kf7=)* 58...Bxg2= *(58...Bxe4? 59.Rb8+ Kf7 60.Nd6+ Kg6 61.Nxe4+-)*]

57...Ba6? 3.97/23

[57...b5± 0.83/22 is more resistant.]

58.Ne3? 0.44/25

[58.Nd6+- 3.97/23]

58...Rb2 0.97/23

[58...Ke8⩲ 0.44/25 59.Rg7 *(59.Rxb7 Rxg2+ 60.Kxg2 Bxb7∓)* 59...Rd2]

59.h4 0.23/22

[59.Rh7!± 0.97/23]

59...gxh4+= 60.Kxh4 c5? 2.07/24

[60...Ke8= 0.22/23 and Black is okay. 61.Rg7 Kf8]

61.Rc7!+- c4 2.16/24

[61...Re2± 1.48/24]

62.g4? 0.13/19

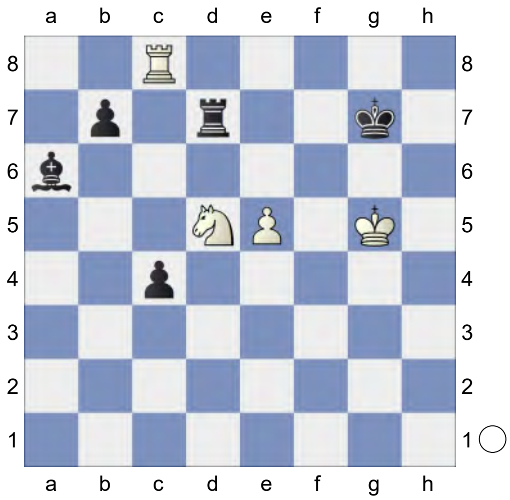
[62.Nxc4 Bxc4 63.Rxc4 Rxg2±]

[62.Kg4+- 2.16/24]

62...Rb3!= 63.Nd5 Rxf3 64.g5 fxg5+ 65.Kxg5 Rf7 aiming for ...Rxc7. **66.Rc8+** White has compensation.

66...Kg7 67.e5 Rd7 0.99/23

[67...b6= 0.21/21 remains equal. 68.Rd8 Bb7]



68.Nf4 0.33/25 White is more active.

[Better is 68.Rc5!± 0.99/23 And now e6 would win. Rf7 *(68...Kf7? 69.Kf5+-)* 69.e6]

68...Rd1? 2.03/27

[68...b6⩲ 0.33/25 69.Rc6 Rd1]

69.Rc7++- Kf8? 7.84/26

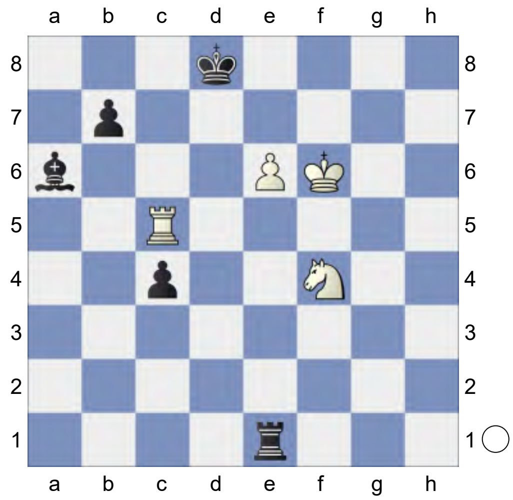
[69...Kg8 2.22/26 70.e6 Rg1+ 71.Kf6 Rf1]

70.Kf6 Ke8 71.e6 6.05/25

[⌓71.Re7+ 14.25/28 Kd8 72.Ne6+ Kc8 73.Re8+ Kd7 74.Rd8+ Skewer Kc6 75.Rxd1]

71...Kd8 72.Rc5 White threatens e7+ and mate. **72...Re1**

(Diagram)



73.Nd5? 0.56/27

[White must play 73.Rd5+!+- 4.37/27 Ke8 74.Rd7]

73...b6⩲ 74.Nxb6 0.18/27

[74.Rc7⩲ 0.64/26]

74...c3 75.Rxc3 Rf1+ 76.Ke5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.35

76...Re1+

½-½

33 C54

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2736**

■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2720**

Niemann-Vidit m blitz (10) 28.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 (*6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1) 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.Nbd2 -0.26/20

[8.h3 h6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 0.71/21 (*12...c6=* 0.30/20) 13.Nc4± Be6 1.20/23 (Black should try *13...c6⩲* 0.69/21) 14.Nxb6 0.84/22 (*⌓14.d5!* 1.20/23 *Bd7 15.Nxb6 cxb6 16.Bc4*) 14...Bxb3± 15.Qxb3 cxb6 16.Be3 0.26/24 (Better is *16.d5±* 0.82/21) 16...exd4 0.74/22 (*16...Nxe4=* 0.26/24 *17.dxe5 Nxe5*) 17.Bxd4± Nxe4 18.Bxb6 Qd7 19.Rad1 0.43/20 (*19.Qb5±* 0.79/24 *Qxb5 20.axb5*) 19...Nf4⩲ 20.Re3 0.12/20 (*20.Kh2⩲* 0.49/24) 20...d5 0.51/22 (*20...Qc6=* 0.12/20) 21.c4⩲ Qf5 0.91/24 (*21...Nf6⩲* 0.54/23) 22.cxd5 ½-½ (44) Niemann,H (2688)-Vidit,S (2721) North Richland Hills blitz m1 2024 (1.3)]

[8.a4 0.21/20]

8...Ne7 0.28/21

[⌓8...Ng4! -0.26/20 9.Re2 Nf6]

9.Bb3= **c6!** The position is equal. is currently scoring better than 9...Ng6. wohl besser als 9...Sg6. **10.Nc4 Bc7 11.d4 Ng6 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.h3** -0.42/22

[14.Bg5= -0.01/21]

14...h6 15.a4 Be6 16.Kf1N

[16.Ncd2 Bxb3 17.Nxb3 Nf8

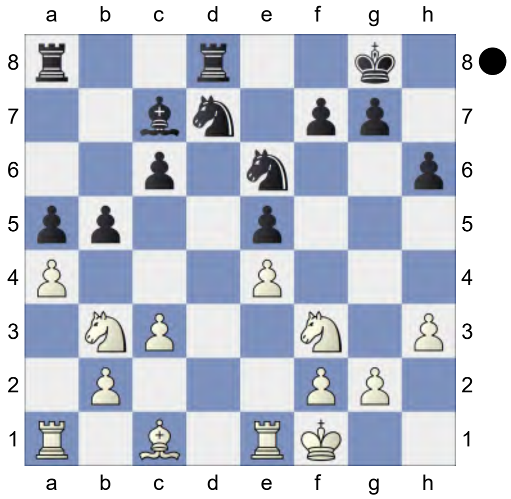
18.Nfd2 Ne6 19.Nc4 Rd7 20.f3 Rad8 21.Be3 b6 22.Kf2 Kf8 ½-½ Matikozian,A (2429)-Amanov,Z (2399) Los Angeles Metropolitan 25th 2013 (1)]

16...b5 17.Ncd2 -0.68/24

[17.axb5 -0.32/26 should be considered. cxb5 18.Na5]

17...Nf4∓ 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Nb3 Repels Nc5 **19...a5 20.Nfd2 Nd7** Black is much more active. **21.Nf3** -1.15/25

[21.Nb1!∓ -0.69/21]



21...Ndc5 -0.69/22

[21...Nb6!∓ -1.15/25 22.axb5 a4]

22.Nxc5 Nxc5 23.axb5 cxb5 24.Be3 Nxe4 25.Bxh6 Discovered Attack **25...Nxf2** -0.01/22

[25...Nxc3∓ -0.83/23 Strongly threatening ...Nd5. 26.Bg5 f6 27.bxc3 fxg5]

26.Bg5= f6!

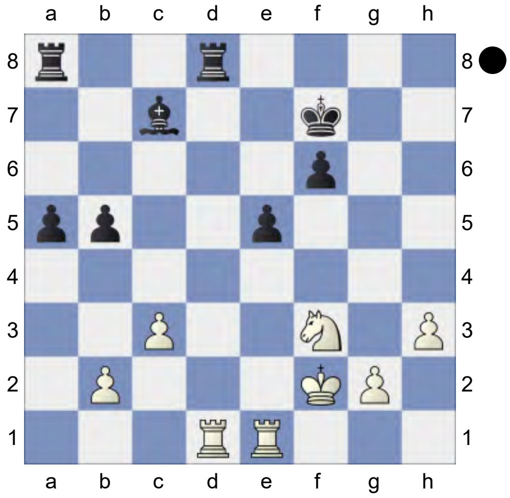
[26...Rd3? 27.Kxf2 a4 28.Re2+- *(28.Nxe5 Bxe5 29.Rxe5 f6+-)*]

27.Bxf6 -0.39/23

[27.Kxf2= 0.01/22 fxg5 28.Re4]

27...gxf6∓ 28.Kxf2 Kf7 29.Rad1 -0.86/21

[29.g4= -0.22/20]



29...a4 -0.34/23

[29...Bd6!∓ -0.86/21]

30.Ke2 Ke6 31.Rxd8 Rxd8= Endgame KRB-KRN **32.g4 Rg8 33.Rf1 Bd6 34.Nd2 Rh8 35.Ne4 Be7**

[35...Rxh3 36.Rxf6+ *(36.Nxf6?* loses. *Rh2+* Skewer *37.Kd3 Be7-+)* 36...Kd5 37.Nxd6+-]

36.Rf3 Rb8 37.Rf1 -0.82/24

[37.Rf2= -0.19/25 remains equal.]

37...b4∓ This costs White the game. **38.c4** -3.79/21

[38.Rb1∓ -0.89/23]

38...a3-+ 39.Kd3? -5.74/22

[39.bxa3 -3.48/22 bxa3 40.c5]

39...a2

[39...axb2? 40.Kc2∓]

40.c5? -5.84/23

[40.Ra1 -3.36/24 b3 41.Kc3]

40...Kd5 Black is clearly winning. **41.Nd2 Rh8**

[41...Kxc5? 42.Ra1 Ra8 43.Kc2-+]

42.Nb3 Rxh3+ 43.Kc2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.27 (precise)

43...Rh2+

0-1

37 **C50**

☐ **Aronian,L** **2742**

■ **Grischuk,A** **2667**

Esports World Cup LC Lose blitz (3.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

CWN 18/1/1908 Played in a "FLS" corr. tourney; Peterson (Cork) v Kershaw (Luton) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.h3 d6**

[5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 15.Ne2 c6 16.b4 Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 1-0 (38) Firouzja, A (2778)-Aronian,L (2759) Saint Louis 154/106 2022]

6.c3N

[6.Nc3 Ne7 *(6...a6 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5 21.Rfe1* 1-0 (50) Dardha, D (2609)-Yurasova,D (2048) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (2) *Rad8 22.b4 cxb3 23.Bxb3 Qxa3 24.Nxb5 Qc5 25.Nc3 Rc8 26.Rd3 a5 27.Rde3 Qb4 28.Rb1 Qc5 29.Bxf7+ Kxf7 30.Rxb7+ Kg8 31.Rb5 Qc7 32.Nd5 Nxd5 33.Rxd5 Qxc2 34.Rxa5 Ra8 35.Rd5 Qc1 36.Rxd6* 1-0 (50) Dardha,D (2606)-Ismayil,M (2002) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Late blitz 2022 (1)*)* 7.Be3 Bb6 8.a3 h6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.Qe2 c6 11.Bb3 Bxb3 12.cxb3 Ng6 13.g3 0-0 14.Rd1 Qe7 15.b4 Qe6 16.d4 d5 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Bxb6 axb6 20.f4 Qe7 1-0 (39) Peterson,N-Kershaw,W Four-Leaved Shamrock tourney 1907]

6...a6 7.Bb3 0-0 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.Nbd2 Qf6 12.Qe2 Rb8 13.0-0-0 -0.67/21

[13.Nf1= 0.15/20]

13...b5⩱ 14.Bh2 b4 15.g4 -0.91/22

[15.Nxe5⩱ -0.39/20 Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Qxe5 *(16...dxe5 17.Qxh5 bxc3 18.bxc3=)* 17.Qxh5 bxc3 *(17...Bxf2 18.d4=)* 18.Qg6+ Qg7 19.Qxg7+ Kxg7 20.bxc3]

15...bxc3 -0.46/20

[15...Nf4∓ -0.91/22 16.Bxf4 bxc3 *(16...gxf4 17.g5⩲; 16...Qxf4 17.Rdg1∓)*]

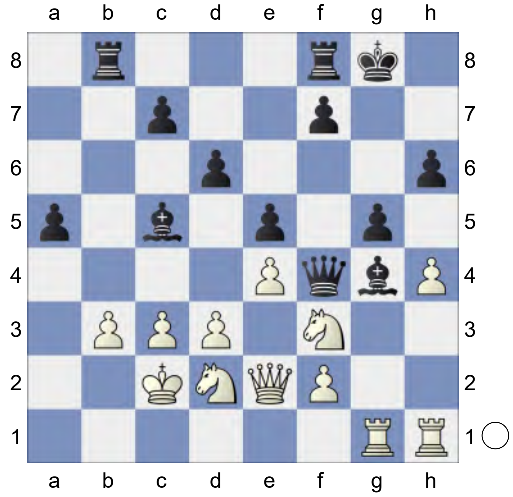
16.bxc3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Qxf4

[17...gxf4?! 18.g5 Qe7 *(18...hxg5 19.Rdg1±)* 19.Rdg1⩲]

18.Rdg1 Na5 19.Kc2 Nxb3 -0.01/20

[19...Bd7⩱ -0.47/21]

20.axb3= a5 21.h4 Bxg4



22.Rxg4! Qxg4 23.hxg5 f5? 6.71/19

[23...hxg5? 24.Rg1 Qe6 *(24...Qf4? 25.Rxg5+ Kh7 26.Qf1+-)* 25.Nxg5+-]

[23...a4= 0.01/20 24.b4 a3]

24.Rxh6? -0.01/19

[White must play 24.Rh4+- 6.71/19]

24...Kg7? 7.60/21

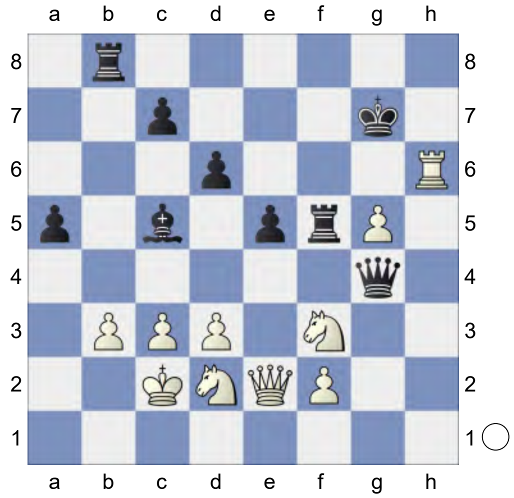
[24...fxe4= -0.01/19 25.Rg6+ Kh8 26.Rh6+ Kg7 27.Rg6+ Kh7 *(27...Kxg6? 28.Nxe5+ dxe5 29.Qxg4+-)* 28.Rh6+ Kg8]

25.exf5? 2.83/23

[25.Rh4 7.60/21]

25...Rxf5? 7.49/23

[25...Qxf5 2.83/23 26.Nh4 Qxg5 27.Rg6+ Qxg6 28.Nxg6 Kxg6]



26.d4? 1.51/22

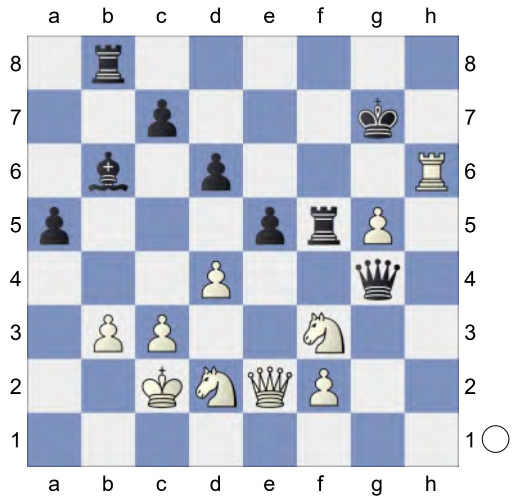
[26.Rh4!+- 7.49/23 and the rest is easy. Qg2 27.Qe4]

26...Bb6? 8.04/22

[26...exd4 27.Qe7+ Rf7 28.Rh7+ Kxh7 29.Qxf7+ Kh8 30.g6 d3+ 31.Kxd3]

[26...Rxf3± 1.51/22 27.Qxf3 *(27.Nxf3 Qf5+ 28.Qd3 e4=)* 27...Qxf3 28.Nxf3 exd4]

(Diagram)

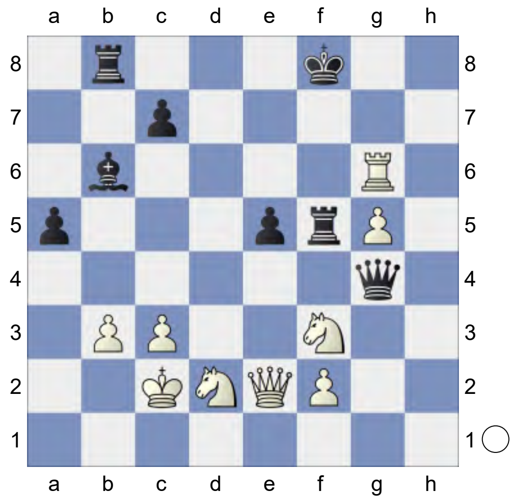


27.Rg6+? 1.37/20 **Kf8?** 5.24/21

[27...Kh7± 1.37/20 is tougher.]

28.dxe5+- dxe5 7.60/23

[28...Rd8 3.66/19 29.Qd3 Bxf2]



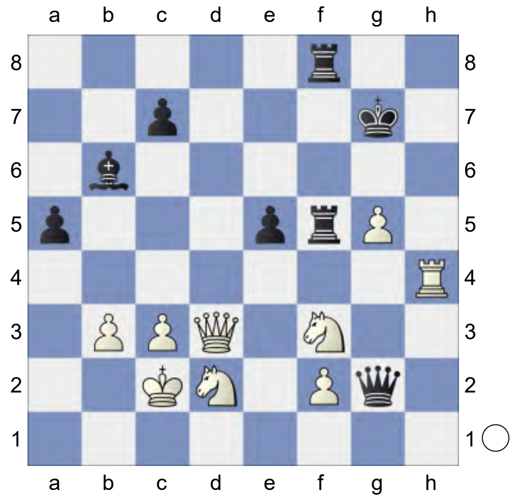
29.Rh6? 2.37/22

[29.Qd3! 7.60/23 a4 30.Qd5 Rxf3 31.Rg8+ Skewer *(31.Qxf3+ Qxf3 32.Nxf3 axb3+ 33.Kb2 Bxf2=)* 31...Ke7 32.Rg7+ *(32.Nxf3? Rxg8 33.Qxg8 axb3+ 34.Kxb3 Qxf3-+; 32.Rxb8 Qf5+ 33.Ne4 Rxf2+ 34.Kb1 Rd2+-; 32.Qxe5+ Qe6±)* 32...Rf7 33.Qxf7+ *(33.Rxf7+ Ke8+-)* 33...Kd6 34.Rg6+ *(34.Nc4+ Kc6+-)* 34...Kc5 35.f3]

29...Kg7? 10.37/24

[29...Rd8 2.37/22]

30.Rh4 Qg2 31.Qd3 Rbf8



32.Nxe5 4.42/26 **Qxf2** 8.02/26

[⌓32...Qxg5 4.42/26 33.Rg4 Pin Rxe5]

33.Rh6 3.93/24

[33.Qd7+ R8f7 34.Nxf7 Rxf7±]

[⌓33.Qh3 8.02/26 Intending Rh7+ and mate. Rxe5 34.Rh7+ Kg6 35.Qh6+ Kf5 36.Qxf8+ Kg4 37.Qh6]

33...Be3 34.Rg6+ Kh8 5.41/25

[34...Kh7 3.68/28 was called for. 35.Qd7+ R8f7 36.Rh6+ *(36.Nxf7? Kxg6 37.Nh8+ Kxg5-+)* 36...Kg7 37.Nxf7 Rxf7]

35.Rh6+? -0.01/26

[White should play 35.Nef3+- 5.41/25 Bxd2 *(35...Rxf3 36.Rh6+ Kg8 37.Qh7#)* 36.Nxd2]

35...Kg7!=

[35...Kg8 36.Qd5+ R5f7 37.Rg6+ Kh8 38.Nxf7+ Kh7 39.Rh6+ *(39.Ne5 Qxd2+ 40.Qxd2 Bxd2+-)* 39...Kg8 40.Nh8+ *(40.Nd8+ Rf7+-)* 40...Rf7 41.Rg6+ *(41.Qxf7+ Qxf7 42.Nxf7 Kxf7+-; 41.Nxf7 Qxd2+ 42.Qxd2 Bxd2+-)* 41...Kxh8 42.Qa8+ *(42.Qh1+ Qh4 43.Qa8+ Rf8 44.Qxf8+ Kh7 45.Qg8#)* 42...Rf8 43.Qh1+]

36.Qd7+ R8f7 37.Nxf7 Rxf7 38.Qd3 Bxd2? 10.85/27

[38...Qf5 2.42/26 39.Ne4 Re7]

39.Qxd2?+- 3.80/30 Endgame KQR-KQR. White is a pawn up.

[39.Rh7+ Kg8 40.Qg6+ *(40.Qxd2? Kxh7 41.c4 Kg6-+)* 40...Kf8 41.Rh8+ Ke7 42.Qe4+ Kd6 43.Rh6+ Kd7 44.Qc6+ Kd8 *(44...Ke7 45.Qxc7+ Ke8 46.Qc8+ Ke7 47.Re6#)* 45.Rh8+ Rf8+-]

[39.Rg6+ 10.85/27 Kh7 40.Rf6+ Kh8 41.Rxf2 *(41.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 42.Kxd2 Rxf6+-)* 41...Rxf2 42.Qd4+ Kh7 43.Qxf2 Bxg5 44.Qh2+ Kg6 45.Qxc7]

39...Qf5+? 6.42/24

[39...a4 3.80/30 40.bxa4 Qxd2+ 41.Kxd2 Rf5]

40.Kb2 Qe5 41.Qc2 Qxg5 42.Qh7+ 1.50/5

[42.Rh2+- 6.25/23 and White stays clearly on top.]

42...Kf8⇄ (-> ...Rf2+). Black is not holding back **43.Qh8+** The position is equal. **43...Ke7 44.Rh2** Inhibits Rf2+. **44...Qe3 45.Qh5 Rf2+ 46.Rxf2 Qxf2+=** KQ-KQ **47.Ka3 Qb6 48.Qe5+ Kd7 49.Qg7+ Kc6 50.Qg2+ Kd7 51.Qg4+ Kc6 52.Qe4+ Kd6 53.Qd3+ Kc6 54.Qd2 Qc5+ 55.Ka2 Kb6 56.Qe1 Qc6 57.Qe3+ Kb7 58.Qd2 Qb6 59.Qd5+ c6 60.Qd7+ Qc7 61.Qd4 Qb6 62.Qd2 Qc7 63.Qc2 Qb6 64.Qh7+ Qc7 65.Qh5 Qb6 66.Qf5 Qc7 67.Ka3 Qb6 68.Ka4 Qg1 69.Qd7+**

[But not 69.Qxa5?! Qa1+ 70.Kb4 Qe1±]

69...Kb6 70.Qd8+ Kb7 71.Kxa5 and Qd7+ should not be overlooked **71...Qc5+ 72.Ka4 Qxc3 73.Qd7+ Kb6 74.Qd8+ Kb7 75.Qe7+ Kb6**

Black defended with fortune.
Weighted Error Value: White=1.11/Black=1.14

76.Qb4+ Loss on time!?

1-0

38 **C54**
☐ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2819**
■ **Duda,Jan-Krzysztof** **2718**
CCT Chess.com Classic 2025 | Playoffs ..
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 3 **e5** 3 **2.Nf3** 2 **Nc6** 0 **3.Bc4** 3 **Bc5** 2 **4.0-0** 3 **Nf6** 1 **5.d3** 1 **d6** 2 **6.c3N** 2

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...a5 1 **7.Re1** 14 **Bb6** 4 **8.Na3** 3 **0-0** 10 **9.Nc2** -0.10/20 6

[9.Bg5± 0.37/19]

9...h6 28 **10.Be3** 23 **Bxe3** 3 **11.Nxe3** 0 **Ne7** 14 **12.Qc2** 35 **c6** 10 **13.a4** 5 **Ng6** 6 **14.d4** 2 **Ng4** 23 **15.Rad1** 30

[15.Nf5 seems wilder. exd4 16.N3xd4 N6e5 17.Bf1]

15...Nxe3 14 **16.Rxe3** 7 and dxe5 would now be decisive **16...Qe7** 6 **17.dxe5** 3 **dxe5** 3 **18.h3** 30 **Nf4** 38 **19.Qd2** -0.44/23 31

[19.Qb3= 0.06/21]

19...Be6!∓ 40 **20.Bxe6** 2

[20.Nxe5? Qg5 21.Bf1 Qxe5-+]

20...Qxe6 0 **21.Kh2** 19 **b5** 29 **22.axb5** 5 **cxb5** 0 **23.Qd7** 12 **f6** 18 **24.Qxe6+** 44 **Nxe6** 0 **25.Rd5** 3 **Rfb8** 10 **26.g3** -0.76/21 3

[26.Rd6= -0.20/23 keeps the balance. Ng5 27.Nh4]

26...b4 -0.31/23 16

[26...a4∓ -0.76/21 27.Rd6 Nc5]

27.cxb4! 1 **Rxb4** 0 **28.b3** 1 **a4** 11 **29.bxa4** 3 **Raxa4** 1 **30.Kg2** 1:08 **Rxe4** 4 **31.Rxe4** 0 **Rxe4=** 1 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **32.h4** 1 **h5** 7 **33.Rd6** 10 **Kf7** 1 **34.Rd7+** 2 **Kg6** 7 **35.Rd6** 1 **Nc5** 1 **36.Kf1** 9 **Kf5** 5 **37.Ne1** -1.65/22 3

[37.Rc6∓ -0.62/20 Ne6 38.Ne1]

37...Rd4!-+ 5 **38.Rc6** 3 **Ne4** 4 **39.Rc2** -2.00/24 6

[39.Nc2∓ -1.51/29 Rd2 40.Ne3+ Kg6 41.Ke1]

39...Rd2! 6 **40.Rxd2** -3.19/22 1

[40.Kg2 -1.89/27]

40...Nxd2+ 0 KN-KN. Black is a pawn up. **41.Ke2** 1 **Ne4** -1.69/24 3

[⌓41...Nb3 -2.89/25 42.f3 Nd4+ 43.Ke3 Ke6]

42.Kf3 -2.22/26 3

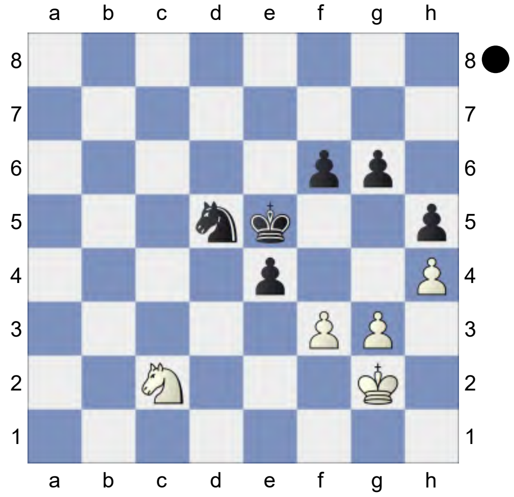
[⌓42.f3 -1.69/24 Nc5 (*42...Nxg3+ 43.Kf2∓*) 43.Nc2]

42...Nc3 5 **43.Nc2** 2 **Nd5** 0 **44.Na3** 7 **e4+** 6 **45.Kg2** 2 **Ke5** 16 **46.Nc2** -5.03/29 2

[46.Kf1 -2.10/26 was worth a try.]

46...g6 11 **47.f3** -6.18/24 11

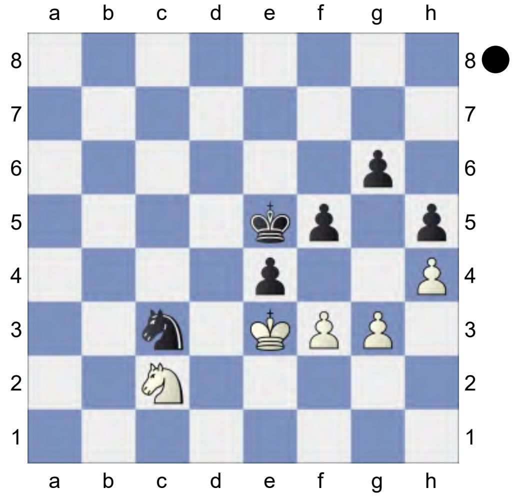
[⌓47.Na3 -4.41/24 Kd4 48.Kf1]



47...f5? -1.24/28 10

[47...e3!-+ -6.18/24 has better winning chances. 48.Kf1 f5]

48.Kf2∓ 1 **Nc3** 27 **49.Ke3** 4



Nd5+ 0.01/26 4

[49...Nd1+!∓ -1.55/27 50.Ke2 Nb2]

50.Kf2= 2 **f4** -0.30/30 16

[50...Ne7∓ -1.50/25 ...f4 is the strong threat. 51.Nb4 f4]

51.fxe4 8 **Kxe4** 3 **52.Ne1** 5 **Ne7** 5 **53.Ng2!** 6 **fxg3+** 1 **54.Kxg3** 2 **Nf5+** 1 **55.Kf2** 5 **Nd4** 13 **56.Kg3** 1 **Ne2+** 1 **57.Kf2** 3 **Nf4** -0.85/26 1

[Black should try 57...Nc1= -0.27/27]

58.Ne1∓ 2 **Ne6** 10 **59.Kg3** 3 **Nd4** 3 **60.Ng2** 1 **Ne2+** 3 **61.Kf2** 2 **Nc1** 1 **62.Ne1** 4 **Kf4** 14 **63.Ng2+!** 2 **Kf5** 5

[63...Kg4!? 64.Ke3□ Kg3=]

64.Kf3 3 **Nd3** 2 **65.Ne3+** 0 **Ke5** 1 **66.Nc4+** 2 **Kd4** 2 **67.Nd2** 4 **Nc5** 2 **68.Kf4** 5 **Ne6+** 0 **69.Kf3** 2 **Ke5** 1 **70.Nb3** 10 **Ng7** 4 **71.Kg3** 4 **Nf5+** 0 **72.Kh3** 1 **Nd4** 1 **73.Nc5** 2 **Kf4** 2 **74.Nd3+** 2 **Kf5** 0 **75.Kg3** 1 **Nc6** 3 **76.Kf3** 2 **Nd4+** 8 **77.Kg3** 1 **Ne2+** 2 **78.Kf3** 1 **Nc3** 1 **79.Kg3** 2 **Nb5** 5 **80.Kf3** 5 **Na7** 0 **81.Kg3** 1 **Nc8** 1 **82.Kf3** 1 **Nb6** 0 **83.Kg3** 1 **Nc4** 0 **84.Kf3** 2 **Nd2+** 1 **85.Ke3** 2 **Nf1+** 2 **86.Kf3** 2 **Nh2+** 0 **87.Kg3** 2 **Ng4** 0 **88.Kf3** 0 **Nh6** 1 **89.Nf4** 4 **Kf6** 0 **90.Ke4** 2 **Nf5** 2 **91.Ng2** 1 **Nd6+** 3 **92.Kf4** 0 **Kg7** 4 **93.Ke5** 2 **Nf5** 2 **94.Ke4** 1 **Kf6** 2 **95.Kf4** 1 **Ng7** 1 **96.Ne3** 1 **Ne6+** 1 **97.Ke4** 1 **Nc5+** 1 **98.Kf4** 0 The position is equal. **98...Nd7** 2 **99.Nd5+** 2 **Kg7** 0 **100.Ne3** 2 **Nf6** 1 **101.Ke5** 2 **Ng8** 2 **102.Kf4** 1 **Kf6** 1 **103.Nd5+** 1 **Ke6** 1

And White is the lucky defender.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.30

104.Kg5 2

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42 **C53**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2762**
■ **Le Tuan Minh** **2598**
chess.com SpeedChess 2025 (1.19)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 a6 9.a4 Ba7 The position is equal. **10.Nf1 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3** -0.06/21

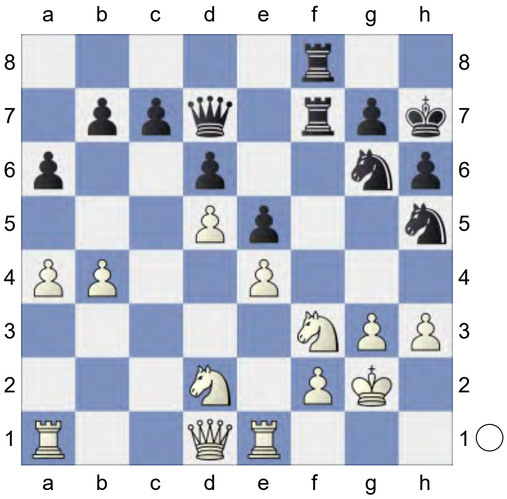
[13.Rxe3⩲ 0.38/19 Qe8 14.Ng3]

13...Qe8 14.b4 Kh7 15.g3 Qd7 16.Kg2 Rf7 17.Nf1 Raf8 18.N1d2 Ne7 19.d4 Ng6 20.h3 exd4 21.cxd4 e5 22.d5 -0.41/21

[22.dxe5= -0.01/21 Nxe5 23.Ra3]

22...Nh5 1.06/23

[22...Ne7⩱ -0.41/21 keeps the upper hand.]



23.Ng5+!± Discovered Attack **23...hxg5 24.Qxh5+ Kg8 25.Re2**

[25.Qxg6? Rxf2+ 26.Kg1 R8f6-+ *(26...Rxd2 27.Rf1=; 26...Qxh3? 27.Qe6+ Qxe6 28.dxe6-+)*]

25...Rf6 26.Qg4 Qf7 27.f3

[27.Qxg5 Nf4+ *(27...Rxf2+? 28.Rxf2 Qxf2+ 29.Kh1-+)* 28.gxf4 Rg6-+]

27...Ne7 0.94/23 Wards off b5

[27...c6!= 0.23/23]

28.b5!↑ Black is under strong pressure.

[28.Qxg5 Rxf3 29.Kg1 Rf6⩱]

28...axb5 29.axb5 Nc8 2.06/23 Prevents Ra7.

[29...c6± 1.12/22]

30.Ra3 0.75/24

[30.Qxg5 Rxf3 31.Qg4 Rf2+ 32.Kh1 Rf6⩱]

[30.Ra8+- 2.06/23 Nb6 31.Ra5

(31.Rxf8+ Qxf8 32.Nf1 Qe8±)]

30...Nb6 31.Qxg5 Nd7 1.42/23

[⌓31...Qd7 1.01/23]

32.Qe3 Nc5 33.Re1 b6 2.69/24

[33...Kh7± 1.33/22 34.Rh1 Qe8]

34.Rea1 Qe8 35.Qe2 Rg6 3.32/21

[35...Qh5 2.13/24 was worth a try. 36.Rh1 Rh6]

36.Nf1+- Rgf6 37.Nh2 R6f7 38.h4 Qd7 39.Ra8 1.58/26

[39.Ng4+- 3.69/21 is more deadly.]

39...Nb3± 40.Rxf8+ Rxf8 41.Ra3 -0.01/21

[41.Rb1!+- 1.69/24 Nd4 42.Qc4]

41...Nd4= 42.Qd3

[42.Qc4 Qxb5 43.Qxb5 Nxb5 44.Ra1]

42...Nxb5

[42...Qxb5 simplifies 43.Qxb5 Nxb5 44.Rd3 Ra8]

43.Ra1 Nd4 44.f4 b5 45.f5 b4 46.Nf3 Nxf3

[46...c5 keeps more tension. 47.dxc6 Qxc6 48.Ra7 Rf7]

47.Kxf3 Endgame KQR-KQR **47...Rb8 48.Rb1 Qa4 49.Qc4 Qa3+ 50.Qb3 Qa6 51.Rc1 Qb6 52.Kg4 Ra8 53.Qc4** -0.40/26

[53.Qf3= -0.01/25]

53...b3 -0.01/24

[53...Qe3!∓ -0.40/26 might be stronger. 54.Rc2 Ra3]

54.Qxc7? -8.64/26

[54.Rb1= -0.01/24]

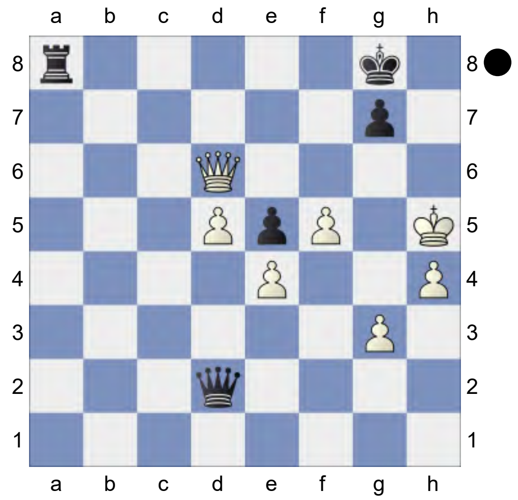
54...b2-+ Black is clearly winning.

55.Qxb6 bxc1Q

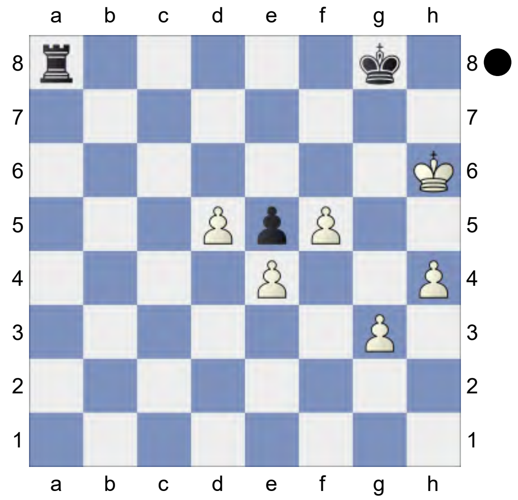
[55...bxc1R? perishes. 56.Qxd6 Re1 57.Qe6+ *(57.Qxe5 Kh7+-)* 57...Kf8 58.Kh5+- *(58.Qxe5 Re8+-)*]

56.Qxd6 Qd1+ 57.Kg5 Qd2+ 58.Kh5

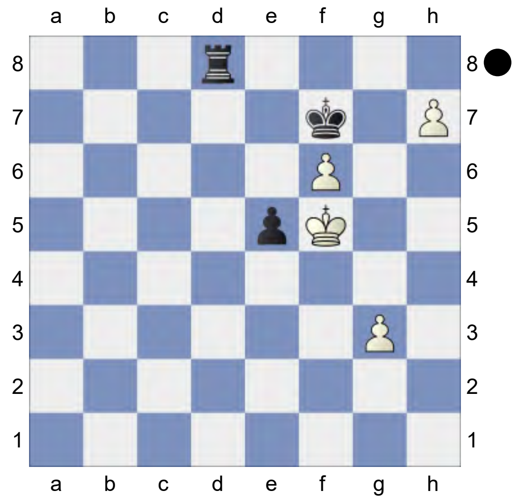
(Diagram)



Qh6+! 59.Qxh6 gxh6 60.Kxh6



KR-KP **60...Ra4! 61.Kg5 Rxe4 62.h5 Kf7 63.h6 Rd4 64.f6 Rxd5 65.h7 Rd8** And now ...e4 would win. **66.Kf5**



Rh8! 67.g4 Rxh7 68.g5 What a bad dream for White.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.37/ Black=0.24 (precise)

68...Rh5

0-1

41 **C53**
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[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.Nbd2 Ng4 9.Re2 Kh8 The position is equal. **10.h3** Prevents f5. **10...Nh6 11.Bd5 f5 12.Nc4 fxe4** 0.37/23

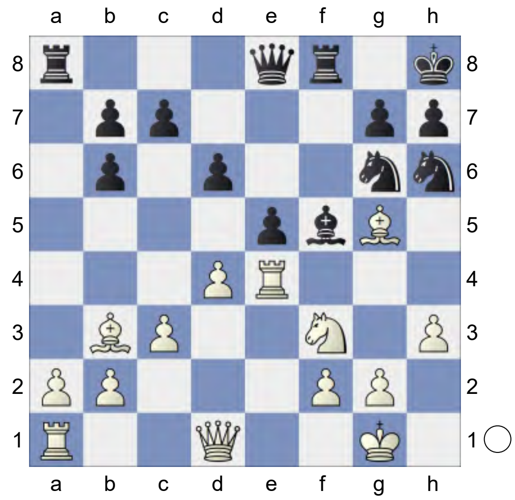
[12...f4= -0.01/22]

13.Rxe4⩲ Ne7 14.Bg5

[14.Nxb6 simplifies axb6 15.Bb3 Bd7 16.d4]

14...Qe8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.Bb3 A strong pair of Bishops. **16...Ng6 17.d4 Bf5** 0.91/22

[17...Nf7⩲ 0.40/23]



18.Re1 0.48/22

[18.Re3!± 0.91/22]

18...Nf7 19.Be3 Qd7 20.Bd5 Rae8! 21.dxe5

[21.Bxb7 e4⩲]

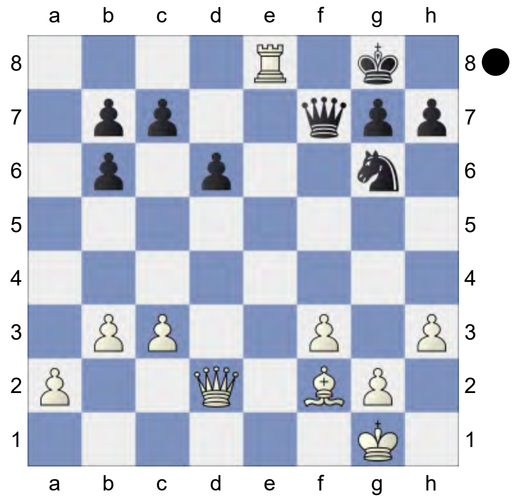
21...Nfxe5 22.Nxe5 Nxe5 23.Bd4 Nc6 24.Qd2 Be6 25.Be4 Bf5 26.Bd5 -0.01/22

[26.Bf3⩲ 0.60/21]

26...Be6!= 27.Bxe6 Rxe6 28.Rxe6 Qxe6 29.Be3 Ne5 30.b3 Ng6 31.Re1 Re8 32.f3 Black cannot hold the game after this. **32...Kg8?** 4.98/24

[Black should play 32...Qf5± 0.40/22]

33.Bf2+- Qf7 34.Rxe8+



Deflection **34...Qxe8** Endgame KQB-KQN **35.Qd5+ Qf7 36.Qxb7 h5 37.c4 Nf4 38.Qa8+ Kh7 39.Qe4+ g6 40.b4 d5 41.cxd5 Nxd5 42.a4 Nc3 43.Qc6 Ne2+ 44.Kf1 Nf4 45.Bg3 Nd5 46.Be5 h4 47.Kg1 g5 48.a5 Nxb4 49.Qe4+**

[Weaker is 49.Qxc7 Qxc7 50.Bxc7 bxa5+-]

49...Kh6 50.Qxb4 Hoping for a6. **50...Qd5 51.Qf8+ Kh5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.66

52.Qh8+

1-0

39 C53

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■ Le Tuan Minh 2598

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[Kitty Kat]

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

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6.0-0 Bb6 7.Re1 0-0 8.Bb3 h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nc4 Ng6 11.h3 Be6 White has an edge. **12.Bc2 Bxc4 13.dxc4 a5 14.g3 Qd7 15.Kg2 Qe6 16.Qe2 Bc5** 0.61/21

[16...a4= 0.20/20]

17.a4± Ne7 18.Nh4 Nd7 19.b3 Qf6 20.Nf5 0.35/21

[20.Bd2± 0.73/21]

20...Nxf5 21.exf5 Rfe8 1.03/22

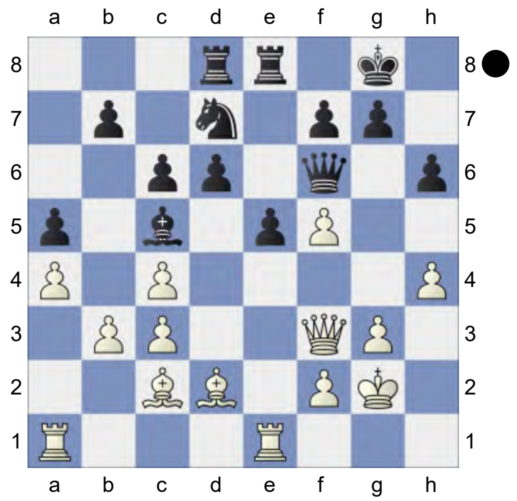
[21...c6± 0.47/20]

22.Qf3 0.38/19

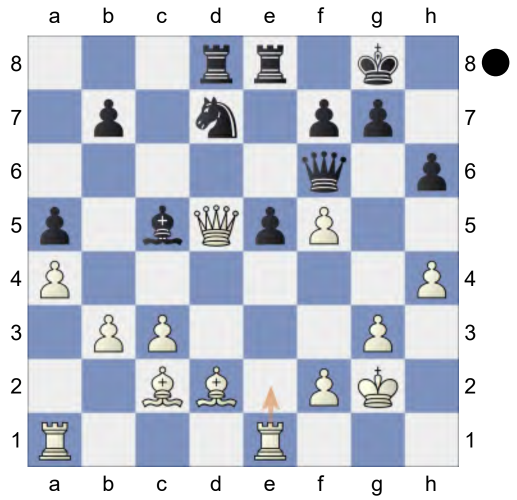
[22.Be4!± 1.03/22]

22...c6 23.h4 Rad8 24.Bd2 -0.33/23

[24.Rb1⩲ 0.54/21]

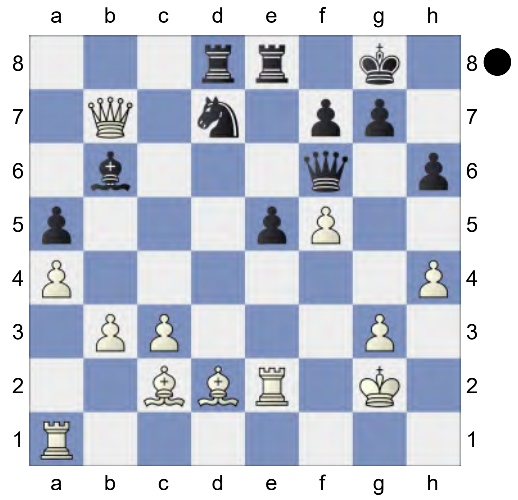


24...d5!⩱ 25.cxd5 cxd5 26.Qxd5

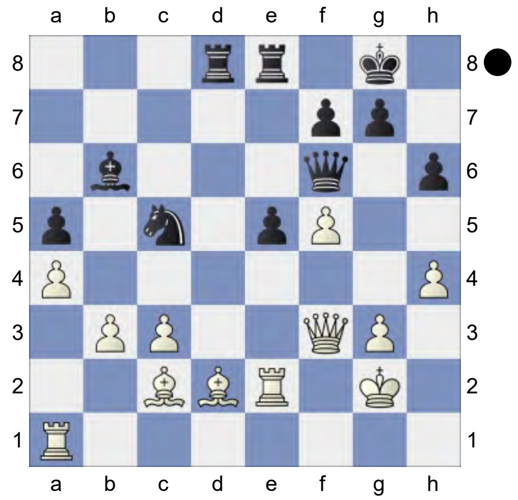


Bxf2! 27.Re2!
[27.Kxf2 Nc5⩱]
27...Bb6 -0.09/22
[27...e4!⩱ -0.65/24 28.Kxf2 *(28.Rxf2 e3=)* 28...Nb6]
28.Qxb7 -1.38/25
[28.Qc4= -0.09/22]

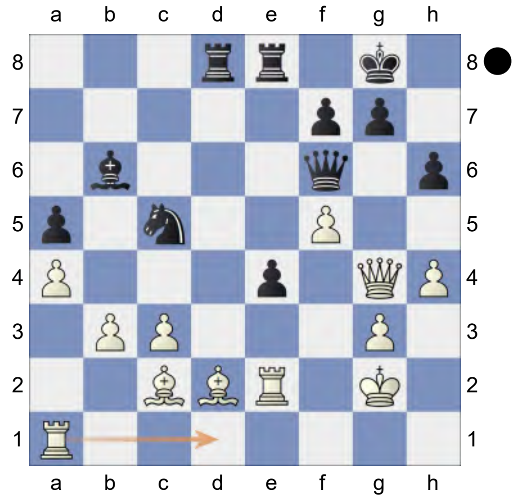
(Diagram)



28...Nc5!⩱ 29.Qf3



e4! 30.Qg4



Nd3! 31.Bxd3 exd3 0.01/23
[31...Rxd3⩱ -1.37/23 32.Rf1 Qc6]

32.Re4= Re5 0.51/25

[32...Ba7= 0.01/23]

33.Rae1 -0.15/23

[33.Rxe5!± 0.51/25 Qxe5 34.Re1 Qd5+ 35.Kh3]

33...Rxf5

[33...Qxf5 34.Qxf5 Rxf5 35.Rf4 Rxf4 36.gxf4]

34.Rf4!⇄ White is not holding back **34...Rxf4 35.Qxf4 Qc6+ 36.Qf3 Qd7 37.c4 Qd4 38.Re7 Rf8**

[38...f6 with more complications. 39.Qe4 Qf2+ 40.Kh3 Qf1+]

39.Kh3 Active counter play! **39...Bc5** 0.54/27

[39...Qd6= -0.01/23 40.Re1 Rd8]

40.Re1 -0.04/24

[Better is 40.Be3± 0.54/27 Qd8 41.Bxc5]

40...Bb4 41.Bxb4 axb4 Endgame KQR-KQR **42.Rd1 Rd8** White must now prevent ...Qc3. **43.a5 d2 44.a6 Qc3 45.Kg2** a7 is the strong threat.

[45.Qe2 simplifies Qxb3 46.Rxd2 Rxd2 47.Qxd2 Qa4 48.Qd8+]

A mistake that costs the game. **45...Qc2?** 2.86/24

[45...Qd4= 0.01/25 and Black is okay.]

46.a7+- Qa2 3.19/26

[⌓46...Kh7 1.74/22]

47.Qb7 g6? 7.87/24

[47...Kh7 2.44/19 48.Qe7 *(48.Qxb4 Qc2=; 48.Qxf7 Qxb3 49.Qf5+ Kh8±)* 48...Qa5 49.Qxf7 Qb6 50.Qf5+ Kh8]

48.Qb8 White is clearly winning.

[Stronger than 48.Qxb4 Qxa7 49.Rxd2 Rxd2+ 50.Qxd2 Qb7+ 51.Kf2 Qxb3=]

48...Rf8 49.Kh3

[Weaker is 49.Qxb4 Qxa7 50.Rxd2 *(50.Qxd2 Qb7+ 51.Qd5 Qxb3±)* 50...Qe3±]

49...Qa5 50.Rxd2 Qf5+ 51.Kh2 Qe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.53 **52.Ra2**

1-0

40 **C53**
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■ **Le Tuan Minh** **2598**
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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

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37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

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[26...g6⩲ 0.52/23]

27.Nd2 0.44/20

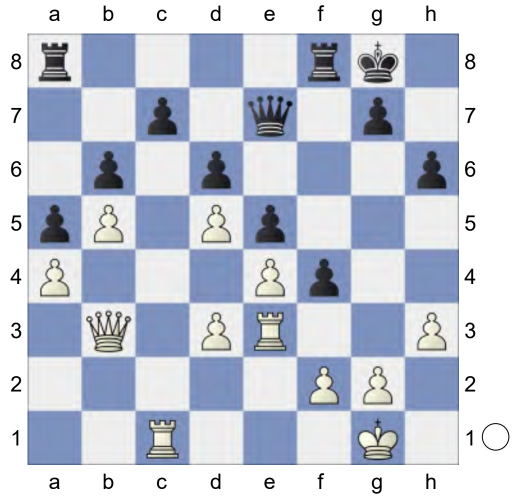
[27.d4± 1.13/25 exd4 28.Nxd4]

27...Rf8 28.Nb3 0.22/20

[28.Rae1⩲ 0.64/21]

28...Nxb3 29.Qxb3 f5 30.Rc1 f4 0.77/23

[30...Rad8⩲ 0.38/21]



31.Rf3 -0.01/25

[31.Ree1!± 0.77/23]

31...Rf7 32.Qd1 Kh8 0.45/26 Black is weak on the light squares

[32...Re8= 0.00/25]

33.d4⩲ exd4 34.Qxd4 Re8 35.Rc4 Qg5 36.Qc3 Ree7 37.Rd3 Qe5 38.Qxe5 Rxe5 Endgame KRR-KRR **39.f3 g5 40.Rdc3 Ree7 41.Kf2** 0.01/27

[41.h4!⩲ 0.40/29 deserves consideration.]

41...Kg7= The position is equal. **42.Rc6 Kf6 43.Rc2 Ke5 44.R2c3 Rg7 45.Rc2 Rgf7 46.R2c3 Rg7 47.Rc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise) **47...Rgf7**

½-½

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

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6.Bg5 d6 7.Nbd2! 7.Nbd2 scores better than 7.a4.7.Sbd2 punktet besser als 7. a4. **7...Ba7 8.a4 Ne7** The position is equal. **9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.0-0N**

[10.d4 Rg8 11.Qb3 Rg7! 12.0-0-0 -0.60/20 *(12.Nf1⩲ 0.37/18)* 12...c6⩱ 13.g3 b5 14.Be2 Be6 15.Qa3 Qc7 16.Nb3 -0.95/18 ½-½ (57) Ponomariov,R (2709)-Vallejo Pons,F (2711) EU-ch blitz Tallinn 2016 (15) *(16.Nf1⩱ -0.56/18)*]

10...Ng6 11.d4 h5 12.Re1 Nf4 0.65/19

[12...c6= 0.17/19 is more appropriate.]

13.Nf1 -0.24/18

[13.Nh4⩲ 0.65/19]

13...c6 0.60/19

[13...Bg4!= -0.24/18]

14.Ne3!⩲ d5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Bf1 e4 17.Nh4↑ White has the initiative. **17...Be6 18.c4 Kf8** 1.29/19

[18...Rg8⩲ 0.33/22 19.g3 dxc4]

19.Qb3 Qd7 20.cxd5! Nxd5 21.Bc4 Nf4 2.70/22

[21...Nxe3± 1.33/22 22.fxe3 Rh6]

22.Qa3+ Kg8

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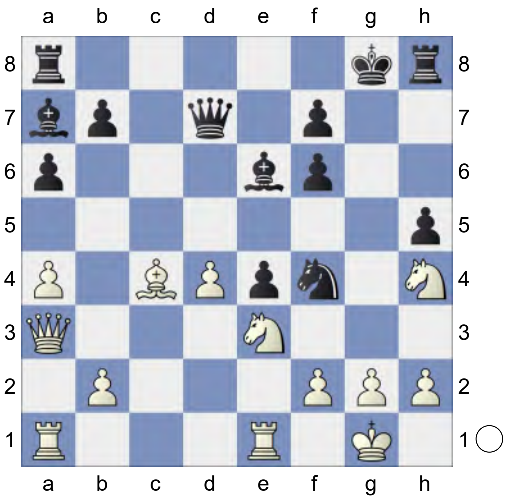


23.Nef5 0.51/22 **Bb8?** 4.52/27

[23...Bxc4? 24.Qg3+ Ng6 25.Nxg6 *(25.Rxe4 Bb8⩲)* 25...fxg6 26.Qxg6+ Kf8 27.Qxf6+ Kg8 28.Ra3+- *(28.Rxe4 Qf7+-; 28.Ne7+ Qxe7 29.Qxe7 Rh7+-)*]

[23...Bxf5⩲ 0.51/22 24.Qg3+ Bg4]

24.Qg3+? 1.76/5

[24.Bxe6 4.52/27 White threatens Qg3+ and mate. fxe6 25.Rxe4]

24...Ng6+- 25.Bxe6 Qxe6 26.Qe3 Ba7 27.Qxe4 Nxh4 28.Ne7+

[28.Nxh4 Qxe4 29.Rxe4 Rc8±]

[28.Qxb7 Qxf5 29.Qxa8+ Kh7 30.Qxa7 Rg8=]

28...Kg7 29.Qxh4 Qg4 30.Qxg4+ 1.26/22

[30.Re4+- 3.10/22 and the rest is easy. Qxh4 31.Nf5+ *(31.Rxh4 Rhe8±)* 31...Kg6 32.Nxh4+ Kh6 33.Rf4]

30...hxg4± 31.Re4! Kf8 32.Rae1 White is more active. **32...Rd8 33.Rxg4**

[33.Nf5?! Rh5 34.Ng3 *(34.Rf4 Bb8=)* 34...Rhd5⩲]

33...Bxd4 34.Nf5 Bxb2 35.Rge4 0.86/24

[35.h4+- 1.63/25]

35...Bc3 36.Rb1 b5 Prevents Rc4 **37.axb5** 0.39/23

[37.g4± 0.78/25]

37...axb5⩲ 38.h4 b4 39.g4 Kg8? 2.26/26

[39...Rd7!⩲ 0.40/25]

40.Re7!+- Rd5 41.Kg2 Rxf5 4.20/26

[41...Kf8 2.83/24 was necessary. 42.Re4 Rg8]

42.Re8+? 1.19/32

[42.gxf5+- 4.20/26 Rxh4 43.Re8+ Kg7 44.Kf3]

42...Kg7± 43.Rxh8 Rxf2+ 1.21/31

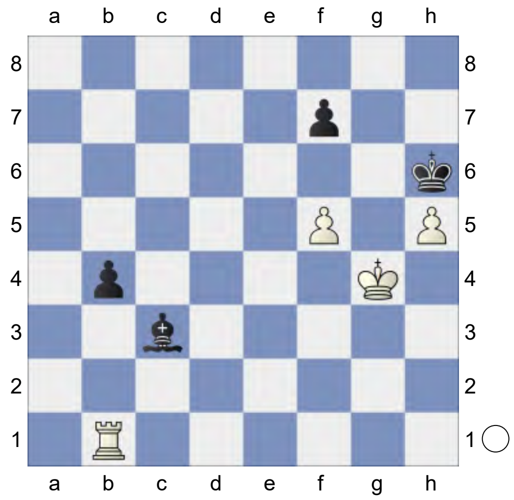
[Black should play 43...Rf4 0.80/27 44.Rh5 (*44.Kg3 Rxf2 45.Rb8 Rd2=*) 44...Rxg4+ 45.Kf3 Rd4]

44.Kxf2 Kxh8 Endgame KR-KB **45.Ke3 Kg7 46.Kd3! f5 47.gxf5** Rg1+ would now be deadly. **47...Kh6 48.Ke3?** 0.17/32

[White should try 48.Rh1+- 3.23/32 Kh5 49.Kc4]

48...Kh5= 49.Kf4 Kh6 50.Kg4 Kg7 51.h5 Kh6 1.35/36

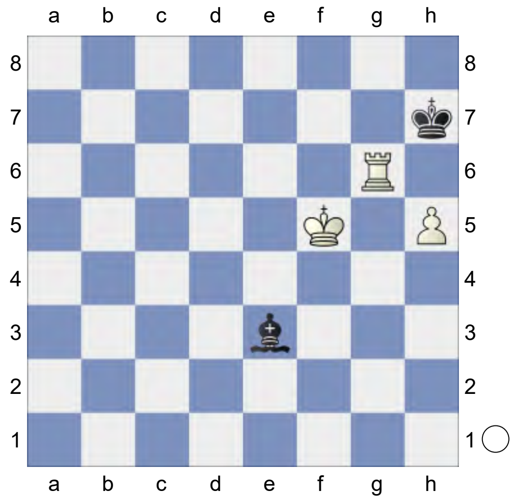
[51...f6!= 0.01/36 remains equal.]



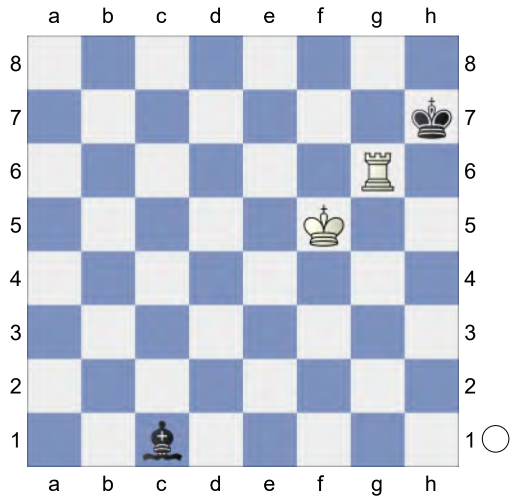
Black is on the road to losing. **52.f6!±** Deflection **52...Bxf6 53.Rxb4 Bg5** 12.64/29 Wards off Rf4

[53...Be5± 1.13/38 54.Rc4 Kh7]

54.Rb7+- f6 55.Rf7 Bd2 56.Rxf6+ Kg7 57.Rd6 Bc1 58.Kf5 Be3 59.Rg6+ Kh7



60.h6! Bc1 61.Rg7+ Kxh6 62.Rg6+ Kh7



63.Kf6! White mates. **63...Be3 64.Kf7 Ba7 65.Ra6 Bb8 66.Rb6 Bc7 67.Rb7 Bf4 68.Rb4 Bg5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.70

69.Rb1

1-0

43 **C54**

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■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2787**

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Bg5 d6 7.Nbd2! 7.Nbd2 scores better than 7.a4.7.Sbd2 punktet besser als 7. a4. **7...Ba7 8.a4 Ne7** The position is equal. **9.Bxf6** 0.01/20

[9.0-0± 0.41/20]

9...gxf6= 10.0-0N

[10.d4 Rg8 11.Qb3 Rg7 12.0-0-0 -0.59/22 (*12.Nf1± 0.39/21*) 12...c6 13.g3 -0.97/21 (*13.Qa3∓ -0.42/20*) 13...b5∓ 14.Be2 Be6 15.Qa3 Qc7 16.Nb3 ½-½ (57) Ponomariov,R (2709)-Vallejo Pons,F (2711) EU-ch blitz Tallinn 2016 (15)]

10...Ng6 11.d4 h5 12.Re1 Nf4 13.Nf1 -0.41/21

[13.Nh4± 0.41/21]

13...c6 0.57/21

[13...Bg4!∓ -0.41/21]

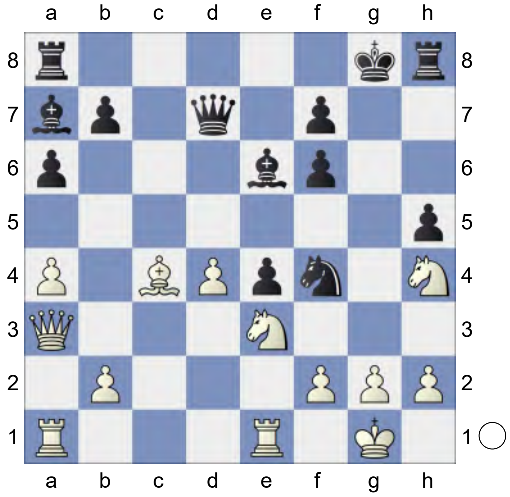
14.Ne3!± d5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Bf1 e4 17.Nh4 Be6 18.c4! Kf8 1.76/20

[18...Rg8± 0.35/23 19.Kh1 dxc4]

19.Qb3!+- Qd7 20.cxd5 Nxd5 21.Bc4 Nf4 2.61/21

[21...Nxe3± 1.05/23 22.Bxe6 (*22.Rxe3 Bxc4 23.Qxc4 Qxd4±; 22.fxe3 Rh6±*) 22...Qxe6 23.Rxe3 (*23.Qxe3 f5=; 23.Qxb7 Qd5=*) 23...Qxb3 24.Rxb3 f5 25.Nxf5 (*25.Rxb7 Rh6+-*) 25...h4]

22.Qa3+ Kg8



23.Nef5 0.22/23 **Bb8?** 4.78/27

[23...Bxc4? 24.Qg3+ Ng6 25.Nxg6 (*25.Rxe4 Bb8=*) 25...fxg6 26.Qxg6+

Kf8 27.Qxf6+ Kg8 28.Ra3+- *(28.Rxe4 Rh7+-; 28.Ne7+ Qxe7 29.Qxe7 Rh7+-)*]

[23...Bxf5= 0.22/23 and Black stays safe. 24.Qg3+ Bg4]

24.Qg3+ 2.04/5

[⌓24.Bxe6 4.78/27 Intending Qg3+ and mate. fxe6 25.Rxe4]

24...Ng6 25.Bxe6 Qxe6 26.Qe3 Ba7 27.Qxe4 Nxh4 28.Ne7+

[28.Nxh4 Qxe4 29.Rxe4 Rc8±]

[28.Qxb7 Qxf5 29.Qxa8+ Kg7 30.Qxa7 Qg5=]

28...Kg7 Threatens to win with ...Qxe4. **29.Qxh4 Qg4 30.Qxg4+** 1.25/24

[30.Re4+- 3.23/24 Qxh4 31.Nf5+ *(31.Rxh4 Rhe8±)* 31...Kg6 32.Nxh4+ Kh6 33.g3]

30...hxg4± 31.Re4! Kf8 32.Rae1 White is more active. **32...Rd8 33.Rxg4**

[33.Nf5?! Rh5 34.Ng3 *(34.Rf4 Bb8=)* 34...Rhd5=]

33...Bxd4 34.Nf5↑ Keeping Black busy. **34...Bxb2** 2.23/25

[34...Be5± 1.34/23]

35.Rge4? 0.69/22

[35.h4+- 2.23/25]

35...Bc3⩲ 36.Rb1 b5 37.axb5 0.43/25

[37.g4⩲ 0.85/25 b4 38.Kg2]

37...axb5 38.h4 b4 39.g4 Kg8? 2.43/29

[39...Rd7⩲ 0.32/24]

40.Re7+- Rd5 41.Kg2! Black must now prevent Rb7. **41...Rxf5?** 4.52/25

[41...Kf8 2.01/26 was necessary. 42.Rb7 Rxf5 43.gxf5 Rxh4 44.Rb8+ Kg7]

42.Re8+? 1.23/33

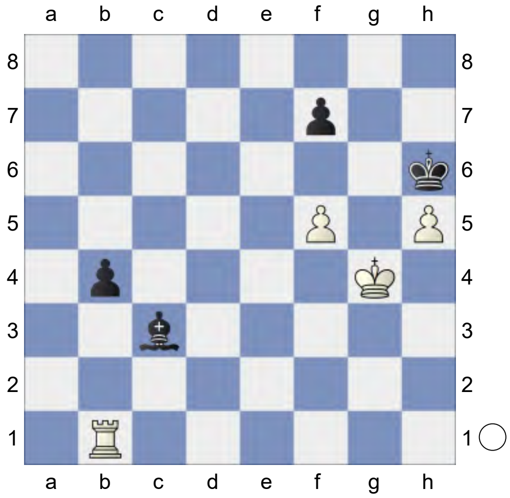
[42.gxf5+- 4.52/25 Rxh4 43.Re8+ Kg7 44.Kf3 Rh3+ 45.Ke4]

42...Kg7± 43.Rxh8 Rxf2+ 44.Kxf2 Kxh8 Endgame KR-KB **45.Ke3 Kg7 46.Kd3! f5 47.gxf5 Kh6 48.Ke3** 0.28/33

[Better is 48.Rf1!± 1.15/34]

48...Kh5= 49.Kf4 Kh6 50.Kg4 Kg7 51.h5 White stays focused until the end. **51...Kh6** 1.30/35

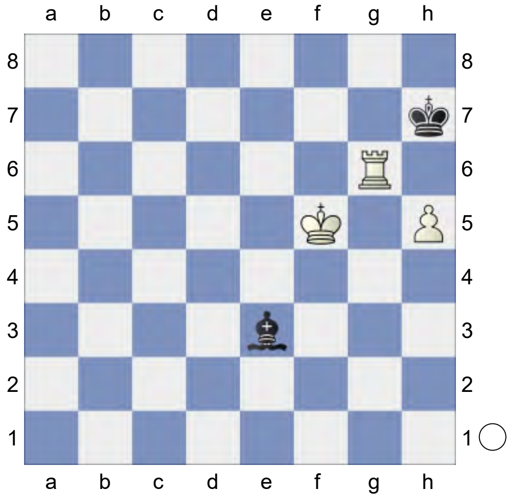
[51...f6= 0.15/37 remains equal.]



52.f6!± Deflection **52...Bxf6 53.Rxb4 Bg5?** 11.98/29

[53...Ba1± 1.08/34 54.Rb6+ f6]

54.Rb7 f6 55.Rf7 Bd2 56.Rxf6+ Kg7 57.Rd6 Bc1 58.Kf5 White mates. **58...Be3 59.Rg6+ Kh7**

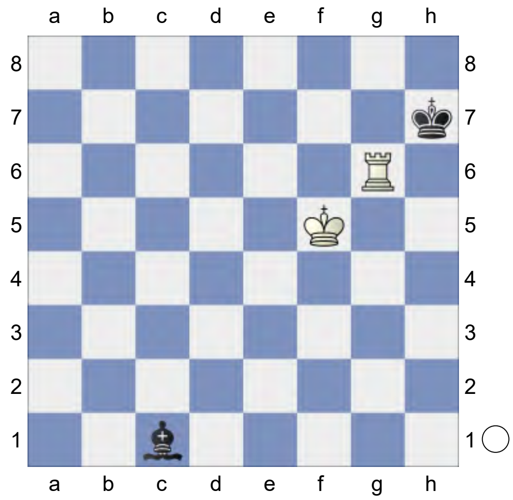


60.h6! Bc1

[60...Bd2 61.Rg7+]

61.Rg7+ Kxh6 62.Rg6+ Kh7

(Diagram)



63.Kf6! Be3 64.Kf7 Ba7 65.Ra6 Bb8 66.Rb6 Bc7 67.Rb7 Bf4 68.Rb4 Bg5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.74
69.Rb1
1-0

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■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju 2787**
Bucharest Superbet Classic 5th (2)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
source: "Emanuel Lasker", v3, The Chess Player 1976, p71. ref : "Philadelphia Inquirer" notes : est. 1911.
[10.11] **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 d6**

[5...h6 6.Bh4 g5 7.Bg3 d6 8.h3 g4 9.hxg4 Bxg4 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Bh4 c6 12.a3 Qb6 13.Bxf6 Rh7 14.b4 Bxb4 15.axb4 Qxb4 16.0-0 Qxc3 17.Qe1 Qxe1 18.Nxe1 h5 19.f3 Bd7 20.f4 1-0 (45) Lu,S (1227)-Alnajjar,S GER-ch U10 Girls 2023 (5)]

6.c3N

[6.Nc3 0-0 (*6...h6 7.Bh4 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.g4 Bg6 10.Nd5 Bh7 11.Qd2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qa5 Bb6 14.Qa4+ c6 15.0-0-0 g5 16.Bg3 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qd7 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.h4 Rc8 20.hxg5 Qxg4 21.Bxf7+* (26) White-N,N) 7.Nd5 Na5 8.Nxf6+ gxf6 9.Bh6 Re8 10.Nh4 Nxc4 11.dxc4 Kh8 12.Nf5 Rg8 13.g4 Be6 14.Qe2 c6 15.f3 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Qa6 17.a3 d5 18.h4 d4 19.g5 Bxc4 20.Qh2 Bxa3 0-1 (30) 14.Kb1 b5 15.g4-Garcia,S 4th ch Doha 2003]

[6.h3 Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.axb3 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 g4 11.hxg4 Bxg4 12.Nc3 c6 13.Qe2 Qe7 14.Na4 Bb4+ 15.c3 Ba5 16.b4 Bc7 17.b3 Nh5 18.Bh4 f6 19.g3 Ng7 20.Qe3 b5 0-1 (30) Induwara,T-Oleksienko,M (2160) Warszawa (m/3-rapid) 89/(457) 2003 (7)]

[6.Nbd2 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Nf1 Nd4 9.g4 Bg6 10.c3 Ne6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Ng3 Nf4 13.Qd2 Ng2+ 14.Ke2 Nxe3 15.fxe3 c6 16.Bb3 Qe7 17.Raf1 d5 18.exd5 e4 19.dxe4 Bxe4 20.Rhg1 Bxd5 0-1 (24) Lasker, E-Man,A New York sim 1911]

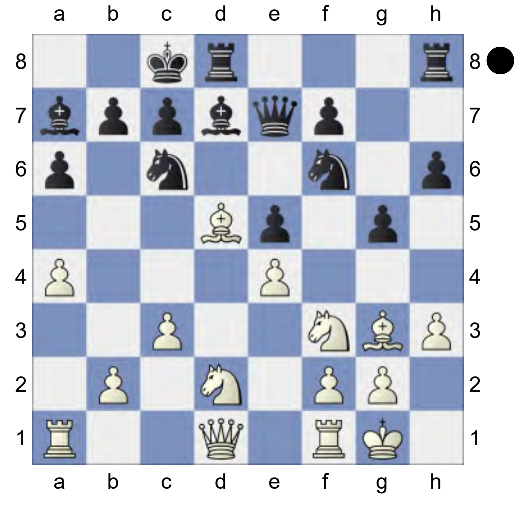
6...a6 7.Nbd2 Ba7 8.0-0 h6 9.Bh4 Bg4 0.58/24 9...Qe7 is the modern continuation.9...De7 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[9...g5= -0.08/21 10.Bg3 Bg4]

10.a4N -0.01/23

[10.h3 0.14/24 10.Qb3 0.54 Bd7 11.a4 0.01/22 (*11.b4⩲* 0.40/23 is more appropriate.) 11...Qe7 0.53/23 (Black should try *11...a5=* 0.01/22) 12.d4 -0.01/23 (Better is *12.b4⩲* 0.53/23) 12...0-0-0 13.dxe5? -1.46/25 (*13.Bg3=* 0.17/23) 13...dxe5 -0.71/24 (*⌓13...Nxe5* -1.46/25 *14.Nxe5 Qxe5*) 14.Bd5 -1.93/25 (*14.b4⩱* -0.71/24 was called for.) 14...g5-+

15.Bg3



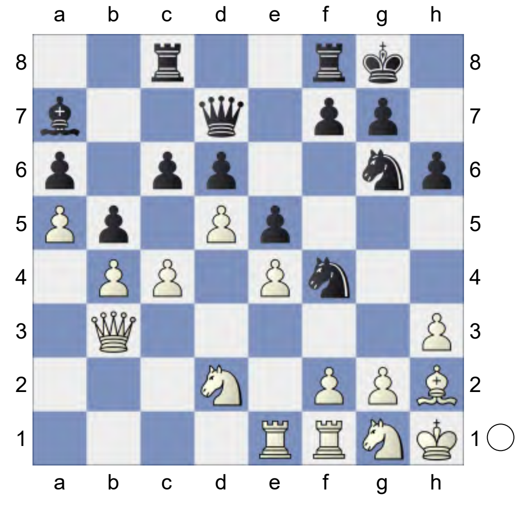
Nh5 -0.84/23 (*⌓15...h5!* -1.47/24 Threatens to win with ...h4. *16.Qe2 h4*) 16.Kh2 -1.30/22 1-0 (35) Kuipers,S (2440)-Anurag,M (2488) Groningen op-A 55th 2017 (8) (*⌓16.Bh2* -0.84/23)]

[10.Qb3± 0.58/24]

10...Qd7

[10...g5!? 11.Bg3□ Nh5=]

11.b4 Ne7 12.Bg3 Ng6 13.Qc2 0-0 14.d4 Nh5 15.Kh1 Rae8 16.h3 Be6 17.Bh2 Nhf4 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Rae1 Qf6 20.d5 Rc8 21.c4 c6 22.Qb3 Qe7 23.a5 Qd7 24.Ng1 b5



25.axb6 Bxb6 26.Ne2 Nxe2 27.Rxe2 c5 White should prevent ...cxb4. **28.b5! Ra8 29.bxa6 Rxa6 30.f4 exf4 31.Bxf4 Bd8 32.Bg3 Bf6 33.Nf3 Rfa8 34.Kh2 Qe7 35.e5! Bxe5 36.Nxe5 Nxe5**

[Reject 36...dxe5 37.Qc2=]

37.Bxe5 dxe5 -0.01/27

[37...f6!∓ -0.68/29]

38.Qg3= f6 39.Rb1 Ra3 40.Qg4 R3a4 41.Rb6 Black must now prevent Reb2. **41...Rf8 42.Qe4 f5!** The position is equal. **43.Qxe5**

[43.d6 with more complications. fxe4 44.dxe7 Re8 45.Re6]

43...Qxe5+ 44.Rxe5 Rxc4 Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **45.Re7 Kh7 46.Rbb7 Rg8 47.Rbc7 Re4**

[47...Rd4 48.Rxc5 Kh8 49.Rf7±]

48.Rxe4 fxe4 49.Rxc5 KR-KR **49...e3 50.d6 Rd8 51.Re5 Rxd6 52.Rxe3 Rc6 53.Rf3 Rd6 54.Re3 Rc6 55.Rf3 Rd6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.10 (very precise) **56.Re3**

½-½

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■ **Gukesh,D 2787**

Superbet ROM Classic 2025 (2.5) 8.5.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

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[5...h6 6.Bh4 g5 7.Bg3 d6 8.h3 g4 9.hxg4 Bxg4 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Bh4 c6 12.a3 Qb6 13.Bxf6 Rh7 14.b4 Bxb4 15.axb4 Qxb4 16.0-0 Qxc3 17.Qe1

Qxe1 18.Nxe1 h5 19.f3 Bd7 20.f4 1-0 (45) Lu,S (1227)-Alnajjar,S GER-ch U10 Girls 2023 (5)]

6.c3N

[6.Nc3 0-0 (*6...h6 7.Bh4 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.g4 Bg6 10.Nd5 Bh7 11.Qd2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qa5 Bb6 14.Qa4+ c6 15.0-0-0 g5 16.Bg3 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qd7 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.h4 Rc8 20.hxg5 Qxg4 21.Bxf7+* (26) White-N,N) 7.Nd5 Na5 8.Nxf6+ gxf6 9.Bh6 Re8 10.Nh4 Nxc4 11.dxc4 Kh8 12.Nf5 Rg8 13.g4 Be6 14.Qe2 c6 15.f3 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Qa6 17.a3 d5 18.h4 d4 19.g5 Bxc4 20.Qh2 Bxa3 0-1 (30) 14.Kb1 b5 15. g4-Garcia,S 4th ch Doha 2003]

[6.h3 Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.axb3 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 g4 11.hxg4 Bxg4 12.Nc3 c6 13.Qe2 Qe7 14.Na4 Bb4+ 15.c3 Ba5 16.b4 Bc7 17.b3 Nh5 18.Bh4 f6 19.g3 Ng7 20.Qe3 b5 0-1 (30) Induwara,T-Oleksienko,M (2160) Warszawa (m/3-rapid) 89/(457) 2003 (7)]

[6.Nbd2 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Nf1 Nd4 9.g4 Bg6 10.c3 Ne6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Ng3 Nf4 13.Qd2 Ng2+ 14.Ke2 Nxe3 15.fxe3 c6 16.Bb3 Qe7 17.Raf1 d5 18.exd5 e4 19.dxe4 Bxe4 20.Rhg1 Bxd5 0-1 (24) Lasker, E-Man,A New York sim 1911]

6...a6 7.Nbd2 Ba7 8.0-0 h6 9.Bh4 Bg4 9...Qe7 is the modern continuation. 9...De7 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

10.a4N 0.02/20

[10.h3 0.14/21 10.Qb3 0.50 Bd7 0.56/21 (*10...Bh5=* 0.14/21) 11.a4± Qe7 0.55/19 (*11...g5=* 0.11/21 *12.Bg3 Qe7*) 12.d4 0.03/19 (*12.b4±* 0.55/19) 12...0-0-0= 13.dxe5 -1.40/22 (*13.Bg3=* 0.07/21) 13...dxe5 -0.51/21 (Black should play *13...Nxe5∓* -1.40/22 *14.Nxe5 Qxe5*) 14.Bd5 -0.98/21 (*14.b4∓* -0.51/21) 14...g5∓ 15.Bg3 Nh5 -0.28/21 (*15...h5∓* -0.74/21 White must now prevent ...h4. *16.Bxc6 Bxc6 17.Nxe5 Be8*) 16.Kh2 -0.97/19 1-0 (35) Kuipers,S (2440)-Anurag,M (2488) Groningen op-A 55th 2017 (8) (*16.Bh2!=* -0.28/21)]

[10.Qb3± 0.48/23]

10...Qd7

[10...g5!? 11.Bg3□ Nh5=]

11.b4 Ne7 12.Bg3 Ng6 13.Qc2 0-0 14.d4 Nh5 15.Kh1 Rae8 16.h3 Be6 17.Bh2 Nhf4 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Rae1 Qf6 20.d5 Rc8 21.c4 c6 22.Qb3 Qe7 23.a5 Qd7 24.Ng1! b5 0.13/20

[24...cxd5∓ -0.43/22 25.exd5 b5]

25.axb6= Bxb6 26.Ne2 -0.43/24

[Better is 26.Bxf4= 0.11/20 Nxf4 27.dxc6 Rxc6 (*27...Qxc6 28.Ne2=*) 28.Ne2]

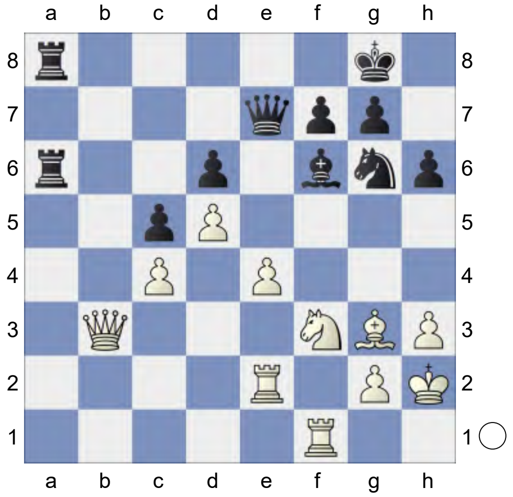
26...Nxe2 -0.01/22

[26...c5∓ -0.43/24]

27.Rxe2 c5 28.b5 Ra8 29.bxa6 Rxa6 30.f4 exf4 31.Bxf4 Bd8 -0.16/22

[31...Ba5∓ -0.63/21 should be considered.]

32.Bg3 Bf6 33.Nf3 Rfa8 34.Kh2 Qe7



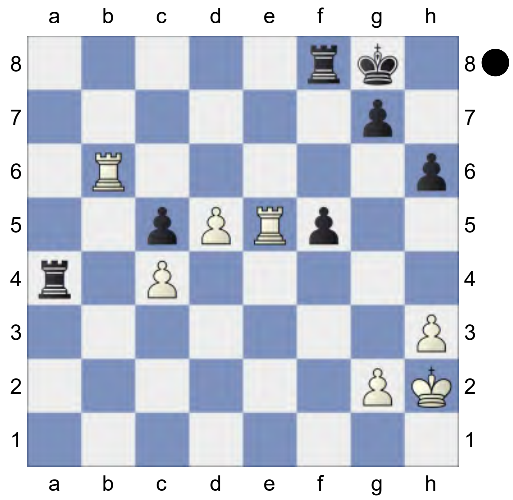
35.e5! Bxe5 36.Nxe5 Nxe5

[36...dxe5 37.Qd3=]

37.Bxe5 dxe5 -0.12/24

[37...f6!∓ -0.70/26]

38.Qg3 The position is equal. **38...f6 39.Rb1 Ra3 40.Qg4 R3a4 41.Rb6 Rf8 42.Qe4 f5! 43.Qxe5 Qxe5+ 44.Rxe5**



and d6 should not be overlooked **44...Rxc4** Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **45.Re7 Kh7 46.Rbb7 Rg8 47.Rbc7 Re4**

[But not 47...Rd4 48.Rxc5 Rd2 49.Kg1±]

48.Rxe4 fxe4 49.Rxc5 KR-KR **49...e3 50.d6 Rd8 51.Re5 Rxd6 52.Rxe3 Rc6 53.Rf3 Rd6 54.Re3 Rc6 55.Rf3 Rd6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.10 (very precise)

56.Re3

½-½

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Blitz 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 2min+8sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 *(6...a5 7.c3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Re1 Bg4 10.Nbd2 Nb6 11.Bb5 Bd6 12.h3 Bh5 13.Ne4 f5 14.Ng3 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 Ne7 16.Bg5 c6 17.Bc4+ Nxc4 18.dxc4 e4 19.Nxe4 fxe4 20.Qxe4 Rf7 21.Rad1* 1-0 (41) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2804)-C 06/32 (2785) corr 1901 (6)*)* 7.Bg5 *(7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 d6 9.h3 b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4* □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1) *)* 7...h6 8.Bh4 Be7 9.Bg3 d6 10.c3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Qe8 13.Nbd2 b6 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nd8 17.Rac1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.d5 Re8 20.Nd4 Bf8 (23) Italian Game-5.d3 0-0 6.a4 Survey 2018]

[6.Re1 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Nc3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qf3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.h4 gxh4 16.Bh2 Qg5 17.Re3 Kh8 18.Qe2 Rg8 19.g3 hxg3 20.Rxg3 Qh4 0-1 (30) Zeydan, S (2060)-Khamdamova,A (2139) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Nov Early blitz 2022 (9)]

6...d6 7.h3 h6 8.Re1 a6 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.b4 Nxc4 The position is equal. **11.bxc5 Nxd2 12.Qxd2 Re8 13.cxd6 cxd6 14.a4 b6 15.Ra3 Bd7 16.c4 b5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.a5 d5 19.Qb4! Ra6 20.Bd2 Qb8 21.Rc1 dxe4 22.dxe4 Bc6 23.Re1 Re6 24.Rd3 Qa8 25.Rde3 Nh5** 0.80/20

[25...Kh7= 0.28/22 remains equal.]

26.Bc3± f6 0.99/22

[26...Qe8± 0.63/21 was preferable.]

27.g3 Black is weak on the dark squares **27...Kh7 28.Rd3** 0.55/21

[White should play 28.Rd1± 1.04/21]

28...Re8 0.92/20

[28...Bb7⩲ 0.55/21]

29.Nh4 Rd8 30.Rxd8 Qxd8 31.Nf5 Qd7 1.07/22

[31...Qd3⩲ 0.65/21]

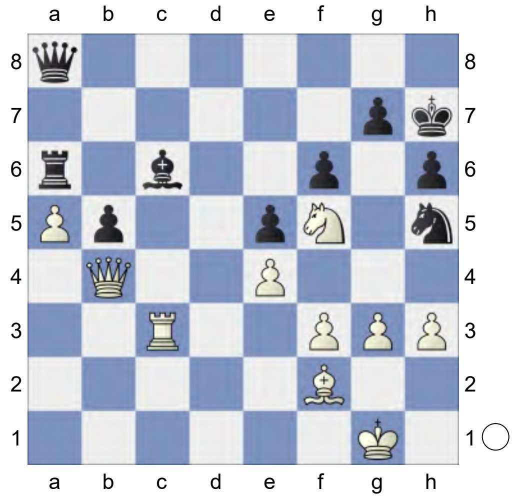
32.Bd2 Qd3 33.Re3↑ Keeping Black busy. **33...Qd7 34.Be1 Ra7 35.Rc3 Ra6** 2.03/21

[35...Qe6± 1.29/21 36.Qd6 Qxd6 37.Nxd6 Ra6]

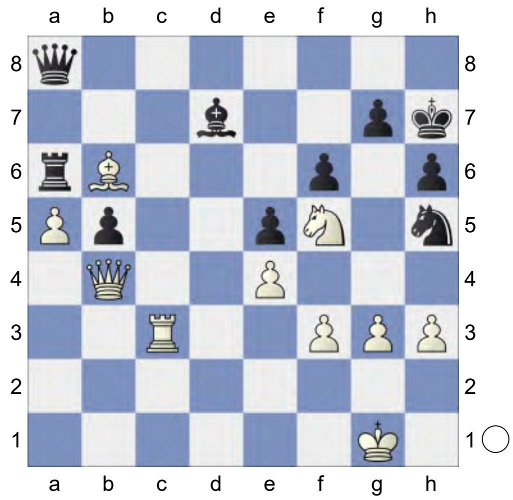
36.f3+- Qa7+ 2.81/22

[⌓36...Qd8 1.87/21 37.Rc5 Bd7]

37.Bf2 Qa8



38.Bb6 Bd7



39.Kf2! Bxf5 40.exf5 Qd5 41.Rc2 Against Qd2+. Active counter play! **41...Qd3 42.Rd2 Qxf5 43.g4**

[43.Qxb5 Qg5 44.Qd3+ e4 45.Qxa6 (*45.Qxe4+ f5∓*) 45...Qxd2+ 46.Qe2 e3+ 47.Bxe3 Qxa5±]

43...Qf4 44.Qb1+

[44.Qxb5? Qxd2+ 45.Kf1 Ng3+ 46.Kg1 Qe2 (*46...Ne2+? 47.Kf1-+*) 47.Qxe2 Nxe2+-+]

44...f5 45.Qxf5+ Qxf5 46.gxf5 Endgame KRB-KRN **46...Kg8** 5.59/25

[46...b4 3.75/22 might work better. 47.Ke3 Ng3]

47.Rd5 Nf4 48.Rxb5

[48.Rxe5? Nd3+ (*48...Nxh3+?* is the wrong capture. *49.Ke3+-*) 49.Ke3 Nxe5-+]

48...Nxh3+ 49.Ke3 Ng5 50.Rxe5 Ra8 51.Rd5 Nf7 Prevents Rd8+. **52.Kf4 Kh7 53.Rd7 Kg8 54.Kg3 Kf8 55.Bc5+ Kg8 56.Bb6** -0.01/20

[56.Ra7+- 5.69/23 Rc8 57.Bb4]

This move loses the game for Black. **56...h5?** 8.00/22

[56...Kf8= -0.01/20 57.Ra7 Rc8]

57.Kh4 Nh6 58.Rd8+ Rxd8 59.Bxd8 Nxf5+ 60.Kxh5 KB-KN. White is a pawn up. **60...Nd6 61.Bb6 Nc4 62.Bc7** a6 would kill now. **62...Na3 63.Kg6 Nb5 64.Bb6** 11.87/24

[⌓64.Bb8 #20/28 Nc3 65.a6 Nd5 66.a7 Nb6 67.Bc7 Na8 68.Bd6 Kh8 69.Be5]

64...Kf8 65.a6 White mates. **65...Ke7 66.a7 Nxa7 67.Bxa7** KB-KP **67...Kd6 68.Bd4 Kd5 69.Bxg7 Kd6 70.f4 Kc7 71.f5 Kd6 72.f6 Kc6 73.f7 Kb5 74.f8Q Kb6 75.Qd6+ Kb5 76.Qd5+ Kb4 77.Bd4 Ka4 78.Qc4+ Ka3 79.Qb5 Ka2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.39

80.Qb2#
1-0

47 C54
☐ **AKS-Mantissa 2845**
■ **ArasanX 3043**
Rapid 28.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 15min+3sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.Bb3 0-0 8.Nbd2 Ne7 9.Nc4 The position is equal. **9...Ng6 10.0-0 h6 11.h3 c6 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.Re1 Re8 14.c4 Nh5 15.Kh2 c5 16.g3 Nf6 17.a4 cxb4 18.Bd2 Nd7! 19.Bxb4 Qf6 20.Rf1 Nc5 21.Ng1 Ra6 22.Bc3 Bd7 23.f4 Rea8 24.fxe5 Qe7 25.exd6 Qxd6 26.a5 Nxb3**

[26...bxa5?! 27.Bc2±]

[26...Nxd3? 27.Rxf7 Nge5 28.c5 *(28.Bxe5 Qxe5 29.Rxd7 Nc5+-)* 28...Qxc5 29.Rxd7++-]

27.Qxb3 aiming for c5!. **27...bxa5 28.Qb2 f6!**

[28...Qxd3 29.Rfd1 *(29.Bxg7 Qxc4 30.Bxh6 Ne5=)* 29...Qxc4 30.Rxd7±]

29.Qxb7 Be6! Against Qd5 **30.Qb1** -0.92/20

[30.Rfd1∓ -0.56/21 feels stronger.]

30...a4 Black has strong compensation. **31.Ne2 Rb8 32.Qc2 Qd7 33.Rf2 a3**

[33...Bxh3?! 34.d4∓]

34.c5 Bb3

[34...Bxh3?! 35.d4=]

35.Qd2 Qe7 36.Qe3 Be6 37.d4 -1.20/21

[⌓37.Nf4 -0.75/18 Nxf4 38.gxf4]

37...Bc4!∓ 38.Bd2 Rb3↑ Black is in control. **39.Nc3 Kh7 40.Ra2**

[40.d5?! Qe5=]

40...Ra4 Black has more active pieces. **41.Qe1** -1.48/19

[⌓41.h4 -1.04/18]

41...Ra8 42.Qe3 -2.35/19

[42.Ra1∓ -1.53/18]

42...f5!-+ 43.d5 -3.24/24

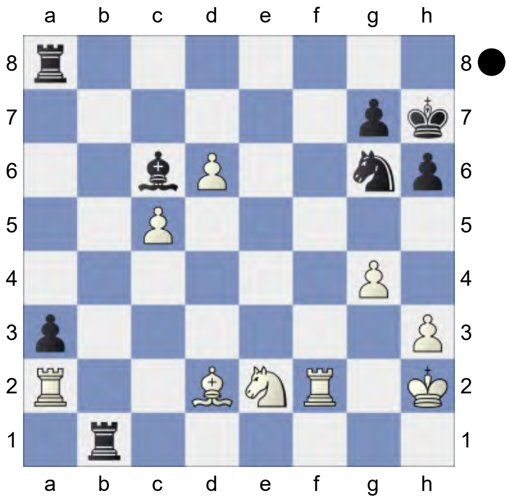
[⌓43.exf5 -1.84/23 Qxe3 44.fxg6+ Kxg6 45.Bxe3 Rxc3 Discovered Attack 46.Bd2]

43...fxe4 44.d6 Qe6 45.Qxe4 Qxe4 46.Nxe4 Bd5

[46...Rb1 47.Bc3 Bd5 *(47...Bxa2*

48.Rxa2 Re8 49.Re2∓) 48.Rfe2∓]

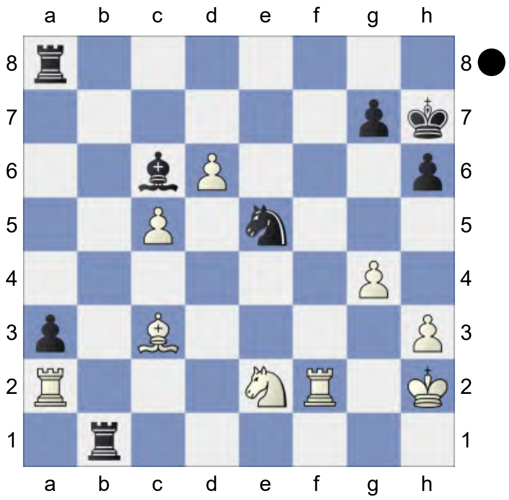
47.Nc3 Bc6 ...Ne5 is the strong threat. **48.Ne2 Rb1 49.g4**



Ne5!

[49...Bd5 50.Nc3 Rh1+ 51.Kg3 Bxa2 52.Nxa2]

50.Bc3



Nf3+ 51.Rxf3 Bxf3 52.d7 Rb7 53.Rxa3

[53.Nd4 Rxd7 *(53...Bd5 54.c6∓)* 54.Nxf3 Rd3-+]

53...Rxd7 54.Rxa8 Bxa8 Endgame KRB-KBN **55.Nd4 Rd5 56.Ne6** -3.57/24

[56.c6 -2.18/22 was the only chance.]

56...Rd3 57.Be5 Rd2+

[Don't take 57...Re3 58.Nf8+ Kg8 59.Ng6-+]

58.Kg3 Rg2+ 59.Kf4 g5+ 60.Nxg5+ hxg5+ 61.Kxg5 Rc2 62.h4 Rxc5 63.Kf4 Rc4+ 64.Kg5 -8.28/30

[⌓64.Kg3 -4.27/24]

64...Bf3 65.h5 -9.38/26

[⌓65.Bf4 -4.94/26]

65...Bxg4 66.h6 Bc8 67.Bg7 Rc1 68.Kf4 Bh3 69.Ke5 -6.67/27

[⌓69.Kg3 -4.44/28 Bd7 70.Kf2]

69...Rc4 70.Kd5 Rc7 -4.34/24

[⌓70...Rh4 -9.04/28 71.Kc5 Kg6]

71.Kd6 -9.06/27

[⌓71.Ke4 -4.34/24 Rd7 72.Be5]

71...Rc4? 0.01/25

[71...Ra7-+ -9.06/27 72.Kc6 Ra5]

Now White is beyond hope. **72.Kd5= Rh4 73.Kc5 Kg6 74.Kd5 Kf7 75.Ke5 Be6 76.Kd6 Rh5 77.Bb2 Rxh6 78.Ke5 Rh5+ 79.Kd4 Bh3 80.Kc4 Bf1+ 81.Kb3 Ke6** (-> ...Kd5) **82.Bg7 Kd5 83.Bf6 Rh3+ 84.Kc2 Kc4 85.Kd2 Rd3+ 86.Kc2 Bg2 87.Bg5 Be4 88.Kb2 Rb3+ 89.Kc1 Kd3 90.Kd1 Rb1+ 91.Bc1 Bf3+ 92.Ke1 Rxc1+ 93.Kf2 Ke4** Black mates. **94.Kg3 Ke3 95.Kh4 Kf4 96.Kh3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.03 (flawless)

96...Rh1#

0-1

48 **C54**

□ **Endogenetic-Bot** **3036**

■ **cinder-bot** **2993**

Rapid 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min+3sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 a5

8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.Bb3N

[9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 (*10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* 1-0 Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)) 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)]

9...Be6 The position is equal. **10.a4 h6 11.Re1 Re8 12.Nc4 Qd7 13.Qe2 Nh5 14.Kh2 Nf6 15.Bc2 Nh7 16.Ne3 Nf8 17.Bd2 Ng6 18.Rad1 Nf4 19.Qf1 d5 20.exd5 Nxd5 21.Nc4 f6**

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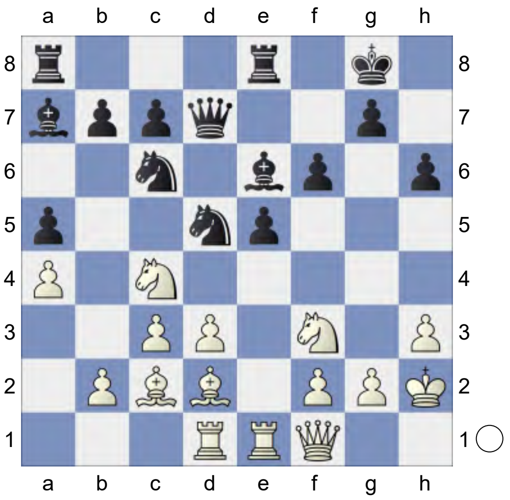


22.d4! exd4 23.Qd3 Prevents Bf5

[23.cxd4 simplifies Bf5 24.Bb3 Kh8 25.Nxa5 Nxd4 26.Nxd4 Bxd4 27.Rxe8+ Rxe8 28.Bxh6 c5 29.Bd2]

23...Kf8! 24.Nh4

[24.cxd4 Ndb4 25.Qc3 (*25.Bxb4+ Nxb4 26.Qc3 Nxc2∓*) 25...Nxc2 (*25...Bxd4 26.Nxd4 Nxd4 27.Bg6±; 25...Nxd4 26.Bg6±*) 26.Qxc2 Bd5∓ (*26...Bxd4 27.Be3±; 26...Nxd4 27.Nxd4 Bxd4 28.Bf4∓*)]

[24.Nxd4 Bxd4 25.cxd4 Ndb4 26.Bxb4+ Nxb4∓]

24...dxc3 25.Bxc3 Nxc3 26.Qxc3 Nd4 27.Bg6 Red8 28.Nxa5 Rab8 29.Re4! White is much more active. **29...Qxa4** 1.29/19

[⌓29...Qd5 0.71/18]

30.Rde1± Qd7 1.75/21

[30...Bb6± 0.82/19 31.b4 Qa2]

31.f4!+- White has strong compensation. **31...Qd6** 1.95/24

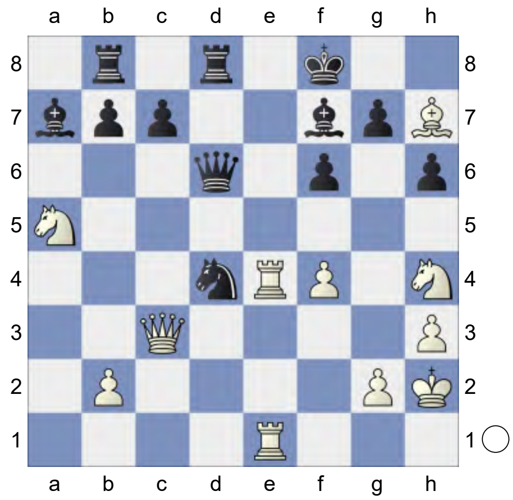
[31...b5± 1.43/20]

32.Bh7 1.06/21

[32.Nc4+- 1.95/24 Qc5 33.Na5 (*33.Rxe6 Nxe6 34.Rxe6 Qg1+ 35.Kg3 Bf2+ 36.Kg4 Kg8±*)]

32...Bf7±

(Diagram)

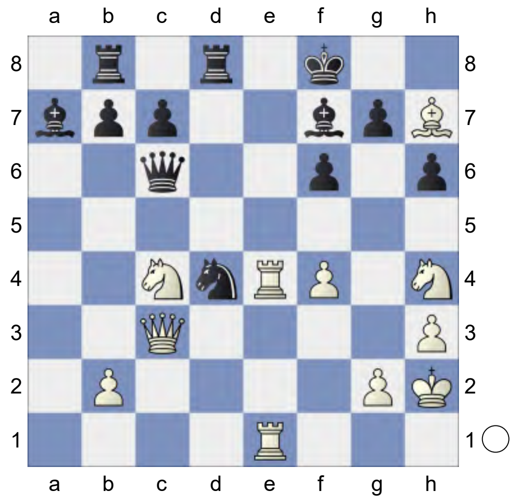


33.Nc4!

[33.Ng6+ Bxg6 34.Nxb7 Nb5-+ *(34...Rxb7 35.Bxg6 Rbb8 36.Qc4∓; 34...Bxh7? 35.Nxd6 cxd6 36.Rxd4+-)*]

33...Qc6 2.46/21

[33...Qc5± 1.34/21]



34.Qa3+!+-

[34.Ng6+ Bxg6 35.Bxg6 f5=]

This costs Black the game. **34...Qc5?** 4.76/23

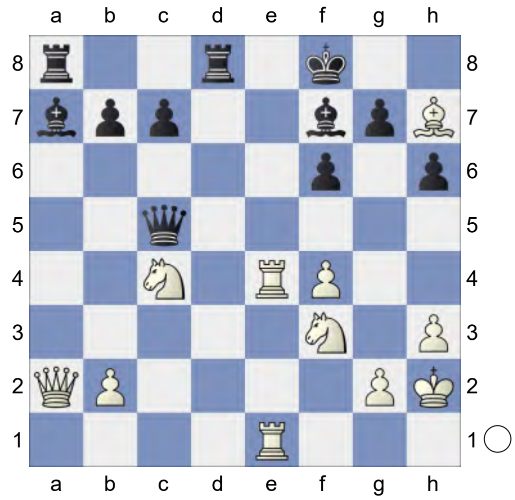
[34...Bc5± 1.48/20 35.Qg3 g5 *(35...Bxc4 36.Ng6+ Kf7 37.Re7+* Skewer *Bxe7 38.Rxe7#)* 36.Ng6+ *(36.fxg5 hxg5 37.Ng6+ Bxg6∓)* 36...Kg7 37.fxg5 hxg5 *(37...Kxh7 38.Ne7∓; 37...Bxg6? 38.gxf6+ Qxf6 39.Bxg6+-; 37...Bxc4 38.gxh6+ Kxh7 39.Re7+ Bxe7 40.Rxe7+ Kxh6 41.Qh4+ Kxg6 42.Qh7+ Kg5 43.Qg7+ Kh5 44.g4+ Kh4 45.Qh6#)*]

35.Qa2 Nf3+ 5.59/23

[35...Qxc4 36.Qxc4 Ne6 37.Rxe6 g6 38.Re7 *(38.Rxf6 Rd7 39.Bxg6 Bg1+ 40.Kxg1 Kg8 41.Rxf7 Rd5 42.Qxd5 c6 43.Bh7+ Kh8 44.Qe5#; 38.Nxg6+ Kg7 39.Re7 Bg1+ 40.Kxg1 Rf8 41.Rxf7+ Rxf7)*]

[35...g5 3.60/19 was necessary.]

36.Nxf3 Ra8



37.b4! Qd5 And now ...Bg1+! would win.

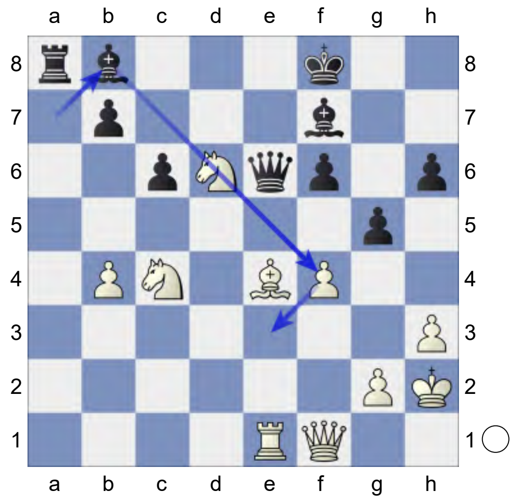
[37...Qc6 38.Qe2]

38.Qe2 c6 39.Nh4 g5 40.Nf5 aiming for Qb2. **40...Re8 41.Nfd6**

[Weaker is 41.Nxh6 Rxe4 42.Bxe4 *(42.Qxe4 Qxe4 43.Rxe4 Bd5±)* 42...Qxc4±]

41...Rxe4 42.Bxe4 Qe6 43.Qf1 Bb8

(Diagram)



44.Bg6! Discovered Attack **44...Qxc4**

[44...Bxd6 45.Rxe6]

45.Nxc4 Bxg6 46.Nb6 Bxf4+ 47.g3 Ra2+ 48.Kg1 f5 49.Nd7+ Kg7 50.Re7+ Bf7 51.Qc4 Be3+ 52.Kh1 Ra1+ 53.Kg2 Rg1+ 54.Kh2 White mates. **54...Rg2+ 55.Kxg2 Kh8 56.Qxf7 Bf2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.49

57.Qg7#

1-0

51 **C54**
☐ **FaustiOro** **2949**
■ **TemurKuybokarov** **2887**
Blitz 27.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) 2000 (1)]

6.h3 a5 7.a4 Ba7N

[7...h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Be6 10.Ng3 d5 11.exd5 Bxd5 12.Qb3 e4 13.Bxd5 exf3 14.Bxf3 Qxd3 15.Qb5 Nb4 16.Qxd3 Nxd3+ 17.Kd2 Rad8 18.Kc2 Bxf2 19.Ne4 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Ne1+ 21.Kb1 c6 22.Be3 0-1 (34) Veres,E (2596)-Krueger,A (2652) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (4.3) Bh4 23.Bb6 Rd2 24.Ka2 Re2 25.Bf3 Nxf3 26.gxf3 Bd8 27.Bc5 Rfe8 28.Rhd1 Bf6 29.Kb3 b5 30.Bd6 Rd8 31.axb5 cxb5 32.Bc7 a4+ 0-1 (34) Santos Ruiz,M (2596)-Korobov,A (2652) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (4.3)]

8.Nbd2 Ne7 The position is equal. **9.Nf1 Ng6 10.Ng3 c6 11.Bb3** -0.05/21

[11.0-0± 0.32/21]

11...h6 0.55/24

[11...d5= -0.05/21]

12.0-0± 0-0 13.d4 Re8 14.Bc2 Kh7 0.75/22

[14...Bb6± 0.35/21]

15.Re1± Be6 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Qd2 Rad8 18.Rad1 b5 19.Qc1 Qb8 1.01/22

[19...Bb8± 0.63/20 should be considered.]

20.Nf5 Ng8 21.axb5 0.79/21 White is more active.

[21.b3 1.16/19]

21...cxb5 22.dxe5 0.03/26

[22.b3± 0.58/19]

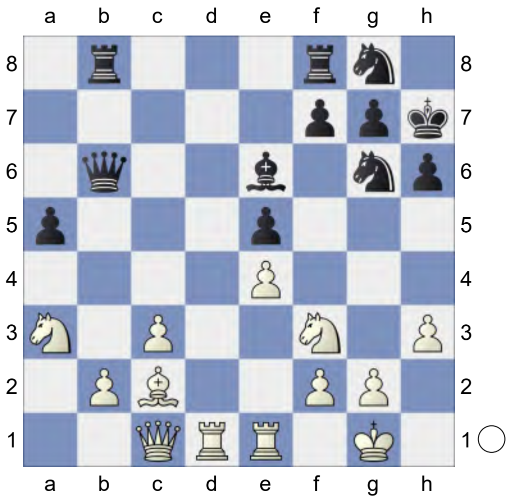
22...dxe5 23.Bxa7 Qxa7 24.Nd6 Rf8 25.Nxb5

[25.Qe3 simplifies Qxe3 26.Rxe3 Rb8 27.Ra1]

25...Qb6 26.Na3 -0.07/26

[26.Ba4± 0.34/25]

26...Rb8



27.b3 -0.56/23 **Bxb3∓ 28.Nd2** -0.69/24

[⌓28.Rd5! -0.31/24 Bxd5 29.exd5]

28...Be6 29.Ba4 -1.73/23

[White should try 29.Nac4∓ -0.40/23 Qc5 30.Bd3 *(30.Qa3 Qxa3 31.Nxa3 Rfc8∓)*]

29...Nf4↑ White is under strong pressure. **30.Qc2** -3.86/23 Dodges Nd3

[30.Ndc4 -1.80/21 Bxc4 31.Nxc4]

30...Qc5 31.Nab1 -4.80/23

[31.Ra1 -2.82/21]

31...Nf6 32.Nf1 Rb6 33.Ne3 -6.62/24

[⌓33.Qd2 -4.41/25 Rfb8 34.c4]

33...Rfb8 34.Rd2 Qc8 And now ... Bxh3! would win. **35.h4** -6.96/27

[⌓35.Na3 -4.07/26 Qc5 *(35...Rb2 36.Qc1-+)* 36.Rd5 Qxa3 37.Nc4]

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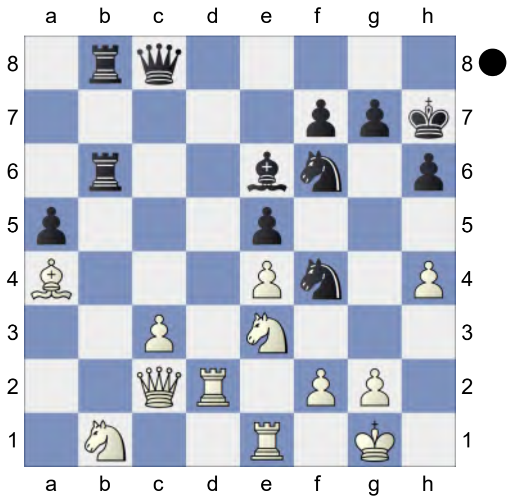
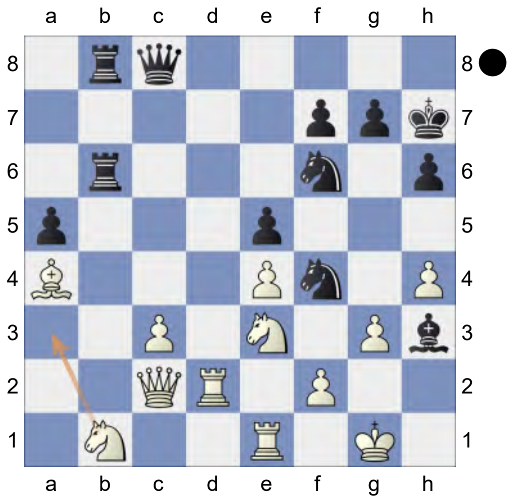


35...Bh3! 36.g3

[36.Na3 Ng4]



36...N6h5? -0.73/22 **37.c4?** -4.91/25

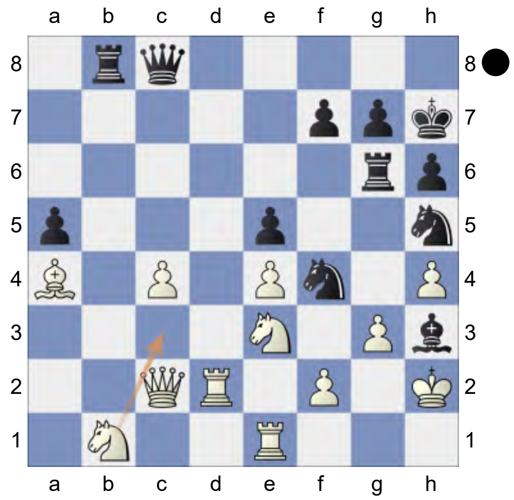
[37.Na3∓ -0.73/22]

37...Rg6? -1.21/24

[37...Rb2-+ -4.91/25 has better winning chances. 38.Qc3 Rxb1]

38.Kh2∓

(Diagram)



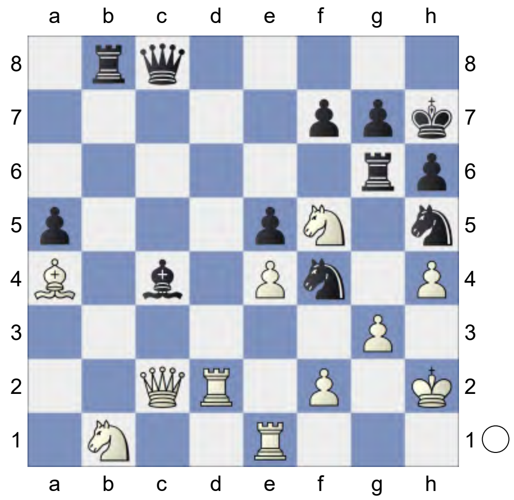
Bf1? 4.84/23 **39.Nf5?** 0.97/23

[39.Rxf1 Qh3+ 40.Kg1 Rd8-+ *(40...Qxh4 41.Bd7=; 40...Nxg3 41.fxg3 Qxg3+ 42.Ng2=)*]

[39.Bd7+- 4.84/23 and White stays clearly on top. Qc5 40.gxf4 *(40.Rxf1 Rxg3 41.fxg3 Qxe3+-; 40.Nxf1 Rgb6+-)*]

39...Bxc4 2.03/26

[39...Bh3± 0.97/23]



40.Na3!+-

[40.gxf4?! Rb4± *(40...Nxf4 41.Rc1±)*]

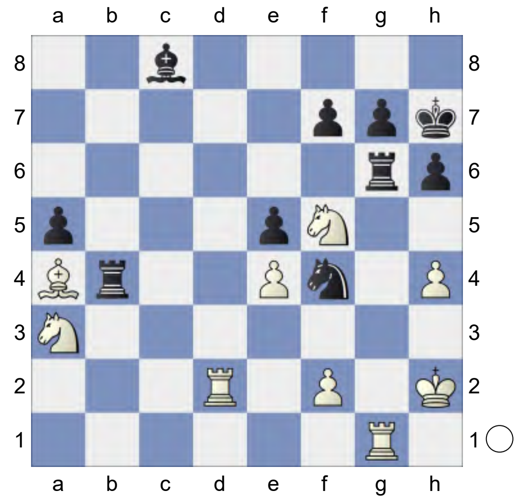
40...Be6 41.Qxc8

[41.gxf4 Qf8 42.Nb5 Nxf4=]

41...Bxc8 42.gxf4 Nxf4 43.Rg1 1.29/24 Prevents Rg2+

[43.Ne3+- 1.92/25]

43...Rb4±



Against Nc4 **44.Bc2** 0.91/27

[44.Rxg6 fxg6 45.Bc2 gxf5 46.exf5 Bb7 47.f6+ Kg8 48.fxg7 Nd5∓ *(48...Kxg7? 49.Rd7+ Kf6 50.Bd1-+)*]

[⌓44.Bd1! 1.42/25]

44...Rb2? 3.83/27

[44...Rxg1± 0.91/27 45.Kxg1 Nh3+ 46.Kh2 Bxf5 47.exf5 Rxh4]

45.Nc4 Rxg1 46.Kxg1

[Resist 46.Nxb2?! Rg2+ 47.Kh1 Bxf5]

46...Ra2 47.Nxe5 Be6? 4.99/24

[47...a4 2.10/23 was necessary.]

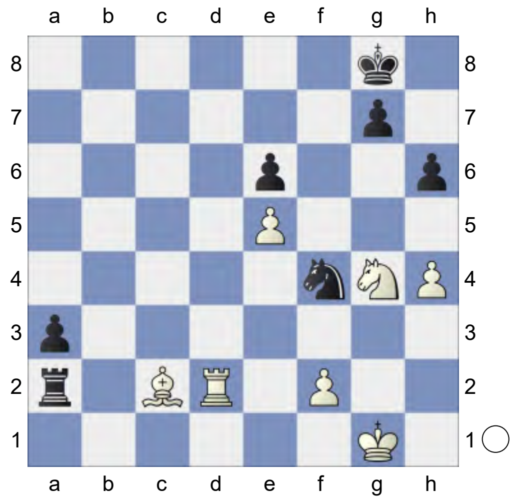
48.Nd4+- a4 49.Nxe6 fxe6 50.Ng4 and e5+ should not be overlooked

50...a3? 6.40/22

[50...h5 3.87/21]

51.e5+ Kg8

(Diagram)



Never resign too early!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.74

52.Bh7+! Discovered Attack

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50 **C54**
☐ **FaustiOro** **2928**
■ **TemurKuybokarov** **2908**
Blitz 27.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

6...a5 7.Nbd2 Ba7N

[7...0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)]

8.Re1 Ng4 The position is equal. **9.Re2 0-0 10.h3 Nh6** 0.92/20

[10...Nf6⩲ 0.37/20]

11.Nf1⩲ Kh8 12.Ng3 White is more active. **12...f5 13.Bxh6**

[13.Bg5 looks sharper. Qd7 14.Bxh6 f4 15.Nf5]

13...gxh6 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Nxf5 Rxf5 16.Bd5 Qf6 17.Qd2 -0.38/22

[17.d4⩲ 0.82/20]

17...Rf8 -0.01/21

[17...Ne7!⩱ -0.38/22 18.Be4 *(18.Bxb7 Rg8⩲)* 18...Rf4]

18.Rf1 Ne7 19.Bxb7 -2.69/19

[19.Be4!= -0.07/20 and White is okay. Rf4 20.Nh2 *(20.Bxb7 Rb8⩱)*]

19...c6 -1.56/20

[Black should play 19...d5-+ -2.69/19 20.Nh2 Qb6]

20.Nh2⩱ h5 Repels Ng4. Threatens to win with ...d5. **21.Ba6?** -4.03/23

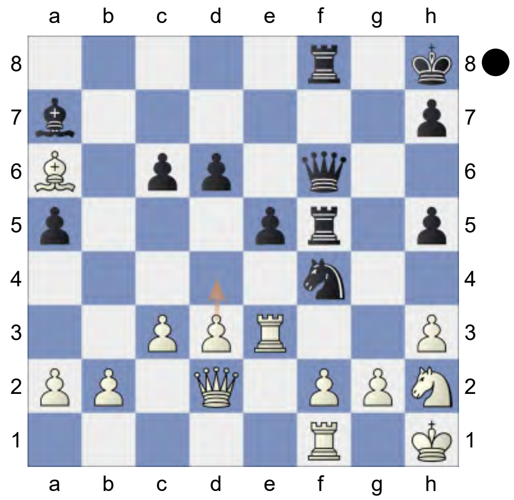
[21.d4⩱ -1.36/18 exd4 22.Kh1 *(22.Nf3? Rxf3 23.cxd4 Bxd4-+)*]

21...Ng6 22.Kh1 -4.93/20

[⌓22.d4 -3.30/21 Nf4 23.Bd3]

22...Nf4-+ 23.Re3

(Diagram)



Nxg2! Discovered Attack **24.Rg3 Nh4**

[24...Bxf2? 25.Rxg2 d5 26.Qe2+-]

25.d4 exd4 26.Bd3 -5.83/22

[⌓26.f4 -4.15/23 Qf7 *(26...Rxf4 27.Rxf4 Qxf4 28.Qxf4-+)* 27.b3]

26...dxc3

[26...Rxf2 27.Rxf2 Qxf2 28.Qh6±]

27.bxc3 Rxf2 28.Rxf2 Qxf2 29.Qxf2 Rxf2 30.Nf1 Rxa2? 0.33/21

[30...h6-+ -7.76/21 31.a4 Rb2]

31.Bc4⩲ Rg2! 32.Rxg2 Nxg2 33.Kxg2 Kg7 0.65/26

[33...a4!= 0.28/27]

34.Bb3!

[34.Ng3 d5 35.Bb3 *(35.Nxh5+ Kh6∓)* 35...h4±]

34...Kf6 35.Kf3 Ke5 36.Ng3 0.17/26

[36.Ba4± 0.71/24]

36...h4 37.Ne2 d5 38.Nf4 Kd6 39.Ng2 c5 40.Nxh4 c4 41.Ba4 0.12/24

[41.Bc2!⩲ 0.51/23]

41...Ke5 42.Ke2 0.06/23

[42.Bc2⩲ 0.44/24 might be stronger.]

42...Kf4 0.82/25

[42...d4= 0.06/23]

43.Nf3 Kg3 0.98/25

[43...Bc5⩲ 0.48/23 44.Nh2 *(44.Bc6 Ke4+-)* 44...h5]

44.h4±

[44.Bc6 Kxh3 45.Bxd5 Kg3+-]

44...Bb8? 2.46/24

[44...Kf4± 0.87/24 45.Bc6 Bb6]

45.Bc6+- d4 3.21/24

[⌓45...Bc7 2.24/26 46.h5 *(46.Bxd5 h5+-)* 46...Kg4]

46.cxd4 Bd6 4.40/24

[⌓46...c3 3.08/24 47.Kd3 c2 48.Kxc2 Ba7]

47.Be4 2.61/24

[⌓47.Ne5 4.40/24]

47...h6 3.97/27

[47...h5 2.61/24 was called for. 48.Bc6 c3]

48.Bc2 Kf4 49.Nd2 c3 50.Ne4 Bb4 5.75/26

[⌓50...Be7 4.07/25 51.h5 *(51.Nxc3 Bxh4 52.Kd3 Bd8+-)* 51...Kg4]

51.Kd3 Kg4 52.Nxc3 Kxh4 53.Nd5 Bd6 54.Ke4 Kg5 55.Ne3 h5 56.Nf5 Inhibits h4. **56...Bb4** 6.85/25

[56...Bb8 2.52/28 57.Ne3 h4]

57.d5 Kf6 58.Ba4 Bc5 59.d6 Bb6 60.d7 Ke6 61.Nd4+ Kd6 62.Nf5+? -0.01/28

[62.Kf5+- 6.66/30 aiming for Kg5!. h4 63.Kg4]

62...Kc7? 11.19/27

[62...Ke6= -0.01/28 63.Ng7+ Kd6 64.Nxh5 Ke6 65.Nf4+ Kd6]

63.Ng7 h4 64.Ne6+ Kd6 65.Ng5? 2.55/25

[65.d8N h3 66.Kf3 Ke7=]

[65.d8Q+ 7.02/28 Bxd8 66.Nxd8]

65...Ke7? 6.97/32

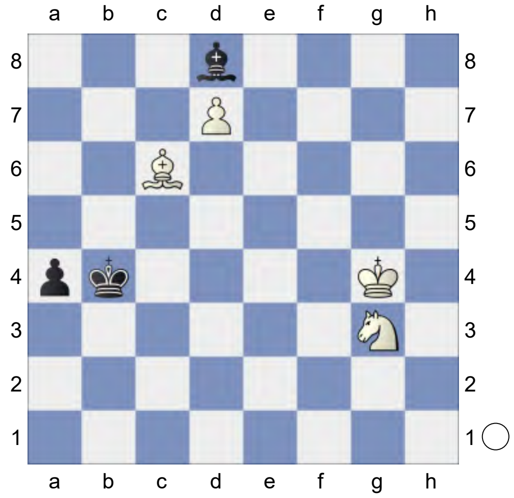
[65...Kc5 2.55/25 66.Ke5 Bc7+ 67.Ke4 Bb6]

66.Kf3 Kf6 67.Kg4 Bd8 68.Nh3

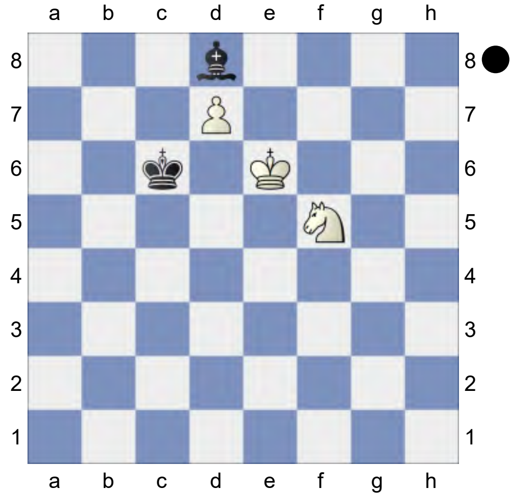
[Not 68.Kxh4 Kf5=]

68...Kg6 69.Nf4+ Kf6 70.Ng2 Ke5 71.Nxh4 Kd6 72.Nf5+ Kc5 73.Ng3 Kb4 74.Bc6 a4? 6.48/26

[74...Kc5 3.73/26 75.Be4 *(75.Ba4 Kb4+-)* 75...Kd6]



75.Bxa4? 0.18/27 **Kxa4** Endgame KB-KN. White is a pawn up. **76.Kf5 Kb5 77.Ke6 Kc6 78.Nf5 Bg5 79.Ng7 Bd8 80.Nf5**



Bh4? #10/22 **81.Ne7+?** 0.75/25

[81.Nxh4 #10/22 Kc7 82.Ke7 Kc6 83.d8Q *(83.d8B Kb7+-)* 83...Kc5 84.Qd3 Kc6 85.Qc4+ Kb7 86.Qb5+ Ka8 87.Kd8 Ka7 88.Kc8 Ka8 89.Qb8#]

81...Kc7± 82.Nd5+ Kd8 83.Nf4 Bg5 84.Ng6 Be7? #9/20 **85.Ne5?** 0.39/38

[85.Nxe7 #9/20 mates Kc7 86.Nc6 Promotion Kxc6 87.d8Q *(87.d8B Kc5=)* 87...Kc5 88.Qd3 Kc6 89.Qd5+ Kb6 90.Kd6 Ka7 91.Qb5 Ka8 92.Kc7 Ka7 93.Qb7#]

85...Bc5? #9/24

[85...Bh4⩲ 0.39/38]

A wild game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.64/ Black=0.61

86.Nf7+

1-0

52 C54

☐ **AKS-Mantissa 2885**

■ **tomlesspit 3138**

Rapid 26.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 7min+5sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

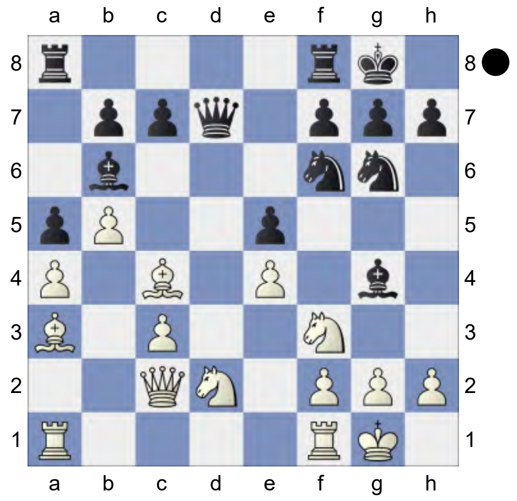
5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.0-0 0-0 11.d4 Bg4 12.Qc2 Qd7 13.dxe5 The position is equal. **13...dxe5**

[13...Nxe5 simplifies 14.Nxe5 dxe5 15.h3 Be6]

14.Ba3



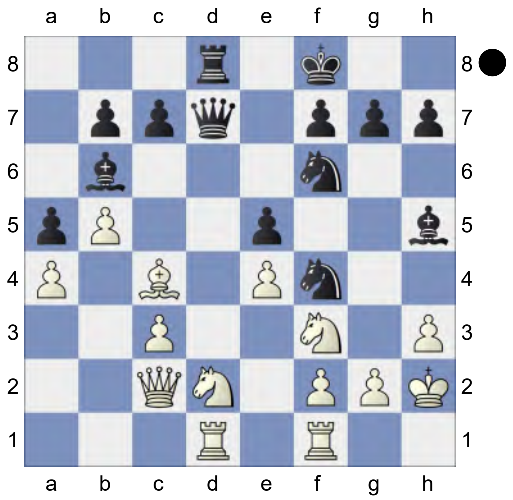
Bh5! 15.Bxf8 Kxf8 16.h3 -0.49/22

[16.g3= -0.01/22 deserves consideration.]

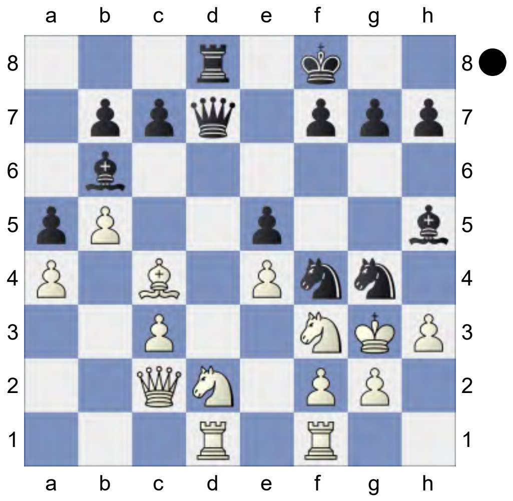
16...Nf4!∓ Black has compensation. **17.Kh2 Rd8 18.Rad1!**

[18.Nxe5? Qxd2 19.Qxd2 Rxd2-+]

(Diagram)



18...Ng4+ Double Attack **19.Kg3**

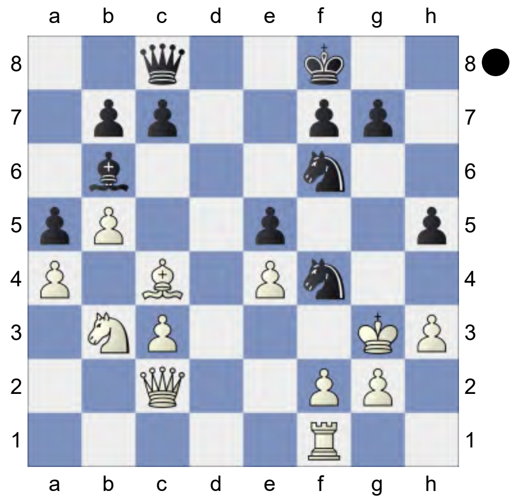


Qc8! 20.Nb3 and Rxd8+ should not be overlooked **20...Rxd1 21.Qxd1 Nf6!** White does not recover from this. **22.Qc2?** -2.68/21

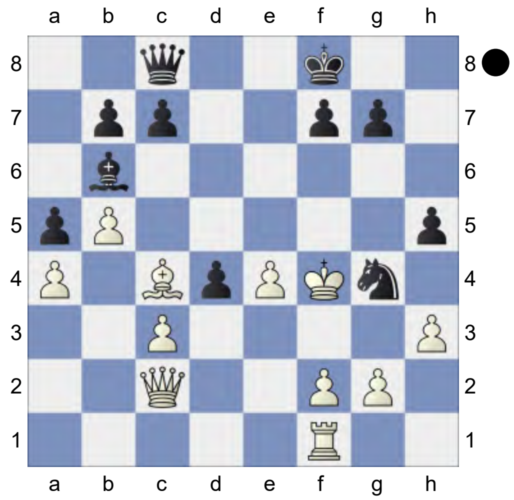
[22.Nbd2∓ -0.48/20]

22...Bxf3-+ 23.Kxf3 h5! 24.Kg3

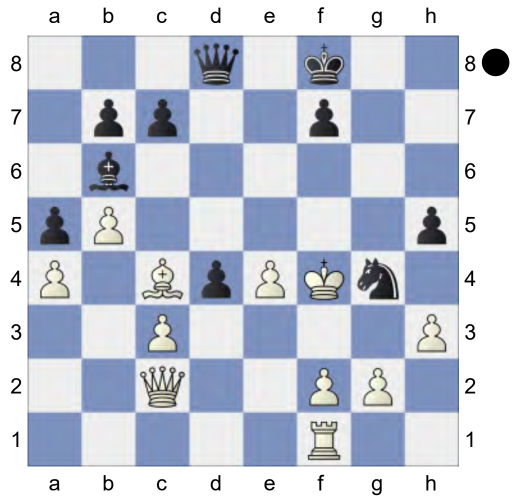
(Diagram)



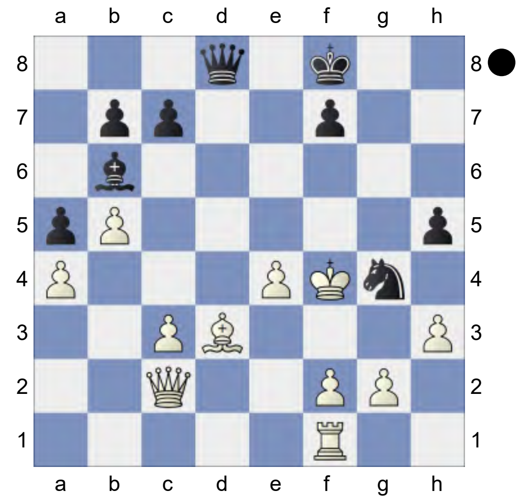
Ng4! A dynamic duo of knights. **25.Nd4**
[25.hxg4? Qxg4+ 26.Kh2 Qxg2#]
25...exd4 26.Kxf4



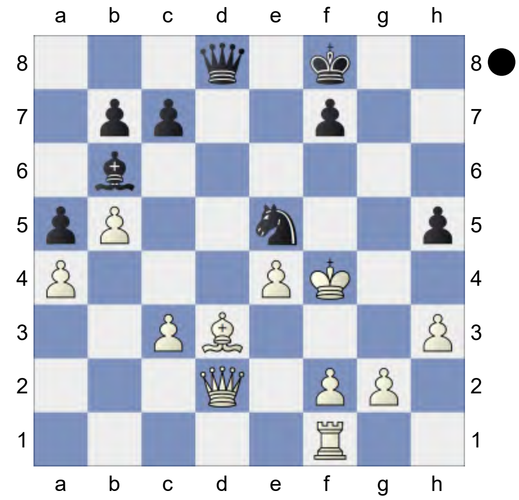
g5+! Decoy **27.Kxg5 Qd8+! 28.Kf4**



d3! 29.Bxd3
[29.Qxd3? Qf6+ *(29...Nxf2 30.Qxd8+ Kg7 31.Rxf2 Bxf2 32.Qd5 Kh8 33.Qxf7)* 30.Kg3 Bxf2+ 31.Rxf2 Qxf2#]



29...Ne5 (-> ...h4!). Decoy **30.Qd2?** -7.66/26
[30.Kxe5? Qg5#]
[30.Be2 is a self mate. h4 31.Bg4 Qf6+ 32.Bf5 Qh6+ 33.Kxe5 Qd6#]
[30.Kg3 -2.54/24 h4+ *(30...Nxd3 31.Qd2∓; 30...Qxd3+ 31.Qxd3 Nxd3 32.Kh4∓)* 31.Kh2 Qxd3 *(31...Nxd3? 32.Rd1+-)* 32.Qxd3 Nxd3 33.g3]



30...h4! 31.Kf5 Inhibits Qf6+. **31...Qd6**

[31...Qxd3 32.Rd1 Qxd2 33.Rxd2=]

32.Qg5 Nxd3

[32...Qxd3 33.Kxe5 Qxf1 34.Qd8+ Kg7 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36.Qd8+ Kg7 37.Qf6+ Kg8 38.Qd8+ Kg7=]

33.Kg4 Nxf2+ 34.Kxh4 Nxe4 35.Qf4 Qe6

[35...Nxc3 36.Qxf7#]

36.Qf5 Qh6+ 37.Kg4 Qg7+ Skewer, Double Attack

[And not 37...Nxc3 38.Qxf7#]

38.Kf4 Qxg2 39.Rf3 Nd2 40.Qc8+ Ke7 41.Qxb7 Qxf3+ 42.Qxf3 Nxf3 43.Kxf3 Endgame **43...Kd6 44.Kg4 Kc5 45.h4 Kc4 46.h5 Kxc3** and ...Kb4 should not be overlooked. KB-K3P **47.Kf5 Bd4 48.b6 Bxb6** KB-KPP **49.Kf6 Bd4+ 50.Kxf7 c5 51.h6 c4 52.h7 Kd3 53.Kg8 Ke4 54.Kf8 c3 55.Ke8 c2 56.h8Q Bxh8** KB-KP **57.Ke7 c1Q 58.Kd6 Qc8** (-> ...Be5+) **59.Ke7 Kd5** Black mates. **60.Kf7 Qe6+ 61.Kf8 Qd7 62.Kg8**

Weighted Error Value: White=1.15/ Black=0.05 (flawless)

62...Qg7#

0-1

53 **C50**

□ **CruelKen** **3057**

■ **ArasanX** **3022**

Blitz 25.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Nc3 Na5 7.Bg5 Nxc4

[7...c6 8.Na4 Nxc4 9.dxc4 h6 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.Nxc5 dxc5 12.h3 g5 13.Qd3 g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4 15.Nh2 h5 16.Qe3 Qe7 17.Qg3 Be2 18.Rfe1 Bxc4 19.Qc3 Be6 20.Qxe5 0-0-0 21.Rad1 h4 22.Nf3 0-1 (43) Sindarov,J (2661)-Moroni,L (2535) Sharjah Masters 6th 2023 (8)]

8.dxc4 Be6 The position is equal.

9.Qe2N

[9.Qd3 h6 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 Italienisch-Sidelines 2010]

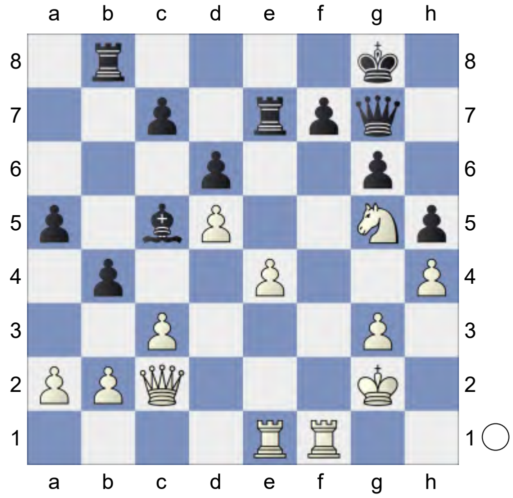
9...0-0 10.Nd5 Bxd5 11.cxd5 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.g3 g6 14.c3 a5 15.Kg2 Qg7 16.Ne1 Rae8 17.Nd3 Ba7 18.f4 exf4 19.Nxf4 b5 20.Rae1 Rb8 21.Nd3 Rfe8 22.h4! h5 23.Qc2 White leaves nothing to chance now.

23...Bb6 1.16/22

[23...Re7± 0.53/22]

24.Nf4!± b4 25.Nh3! Bc5 26.Ng5 Re7 2.23/24

[⌓26...Rf8 1.69/23]

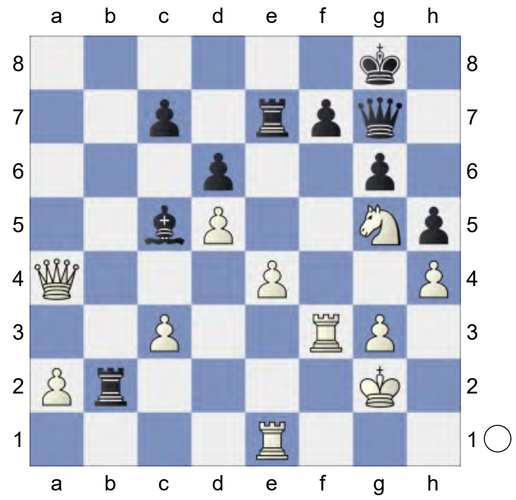


27.Rf3!+- bxc3 28.bxc3 a4 29.Qxa4

[29.Ref1 a3 30.Qa4 (*30.Nxf7? Rb2-+* Pin; *30.Rxf7? Rxf7 31.Qd3 Rxf1-+*) 30...Rb2+ 31.Kh1 Qf8= (*31...Rxa2 32.Nxf7 Qf8 33.Nxd6±; 31...Qe5? 32.Rxf7 Rb8 33.Rxe7+-*)]

29...Rb2+

(Diagram)



30.Kh1! Rf2 31.Qd1 Rxf3 2.70/24

[31...Rxa2 32.Ref1±]

[31...Qf8 1.77/23 32.Qd3 Qa8]

32.Qxf3 Ba3 Black is weak on the light squares **33.Rb1 Qf8** Prevents Rb8 **34.Qf6** Hoping for Rf1. **34...Bc5 35.Re1** Against Be3 **35...Bb6 36.Kg2 Rd7?** 4.03/23

[36...Qe8 2.07/22 might work better. 37.a4 Ba5]

37.a4 Qd8 38.Qf4 Qf8? 6.17/25

[38...Ba5 3.41/21 39.Rf1 Qe8]

39.g4 White is clearly winning. **39...hxg4 40.h5**

[Not 40.Qxg4 Re7 41.Qf3 Qg7±]

40...gxh5 41.e5 Re7 42.Ne4 Nf6+ would kill now. **42...Rxe5 43.Nf6+ Kg7 44.Rxe5 dxe5 45.Qg5+**

[45.Qxe5 Kg6 46.Nxh5 Qd6 47.Nf4+ Kh6 48.Qh5+ Kg7±]

45...Kh8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.38

46.Qxh5+

1-0

55 C50

☐ CruelKen 3061

■ Mr-Chess-Berserk 3058

Blitz 24.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 0-0 6.a4 d6

[6...a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 d6 9.h3 b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 ½-½ (45) Vachier Lagrave,M (2791)-Aronian,L (2809) 5th Sinquefield Cup 2017 (5.1)]

7.Be3 Bxe3N

[7...Bb6 8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 22.dxe5 1-0 (40) So,W (2753)-Firouzja,A (2777) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2.32)]

8.fxe3 Ne7 9.Qe1 Ng6 10.Qg3 c6 11.Bb3 Qe7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.h3 Qe7 15.Qe1 Rae8 16.Nh4 Nxh4 17.Qxh4 Qd8 18.Ne2 Re6 19.Ng3 g6 20.a5 d5 21.Rf2

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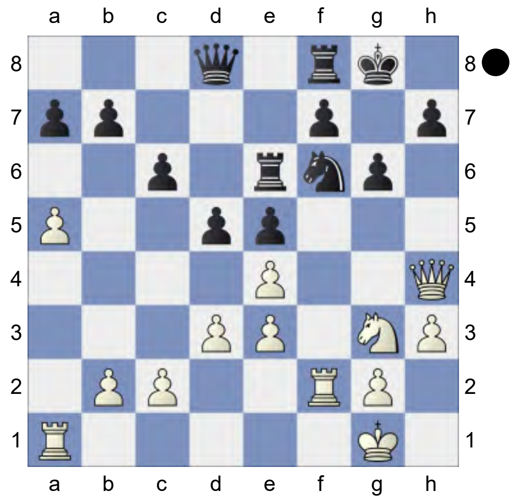


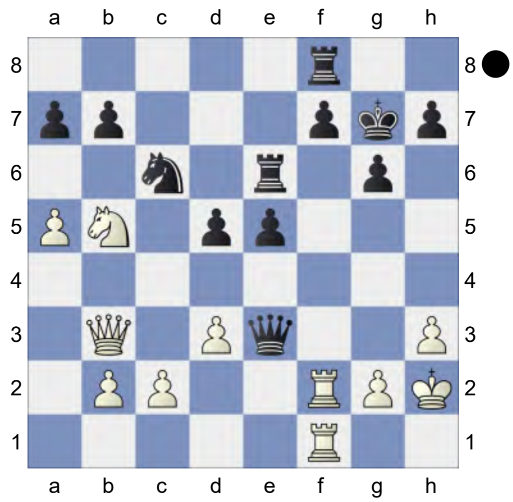
Qe7 22.exd5

[22.Qg5 Ne8 23.Qxe7 Rxe7 24.exd5 cxd5 25.Ne2]

22...cxd5

[22...Nxd5 simplifies 23.Qxe7 Rxe7 24.e4 Nf4]

23.Ne2 Kg7 24.Nc3 Qc5 25.Raf1 Qxe3 26.Kh2! Ng8 27.Qb4 Prevents Qc5. **27...Ne7 28.Nb5!⇄** White has counterplay **28...Nc6 29.Qb3**



Hoping for Nc7. **29...Nd4**

[29...Nxa5? 30.Qxd5 Re7 31.Nd6+-]

[29...Qc5!? 30.Nc7□ Re7 *(30...Nxa5? 31.Rxf7+ Rxf7 32.Nxe6+ Kg8 33.Nxc5+-)* 31.Nxd5 Rd7=]

30.Nxd4 exd4 31.Qxd5

[31.Qxb7 Qe5+ 32.Kh1 Re7 33.Qc6]

31...Qe5+ 32.Qxe5+ Rxe5= Endgame KRR-KRR **33.Rf4 Rd5 34.b4 Rd7 35.Re1 Rc8 36.Rf2 Rc6 37.g4 Rdc7 38.Kg3 Rxc2 39.Rxc2 Rxc2** KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **40.Re7 Rd2 41.Rxb7 Rxd3+ 42.Kf4 a6 43.Ke5 Rxh3 44.Kxd4 h5 45.gxh5 gxh5 46.b5 Ra3 47.bxa6 Rxa5 48.a7 h4 49.a8Q Rxa8 50.Ke3 Ra2 51.Rb3 Rg2 52.Kf4** Inhibits Rg3. **52...Kg6** And now ...f6 would win. **53.Rb8 Kg7** Prevents Rg8+ **54.Rb4 Rg6 55.Kf3** -0.54/30

[55.Rb2= -0.07/30 might be stronger.]

55...h3∓ 56.Rb2 Rh6 57.Rh2 Kg6 -1.12/32

[57...Kf6∓ -0.40/30 58.Kf2 Kf5]

58.Kf2∓ f5 -1.12/30

[58...Kg5∓ -0.46/32]

59.Kg1 f4 -0.90/31

[Black should play 59...Kg5∓ -0.33/28]

60.Rb2 Kg5 61.Kh2 The position is equal. **61...Kg4 62.Rb8 Kf3 63.Rb7 Rh8 64.Rg7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

64...Rb8

½-½

750 **C51**

☐ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2695**

■ **Grischuk,A.** **2667**

TCh-ESP Div Honor 2025 (7.13) 14.08.25

[Kitty Kat,TA]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** Lekander,Rolf Ripperger **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Be7**

[4...Bd6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.Re1 0-0 7.Bb2 h6 8.b5 Na5 9.Bf1 Re8 10.d4 exd4 11.Qd2 Qe7 12.a3 Nxe4 13.Qxa5 c5 14.bxc6 dxc6 15.Nbd2 f5 16.Bd3 1-0 Negi,P (2590)-Lund,S (2412) Politiken Cup 2009 (4)]

[RR 4...b5 5.Bxf7+ Kxf7 6.bxc5]

[RR 4...Bd4 5.c3 Bb6]

[RR 4...Bd6]

[RR 4...Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 *(RR 7.Nxe5)*

A) RR 7...d6 8.dxe5 *(RR 8.Qa4+ c6 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Nxe5 Nf6 11.0-0 Qc7)* 8...dxe5 9.Qxd8+ Bxd8 10.Nxe5 Nf6 11.f3 0-0;

B) 7...exd4

B1) RR 8.cxd4 Nf6 9.e5 *(RR 9.Nc3 d5 10.e5 Ne4; RR 9.Bd2 b6 10.e5 Nd5)* 9...Ne4 *(RR 9...Nd5 10.Bd2 Nc6 11.Qb3)* 10.0-0 d5;

B2) 8.Qxd4 d6 *(RR 8...Kf8 9.0-0 d6 10.h3 Bf6 11.Qe3 Ne7 12.Rd1 Qe8 13.Nbd2 h6 14.Nd4)* 9.Qxg7 Bf6 10.Qg3

B2a) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bg5 *(RR 11.0-0 Rg8 12.Qf4 Ng6 13.Qe3 Bg4 14.Nd4 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Qd7 16.Kh1 Nc6 17.Be3 0-0-0 18.f4 Bxd4 19.cxd4 d5 20.e5 Nh4 21.Rg1 Nf5 22.Qf2 Rg6 23.g3 f6)* 11...Ng6 12.0-0

B2a1) RR 12...Bxg5 13.Nxg5 Qf6 14.f4 *(RR 14.Bb5+ Nc6 15.Nd2 Bd7)*

B2a11) RR 14...h6

B2a111) RR 15.Nh3 Bxh3 16.Qxh3 *(RR 16.gxh3 Rg8)* 16...Nxf4 17.Qe3 Nxe2+ 18.Qxe2 Qg6 19.Qb5+ Nc6 20.Qxb7 Kd7 21.Qb5 Rab8 22.Qf5+;

B2a112) 15.Nxf7 Kxf7 16.Bh5 Kg7 17.f5 Qg5 18.Bxg6 Qxg3 19.hxg3;

B2a12) 14...Bd7;

B2a2) 12...Be6 13.Nbd2 h6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.Nd4 Nf4 *(RR 15...0-0-0 16.f4)* 16.Qe3 *(RR 16.Bb5+ c6)* 16...Qg5 17.g3 Nh3+ 18.Kh1 Qxe3 19.fxe3 Ke7;

B2b) RR 10...Be6 11.Bg5 *(RR 11.0-0 Qd7 12.Rd1 Qa4)* 11...Qe7 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxf6 Nxf6 14.Qxe5 Bc4;

B2c) 10...Qe7

B2c1) RR 11.0-0

B2c11) RR 11...Bd7 12.Nd4 *(RR 12.Ng5 0-0-0)* 12...Qxe4 13.Nd2 Qg6 14.Qe3+ Ne7 15.Bd3 Qg7 16.Ne4 Be5 17.f4 Rg8;

B2c12) 11...Qxe4

B2c121) RR 12.Nd4 Be5 13.Qg5 *(RR 13.Nd2 Qxe2 14.Nxe2 Bxg3)* 13...Ne7;

B2c122) RR 12.Bf4 Ne7 13.Re1 Qg6 14.Bg5 *(RR 14.Ng5)* 14...Bxg5 *(RR 14...Rg8)* 15.Bb5+ Kf8 16.Nxg5 Rg8;

B2c123) 12.Re1 Kf8 13.Bb5 *(RR 13.Nd4 Bh4; RR 13.Ng5 Qg6 14.Bd3 Bf5 15.Bxf5 Qxf5 16.Na3 Re8 17.Bd2 Rxe1+ 18.Rxe1 Ne7 19.Ne4)*

13...Qg6 14.Re8+ (RR *14.Qf4*) 14...Kg7 15.Ng5 (RR *15.Bg5 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 h6*) 15...Nh6 (RR *15...Ne7 16.Bd3 Nf5*) 16.Re4 (RR *16.Rxh8 Kxh8*)

B2c1231) RR 16...Bxg5 17.Qxg5 Bf5 18.Rh4 Qxg5 19.Bxg5 Ng4 20.h3 f6 21.Bf4 (RR *21.hxg4 fxg5 22.Rh5 Bg6*) 21...Ne5 22.Bh6+ Kf7;

B2c1232) 16...Nf5 17.Qf4 d5;

B2c2) RR 11.Nd4 Qxe4 12.Nd2 Qg6 (RR *12...Qe7 13.0-0;* RR *12...Qe5 13.f4 Qe7 14.0-0*) 13.Qe3+ Ne7 14.Nb5 Kd8;

B2c3) RR 11.Ng5

B2c31) RR 11...h6 12.Nh7 (RR *12.Nh3 Qxe4 13.Nf4 Be5 14.0-0 Qxe2 15.Nxe2 Bxg3*) 12...Bd7;

B2c32) 11...Bd7 12.Nxh7 0-0-0 13.Nxf6 Nxf6 14.Bg5 (RR *14.f3 Rdg8 15.Qf2 Nc6*) 14...Nxe4 15.Bxe7 Nxg3

B2c321) RR 16.Bxd8 Nxh1 17.Bg5 Rxh2 18.Kf1 (RR *18.Bf3 Nc4*) 18...Bc6;

B2c322) 16.fxg3 Rde8 17.Bf6 Rh6 18.Bg5 Rhe6 19.0-0 Rxe2;

B2c4) 11.Qf4 Bd7 12.0-0 0-0-0 (RR *12...Nc6 13.Na3 0-0-0 14.Rb1 Bxc3 15.Nb5 Bg7 16.Qe3*) 13.Be3 (RR *13.Qe3 Nc6 14.Nd4 Kb8*) 13...Nc6 (RR *13...Re8 14.Nbd2 Bxc3 15.Rac1*) 14.Bd4 Re8 (RR *14...Be5 15.Qe3 Nf6*) 15.Nbd2 d5 (RR *15...Nxd4 16.cxd4 Bg7 17.Bc4 f5;* RR *15...Bxd4 16.cxd4 f5 17.d5 Ne5 18.exf5 Nf6*) 16.Bd3 (RR *16.exd5 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Qxe2 18.Rac1 Bd8*) 16...Bxd4 17.cxd4 Qf6 (RR *17...dxe4 18.Nxe4*)

B2c41) RR 18.Qe3 Nge7 (RR *18...Qg7*) 19.e5 Qg7 20.Rfb1;

B2c42) 18.Qg3 Nge7 19.Ne5 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘ h5_1525 (2635)-Caulkett,P (2630) DDR corr 2005 Squeeze Play [Lekander,Rolf] 0-1 (45) (RR *19.e5 Qh6*) RR 19...Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qh6 21.f4]

[RR 4...Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.exd5 e4 9.dxc6 (RR *9.0-0 0-0 10.Ne1 Nxb4 11.Ba3*) 9...exf3

A) RR 10.cxd7+;

B) RR 10.0-0 0-0 (RR *10...fxg2 11.Re1+*)RR 11.Qxf3;

C) 10.Qxf3 Qe7+ (RR *10...0-0 11.cxb7 Bxb7 12.Qxb7 Qf6 13.Ra3 Qxf2+ 14.Kd1*) 11.Kd1 (RR *11.Qe2*) 11...dxc6 12.Re1 (RR *12.a5*) 12...Be6

C1) RR 13.Bb2

C1a) RR 13...Rg8

C1a1) RR 14.Bxe6 fxe6

15.Qg4 0-0-0 16.Qxe6+ (RR *16.Rxe6 Qd7*) 16...Qxe6 17.Rxe6 Bxf2;

C1a2) 14.b5 axb5 15.axb5 Rxa1+ 16.Bxa1;

C1b) 13...0-0-0 14.Bxg7 Qxb4 15.Bxe6+ fxe6 16.Bc3 Qd6;

C2) 13.Bxe6 fxe6

C2a) RR 14.Qg4 0-0-0 (RR *14...0-0 15.f3*) 15.Rxe6 Qd7 16.Qe2 Rhe8;

C2b) 14.Qh5+ Kd7 (RR *14...g6*) 15.Ra3 Rae8 (RR *15...Bxf2 16.Rf3*) 16.b5 cxb5 (RR *16...axb5*) 17.axb5 a5 18.Rf3 g6 19.Qe5 Altman,J (2120)-Djordjevic,D (2167) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1RR 19...Bc5]

5.b5 Na5 6.Bd3N

[6.d3 d6 7.Nc3 c6 8.a4 Nxc4 9.dxc4 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.0-0 Nf6 12.Ba3 Qc7 13.Rfd1 Rd8 14.h3 0-0 15.a5 Nh5 16.g3 f5 17.a6 b6 (RR *17...fxe4 18.Qxe4 Nf6*) 18.bxc6 Qxc6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.cxd5 Qd7 1-0 Alekhine,A-Reynvaan/Van Merkum Sukabumi sim 1933]

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[RR 6.Nxe5 Nxc4 7.Nxc4 d5 8.exd5 Qxd5 9.Ne3 Qxb5]

6...d6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Re1 White has an edge. **8...0-0 9.h3 c6 10.a4 Be6** 0.57/17

[10...Re8= 0.19/20]

11.Bf1± Qc7 12.Bb2 Nc4 13.Bc3 Nb6 14.d4 Nbd7 15.bxc6 bxc6 16.Nbd2 h6 17.a5 Rab8 18.a6 Rfe8 19.Ba5 Qc8 20.c3 Bd8 21.Qa4 Nb6 22.Qa3 Be7 23.Rab1

[23.dxe5 dxe5 24.Qc1 Nbd7±]

23...Nfd7 24.Qa1 White is more active. **24...Bd8 25.Bb4 Be7 26.dxe5 dxe5 27.Red1** 0.35/19

[27.Bxe7± 0.89/20 Rxe7 28.Qa5]

27...c5 28.Ba5 c4 29.Bb4 -0.31/18

[White should play 29.Bxb6± 0.55/20 Rxb6 30.Rxb6 Nxb6 31.Nxe5]

29...Qc7∓ 30.Bxe7 Rxe7 31.Qa3 Ree8 32.Rb5 Rbc8 33.Rdb1 Nc5 34.R1b4! Nd3 35.Bxd3 cxd3 36.Nxe5 Qxc3 0.10/20

[⌓36...Bxh3 -0.28/21 37.Ndf3 (*37.Nxd3 Qd7=*) 37...d2 (*37...Qxc3? 38.Qxc3 Rxc3 39.gxh3+-*)]

37.Qxc3= Rxc3 38.Rd4! Ra3 Against Ra5 **39.Nxd3 Rxa6 40.Nc5 Ra1+ 41.Kh2 Bc8 42.f4 Ra2 43.f5 Rc2 44.Ra5 Re7 45.Nf3 Kh7 46.Nd3 Rc4 47.Rxc4 Nxc4 48.Rc5 Nb6 49.Nf2 Bb7 50.e5 a5 51.Nd4 a4 52.Ng4 a3 53.Ra5?** -1.90/21

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55...Nxa5? -0.70/18

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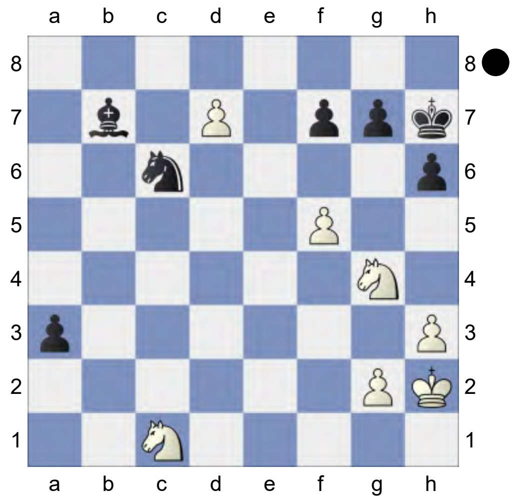
(Diagram)



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61.g4? -2.54/27

[White must play 61.Nd5!∓ -0.66/22]

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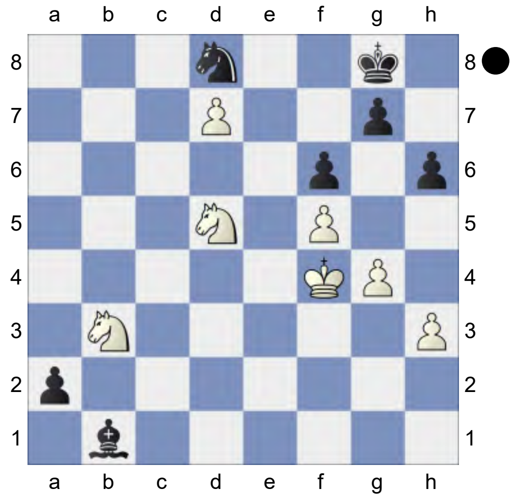

Kf7? -0.07/22

[Better is 63...Bd3!-+ -2.43/23 ...Bc4 is the strong threat. 64.Na1 Kf8]

64.Ke3= The position is equal. **64...g6** **65.fxg6+** **Bxg6** **66.Nc3** **Bc2** **67.Na1** **Bb1** **68.Kd2** **Ke6** **69.Kc1** **Kxd7** **70.Nxb1** **axb1B**

[70...axb1R+ 71.Kxb1 Nc6 72.Kc2]

71.Kxb1 KN-KN **71...Kd6** **72.Nc2** **Ke5** **73.Ne3** **Nf7** **74.Kc2** **Ke4** **75.Kd2** **Ng5** **76.Nf5** **Nxh3** **77.Nxh6** **Kf4** **78.Ng8** **Kxg4** And White is the lucky defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.13 (very precise) **79.Nxf6+**

½-½

56 **C51**

□ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2695**

■ **Grischuk,A.** **2667**

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[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.b4** **Be7**

[4...Bd6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.Re1 0-0 7.Bb2 h6 8.b5 Na5 9.Bf1 Re8 10.d4 exd4 11.Qd2 Qe7 12.a3 Nxe4 13.Qxa5 c5 14.bxc6 dxc6 15.Nbd2 f5 16.Bd3 1-0 Negi,P (2590)-Lund,S (2412) Politiken Cup 2009 (4)]

5.b5 **Na5** **6.Bd3N**

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6...d6 **7.0-0** **Nf6** **8.Re1** White has an edge. **8...0-0** **9.h3** **c6** **10.a4** **Be6** 0.57/17

[10...Re8= 0.19/20]

11.Bf1⩲ **Qc7** **12.Bb2** **Nc4** **13.Bc3** **Nb6** **14.d4** **Nbd7** **15.bxc6** **bxc6** **16.Nbd2** **h6** **17.a5** **Rab8** **18.a6** **Rfe8** **19.Ba5** **Qc8** **20.c3** **Bd8** **21.Qa4** **Nb6** **22.Qa3** **Be7** **23.Rab1**

[23.dxe5 dxe5 24.Qc1 Nbd7⩲]

23...Nfd7 **24.Qa1** White is more active. **24...Bd8** **25.Bb4** **Be7** **26.dxe5** **dxe5**

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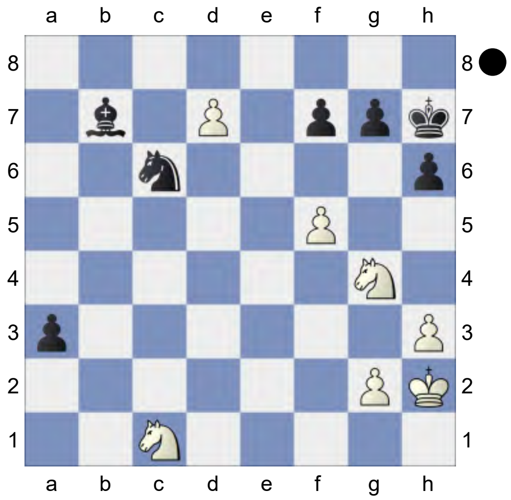

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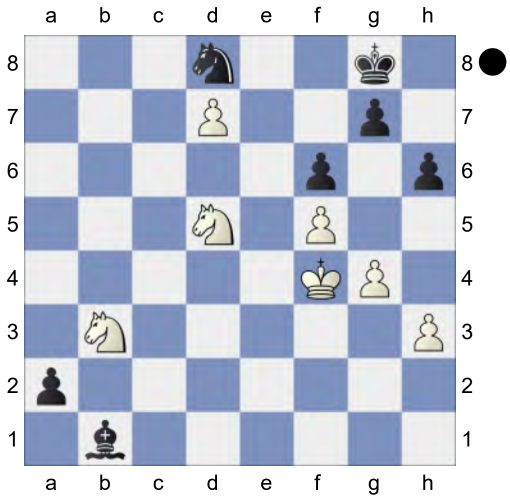

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57 **C52**
☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3075**
■ **TheMatrix2025** **3073**
Blitz 20.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2**

[10.Qb1 simplifies Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Qc6 12.Nxb6 Qxb6 13.dxe5 Qxb1 14.Rxb1 dxe5 15.Nxe5 b6 16.Rd1]

10...Ne7

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.dxe5 Ng6

[11...0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

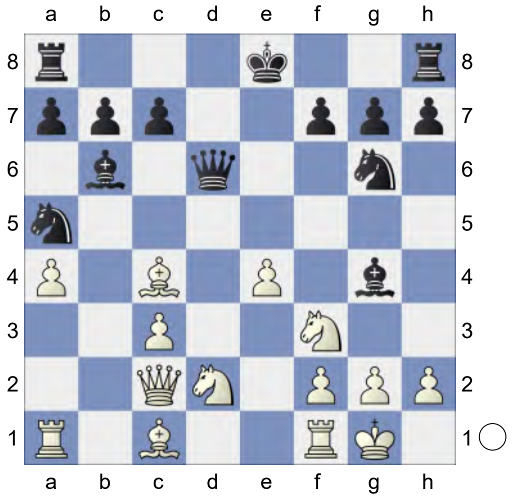
12.exd6 Qxd6

[12...0-0 keeps more tension. 13.dxc7 Nf4 14.Ba3 Qg4]

13.a4N

[13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Nf4 15.Be4 Qxc3 16.Qb1 Bg4 17.Bb2 Qb4 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.a3 Qe7 20.Bf5+ Bxf5 21.Qxf5+ Ne6 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 g6 25.Qh3 h5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Kb8 0-1 (33) Rangeet,M (1512)-Lalith,B (2544) New Delhi op 20th 2023 (2) 28.Bb2 Rhd8 29.Qb3 Rd3 30.Qc2 Qd7 31.h4 Qd5 32.Rc1 Rd2 33.Qb3 Nf4 0-1 Saleh,N (1512)-Sadvakasov,D (2544) Zalaegerszeg 2004 (2)]

13...Bg4



14.Nd4 0-0 15.h3 Bd7 16.Bb5 Rfd8 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Ne5 19.Be2 Nc6 The position is equal. **20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.exf5 h6 22.Bf3** White is weak on the dark squares **22...Re8 23.Bd2 Ne5** and ...Nxf3+ would now be decisive **24.Be2 Rad8 25.Rad1 Qe7** Dodges Bg5 **26.Bf4 Qc5 27.Bh5 Nd7 28.c4 Ne5 29.Rfe1** Black must now prevent Rxd8. **29...Rxd1**

[29...Qxc4?! 30.Qxc4 Nxc4 31.Rxe8+ Rxe8 32.Rd7 Re1+ 33.Kh2±]

30.Rxd1

[30.Bxd1? Qxf2+ *(30...Qxc4? 31.Qxc4 Nxc4 32.Rxe8++-; 30...Nf3+? 31.Bxf3 Rxe1+ 32.Kh2-+)* 31.Qxf2 Bxf2+ 32.Kxf2 Nd3+ 33.Kg3 Rxe1-+]

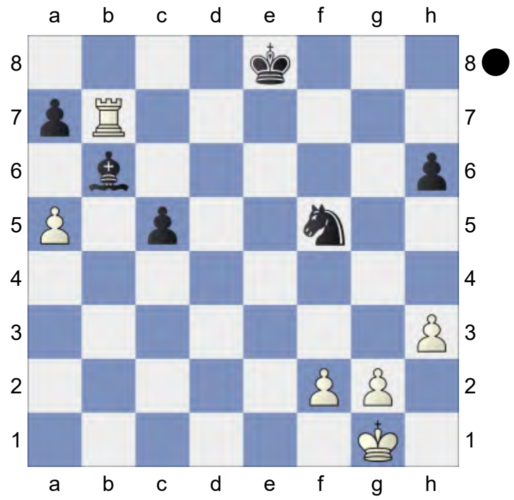
30...c6 Prevents Rd5

[30...Nxc4? perishes. 31.Rc1+-]

31.Be3 This pair of bishops is nice. **31...Qxc4 32.Qxc4 Nxc4 33.Rd7! Nxe3 34.Bxf7+ Kf8 35.Bxe8 Kxe8 36.Rxg7**

[36.Rxb7 Nxf5 37.g4 Ne7∓]

36...Nxf5 37.Rxb7 c5 White should prevent ...c4. **38.a5**



Deflection **38...Bxa5 39.Rxa7 Bd2 40.g4 Nd4 41.Kf1 Bg5 42.Ra5**

[Don't play 42.Rc7 Ne6 43.Ra7 c4=]

42...Nb3 43.Ra4 Nd4 44.Ra5 Nb3 45.Ra4 Nd4 A balanced but interesting game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

46.Ra5

½-½

58 **C52**
☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3080**
■ **TheMatrix2025** **3071**
Blitz 19.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7** Black is slightly better.

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.dxe5 Ng6

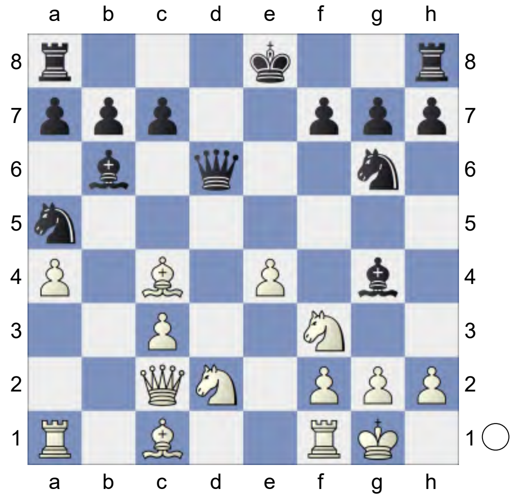
[11...0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

12.exd6 Qxd6 13.a4N

[13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Nf4 15.Be4 Qxc3 16.Qb1 Bg4 17.Bb2 Qb4 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.a3 Qe7 20.Bf5+

Bxf5 21.Qxf5+ Ne6 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 g6 25.Qh3 h5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Kb8 0-1 (33) Rangeet,M (1512)-Lalith,B (2544) New Delhi op 20th 2023 (2) 28.Bb2 Rhd8 29.Qb3 Rd3 30.Qc2 Qd7 31.h4 Qd5 32.Rc1 Rd2 33.Qb3 Nf4 0-1 Saleh,N (1512)-Sadvakasov,D (2544) Zalaegerszeg 2004 (2)]

13...Bg4



14.Nd4 0-0 15.h3 The position is equal. **15...Bd7 16.Ba2 c5 17.Nb5 Qe7 18.Bd5 Nf4**

[18...a6 simplifies 19.Na3 Bc7 20.Ndc4 Nxc4 21.Nxc4 Rad8]

19.Nf3 Wards off Qg5 **19...Nxd5 20.exd5 Rfe8 21.Re1 Qxe1+ 22.Nxe1 Rxe1+ 23.Kh2 a6! 24.Qd2**

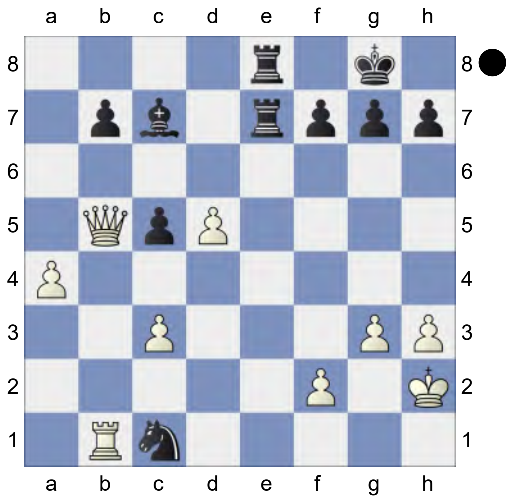
[24.Nd6? Bc7 25.Bf4 Rxa1-+]

24...Rae8 White is weak on the light squares **25.Qf4! axb5 26.Qd6! Nb3! 27.Rb1**

[27.Qxd7 R1e7 *(27...Nxa1 28.Be3=; 27...Nxc1? 28.Rxc1 R1e7 29.Qxb5+-)* 28.Qxb5 *(28.Qd6? Bc7-+ Pin)* 28...Bc7+ *(28...Nxa1? 29.d6+-)* 29.g3 Nxa1⩱]

27...Nxc1 28.Qxd7 R1e7 29.Qxb5 Bc7+ 30.g3⇄

(Diagram)



White puts up resistance **30...Bxg3+!** Double Attack **31.Kh1!**

[31.fxg3 Re2+ 32.Kg1 Re1+ 33.Kg2 R8e2+-+]

31...Bf4 32.d6! Re1+

[32...Bxd6?! 33.Rxc1 Ra8 34.Kg2±]

33.Kg2 Threatens to win with d7.

33...Rd8

[Don't play 33...Bxd6?! 34.Rxc1 *(34.Qxb7 h5∓)* 34...Rxc1 35.Qxe8+ Bf8 36.Qd7 Rxc3 37.Qxb7⩲]

34.d7 Rd1 35.Qc4 g5 36.Rxb7 Nd3 And now ...Ne1+ would win. **37.Qb3!** Some like it hot **37...Ne1+ 38.Kf1 Nc2+ 39.Kg2 Ne1+ 40.Kf1 Nc2+ 41.Kg2**

[41.Ke2!? Rd2+□ 42.Kf1∓]

A balanced but interesting game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

41...Ne1+

[41...R1xd7? perishes. 42.Rxd7 Ne1+ 43.Kf1 Rxd7 44.Kxe1+-]

½-½

59 C53
□ **Wang Hao 2701**
■ **Bu Xiangzhi 2684**
4th CHN Rapid/Blitz 2025 (3.4) 14.07.25
[TA]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
Sam Collins: 'Normally people caveat coverage of blitz games, but at the level of these two guys (unless one side blunders), the standard of chess is at least as high as a normal GM encounter in the 4NCL or the Bundesliga! This is a gorgeous attacking performance by Vishy."Normally people caveat coverage of blitz games, but at the level of these two guys (unless one side blunders), the standard of chess is at least as high as a normal GM encounter in the 4NCL or the Bundesliga! This is a gorgeous attacking performance by Vishy. Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro: 'Sam Collins: 'Normally people caveat coverage of blitz games, but at the level of these two guys (unless one side blunders), the standard of chess is at least as high as a normal GM encounter in the 4NCL or the Bundesliga! This is a gorgeous attacking performance by Vishy.''' Mikhalevski,Victor: '0-der alternative ways of development or just a different move order. 0-' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.a4 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0** The position is equal. **9.h3 Be6 10.Re1 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Re8 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Ne7N**

[13...Qd7 14.Qb3 Ne7 15.Nc4 Ng6 16.Rad1 b6 17.Qc2 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.b3 Rad8 20.d4 exd4 21.Rxd4 Rxe1+ 22.Nxe1 Qa8 23.Rxd8+ Qxd8 24.Qd3 Qe7 25.Nc2 Nf4 26.Qd2 N6d5 27.Kf1 Nxc3 28.N4e3 0-1 (36) Buchicchio,G (2782)-Sudgen,J (2788) Malmoe 45/566 1987 (9) Ne4 29.Qd4 c5 30.Qd1 Qf6 31.Ng4 Qc3 32.Nce3 h5 33.Nh2 Qb2 34.Qc2 Qxc2 35.Nxc2 Nd2+ 36.Ke1 Nxb3 1-0 Anand,V (2784)-Nakamura,H (2787) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (5)]

14.g3 Qd7 15.Kg2 b6 16.Nh4 g6 17.Qf3 Kg7 18.Qe2 d5 19.Nf3 dxe4

[19...Qe6 20.Qc2 dxe4 21.dxe4 Qc6]

20.Nxe5 -0.14/24

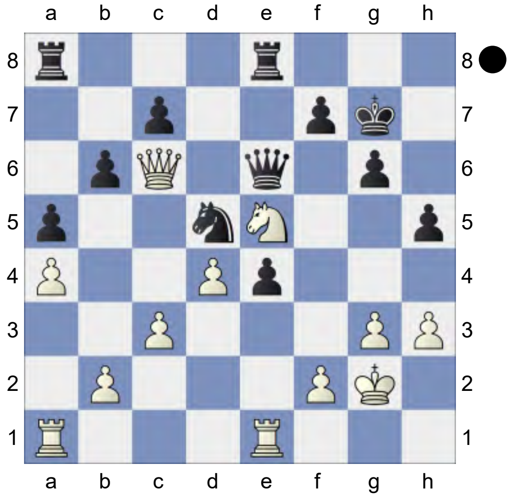
[20.dxe4 0.23/22 Qe6 21.Rad1]

20...Qe6=

[20...exd3 simplifies 21.Nxd7 dxe2 22.Nxf6 Kxf6 23.Rxe2 h5]

21.d4 h5 22.Qc4 Nfd5 23.Nxd5 Nxd5 24.Qc6!

[24.Rxe4? f6 25.Kh2 c6-+ *(25...fxe5 26.Rxe5 Qf6 27.Qxd5±)*]



24...h4 -0.14/25 **25.Qxe6** -1.05/24

[25.Rxe4? Qxc6 26.Nxc6 Rxe4-+]

[25.c4= -0.14/25 Qxc6 26.Nxc6]

25...Rxe6∓ 26.Rad1 hxg3 27.fxg3 f6 28.Ng4 f5 29.Ne5 Rb8 30.h4 b5 0.52/24

[30...c6∓ -0.90/20]

31.axb5 -0.59/23

[31.Nd7!± 0.52/24 Rd8 32.Nc5]

31...Rxb5∓ 32.Rd2 and c4 should not be overlooked **32...Nb6** 0.01/23

[32...Rb7∓ -0.70/22]

33.c4 -1.17/22

[33.Rf2= 0.01/23]

33...Rb3∓ 34.Rc1 -1.33/22

[34.g4∓ -0.37/20]

34...Na4 -0.68/21

[34...Rb4∓ -1.33/22 35.Rcc2 a4]

35.Rcc2? -6.69/23

[35.Ra1∓ -0.68/21 Nxb2 36.Rxa5]

35...Reb6? -0.97/21

[35...c5-+ -6.69/23 has better winning chances. 36.dxc5 Rxe5]

36.Nd7? -3.19/26

[36.c5∓ -0.97/21 was the only chance. R6b5 37.Nc4]

36...R6b4-+ 37.d5 Rxb2

[37...Nxb2 38.Nc5 Nd3 (*38...Nxc4 39.Rxc4=*) 39.Nxb3 Ne1+ (*39...Rxb3 40.Ra2=*) 40.Kf2 Nxc2 41.Rxc2∓]

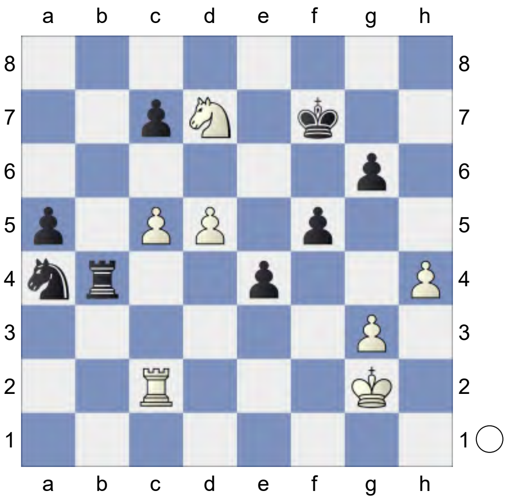
38.c5 Rxc2? 0.07/25

[Black should play 38...e3-+ -2.76/26 39.Re2 Rxc2 40.Rxc2 Rd4]

39.Rxc2= Kf7 1.25/24

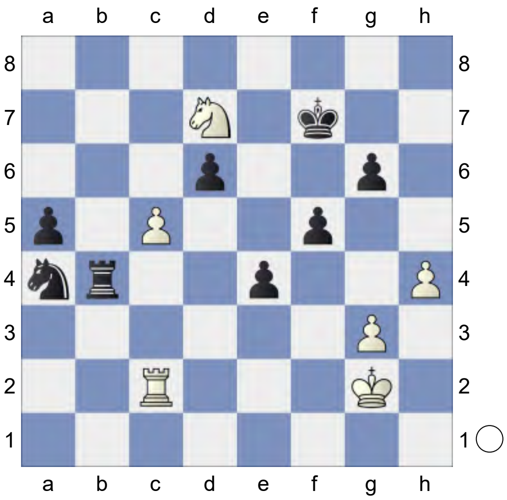
[39...Rd4!= 0.15/23 keeps the balance. 40.d6 c6 (*40...cxd6 41.c6±*)]

(Diagram)



40.d6!± cxd6 7.54/21

[40...c6± 1.09/23]



41.c6!+- Ke7

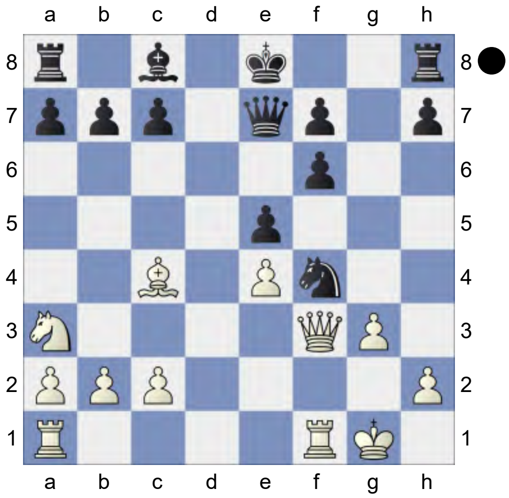
Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.60

42.c7

1-0

60 **C55**
☐ **HELMUT_LANG** **2797**
■ **AnythingButAverage** **3015**
Blitz 17.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Ne6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Qf3!** Black is slightly better. **12...Nf4 13.g3!**



Rg8N 0.00/21

[13...Nh3+!∓ -0.73/21 14.Kh1 Ng5 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Rxf6 Bh3 *(16...Nxe4 17.Rxf7 Bd7 18.Re1±; 16...Ke7 17.Rh6 Kf8 18.Kg2 Kg7 19.Rh4 Rd8* Italian Gambit *2021)*]

14.Kh1!= Bg4 15.Qf2 -0.59/21

[15.Qb3= 0.06/21 Ne6 16.Qxb7]

15...Bh3 0.28/18

[15...Ne6∓ -0.59/21 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5]

16.gxf4 Bg2+ 17.Qxg2! Rxg2 18.Kxg2 0-0-0 19.Kh1 -0.19/20

[19.Bd3± 0.31/20]

19...exf4 0.28/20

[⌓19...a6 -0.19/20]

20.Bd3! f5 21.exf5 Qe5 (→ ...Qd5+) **22.Rae1 Qxb2 23.Nc4 Qd4** 0.73/19 Black is weak on the light squares

[23...Qc3!= 0.04/16]

24.Re4↑ White has strong initiative. **24...Qd5** 1.35/22

[⌓24...Qg7 0.73/19]

25.Rfxf4 White is more active. **25...Re8 26.Ne3 Qc6 27.a4 Rxe4 28.Rxe4**

[28.Bxe4?! Qd6 29.Rg4 h5 30.Rg8+ Kd7 31.Bxb7 h4±]

28...a6 29.Kg2 Qh6 30.Ng4 0.55/20

[Better is 30.h4± 1.59/19]

30...Qd2+? 2.25/20

[30...Qg5!± 0.55/20]

31.Kg3 Loses the game. **31...Qd1?** 4.54/19

[31...h5± 1.53/17]

32.Kh4+- b5 33.axb5 axb5 34.f6 b4 35.Kg5? 1.98/18

[35.Rxb4? too greedy. Qe1+ 36.Kg5 Qxb4-+]

[35.Re7 5.23/19]

35...b3 Strongly threatening ...b2. **36.Ba6+ Kb8 37.cxb3 Qd5+** 5.08/28

[37...Qd2+ 2.11/18 38.Kh4 h5]

38.Re5 Qd2+ 7.29/21

[⌓38...Qd8 4.92/18 39.Kh6 Qd1]

39.Kh4 h5 40.Kxh5

[Not 40.Rxh5 Qe1+ 41.Kg5 *(41.Kh3 Qc3+ 42.Kh4 Qe1+ 43.Kh3 Qc3+ 44.Kh4 Qe1+=)* 41...Qc1+ *(41...Qa5+ 42.Kh6±)* 42.Kh4 Qe1+ 43.Kh3 Qc3+ 44.Kh4 Qe1+=]

40...Qc3 41.Bc4 Qh3+ 42.Kg5 Qh7 43.Kf4 Kb7 44.Kg3 Qc2 45.h4 Qc3+ 46.Kf4 Qc1+ 47.Kf5 Qf1+ 48.Kg5 Qc1+ 49.Kh5 Qf4 50.Bd5+ c6 51.Bxf7 Kb6 52.Bg6 Qd4 53.f7 Qd6 54.Rf5 Qf8 55.Kg5 Kc7 56.h5 Qd8+ 57.Kf4 Qd2+ 58.Ke5 Qc3+ 59.Ke6 Qb4

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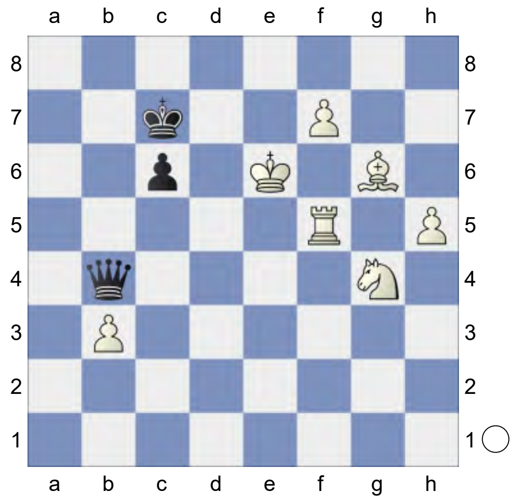
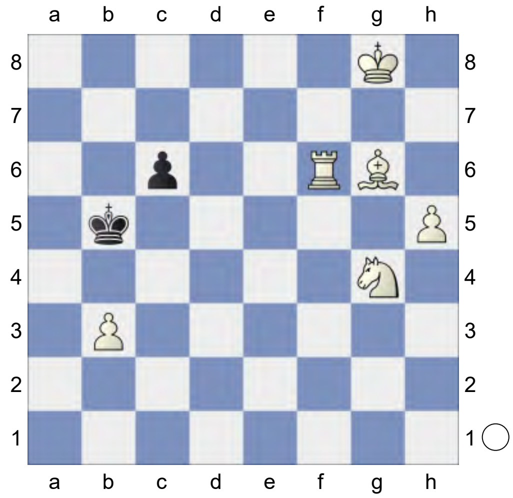


60.Kf6! Black must now prevent Kg7!. **60...Qd6+**

[60...Qf8 61.h6]

61.Kg7 Qd4+ 62.Kg8 Qd6 63.f8Q White mates. **63...Qd7 64.Qf7 Qxf7+ 65.Rxf7+ Kb6 66.Rf6 Kb5**



67.Rxc6! Kxc6 68.h6 Kb5 69.h7 Kb4 70.h8Q Ka3 71.Qd4 Ka2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) / Black=0.53 **72.b4**

1-0

61 C50

□ Niemann,Hans Moke 2736

■ Nihal,Sarin 2693

Niemann-Sarin Blitz 2025 (2) 08.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Na4 Black should prevent Nxc5. **6...Bb6 7.a3 h6 8.h3 Qe7N** The position is equal.

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 *(9.Bb5 0-0 10.c3 Ne7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.0-0 d5 14.Bc2 b5 15.d4 Nxe4 16.dxe5 c6 17.Qe2 Re8 18.Re1 Qc7 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.f3 Nc5 21.f4 Ne4 22.Bxe4 dxe4 23.Qxe4 c5* 1-0 (43) Rojas Keim,L (2688)-Chiong, L (2618) (m/4-rapid) 101/(249) 2007 (12) *)* 9...fxe6 10.b4 0-0 11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 *(12.c3 Ne7 13.Re1 Ng6 14.Ra2 Rd8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Qf7 17.Nh2 Kh7 18.g3 Qd7 19.c4 d5 20.Rd2 Rf7 21.Qc2 c5 22.b5 Qd6 23.Kg2 Rdf8 24.Qd1 Qd7 25.Rf1 Rd8 26.Qe2 Ra8* 1-0 (52) Sindarov,J (2654)-Nihal,S (2670) WchT Final 13th rapid 2022 (2.2)*)* 12...Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 1-0 (64) Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2)]

[8...Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Ba2 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Be6 13.Bb1 Re8 14.d4 c6 15.c3 Qc7 16.Be3 Rad8 17.a4 d5 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 dxe4 20.Qc2 Qxe5 21.Bxb6 Qg5 22.Bxd8 Rxd8 23.Qc1 1-0 (38) Quist, J (2427)-14. ♘e4 ♖b8 15.c4 ♖e8 20

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9.b4 Be6 10.Bxe6 Qxe6 11.c3 -0.28/21

[11.Bb2 0.11/20 is more appropriate.]

11...0-0 12.0-0 Rad8 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.c4 Ne7 15.Re1 Ng6 16.Qc2 Nh5 17.d4 Rfe8 18.d5 Qf6 0.94/19

[18...Qd7= 0.26/21 remains equal.]

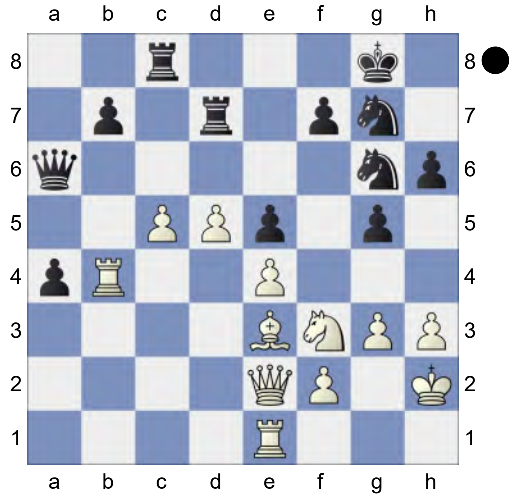
19.a4± Ngf4 20.Kh2 g5 1.55/20

[⌓20...Ra8 1.07/21]

21.Ra3 c6 2.56/21

[21...Ra8± 1.46/19 22.Bd2 Ng6]

22.g3+- Ng6 23.Qd1 Ng7 24.Be3 c5 25.Rb3 Re7 26.a5 bxa5 27.bxc5 dxc5 28.Bxc5 Red7 29.Qe2 Rc8 30.Be3 a4 31.Rb4 Qa6 32.c5



Qxe2 33.Rxe2 f5 34.Rxa4 fxe4 35.Nd2

[35.Rxe4 Rxd5 36.h4 gxh4=]

35...Rxd5 36.Nxe4

[Weaker is 36.Rxe4 Nf5⩲]

36...Rc6 Prevents Nf6+ **37.Rb2 Rd7 38.Ra8+ Kf7 39.Nd6+ Kf6 40.Nxb7 Nf5** 7.58/23

[⌓40...Ne6 4.88/24 41.Na5 Rcc7]

41.Na5 Re6 42.c6 Rc7 43.Bb6 Rcxc6 44.Nxc6 Rxc6 45.Be3 Nge7 46.Rb6 Rxb6 47.Bxb6 Endgame KRB-KNN **47...Nd5 48.Bc5 e4** 6.53/24

[⌓48...h5 4.62/23 49.Rh8 Kg6]

49.Kg2 Kg6 50.Re8 Nf6 51.Rd8 Kf7 52.Kf1 h5 53.Ke2 g4 54.h4 Ke6 55.Be3 Nd5 56.Bg5 e3 57.Rh8? 0.57/25

[57.Bxe3+- 6.39/27 Ndxe3 58.Re8+ *(58.fxe3 Nxg3+ 59.Kd3 Nf5+-)* 58...Kd5 59.fxe3 Nxg3+ 60.Kd3]

57...Nd4+? 5.83/28

[57...Nc3+!⩲ 0.57/25 58.Ke1 exf2+ 59.Kxf2 Ne4+ 60.Kg2 Nxg5]

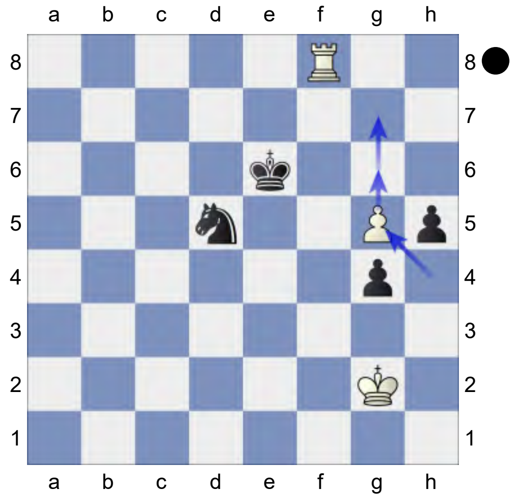
58.Kd3? 0.42/23

[58.Ke1+- 5.83/28]

58...exf2⩲ 59.Rf8!

[59.Kxd4? is the wrong capture. f1Q *(59...f1R 60.Rxh5 Rd1+ 61.Kc4⩲)* 60.Rh6+ Kf7 61.Kxd5 Qd3+ 62.Kc6 Qxg3 63.Rxh5 Qg2+ 64.Kd6 Qe4-+]

59...Nf5 60.Ke2 Nxg3+ 61.Kxf2 Ne4+ 62.Kg2 Nxg5 63.hxg5



aiming for g6. KR-KN **63...Ne7 64.Kg3** White is more active. **64...Nf5+?** 7.35/28

[64...Ke5± 1.25/24]

65.Kf4+- Ne7 11.73/22

[⌓65...Nh4 4.43/19 66.Rf6+ Ke7]

66.Rf6+ Kd7 67.g6 Nd5+ 68.Kg5 11.97/22

[⌓68.Ke5 #19/25 Ne7 69.g7 Ng8 70.Rf7+ Ke8 71.Ke6 *(71.Rf8+ Ke7+-)* 71...Kd8 72.Kd6 *(72.Rf8+ Kc7 73.Rxg8 h4 74.Rf8 Kc6 75.g8Q*

Kc5 76.Qxg4 Kb5 77.Rb8+ Ka5 78.Qxh4 Ka6 79.Qa4#) 72...Kc8 73.Rf8+ Kb7 74.Rxg8]

68...g3 69.Rf1 h4 70.Kxh4 White threatens Rd1! and mate. **70...g2 71.Rg1 Nf4 72.g7** White mates. **72...Ng6+ 73.Kg5 Ne7 74.Kf6 Ke8 75.Rxg2 Ng8+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=0.48

76.Ke6

1-0

63 C54

☐ Abdusattorov,Nodirbek 2767

■ Grischuk,Alexander 2667

WchT Blitz Final (3.2) 15.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 d6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

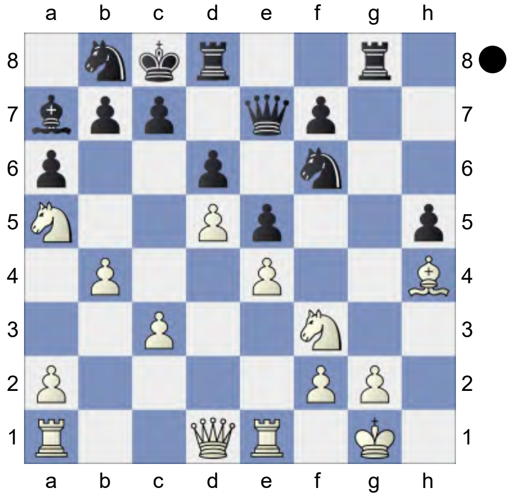
[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 Qe7 0.43/22 now scores much better than the old 9...g5.punktet besser als das ältere 9...g5.

[9...g5= -0.01/18 10.Bg3 Na5]

10.b4⩲ White is slightly better. **10...Be6 11.Re1 g5 12.Bg3 h5N**

[12...Rg8 0.36/22 12...h5 -0.08 13.d4 Bxc4 0.81/20 *(13...h5!= 0.03/21)* 14.Nxc4± and a4 should not be overlooked 0-0-0 2.27/20 *(14...h5± 0.77/20)* 15.d5? 0.35/21 (White must play *15.a4!+- 2.27/20*) 15...Nb8⩲ 16.Na5? -1.23/25 *(16.Qd3!⩲ 0.40/19* stays ahead.*)* 16...h5!∓ 17.h4 gxh4 18.Bxh4



Rg4 0.26/21 0-1 (55) Mahmuti,A-Sheremet,A (2095) EU-Cup 28th Eilat 2012 (6.6) *(18...Rg6!∓* -1.22/22 *19.g3 Bb6)*]

13.h4

[13.Nxg5? h4 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Bxh4 Rxh4-+]

13...g4 14.Nh2 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Bxd5 17.a4 -0.81/21

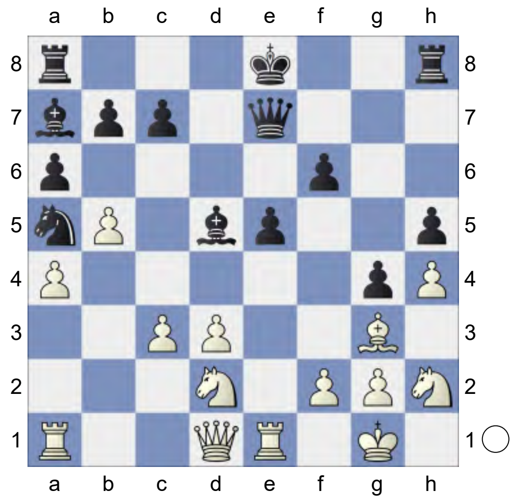
[17.Nhf1!= -0.01/21 keeps the balance.]

17...f6? 1.26/20

[17...f5∓ -0.81/21 stays on course. Threatens to win with ...0-0. 18.d4 0-0-0 *(18...f4 19.Bxf4* Pin *0-0 20.Bg3±)*]

18.b5± Na5

(Diagram)



19.d4! 1.17/20 **0-0-0 20.bxa6** 0.26/21

[White should try 20.Nhf1± 1.39/19]

20...bxa6= 21.Nhf1 Bb7 0.77/22

[21...Qe6⩲ 0.33/21 deserves consideration.]

22.Rb1 0.28/21

[22.Nb3± 0.77/22 Nc4 23.Nbd2 Nxd2 24.Qxd2]

22...Qe6! 23.Ne3 0.06/22

[23.Qc2⩲ 0.54/22]

23...exd4 0.64/22

[23...Rhf8!= 0.06/22]

24.cxd4⩲ Rxd4 1.22/25

[Better is 24...Bxd4⩲ 0.53/27 25.Qc2 Be5]

25.Qc2± Loses the game. **25...Qc6** 7.66/23

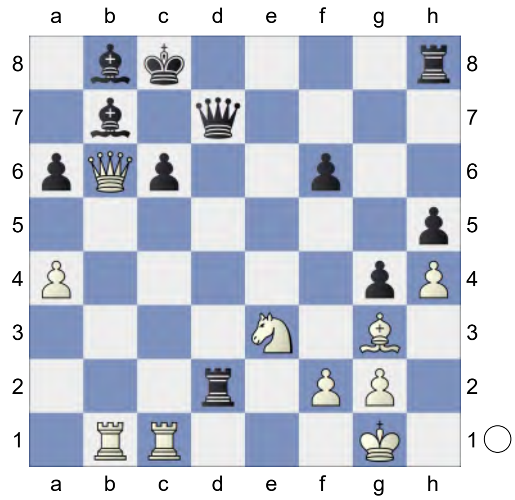
[25...Rd7± 1.03/22]

26.Qf5++- White is clearly winning. **26...Qd7 27.Qxa5**

[Not 27.Qxf6 Re8+-]

27...Rxd2 28.Rec1 Bb8 29.Qb6 c6

(Diagram)



30.Rxc6+!! Qxc6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/ Black=0.93

31.Qxc6+

1-0

62 C50

☐ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek 2767**

■ **Grischuk,A 2667**

FIDE World Bl Team Final blitz (3.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

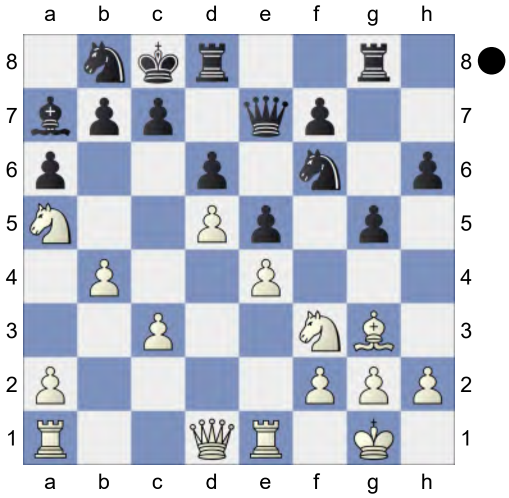
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 d6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 Qe7 now scores much better than the old 9...g5.punktet besser als das ältere 9...g5. **10.b4** White is slightly better. **10...Be6 11.Re1 g5 12.Bg3**

h5N

[12...Rg8 13.d4! Bxc4 14.Nxc4 and Qb3 would now be decisive 0-0-0? 2.29/20 *(14...h5!± 0.52/20)* 15.d5? 0.01/18 *(15.a4+- 2.29/20)* 15...Nb8= 16.Na5 -1.29/25 *(16.Qd3= 0.04/22)*



16...h5!∓ 17.h4 gxh4 18.Bxh4 Rg4 0.40/21 0-1 (55) Mahmuti,A-Sheremet,A (2095) EU-Cup 28th Eilat 2012 (6.6) *(18...Rg6∓ -0.76/23 19.g3 Rdg8)*]

13.h4!

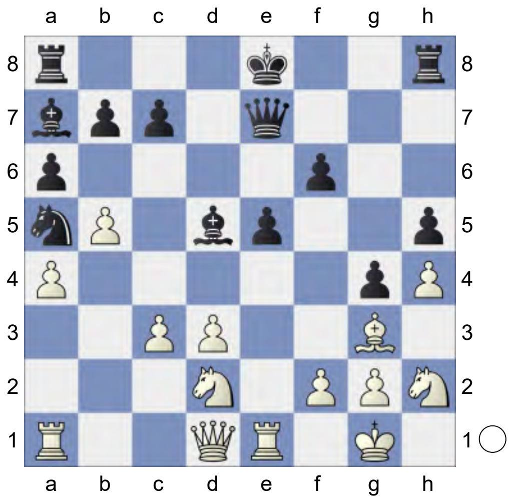
[13.Nxg5? h4 14.Bxh4 Rxh4 15.Nxe6 fxe6∓]

13...g4 14.Nh2 d5⇄ Black puts up resistance **15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Bxd5 17.a4 f6?** 1.15/21

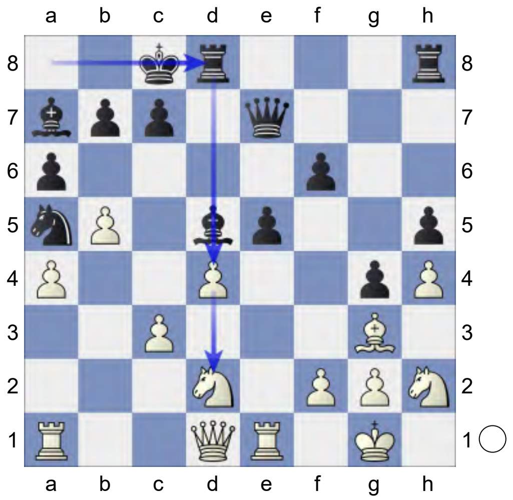
[17...f5∓ -0.72/21 stays on course. Threatens to win with ...0-0. 18.d4 0-0-0 *(18...f4 19.Bxf4 Pin 0-0 20.Bg3±)*]

18.b5± Na5

(Diagram)



19.d4! 0-0-0



20.bxa6 0.25/22

[Better is 20.Nhf1!± 1.25/20]

20...bxa6= 21.Nhf1 Bb7 0.78/24

[21...Qe6± 0.36/22]

22.Rb1 Qe6! 23.Ne3 exd4 0.71/24

[23...Rhf8!= 0.01/22]

24.cxd4± Rxd4 25.Qc2 This move loses the game for Black. **25...Qc6** 6.84/22

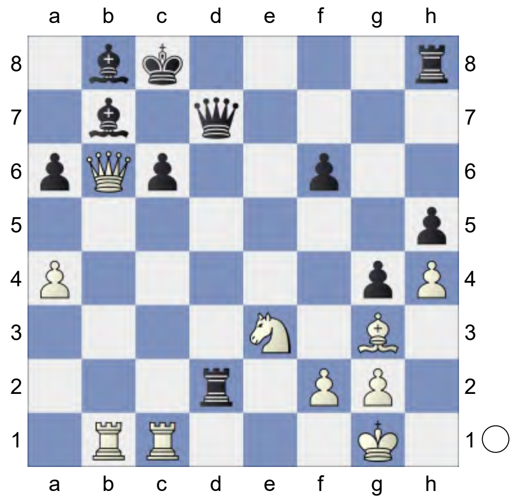
[25...Rd7± 0.91/22]

26.Qf5++- White is clearly winning. **26...Qd7 27.Qxa5**

[Less strong is 27.Qxf6 Re8±]

27...Rxd2 28.Rec1 Bb8 29.Qb6 c6

(Diagram)



30.Rxc6+!! Qxc6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.95

31.Qxc6+

1-0

64 **C50**

☐ **Giri,A** **2748**

■ **Hovhannisyan,R** **2629**

Abu Dhabi Masters Online blitz (8)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.Nbd2

[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1) 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

9...g5 The position is equal. **10.Bg3 0-0 11.a4N**

[11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020*)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.fxe5 Rhf8 31.d4 dxe5 32.d5 Nb8 33.Kg1 Nd7 Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982]

11...Bg4 12.h3 Bh5 13.Qc2 Bg6 14.Rae1 Nh5 15.Bh2 Qf6 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.Ng1 Kg7 0.86/21

[17...Kh7= -0.01/21]

18.Ne2 0.10/21

[18.g3!± 0.86/21]

18...Rae8 19.Qd1 Ne6 0.92/21

[19...Nd8= 0.07/20 remains equal.]

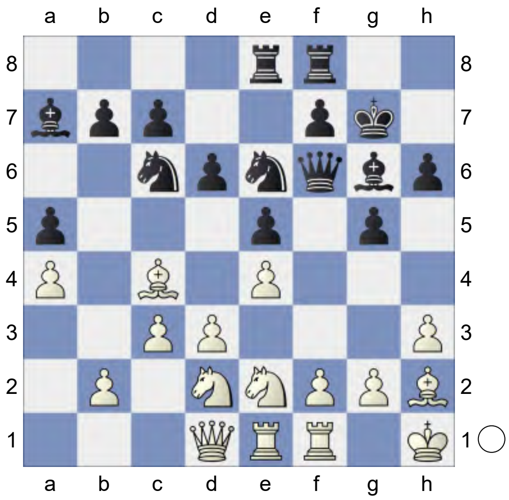
20.Ng3 -0.01/19

[20.Bb5!± 0.92/21]

20...Nf4= 21.Ne2 Ne6 0.94/22

[21...Nd8= -0.02/22]

(Diagram)



22.Bb5!± Rd8 23.d4 Hoping for d5. Deflection **23...exd4** 1.60/24

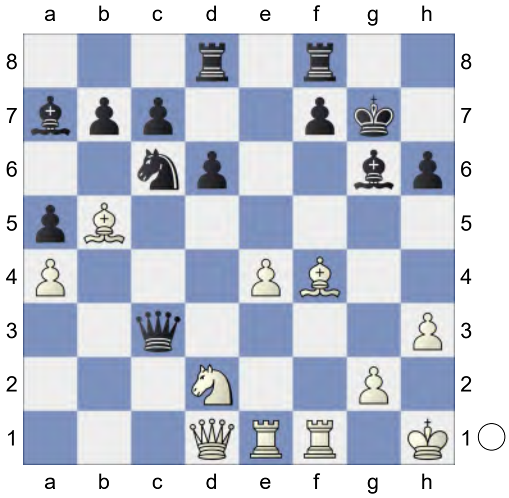
[⌓23...Ne7 0.89/21]

24.f4 dxc3 25.bxc3 1.12/26

[25.fxg5+- 1.71/25 Qxg5 26.Nf3]

25...gxf4 26.Nxf4 Nxf4 27.Bxf4 Qxc3 2.07/21

[27...Qh4± 1.30/24]



28.Rf3? 0.15/22

[28.Qg4!+- 2.07/21]

28...Qd4? 2.49/22

[28...Qc5!= 0.15/22 and Black stays safe.]

29.Bxc6+- bxc6 30.Be3 Skewer, Deflection **30...Qe5** 4.96/24

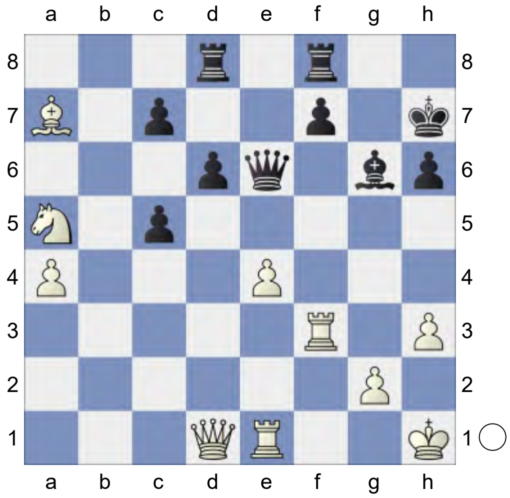
[30...Qb4 2.42/23 was called for.]

31.Bxa7 c5 32.Nc4 Qe6 33.Nxa5 1.09/20

[33.Ne3+- 5.11/23 and White stays clearly on top.]

33...Kh7? 3.90/22

[33...Ra8± 1.09/20]



34.e5! dxe5 35.Qc1 e4 36.Rfe3 2.22/20

[Less strong is 36.Bxc5 Qa6+-]

[⌓36.Qxc5 4.49/22 Qa6 37.Rf4]

36...f5 37.Rc3

[Much less strong is 37.Qxc5 f4+-]

[37.Nb7?! Ra8+-]

37...Ra8? 3.87/24

[37...Rf7 2.20/21 38.Rxc5 (*38.Bxc5 f4+-; 38.Nb7 Ra8+-*) 38...f4]

38.Bxc5 Rfd8 8.04/20

[38...Rf7 3.27/20 39.Bb4 f4]

39.Bb4 White is clearly winning.

39...Rd7 40.Rxc7 Ra7 41.Rxd7+ Rxd7 42.Qc6 Qxc6 43.Nxc6 Rc7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/ Black=0.73

44.Ne5

1-0

65 **C50**
☐ Giri,A **2748**
■ Kasimdzhanov,R **2675**
FIDE World Rapid Team (5.3) 12.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6N

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 0-1 (40) Lunacek, J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7 Italian Game-N, N 2018]

10.Bxe6! now scores much better than the old 10.Re1.punktet besser als das ältere 10.Te1. **10...fxe6 11.b4 Qd7 12.Ra2 Ne7 13.Nh2 Ng6 14.Ndf3 h6 15.Re1 Rf7 16.g3N**

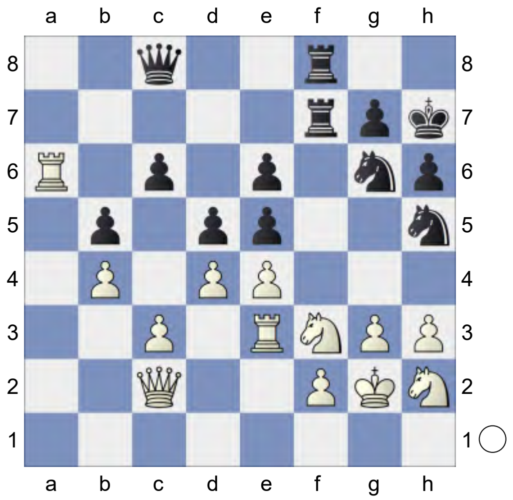
[16.b5 Bb6 17.bxa6 Rxa6 18.Be3 -0.52/21 (*18.Qb3=* -0.13/19) 18...Bxe3∓ 19.Rxe3 Rf8 20.Qb3 b6 21.Re1 Rfa8 22.Rea1 0-1 (51) Caruana,F (2805)-Kovalev,V (2559) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st May Early blitz 2024 (8)]

16...Raf8 17.Kg2 Qe7 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Kh7 20.Rb2 b5 21.Ra2 Qd7 22.Qb3 d5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Ra6 c6 25.Qc2 Nh5 1.35/21

[25...Qb7= 0.15/20 26.Qa2 Kg8]

26.d4!± Qc8 1.54/23

[⌓26...dxe4 1.12/20 27.Qxe4 Qc8]



27.Ra2 0.83/23

[⌓27.Ra3! 1.54/23]

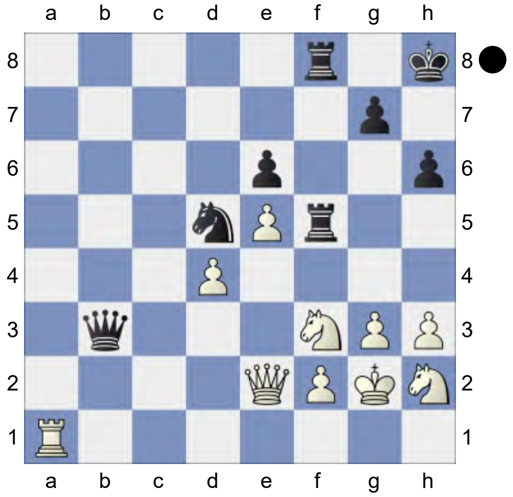
27...exd4 28.cxd4 Nf6 29.e5 Ne4 30.Rxe4 -0.16/23

[30.Nf1!± 0.64/23]

30...dxe4= 31.Qxe4 Strongly threatening Nh4. **31...Qd7 32.Ra6 Rf5! 33.Qxc6 Qf7 34.Qe4 Kh8 35.Rb6 Ne7 36.Rxb5 Nd5 37.Ra5 Qb7! 38.Qe2 Qxb4 39.Ra6 Qb3** Black has compensation. **40.Ra1** -0.91/23

[40.Rxe6? Nf4+ 41.gxf4 Qxe6-+]

[40.Ra2∓ -0.41/24]



40...Qb7 -0.39/24

[40...R5f7!∓ -0.91/23]

41.Ra3 Qf7 -0.11/24

[41...R5f7∓ -0.47/24]

42.Ra1 -0.60/25

[42.Qc2= -0.11/24]

42...Qg6 Threatens to win with ...Nf4+.

43.Kh1 -0.87/24

[White should play 43.Qc2!∓ -0.35/23]

43...Qf7 -0.01/24

[43...R5f7∓ -0.87/24]

44.Kg2 Qg6 0.01/24

[44...g5∓ -0.48/24]

45.Kh1 Qf7 0.01/24

[Black should play 45...Qe8∓ -0.58/23]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.20 (precise)

46.Kg2

½-½

67 **C54**

☐ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2757**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2667**

WchT Blitz Final (4.2) 15.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.a4 7.Re1 is the modern continuation.7.Te1 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3 h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 ½-½ (45) Vachier Lagrave,M (2791)-Aronian,L (2809) 5th Sinquefield Cup 2017 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 Re8 11.b4N

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 *(12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2* 1-0 (39) Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.23)*)* 12...Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16) 26.Rxe5 Qd7 27.Qe3 Rxe5 28.Nxe5 Qd1+ 29.Kh2 Ne6 30.b3 Qd6 31.g3 Nd4 32.Ng4 h5 33.Qe8+ Qf8 34.Qe4 Nxb3 35.Ne3 Nc5 36.Qe5 Ne6 37.Qxh5 Qb4 38.Qd5 Qxa4 39.Qxb7 a5 40.Qa8+ Kh7 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Qe7

[11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Rb1 d5 14.Qc2 b5 15.Ra1 Qe8 16.Nb3 bxa4 17.Rxa4 Nd4 18.Nbxd4 exd4 19.cxd4 Threatens to win with e5!. dxe4 20.dxe4 Nxe4 1-0 (48) Nepomniachtchi,I (2773)-Grischuk,A (2742) Chess.com Rapid Wk12 KO 2022 (2.1)]

12.Rb1 Be6 13.b5N

[13.Qc2 Nd8 14.Bxe6 Nxe6 15.Nc4 ½-½ (37) Cvak,R (2195)-Popov,V (2254) ZH-2016-0-01516]

13...axb5 14.axb5 Nb8 15.Bxe6 Qxe6 16.d4 Nbd7 17.Bb2 Bb6 18.c4 exd4 19.Nxd4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 b6 0.63/20

[20...Ra3= -0.01/22]

21.Ra1 -0.01/25

[21.Rb3!± 0.63/20]

21...Nc5 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.Qc2

-0.17/22

[23.Nf1!± 0.38/23]

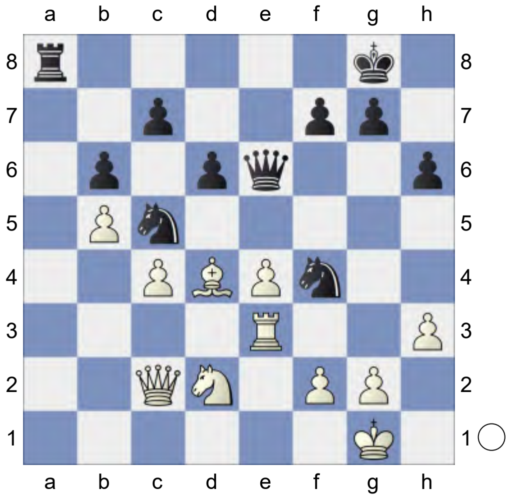
23...Nh5 0.46/23

[Better is 23...Nfd7= -0.17/22]

24.Re3 -0.39/23

[24.e5± 0.46/23]

24...Nf4∓



Hoping for ...Qg6. Excellent horsemanship. **25.Kh2 f6 26.Nf1** The position is equal. **26...Ra4 27.Nd2**

[27.Bxc5 Rxc4 28.Qb1 dxc5∓]

27...Ra8 28.Nf1 Ra4 A rather calm draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise)

29.Nd2!

[Wrong is 29.Bxc5? Rxc4 30.Qa2 Rxc5 31.Qa8+ Kh7-+]

½-½

66 C53

☐ **Nepomniachtchi,I 2757**

■ **Grischuk,A 2667**

FIDE World Bl Team Final blitz (4.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.a4 7.Re1 is the modern continuation.7.Te1 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3** White has an edge. **9...h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 ½-½ (45) Vachier Lagrave,M (2791)-Aronian,L (2809) 5th Sinquefield Cup 2017 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 Re8 11.b4N

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 (*12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2* 1-0 (39) Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.23)) 12...Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16) 26.Rxe5 Qd7 27.Qe3 Rxe5 28.Nxe5 Qd1+ 29.Kh2 Ne6 30.b3 Qd6 31.g3 Nd4 32.Ng4 h5 33.Qe8+ Qf8 34.Qe4 Nxb3 35.Ne3 Nc5 36.Qe5 Ne6 37.Qxh5 Qb4 38.Qd5 Qxa4 39.Qxb7 a5 40.Qa8+ Kh7 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Qe7

[11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Rb1 d5 14.Qc2 b5 15.Ra1 Qe8 16.Nb3 bxa4 17.Rxa4 Nd4 18.Nbxd4 exd4

19.cxd4 Threatens to win with e5!. dxe4 20.dxe4 Nxe4 1-0 (48) Nepomniachtchi,I (2773)-Grischuk,A (2742) Chess.com Rapid Wk12 KO 2022 (2.1)]

12.Rb1 Be6 13.b5N -0.01/21

[13.Qc2 Nd8 14.Bxe6 Nxe6 15.Nc4 ½-½ (37) Cvak,R (2195)-Popov,V (2254) ZH-2016-0-01516]

[13.Qc2⩲ 0.35/24]

13...axb5= 14.axb5 Nb8 15.Bxe6 Qxe6 16.d4 Nbd7 17.Bb2 -0.51/21

[17.Rb4= -0.13/20]

17...Bb6⩱ 18.c4 exd4 19.Nxd4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 b6 0.68/20

[Better is 20...Ra3= 0.01/21]

21.Ra1 -0.01/24

[21.Rb3!⩲ 0.68/20]

21...Nc5 22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.Qc2 -0.21/21

[23.Nf1 0.25/22 might be stronger.]

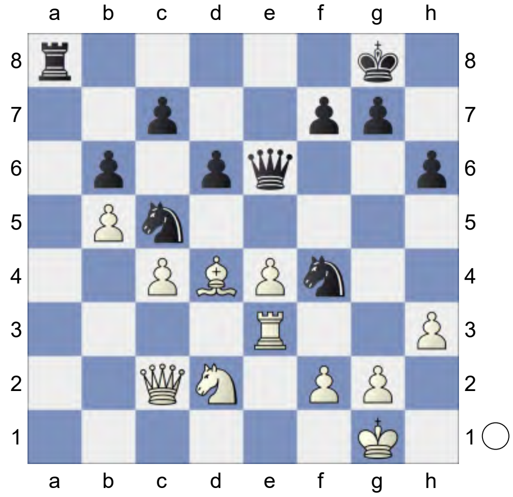
23...Nh5 0.42/24

[23...Nfd7= -0.21/21]

24.Re3 -0.32/25

[24.e5!⩲ 0.42/24]

24...Nf4



Hoping for ...Qg6. Excellent horsemanship. **25.Kh2 f6 26.Nf1** The position is equal. **26...Ra4 27.Nd2**

[27.Bxc5? Rxc4 28.Qb1 dxc5-+]

27...Ra8 28.Nf1 Ra4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise)

29.Nd2!

[Avoid the trap 29.Bxc5? Rxc4 30.Qd1 Rxc5-+ (*30...dxc5 31.Qd8+ Kh7 32.Qxc7∓*)]

½-½

69 **C50**

☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2766**

■ **Adams,Mi** **2659**

FIDE World Bl Team Final blitz (1.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

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[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.a4 -0.04/20

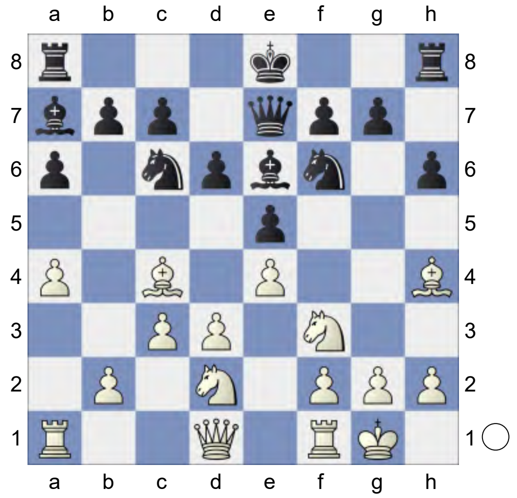
[9.0-0⩲ 0.38/22]

9...Ba7 10.0-0N White has an edge.

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7

22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Reference Games-Anand,V 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

10...Be6



11.Bd5!N -0.50/21 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung. **11...g5∓ 12.Bxe6** -0.83/21

[12.Bxc6+!∓ -0.33/22 bxc6 13.Bg3]

12...Qxe6∓ 13.Bg3 Ne7 14.d4 Ng6 15.Re1 -0.66/19

[15.b4= -0.14/20]

15...0-0 0.23/19

[Better is 15...Nh7!∓ -0.66/19]

16.Qc2 Nh5 17.Nf1 g4 18.N3d2 -0.21/22

[18.Nh4 0.24/24 might be stronger.]

18...Ng7 19.Ne3 h5 20.Nf5 Qf6 21.f3 exd4 22.cxd4 Nxf5

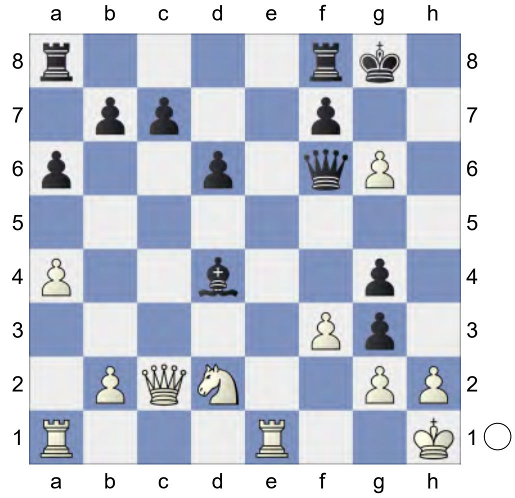
[22...Bxd4+ 23.Nxd4 Qxd4+ 24.Bf2]

23.exf5 Bxd4+ White stays focused until the end. **24.Kh1 h4** 1.76/24

[24...Bxb2? 25.Ne4 Qh8 26.Rab1+-]

[24...Ne5± 0.81/21]

25.fxg6+- hxg3



26.Re4! fxg6? 4.44/23

[26...Qxg6? 27.Rxg4+- *(27.Qxc7 Bxb2 28.Rxg4 Qxg4=)*]

[26...Qf5± 1.60/21 is a better defense.]

27.Qc4+

[Stronger than 27.Qxc7 Rf7 *(27...Bxb2? 28.Rb1-+)* 28.Qc2 Kg7 *(28...Bxb2 29.Rxg4* Discovered Attack, Double Attack *Kh8 30.Ne4+-)* 29.Rxg4 gxh2∓ *(29...Bxb2? 30.Ne4+-)*]

27...Kg7 and ...d5 should not be overlooked **28.Qxd4 Qxd4 29.Rxd4 Rh8 30.Nf1**

[30.Rxg4? too greedy. Rxh2+ 31.Kg1 Rah8 32.Rxg3 Rh1+ 33.Kf2 Rxa1-+]

30...gxf3 31.Nxg3 fxg2+ 32.Kxg2 Rae8 33.Rc1 Re7 34.b4 Rhe8 35.a5 Rf7 36.Rc2 Re5 37.Rdc4 c6 38.Rd4 d5 3.92/23

[⌓38...Rb5 2.75/22 39.Rxd6 Rf4]

39.Re2 Rxe2+ 40.Nxe2 Endgame KRN-KR **40...Re7 41.Kf3 Re5?** 6.11/23

[41...g5 3.33/26 42.h4 Rf7+ 43.Ke3 Re7+ 44.Kd2 Kf6 45.hxg5+ Kxg5]

42.Nf4 White is clearly winning. **42...Re1 43.Nd3 Re7 44.Nc5 Kf6 45.h4 Ke5**

46.Rg4 Kf6 47.Rf4+ Kg7 48.Kf2 Kg8 49.Rf6 Kg7 50.Rd6 Kh6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.40
51.Rd7
1-0

68 **C54**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2766**
■ **Adams,Michael** **2659**
WchT Blitz Final (1.2) 15.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
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[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

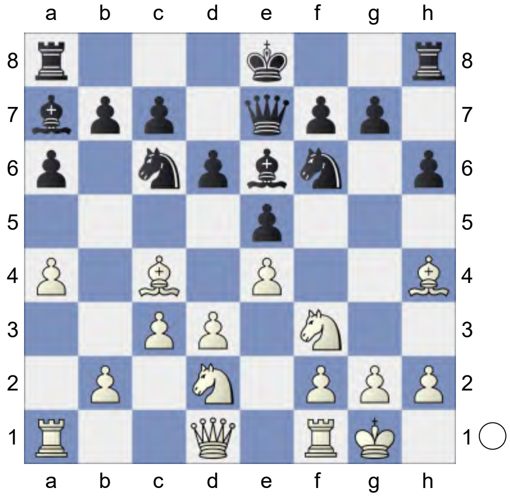
9.a4 Ba7 0.31/23

[9...g5= -0.08/24 10.Bg3 Nh5]

10.0-0N White is slightly better.

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Reference Games-Anand,V 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

10...Be6



11.Bd5!N -0.38/25 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung. **11...g5∓ 12.Bxe6 Qxe6 13.Bg3 Ne7 14.d4 Ng6** -0.13/21

[14...Nd7∓ -0.60/23]

15.Re1 0-0 0.33/22

[Black should play 15...Nh7∓ -0.48/22]

16.Qc2 Nh5 17.Nf1! g4 18.N3d2 Ng7 19.Ne3 h5 0.18/24

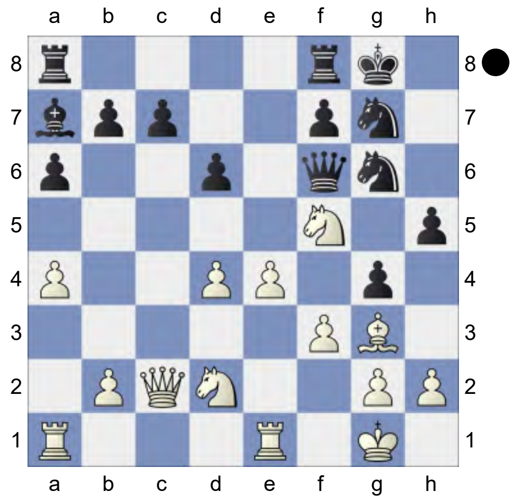
[⌓19...f5 -0.26/25 20.d5 Qf6 21.exf5 Bxe3 22.fxe3 Nxf5]

20.Nf5= Qf6 0.48/23

[20...Ne7= 0.01/24 is more appropriate.]

21.f3!⩲ exd4 22.cxd4

(Diagram)



Nxf5

[22...Bxd4+ 23.Nxd4 Qxd4+ 24.Bf2]

23.exf5 Bxd4+ 24.Kh1 A mistake that costs the game. **24...h4?** 1.99/23

[24...Bxb2? 25.Ne4 Qh8 26.Rab1+-]

[24...Ne5= 0.29/22 and Black has nothing to worry.]

25.fxg6+- hxg3 26.Re4 fxg6 4.38/22

[26...Qxg6? 27.Rxg4+- (*27.Qxc7 Bxb2 28.Rxg4 Qxg4=*)]

[26...Qf5 1.88/21]

27.Qc4+

[27.Qxc7 Bxb2 28.Rae1 (*28.Qc4+ Kg7-+*) 28...Rf7∓]

27...Kg7 ...d5 is the strong threat.

28.Qxd4 Qxd4 29.Rxd4 Rh8 30.Nf1

[30.Rxg4? is the wrong capture. Rxh2+ 31.Kg1 Rah8 32.Rxg3 Rh1+ 33.Kf2 Rxa1-+]

30...gxf3 31.Nxg3 fxg2+ 32.Kxg2 Rae8 33.Rc1 Re7 34.b4 Rhe8 35.a5 Rf7 36.Rc2 Re5 37.Rdc4 c6 38.Rd4 d5 3.90/25

[38...Rb5 2.74/22 is a better defense. 39.Ne4 (*39.Rxd6 Rf4+-*) 39...Rf4]

39.Re2 Rxe2+ 40.Nxe2 Endgame KRN-KR **40...Re7 41.Kf3 Re5?** 6.25/22

[41...g5 3.89/25 42.h4 gxh4 43.Rxh4 Kf6]

42.Nf4 White is clearly winning. **42...Re1 43.Nd3 Re7 44.Nc5 Kf6 45.h4 Ke5 46.Rg4 Kf6 47.Rf4+ Kg7 48.Kf2 Kg8 49.Rf6 Kg7 50.Rd6 Kh6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.46

51.Rd7

1-0

70 **C52**
☐ **Fipsi_x** **3094**
■ **BitByByte** **2875**
Blitz 16.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Nouveau coup d'œil sur le Gambit Evans **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6**

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ (*9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nf6+-*) 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]

9.cxd4! White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-*)]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Ba3

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 ½-½ Short,N (2701)-Nielsen,P (2626) Samba Cup 1st 2003 (8) 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 Evans Gambit-6.d4 ed4 7.♕b3 ♕e7 Survey 2018]

12...d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 0-0N

[14...Nxe4?! 15.Qb2± (*15.Qxg7 Qf6±*)]

[14...Qe5 15.Qc1 (*15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5*

Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Qc3 *(20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3* ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022 *)* 20...Qf6 21.Qc1 Qh4 22.Qc3 Ne8 23.Bd5 Rb8 24.Rd3 Rd8 25.Rg3 Qxg3 26.hxg3 Rxd5 27.Ba3 Nd6 28.Qxc7 Nb5 29.Qe7 1-0 Yvinec,J (2349)-Pavoni,F (2310) corr W-32ch prel09 2008]

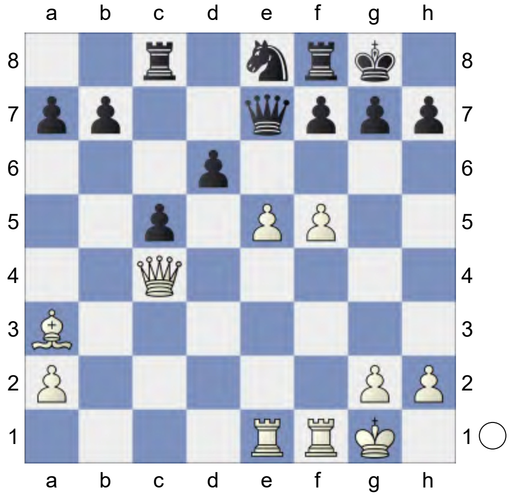
15.Rde1 Be6

[15...Nxe4? 16.Qf3+-]

16.e5 Ne8!

[16...Bxc4? 17.exf6 Qxf6 18.Qxc4+-]

17.f4 Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Rc8 19.f5 White has compensation. **19...c5**



20.f6! Qe6

[20...gxf6? 21.exf6+- *(21.Qg4+ Kh8+-)*]

21.Qc3 Qg3 poses a challenge **21...d5**

[21...Qxa2? 22.fxg7 Nxg7 23.exd6±]

22.Qd3 Kh8

[22...gxf6 23.Qg3+ Kh8 24.exf6+-]

23.Re3 c4 24.Qd2 Rg8 25.Rh3 g5!

[25...Qxe5 26.fxg7+ *(26.Bb2 Qe6±)* 26...Nxg7 27.Bb2±]

[25...gxf6?! 26.Qh6 Rg7 27.Bf8+- *(27.exf6 Qb6+ 28.Kh1 Nxf6±)*]

26.Qe2 Rg6 27.Qh5 h6 28.Qxg6 Remove Defender **28...fxg6 29.f7! Nc7**

[29...Qxe5 30.f8Q+ Kh7 31.Rxh6#]

30.Rxh6+ Kg7 31.f8Q+ Rxf8 32.Bxf8+ Kg8 33.Bd6 Ne8 34.Rf8+ Kg7 35.Rfh8 Nf6 Against R6h7+ **36.Bf8+ Kf7 37.Bd6 Kg7** Wards off Rf8. Hoping for ...c3!. **38.h4** Some like it hot

[38.exf6+ Kxf6 39.Bg3 *(39.Rf8+? Kg7-+)* 39...Qb6+ *(39...Qe3+ 40.Kf1∓)* 40.Kf1 Qb1+ 41.Be1 c3]

38...gxh4 39.exf6+ Kxf6 40.Bf4

[40.Rf8+? Kg7 41.Rhh8 Qxd6-+]

40...Qe7 0.82/20 Against R6h7

[40...c3± 0.38/20]

41.R6h7 Qc5+! 42.Kh1 d4 1.18/19

[Black should play 42...g5!± 0.54/20 43.Bd6 Qd4 *(43...Qe3 44.Rf8+ Kg6 45.Re7±)*]

43.Rc7!± White has more active pieces.

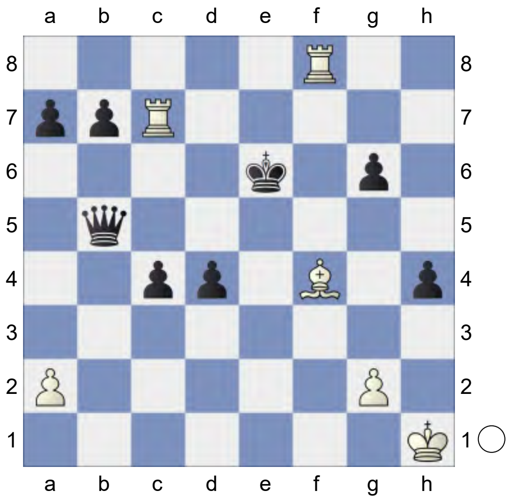
[43.Rxh4?! c3=]

43...Qb5 1.99/19

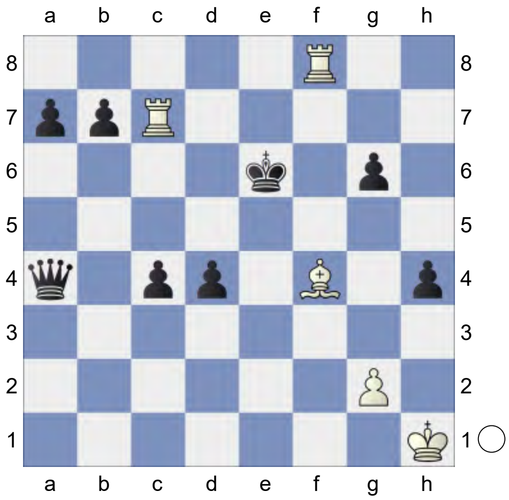
[43...Qb4± 0.82/18]

44.Rf8+!+- Ke6

(Diagram)



45.a4! Deflection **45...Qxa4**



46.Rc5! Ke7 47.Rfc8 Qd1+ 48.Kh2 Qf1 3.14/19

[⌓48...c3 2.11/18 49.Re5+ Kf6 *(49...Kd7? 50.Rc7+* Decoy *Kxc7 51.Re1+* Discovered Attack (Check) *Kc6 52.Rxd1+-)* 50.Rf8+ Kg7]

49.Re5+ Kd6 50.Re4+ Kd5 51.Re5+ Kd6 52.Rd8+ Skewer **52...Kc6 53.Rf8 h3** 4.49/20

[53...b6 3.17/18 keeps fighting. 54.Rf7 h3]

54.Rf6+

[54.gxh3 Qf2+ 55.Kh1 b6=]

54...Kd7 55.Rf7+ Kc6 56.Rf6+ Kd7 57.Rf7+ 2.14/17

[57.gxh3 Qf2+ 58.Kh1 Qf1+ 59.Kh2 Qf2+ 60.Kh1 Qf1+ *(60...Qf3+ 61.Kg1 c3=)* 61.Kh2=]

[⌓57.Kxh3+- 4.36/21 b5 58.Bg5 *(58.Rxb5 Qh1+ 59.Bh2 Qd1+-)*]

57...Kc6 58.Kxh3

[58.gxh3 Qf2+ 59.Kh1 Qf1+ 60.Kh2 Qf2+ 61.Kh1 Qf1+ *(61...Qf3+ 62.Kg1 c3=)* 62.Kh2=]

58...d3? 4.61/20

[58...c3 2.55/18 59.Rf6+ Kd7 60.Bg5 Qh1+ 61.Kg3 a5+-]

[58...b6 59.Rg5 *(59.Rf6+ Kb7±)* 59...b5 60.Rxg6+ *(60.Rf6+ Kd7+-)* 60...Kd5 61.Rd6+ Ke4+-]

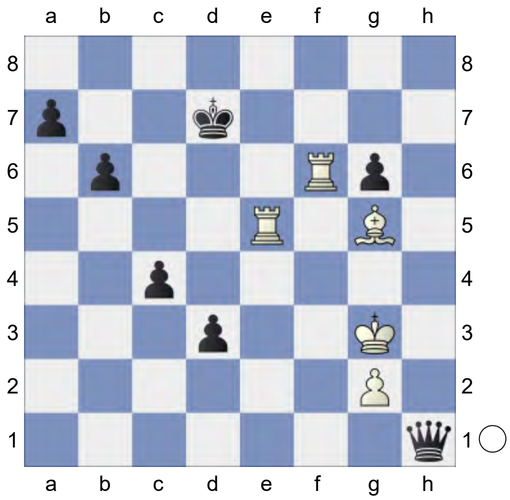
[58...Qd1+-]

59.Rf6+ Kd7 60.Bg5

[Weaker is 60.Rd5+ Ke7 61.Bg5 Qxf6 *(61...Qh1+? 62.Kg3+-)* 62.Bxf6+ Kxf6+-]

60...Qh1+ 61.Kg3 b6 7.86/19

[⌓61...Qh8 4.62/19 62.Rd5+ Kc8]



62.Re7+!! Skewer, Decoy **62...Kxe7** Endgame KQ-KRB **63.Rf1+** Discovered Attack (Check)

[63.Rxb6+? perishes. Kd7 64.Rxg6 Qe1+ 65.Kh3 c3-+]

63...Ke6 64.Rxh1 c3 65.Kf4 d2 66.Ke4 b5 67.Kd3 b4

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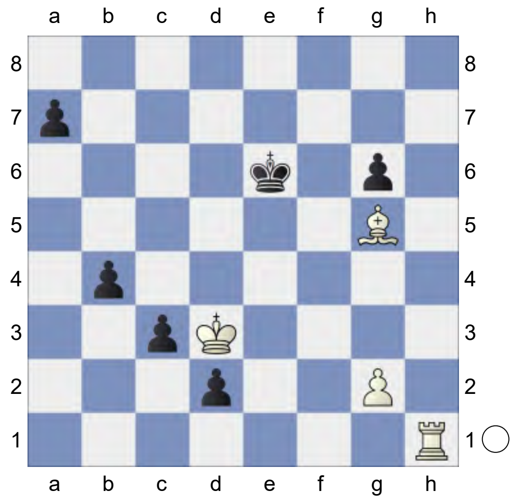

68.Bxd2! cxd2

[68...Kf5 69.Be3]

69.Kxd2 Ra1 is the strong threat. KR-K3P **69...b3 70.Rb1 Kd6 71.Rxb3** KR-KPP **71...Ke5 72.Kd3 a6 73.Ra3 g5 74.Ra5+** 16.18/21

[⌓74.Rxa6 #20/22 Kf4 75.Ra4+ Kf5 76.g4+ Ke6 77.Ra5 Ke7 78.Ke4 *(78.Rxg5 Kf6 79.Rf5+ Kg7 80.Kd4 Kh6 81.Ke4 Kg7 82.Ke5 Kg6)* 78...Kd7 79.Rxg5]

74...Kf4 75.Kd4 Ra2! would kill now. **75...g4 76.Ra3** White mates. **76...a5 77.g3+ Kf5 78.Kd5 Kf6 79.Rxa5** KR-KP **79...Ke7 80.Ra7+ Kf6 81.Rc7 Kg5 82.Ke6 Kg6 83.Re7 Kg5 84.Kf7 Kh6 85.Re5 Kh7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) / Black=0.26 (precise) **86.Rh5#**

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71	**C52**
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■ **ArasanX**	**3080**
Rapid	10.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]	

Blitz 8min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6!** ...Nf6 is in the air **9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7** 0.09/20

[⌓10...Nxc4 -0.27/18 11.Nxc4 Qc6 12.Nxb6 axb6]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.dxe5= 0-0 12.exd6

[12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 Rc7 0-1 Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

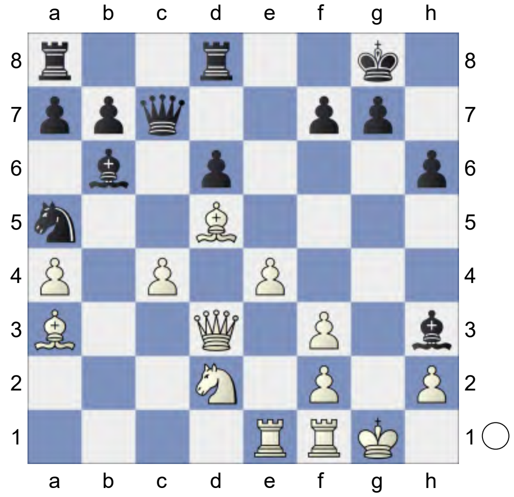
12...cxd6N

[12...Ng6 is more complex. 13.Re1 cxd6 14.Ba3 Nf4]

[12...Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 Bxf3 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/

274 2008 (5) Qd6 28.Qf5 Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Goldenberg,R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New York Fall IM-D 2022 (5)]

13.a4 Qc7 14.Ba2 h6 15.Ba3 Rd8 16.Rae1 Nec6 17.Bd5 Be6 18.c4 Nd4 19.Qd3 Nxf3+ 20.gxf3 Bh3



21.f4! Bxf1 22.Rxf1 Nc6 23.Kh1! White has compensation. **23...Kh8 24.f5 f6 25.Qg3 Ne5 26.Rg1**

[26.f4 Nc6=]

26...Rg8 27.a5 Bxa5 28.Nf3 Bc3 29.Nh4 Bd2 1.35/18

[29...Bd4= 0.00/21 remains equal.]

White stays focused until the end. **30.c5!±** White has more active pieces.

[30.Bb2 Bg5 31.Ng6+ Nxg6 32.fxg6 Bd2±]

30...Qa5 31.Bb2! Dancing on a razor blade. This pair of bishops is nice.

[31.f4? Bxf4 32.Qxf4 Qxa3-+]

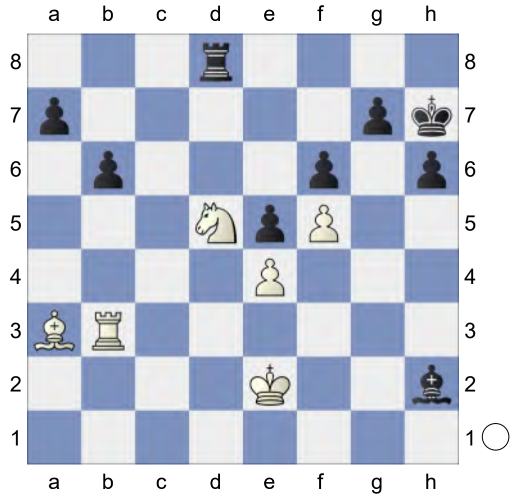
31...Qxc5 32.f4 Qe3 And now ...Qxg3 would win. **33.fxe5 Qxg3 34.Rxg3**

[34.hxg3 dxe5 35.Ng6+ *(35.Bxb7? Rab8-+)* 35...Kh7±]

34...dxe5 35.Ng6+ Kh7 36.Bxg8+ Kxg8 37.Rb3 Repels Bb4 **37...b6 38.Ne7+ Kh7 39.Kg2! Rd8 40.Kf3 Rd6 41.Ba3** Prevents a5. **41...Rd8** 2.00/19

[41...Rd4± 1.56/18 42.Nd5 Ra4]

42.Ke2+- Bf4 43.Nd5 Bxh2

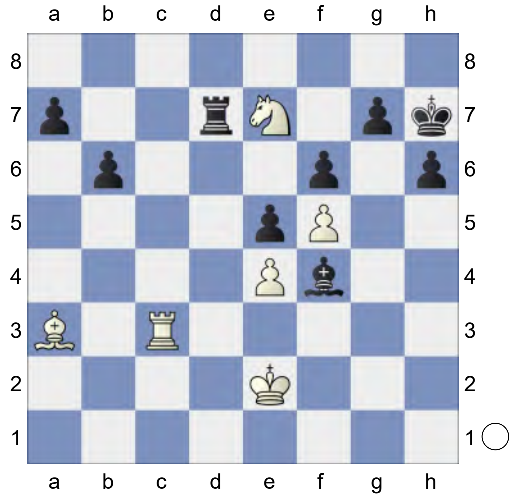


44.Rc3 2.14/18

[44.Be7!± 1.27/18 Rb8 45.Rc3]

44...Rd7 45.Ne7 Bf4 3.09/17

[45...Rd8 1.82/20 is a better defense. 46.Ng6 Kg8]



46.Ng6! Rd2+ 47.Kf3 Threatening mate with Rc8!. **47...h5 48.Bc1! Rd8** Against Rc8 **49.Bxf4 exf4 50.Nxf4** Endgame KRN-KR **50...a5 51.Nxh5 Rd7** Inhibits Rc7. **52.Nf4 a4 53.Rc2 Rd8 54.Nd5** Threatens to win with Ne7!. **54...Kg8 55.Nxb6** White is clearly winning. **55...a3 56.Nc4** Inhibits Rd6. **56...Rd4 57.Ne3**

[Inferior is 57.Nxa3 Rd3+ 58.Ke2 Rxa3=]

57...Kf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.13 (very precise) **58.Rc7+**

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72 C52

☐ **M-Z_Bot 3106**

■ **caissa-x 3083**

Rapid 09.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 0.25/22 Dodges Bb4

[⌓14...0-0 -0.18/22]

15.d5= White has compensation. **15...Bd8 16.Bb2 b6 17.h3 0-0 18.Nh2 Qe8 19.Kh1 Kh8 20.Bc3 Rb8 21.Rab1 Nb7 22.a4 Bc7 23.f4** -0.18/21

[23.Rg1⩲ 0.38/21]

23...Bd7 24.Ra1 exf4 25.Rxf4 Nd8 26.Ndf3! Ng8 27.Rh4! h6! 28.Rf4! Nf7 0.34/22

[28...g5= -0.22/25 29.Rg4 Rf7]

29.Nh4⩲ Ne5 Prevents Ng6+ **30.Rf2 Kh7 31.Be2 a6 32.Nf1 Bd8 33.Nd2 g6 34.Ndf3 Rb7 35.g4 Ne7 36.Rff1 Bc7 37.Be1 b5 38.cxb5 axb5 39.axb5 Bxb5 40.Bc3 c4 41.Rab1 g5 42.Nxe5 fxe5 43.Nf5 Nxf5 44.gxf5 Bb6 45.Bg4 Be3** The position is equal. **46.Rb2**

[46.f6 Kh8⩱]

46...Qf7 47.Qe2

[47.f6 Be8⩱]

47...Bd4 48.Qd2 Qf6 49.Rfb1 Rfb8 50.Kh2 Kg8 51.Bh5 g4 52.Bxg4 Kh8 53.Kh1 h5 54.Bxh5 Qh4 55.Bxd4 Qxh5

[55...Qxh3+ 56.Qh2 Qxh2+ 57.Rxh2+-]

[55...Qxe4+ 56.Kh2 exd4 57.Re1+- *(57.Qh6+ Rh7±)*]

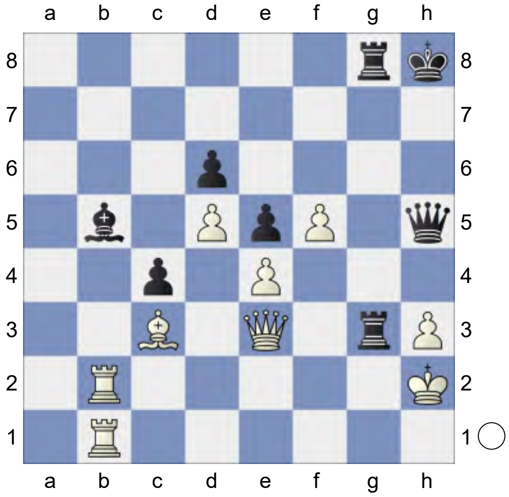
56.Bc3 Rg8 57.Qe3 Prevents Qf3+

[57.Rxb5? Qxh3+ *(57...Rh7? 58.Bxe5+ dxe5 59.R5b3-+)* 58.Qh2 Qxh2+ 59.Kxh2 Rh7#]

57...Rbg7! 58.Kh2 Repels Rg3

[58.Rxb5? Rg3-+]

58...Rg3!



Decoy **59.Qxg3 Rxg3 60.Kxg3 Qg5+ 61.Kh2**

[61.Kf3 Qf4+ 62.Kg2 Qxe4+ 63.Kh2 Qf4+ 64.Kg1 Qe3+ 65.Rf2 Qg3+ *(65...Qxc3 66.f6∓; 65...Qxh3? 66.Rh2+-)* 66.Rg2 Qxc3]

61...Qf4+ 62.Kg1 Qe3+ 63.Rf2 Qxc3

[63...Qxe4 64.Rxb5 Qd3 65.Kh2+- *(65.Rb8+ Kh7+-)*]

64.Kg2 Qe3 65.f6 Qxe4+

[65...Bd7!? 66.Rf3□ Qg5+ *(66...Qxe4 67.Rb8+ Kh7 68.Rb7=)* 67.Kf2 Qh4+ 68.Kg2 Qxe4 69.Rb8+ Kh7=]

66.Kh2 Qe3

[66...Qxb1? 67.f7 Kh7 68.f8Q+- *(68.f8B? Qg6-+)*]

67.Rbb2

[67.Rbf1!? Be8□ 68.f7 Bxf7 69.Rxf7=]

67...Kg8

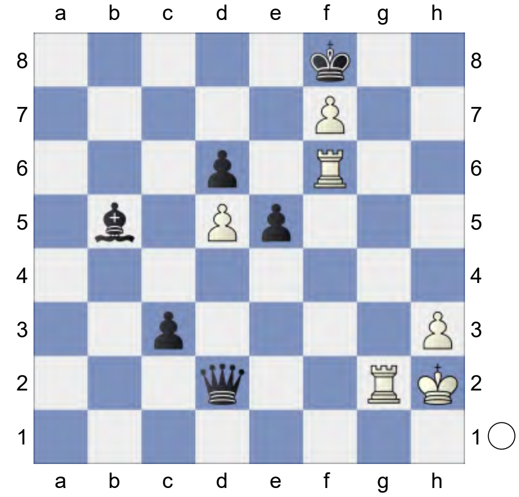
[67...Bd7!? 68.f7□ Qxh3+ 69.Kg1 Qg4+ 70.Kh1 Qd1+ 71.Kg2= Qg4+ *(71...Qxd5+? 72.Kh2+-)* 72.Kf1 Qh3+ *(72...Qd1+ 73.Kg2=)* 73.Kg1=]

68.f7+! Kf8 69.Rf6! aiming for Rg2!.

69...c3 70.Rg2 White threatens Rg8+ and mate.

[70.Rxb5? Qe2+ 71.Kg3 Qxb5-+]

70...Qd2!



Promotion **71.Rff2** Chess con chili.

[71.Rxd6? Kxf7 *(71...Qf4+? 72.Kg1-+)* 72.Rb6 Qxd5 *(72...Qf4+? 73.Kg1-+)* 73.Rf2+ Ke8-+ *(73...Ke7? 74.Rg6-+)*]

71...Qxf2! 72.Rxf2= Endgame KR-KB

72...Bd3 Repels Rc2 **73.Ra2 c2**

[73...Kxf7?! 74.Ra7+ Kf6 75.Rd7±]

74.Ra1 Be4 75.Rc1

[75.Rf1!? Bxd5 76.Kg3 *(76.Rc1? Be4-+)* 76...Be6-+ *(76...Bxf7 77.Kf3∓)*]

75...Kxf7 76.h4 Kg6 77.Kg3 Kh5

[77...Bxd5?! 78.Rxc2 Be4 79.Rc7+-]

78.Kf2 Kxh4

[Reject 78...Bxd5?! 79.Rxc2 Be4 80.Rd2±]

79.Ke3 Bxd5 80.Rxc2 Bb3 81.Rc6 d5 82.Rc5 Kg5 83.Kf2 Kf4 84.Rc1 e4 85.Re1 d4 86.Rh1 e3+ 87.Ke2! Bc4+

[87...Ke4!? 88.Rh4+□ Kd5=]

88.Kd1 Kg3 89.Rh8 d3 (→ ...Bb3+)

90.Rd8! Bb3+

[90...Kf2!? 91.Rf8+□ Kg2∓]

91.Ke1 Bc2 92.Rd6 Kf4 93.Rd4+ Kf3 94.Rd7 Ke4 95.Re7+ Kf3 96.Rd7 Ke4!? 97.Re7+□= Kd4 98.Rd7+ Kc3

(→ ...Ba4) **99.Rc7+ Kb2 100.Rd7∓ Kc3!? 101.Rc7+□= Kd4!? 102.Rd7+□= Kc5!? 103.Rd8 Kc4 104.Rc8+ Kd4 105.Rd8+ Kc3** (→ ...Bb3) **106.Rc8+ Kb2!? 107.Rd8□ Kc3!?= 108.Rc8+□= Kd4!? 109.Rd8+□= Kc4= 110.Rc8+ Kd5 111.Rd8+ Kc5 112.Rd7 Kb4 113.Rd8 Ka3 114.Rd7 Kb3 115.Rd8 Ka2 116.Kf1 Kb2**

[116...d2!? 117.Ke2□ Kb2= *(117...d1R 118.Rxd1 Bxd1+ 119.Kxd1=)*]

117.Ke1 Kb3 118.Rb8+ Ka3 119.Rd8 Kb4 120.Rb8+ Kc5 121.Rc8+ Kb4 122.Rd8 Kb3 123.Rd7 Kc4 124.Rc7+! Kb3 125.Rb7+ Kc4 126.Rc7+ Kd5 127.Rd7+ Kc5 128.Rd8 Kb4 129.Rd7 Ka3 130.Kf1 Kb2 and ...Kc3 should not be overlooked

[130...d2!? 131.Ke2□ d1Q+ *(131...d1R 132.Rxd1 Bxd1+ 133.Kxd1=)* 132.Rxd1 Bxd1+ 133.Kxd1= Kb4=]

131.Ke1 Kb3 132.Rb7+ Ka4 133.Ra7+ Kb4 (→ ...d2+) **134.Rd7 d2+ 135.Rxd2 exd2+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **136.Kxd2**

½-½

74 C54

☐ So,Wesley 2751

■ Eljanov,Pavel 2668

Chess.com Classic Play In blitz (7)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.0-0 **Ba7!** outshines the older 8...g5. erfolgreicher als das alte 8...g5. **9.Na3N**

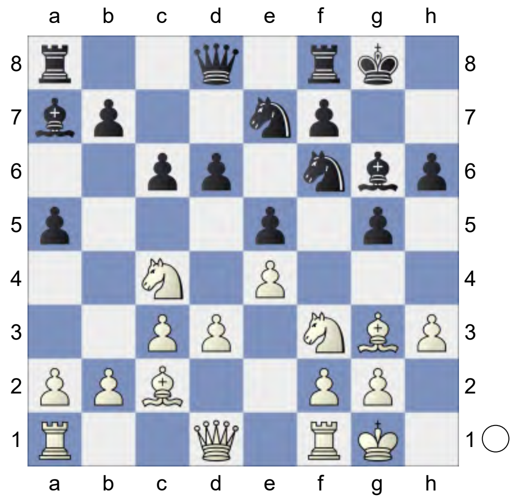
[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3) 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

[9.Nbd2 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020*)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020]

9...g5 10.Bg3 Bg4 **11.Nc2N** -0.43/18

[11.Bb5 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.Nc4 Ne7 ...c6 would now be deadly. 14.Ba4 c6 0.31/22 *(14...Ng6= -0.15/19)* 15.Bc2 Bg6? 2.00/22 *(15...Ng6= 0.07/20)*

(Diagram)



16.Nxd6!+- Qxd6 17.Bxe5 1-0 (53) Firouzja,A (2751)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis Blitz 2024 (3)]

[11.h3= 0.12/20 Bh5 12.Re1]

11...0-0 0.30/18

[Black should play 11...h5!∓ -0.43/18 12.h4 Nd7]

12.Ne3= Bxe3 13.fxe3 Kg7 14.h3 Be6 15.Nd2 Bxc4 16.Nxc4 Qe7 17.a4 b6 18.Rf2 Qe6 19.Qe2 Nd7 20.d4 Prevents Nc5. **20...Qg6** 1.08/23

[20...Ne7± 0.64/20]

21.Nd2± White is more active. **21...Ne7 22.Raf1** 0.75/21

[Better is 22.Qb5 1.18/20 c6 23.Qd3]

22...f6 23.h4 Rac8 24.Qg4 Rcd8 25.h5 Qf7 26.Nf3 0.01/25

[26.Qe2± 0.43/21]

26...Qc4= 27.Nh4 Kh8 28.Nf5 Nxf5 29.Qxf5 Qg8 0.50/25

[29...Rg8= 0.01/25]

30.Qg4 Kg7 31.Rf5 -0.08/25

[31.b4!± 0.33/26 is superior.]

31...Kh7? 2.20/25

[31...Rde8= -0.08/25 and Black has nothing to worry.]

32.R5f3? -0.01/20

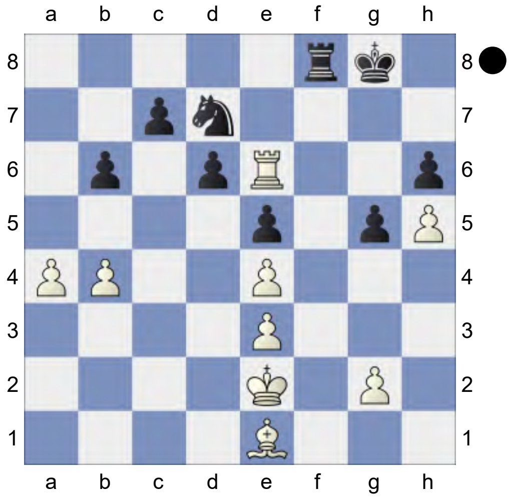
[32.dxe5+- 2.20/25 dxe5 33.R5f2]

32...Kg7! 33.R3f2 Rfe8 34.dxe5 fxe5 35.Bh4 Qe6 36.Qxe6

[36.Rf5 is interesting. Kh7 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Qxe6 Rxe6 39.Be1]

36...Rxe6 37.Rf7+ Kg8⇄ Black is not keeping still **38.Be1 Ree8 39.b4 axb4 40.cxb4 Rf8 41.Re7** With the idea Rxf8+. **41...Rxf1+ 42.Kxf1** Endgame KRB-KRN **42...Rf8+ 43.Ke2 Rf7 44.Re8+ Rf8 45.Re7 Rf7 46.Re8+ Rf8 47.Re6** -7.52/26

[47.Re7= 0.01/38 Rf7]



47...Rf6? 0.01/40

[47...Nf6!-+ -7.52/26 48.Re7 Rc8]

48.Rxf6 The position is equal.

[48.Re7!? Rf7□=]

48...Nxf6 KB-KN **49.a5 b5 50.a6 Nd7! 51.a7 Nb6 52.Kf3 Kf7 53.Kg4** and Kf5 should not be overlooked **53...Ke6 54.Bd2 Na8 55.Bc3 Nb6 56.Kf3 Na8 57.Be1 Nb6 58.Kg4 Na8 59.Kf3 Nb6 60.Ke2 Na8 61.Bc3 Nb6 62.Kf3 Na8 63.Kg4 Nb6 64.Ba1 Na8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.22 (precise)

65.Bc3

½-½

73 **C53**

☐ **So,W** **2751**

■ **Eljanov,P** **2668**

Chess.com Classic Play-In blitz (7)

[Kitty Kat]

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[9.Nbd2 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020*)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020]

9...g5 10.Bg3 Bg4 11.Nc2N -0.45/18

[11.Bb5 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.Nc4 Ne7 And now ...c6 would win. 14.Ba4 c6 0.39/21 *(14...Ng6=* -0.01/22 *is superior.)* 15.Bc2 Bg6? 1.96/20 *(15...Ng6=* 0.07/20 *)* 16.Nxd6!+- Qxd6 17.Bxe5 1-0 (53) Firouzja,A (2751)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis Blitz 2024 (3)]

[11.h3= 0.10/20 Bh5 12.Re1]

11...0-0 0.27/18

[11...h5!∓ -0.45/18 12.h4 Nh7]

12.Ne3= Bxe3 13.fxe3 Kg7 14.h3 Be6 15.Nd2 Bxc4 16.Nxc4 Qe7 17.a4 b6 18.Rf2 Qe6 19.Qe2 Nd7 20.d4 Repels Nc5 **20...Qg6** 1.03/21

[20...Ne7⩲ 0.43/23]

21.Nd2⩲ White is more active. **21...Ne7 22.Raf1 f6 23.h4 Rac8 24.Qg4 Rcd8 25.h5 Qf7 26.Nf3** -0.01/22

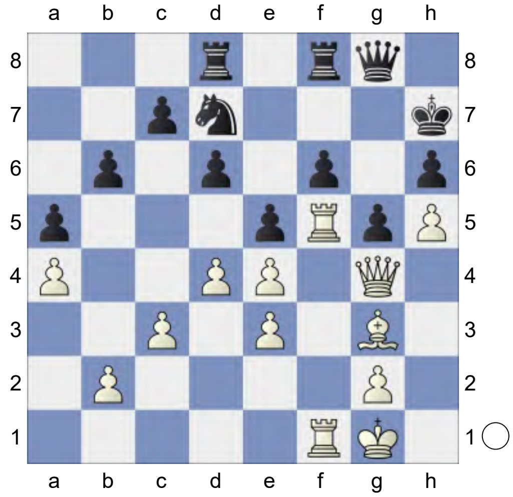
[26.Qe2⩲ 0.52/21]

26...Qc4= 27.Nh4 Kh8 28.Nf5 Nxf5 29.Qxf5 Qg8 30.Qg4 Kg7 31.Rf5 -0.09/24

[⌓31.b4 0.27/25]

31...Kh7? 2.13/24

[31...Rde8= -0.09/24 and Black is okay.]



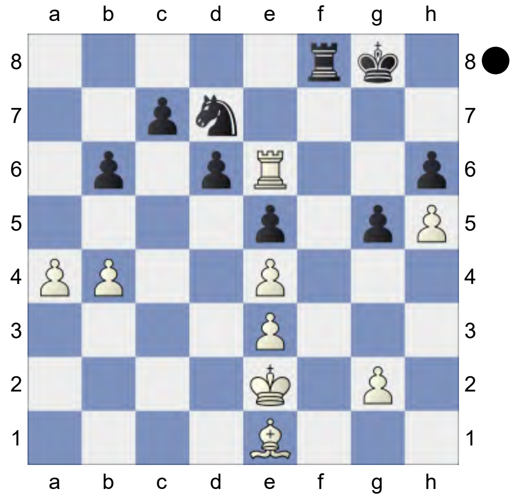
32.R5f3? 0.25/21

[32.dxe5!+- 2.13/24 dxe5 33.R5f2]

32...Kg7! 33.R3f2 Rfe8 34.dxe5 fxe5

35.Bh4 Qe6 36.Qxe6 Rxe6 37.Rf7+ Kg8⇄ Black puts up resistance **38.Be1 Ree8 39.b4! axb4 40.cxb4 Rf8 41.Re7** White wants to play a5. **41...Rxf1+ 42.Kxf1** Endgame KRB-KRN **42...Rf8+ 43.Ke2 Rf7 44.Re8+ Rf8 45.Re7 Rf7 46.Re8+ Rf8 47.Re6** -7.20/26

[47.Rxf8+= 0.01/37 Kxf8 48.Kd3]



47...Rf6? 0.01/39

[Black should play 47...Nf6!-+ -7.20/26 48.Re7 Rc8]

48.Rxf6 The position is equal.

[48.Re7!? Rf7□=]

48...Nxf6 KB-KN **49.a5 b5 50.a6 Nd7! 51.a7 Nb6 52.Kf3 Kf7 53.Kg4** Hoping for Kf5. **53...Ke6 54.Bd2 Na8 55.Bc3 Nb6 56.Kf3 Na8 57.Be1 Nb6 58.Kg4 Na8 59.Kf3 Nb6 60.Ke2 Na8 61.Bc3 Nb6 62.Kf3 Na8 63.Kg4 Nb6 64.Ba1 Na8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)

65.Bc3

½-½

75 **C54**

☐ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2741**

■ **So,Wesley** **2748**

American Cup Champ (1.2) 17.03.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is setting a new trend.7.Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3 b5**

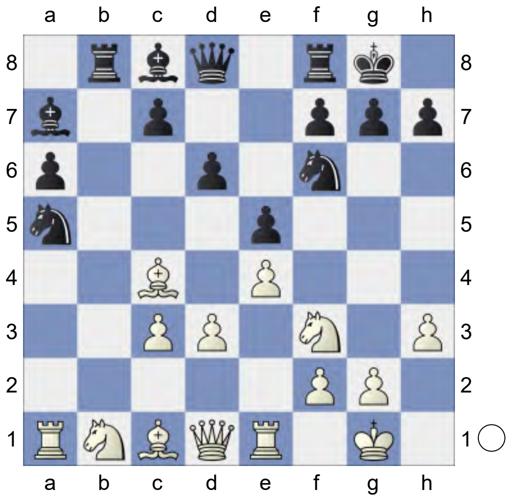
[9...h6 10.Nbd2 Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 The position is equal. **12.Bc4N**

[12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 Rxe1 25.Bxe1 Re8 26.Bb4 Qe5 ½-½ (45) Vachier Lagrave,M (2791)-Aronian,L (2809) 5th Sinquefield Cup 2017 (5.1) 27.Rd3 Bb5 28.Qxd4 Bxd3 29.Qxd3 Nxb4 30.Qc4+ Nd5 31.Ba2 Kh7 32.Qxd5 Qxd5 33.Bxd5 Re5 34.Bc4 Rxa5 35.f4 Ra1 36.Kf2 a5 37.Nd2 Kg6 38.Bd3 Kf6 39.Nc4 a4 40.g4 fxg4 41.hxg4 Ke6 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1) 42.Be4 Rc1 43.Ne3 Ra1 44.Nc4 Rc1 45.Ne3 Ra1 □-□ 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch

1984 (5.1)]

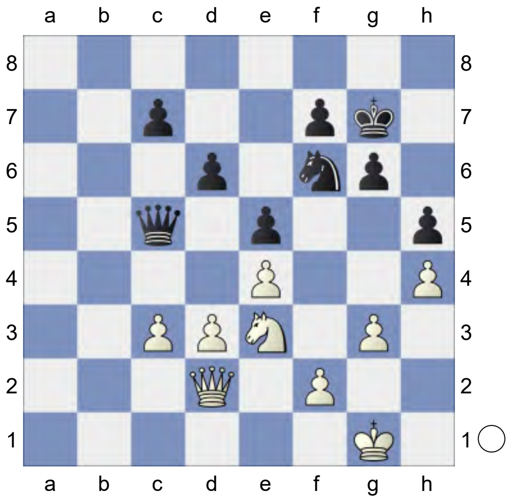
12...bxc3 13.bxc3 Nxa5



Deflection **14.Rxa5 Rxb1 15.Qc2 Rb8 16.Bxa6N**

[16.d4 Bb6 17.Ra3 Qe7 18.Bxa6 Bxa6 19.Rxa6 Ra8 20.Qa4 Rxa6 21.Qxa6 exd4 22.e5 ½-½ (39) Gascon del Nogal,J (2476)-Pap,M (2478) ESP-chT CECLUB Div1 2018 (7.1)]

16...Bb6 17.Ra3 Bxa6 18.Rxa6 h6 19.Nd2 Ra8 20.Rxa8 Qxa8 21.Nc4 Bc5 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.Nxe3 Rb8 24.Rb1 Rxb1+ 25.Qxb1= Endgame KQN-KQN **25...g6 26.g3 Kg7 27.h4 Qa3 28.Qc2 h5 29.Qd2 Qc5**



30.Nf5+! gxf5 31.Qg5+ Kf8 32.Qxf6 fxe4 33.Qd8+ Kg7 34.Qg5+ Kf8 35.Qd8+ Kg7 36.Qg5+ Kf8

An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

37.Qd8+

½-½

77 C50

☐ **Oparin,Grigoriy 2660**

■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**

Chess.com Classic Play In m blitz (1.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 h6

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 0-1 (40) Lunacek, J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

10.b4 **Ne7!** The main line 10...Ne7 scores better than 10...Be6. Die Hauptvariante 10...Se7 punktet besser als 10...Le6. **11.Re1 Ng6 12.Nf1N** -0.27/20

[12.d4 0.17/19 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 f5 25.Rg3 Rf7 26.Qc3 Ree7 27.b5 0-1 (52) Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov, S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

12...c6= 13.Bb3 Re8 14.Ng3 d5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.a5 **dxe4N** -0.06/20

[16...Qd7 -0.34/20 16...Qc8 -0.81 17.exd5 -0.81/22 (*17.Kh2∓ -0.34/20*) 17...Bxd5 18.Ne4 Nxe4 -0.01/22 (*18...Nh5∓ -0.57/21*) 19.dxe4= Bxb3 20.Qxb3 Rad8 21.Ra2 c5 0.58/23 (*21...Qd6= -0.01/24*) 22.Be3± Qc6 1-0 (32) Sadhwani,R (2620)-Topalov,V (2728) Chess.com Rapid CGC KO 2022 (1.2)]

[16...Qc8∓ -0.74/22]

17.dxe4= c5! 18.Ba4 Bd7 0.54/22

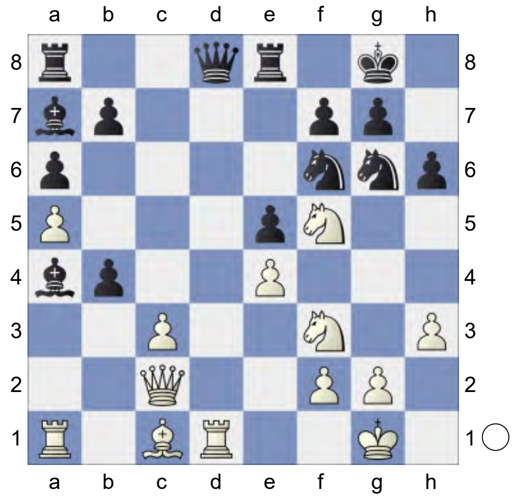
[18...Rf8= -0.23/21]

19.Nf5 -0.36/23

[19.Rd1!± 0.54/22]

19...cxb4∓ 20.Rd1 Bxa4

[20...Qxa5 21.Bxd7 Qxa1 22.Bxe8 Nxe8 (*22...Rxe8? 23.cxb4 Bxf2+ 24.Kxf2+-*) 23.cxb4+-]



Discovered Attack **21.Rxa4 Qc7 22.Rxb4 Bc5 23.Rb1 Ne7** -0.20/21

[23...Red8∓ -0.61/22 is more appropriate. 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8]

24.N3h4= Rad8 25.Rxd8! Rxd8 26.Nxe7+ Qxe7 27.Nf5 Qc7 28.Be3 Bxe3 29.Nxe3 Qxa5 30.Rxb7 Rd7 31.Rxd7 Nxd7 Endgame KQN-KQN. The position is equal. **32.Qd3 Nc5 33.Qc4 Qb5 34.Qd5**

[34.Qxb5 axb5 35.f3 f6 36.Kf1]

34...Qb1+

[34...Nb7 simplifies 35.Qxb5 axb5 36.Kf1 f6]

35.Kh2 Nxe4 36.Qxe5

[36.c4 looks sharper. Nxf2 37.Qa8+ Kh7 38.Qf3]

36...Nf6 37.c4 Qe4 38.Qd6 Qe6 39.Qb8+ Qe8 40.Qc7 Qd7 Prevents c5. **41.Qb6 Qe6 42.Qd4 Qe4 43.Qc5** Qc8+ would now be deadly.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.09 (flawless)

43...Qf4+

½-½

76 **C50**
☐ **Oparin,Grigoriy** **2660**
■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**
Chess.com Classic Play In m blitz (1.2)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 h6

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

10.b4 Ne7! The main line 10...Ne7 scores better than 10...Be6. Die Hauptvariante 10...Se7 punktet besser als 10...Le6. **11.Re1 Ng6 12.Nf1N** -0.18/20

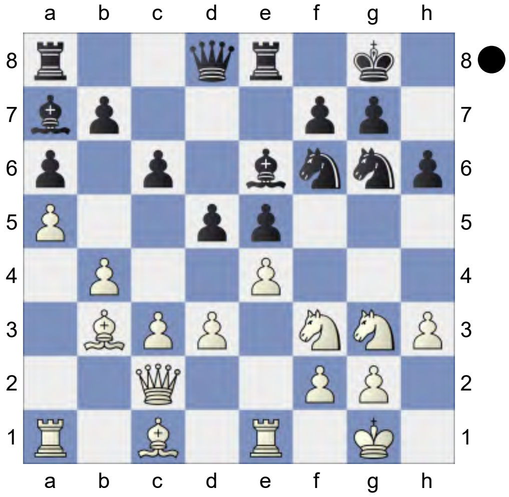
[⌓12.d4 0.24/18 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5

19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 f5 25.Rg3 Rf7 26.Qc3 Ree7 27.b5 0-1 (52) Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

12...c6= 13.Bb3 Re8 14.Ng3 d5 15.Qc2 -0.51/19

[15.d4= 0.01/19]

15...Be6∓ 16.a5



dxe4N 0.01/21

[16...Qd7 and ...Bxh3! would now be decisive 17.exd5

A) 17...Nxd5!? 18.h4 *(18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.Rxe5 Bb8=)* 18...Ndf4 19.Bxe6 Rxe6⩲;

B) 17...Bxd5 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.dxe4 Bxb3 20.Qxb3 Rad8 21.Ra2 c5 0.60/24 *(21...Qe7= -0.27/23)* 22.Be3!⩲ Qc6 1-0 (32) Sadhwani,R (2620)-Topalov,V (2728) Chess.com Rapid CGC KO 2022 (1.2)]

[Black should play 16...Qc8!∓ -0.71/22]

17.dxe4= c5 18.Ba4 Bd7 0.31/24

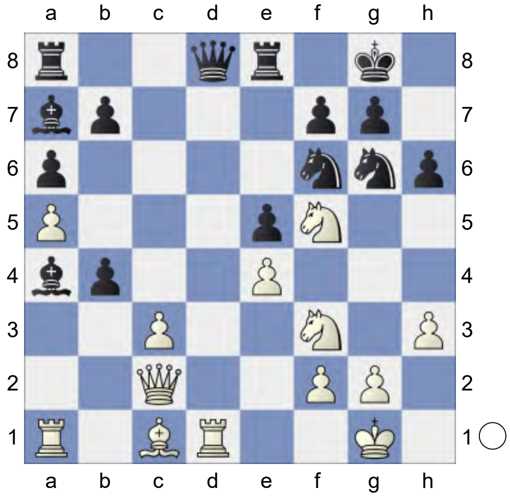
[18...Rf8= -0.23/22]

19.Nf5 -0.20/21

[19.Rd1⩲ 0.31/24]

19...cxb4 20.Rd1 Bxa4

[20...Qxa5 21.Bxd7 Qxa1 22.Bxe8 Nxe8 *(22...Rxe8?* is the wrong capture. *23.cxb4 Bxf2+ 24.Kxf2+-)* 23.cxb4+-]



Discovered Attack **21.Rxa4 Qc7 22.Rxb4 Bc5 23.Rb1 Ne7 24.N3h4 Rad8** The position is equal. **25.Rxd8! Rxd8 26.Nxe7+ Qxe7 27.Nf5 Qc7 28.Be3** Bxc5 is the strong threat. **28...Bxe3 29.Nxe3 Qxa5 30.Rxb7 Rd7 31.Rxd7 Nxd7** Endgame KQN-KQN **32.Qd3 Nc5 33.Qc4 Qb5 34.Qd5**

[34.Qxb5 axb5 35.f3 Kf8 36.Kf2]

34...Qb1+

[34...Ne6 simplifies 35.Qxb5 axb5 36.f3 Kf8]

35.Kh2 Nxe4 36.Qxe5 Nf6 37.c4 Qe4 38.Qd6 Qe6 39.Qb8+ Qe8 40.Qc7 Qd7 Dodges c5 **41.Qb6 Qe6 42.Qd4 Qe4 43.Qc5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

43...Qf4+

½-½

78 **C54**
☐ **bot_adario** **2751**
■ **cinder-bot** **2979**
Rapid 27.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+2sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.c3N

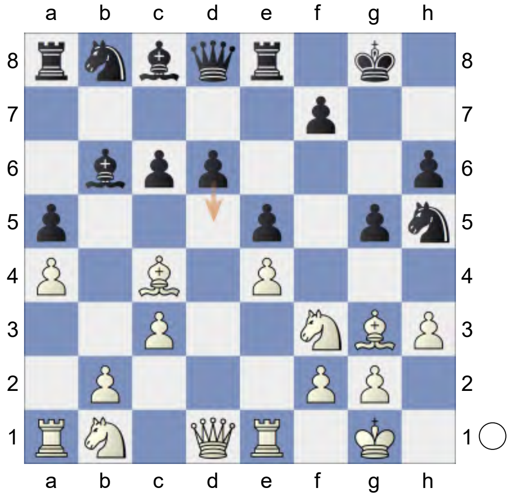
[6.a4 a6 *(6...a5 7.c3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Re1 Bg4 10.Nbd2 Nb6 11.Bb5 Bd6 12.h3 Bh5 13.Ne4 f5 14.Ng3 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 Ne7 16.Bg5 c6 17.Bc4+ Nxc4 18.dxc4 e4 19.Nxe4 fxe4 20.Qxe4 Rf7 21.Rad1* 1-0 (41) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2804)-C 06/32 (2785) corr 1901 (6) *)* 7.Bg5 *(7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 d6 9.h3 b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4* □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1) *)* 7...h6 8.Bh4 Be7 9.Bg3 d6 10.c3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Qe8 13.Nbd2 b6 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nd8 17.Rac1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.d5 Re8 20.Nd4 Bf8 (23) Italian Game-5.d3 0-0 6.a4 Survey 2018]

[6.Re1 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Nc3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qf3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.h4 gxh4 16.Bh2 Qg5 17.Re3 Kh8 18.Qe2 Rg8 19.g3 hxg3 20.Rxg3 Qh4 0-1 (30) Zeydan, S (2060)-Khamdamova,A (2139) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Nov Early blitz 2022 (9)]

6...d6 7.h3 a5 8.d4 Bb6 9.Re1 Re8 The position is equal. **10.Ng5 Re7 11.d5 Nb8 12.Nf3 c6 13.Bg5 Re8 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.a4 h6 16.Bh4 g5**

[16...Be6 simplifies 17.Na3 Bc5 18.Qd2 Bxa3 19.Bxe6 Rxe6 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Rxa3 Nd7]

17.Bg3 Nh5⇄



Black has counterplay **18.Bh2 Nf4 19.b4** -0.37/20

[19.Nbd2= 0.06/19]

19...h5!∓ 20.Bg3 g4 21.Bh4 Qd7 22.Ng5 Rf8 Really sharp! **23.hxg4 Ng6! 24.Bg3 Qxg4 25.Qxg4 Bxg4** 0.01/19

[25...hxg4∓ -0.43/22 26.Rd1 Nf4]

26.bxa5 Bd8 27.f3 Nxf7 is the strong threat. **27...Bc8 28.Nh3 Bxh3 29.gxh3 Bxa5 30.Rd1 Rd8 31.Kh1** -0.94/20

[31.Ra2∓ -0.49/19 should be considered.]

31...Na6∓ 32.h4 -1.41/20

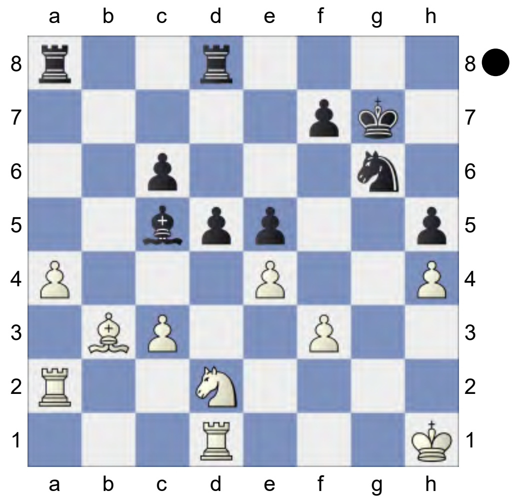
[⌓32.Ra3 -0.88/19]

32...Nc5 33.Bf2 Kg7 34.Ra2 Bb6 35.Bxc5 Bxc5 36.Nd2 d5 Black is more active. White is weak on the dark squares

[36...Nxh4 37.Nb3∓]

37.Bb3

(Diagram)



Ba7 -0.81/19

[37...Nxh4 38.a5∓]

[37...Rab8!-+ -1.87/20 ...Be3 is the strong threat. 38.a5 Nxh4]

38.exd5 cxd5 39.c4 -1.85/20

[39.Nf1∓ -0.83/22]

39...d4-+

[39...Nxh4 40.cxd5 Rab8 41.a5⩱]

40.c5 Bxc5

[40...Nxh4 41.Rg1+ Ng6 42.Ne4∓]

41.f4? -4.08/21

[41.Ne4 -1.96/18 was worth a try. Bb4 42.Kh2]

41...d3

[41...Nxh4 42.Rg1+ Ng6 43.f5=]

[41...exf4? 42.a5-+]

42.fxe5 Rab8

[42...Nxh4 43.Ne4 Bb4 44.Rf2±]

[42...Nxe5? 43.Re1 Ng4 44.Rf1-+]

43.Rf1 Nxe5

[43...Nxh4 44.Rxf7+ Kh6 45.Rf6+ Kg7 46.Rf7+ Kh6 47.Rf6+ Kg7 48.Rf7+=]

44.a5 Rd4 45.Ra4 Rxa4 46.Bxa4 Rb4 47.Bb3 f6

[Weaker is 47...Rxh4+ 48.Kg2∓]

48.a6 Rxh4+

[48...Be3? 49.Re1 Rxh4+ *(49...Bxd2 50.Rg1+ Kh6 51.a7-+)* 50.Kg2-+]

49.Kg2 Rg4+ 50.Kh3? -6.00/22

[50.Kh2 -3.38/21 Ba7 51.Rc1]

50...Ng6 51.Kh2 Nf4 52.Rc1 -8.26/26

[⌓52.Ba4 -5.11/21 Be3 53.Nf3]

52...Be3 53.Nf3 Prevents Rh4+

53...Rg2+

[Not 53...Bxc1 54.a7 Rg2+ 55.Kh1⩲]

54.Kh1 Rb2

[54...Bxc1 55.a7 Rb2 56.a8Q *(56.Ba4? Ne2-+)* 56...Rxb3 57.Qa7+ Kh6 58.Qd4=]

55.Rc7+ Kh6 56.Bg8 Rf2 57.Rh7+ Kg6 58.Nh2 d2 59.Rd7 Ne2 60.Bh7+ Kh6 61.Nf1 Rxf1+ 62.Kg2 Rf2+ 63.Kh1 Ng3+ 64.Kg1

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.09 (flawless)

64...Re2#

0-1

79 **C54**

☐ **Giri,Anish** **2748**

■ **Dardha,Daniel** **2646**

WchT Blitz Final (1.2) 15.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6

11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.Nbd2

[7.b4!? Bb6□ 8.a4=]

7...0-0 8.Re1

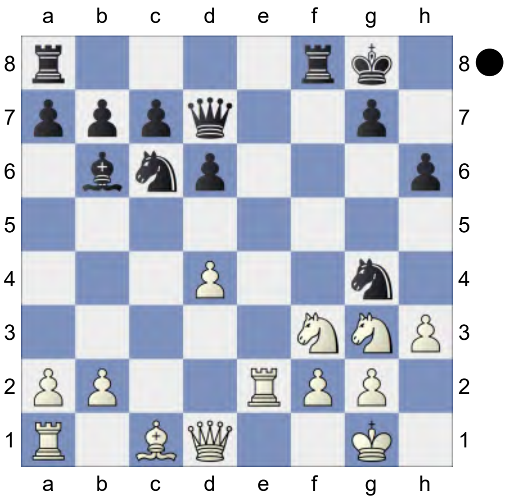
[8.b4!? Bb6□ 9.a4=]

8...Bb6! is currently scoring better than 8...a5. wohl besser als 8...a5. **9.Nf1 Ng4 10.Re2** **Na5N**

[10...Qf6? 1.82/19 10...Na5 0.11 11.h3 Nxf2 12.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 13.Kxf2 Ne7 1.98/20 *(13...Na5±* 1.58/19 *was called for.)* 14.Kg1+- Qg6 15.Kh2 Kh8 16.Ng3 f5 1-0 (45) Courjal,P (1904)-Grandval,E (1293) FRA-ch U18/20 Girls 2023 (1)]

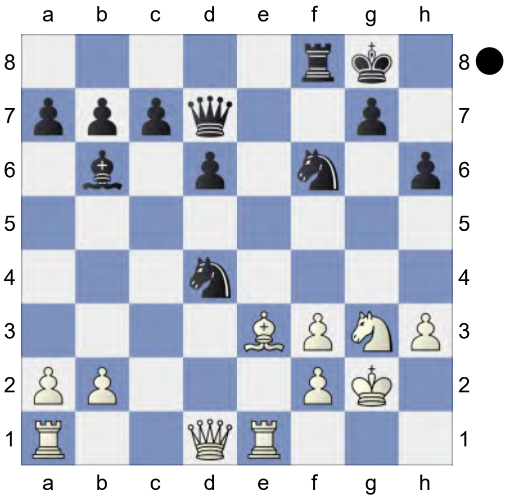
11.Bb5 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ng3 Black must now prevent Nxf5. **13...Bd7 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nc6 17.h3**

(Diagram)



Rxf3! 18.gxf3 Nf6 19.Kg2 Nxd4 20.Re1 Rf8 21.Be3? -2.63/22

[21.a4!∓ -0.32/18]



21...Nd5!-+ A dynamic duo of knights. **22.Qd3**

[22.Rh1 c5]

22...Nxe3+? -0.01/21

[Worse is 22...Rxf3 23.Qe4 Nxe3+ 24.Rxe3∓]

[22...c6-+ -2.97/21 23.f4 Rxf4 *(23...Nxf4+ 24.Bxf4 Rxf4 25.Qg6∓)* 24.Bxd4 Bxd4 *(24...Rxd4? 25.Qf5-+)*]

23.fxe3= The position is equal.

[23.Rxe3? too greedy. Ne6 24.Qd5 Bxe3 25.fxe3 c6-+]

23...Nxf3 Threatens to win with ...Nh4+. **24.Rf1↑** White is pushing. **24...Nh4+ 25.Kh2** Some like it hot **25...Nf3+ 26.Kg2 Nh4+ 27.Kh2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.32

27...Nf3+

½-½

80 **C50**

☐ **pawnocchio_bot** **2737**

■ **Vatsal_1123_bot** **3008**

Blitz 25.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

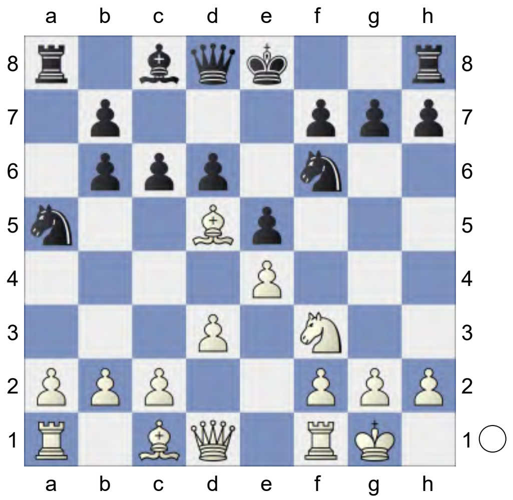
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.Nxb6

[7.a3 0-0 *(7...h6 8.h3 0-0 9.0-0 Qe7 10.c3 Be6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Bb5 Na7 13.Ba4 c5 14.Re1 Bd7 15.Bc2 Nc6 16.d4 Rfe8 17.d5 Nd8 18.Be3 Rf8 19.a4 Nh7 20.Nd2 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Bxf5 ½-½ (90) Ronneland,D (2690)-Uzhva,A (2677) Theorie (1.1))* 8.0-0 Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nh4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 c6 15.Re1 b5 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Qh5 e4 18.f3 b4 19.fxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Ra5 21.Qh6 Qd5 1-0 (49) Karjakin,S (2778)-Topalov,V (2749) Gashimov Memorial 5th 2018 (9)]

7...axb6 8.0-0N

[8.a3 h6 *(8...Be6 9.Qe2 h6 10.h3 Qe7 11.0-0 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Qe6 13.b3 g5 14.Nd2 Rg8 15.c3 g4 16.hxg4 Rxg4 17.f3 Rg6 18.Rf2 Nh5 19.Nf1 Nf4 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.b4 Ne5 22.Nd2 h5 23.Kf1 0-1 (30) Juan Lepp,J-Shamsuddin,S 109/(187) Villafranca de los Barros 2010)* 9.0-0 0-0 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 The Italian for beginners]

8...Na5 9.Bd5 c6



10.Bxf7+ The position is equal.

10...Kxf7 11.b4 Rf8 12.bxa5

[12.Re1!?]

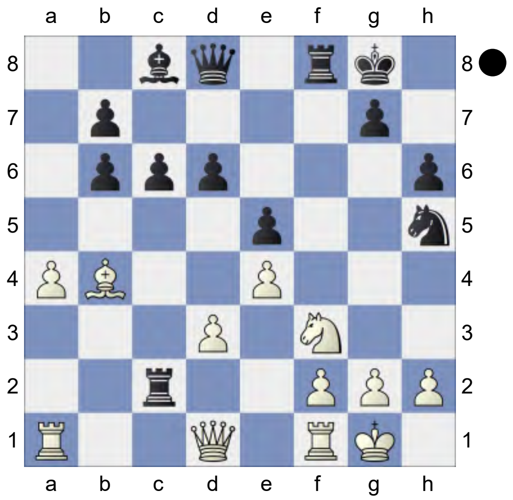
12...Rxa5 13.Be3 Kg8 14.Qb1 Rb5 15.Qe1 h6 1.01/21

[15...Ra5= 0.21/19 keeps the balance.]

16.Bd2± Nh5 17.a4 0.01/19

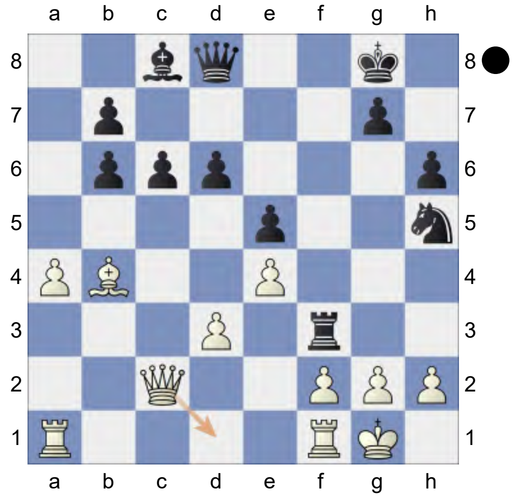
[17.c4± 0.76/20 Rc5 18.Qe3 *(18.Bb4 Bg4∓)*]

17...Rc5= 18.Bb4 Rxc2 19.Qd1!



Rxf3! 20.Qxc2

[20.Qxf3 Nf4]



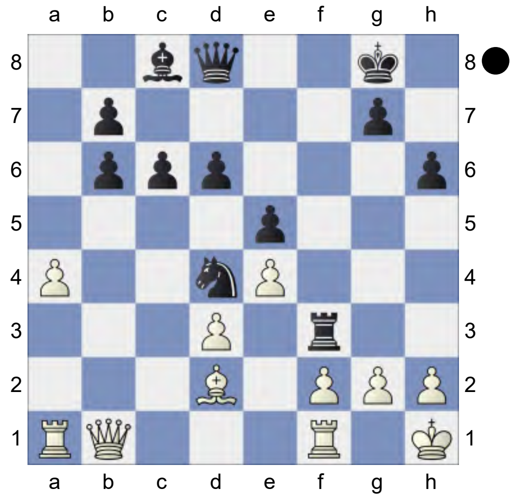
20...Nf4! 21.Bd2!

[21.gxf3? Qg5+ 22.Kh1 Qg2#]

21...Ne2+ Black has compensation.

22.Kh1 Nd4 Active counter play!

23.Qb1

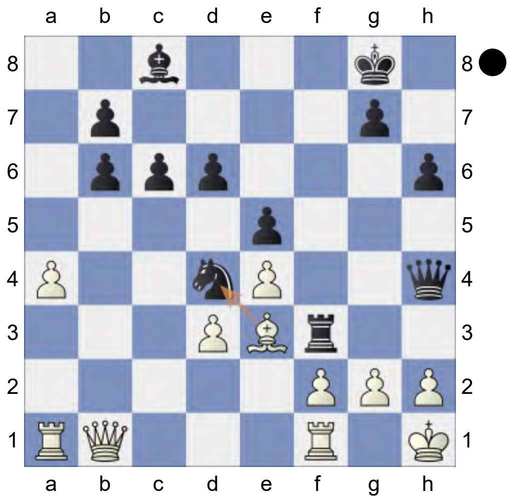


White is weak on the light squares

23...Qh4! 24.Be3

[24.gxf3 Nxf3]

(Diagram)



24...Bg4! 25.g3 -0.54/23

[25.gxf3? Bxf3+ 26.Kg1 Qg4#]

[White should try 25.Rg1!= 0.01/23 Ne2 26.gxf3 Nxg1 27.Kxg1 *(27.fxg4 Nf3+-)* 27...Bxf3 28.Kf1 *(28.Qxb6 Qh3 29.Qd8+ Kh7)*]

25...Qh3 26.Bxd4!

[26.Qxb6? Ne2 27.Rae1 Rf6-+ *(27...Nxg3+? 28.Kg1-+)*]

26...exd4 27.Kg1!

[27.Qxb6? Rxd3 28.Qd8+ Kh7-+]

27...h5 ...h4 poses a challenge **28.a5!**

[28.Qxb6 Rxd3 29.Qd8+ *(29.Qxb7 Bf3)* 29...Kh7-+]

28...Kh7 29.axb6

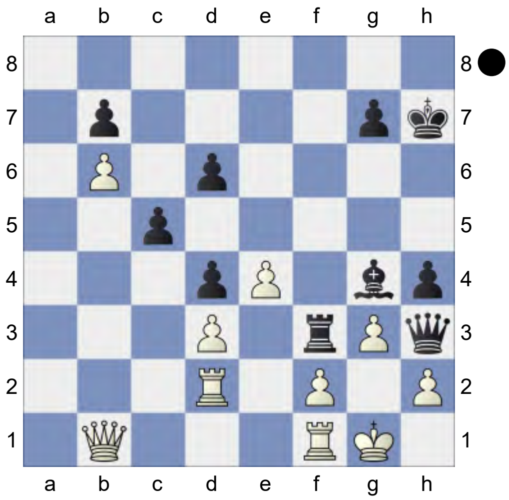
[29.Qxb6 Rxd3 30.f3 *(30.Qxb7? Bf3)* 30...Rd2 *(30...Bxf3? 31.Rxf3 Rxf3 32.Qxb7-+)* 31.Rf2 Rxf2 32.Kxf2 Qxh2+ 33.Ke1 Bxf3]

29...h4

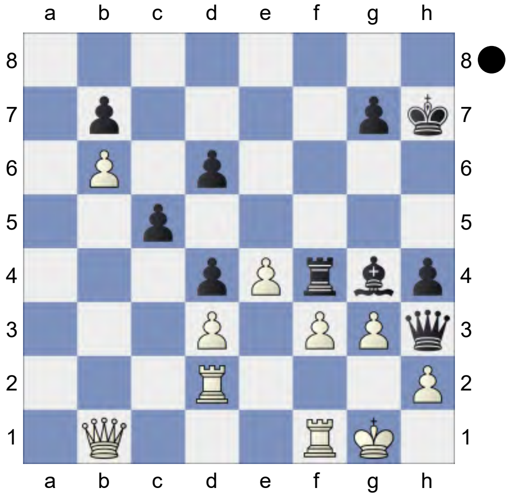
[29...Rf4!? 30.f3□ *(30.gxf4? Bf3 31.f5 Qg4#)* 30...Bxf3∓]

30.Ra2! c5 31.Rd2

(Diagram)



Rf4! Clearance **32.f3!**



Bxf3!→ Black has some attack. **33.gxf4 Qg4+ 34.Kf2 Qxf4 35.Re1** Prevents Qe3+. and Qb2 would now be decisive **35...Bg4+**

[35...Qxd2+? 36.Kxf3 Qxh2 37.Rg1+-]

36.Kg1 Qxd2 Endgame KQR-KQB **37.Qc1! Qxd3 38.Qf4 Qc3 39.Rf1**

[39.Kf2 looks sharper. Qh3 40.Rg1 Bd7 41.Rg2]

39...Qh3

[39...Qe3+? 40.Qxe3 dxe3 41.Rf7+-]

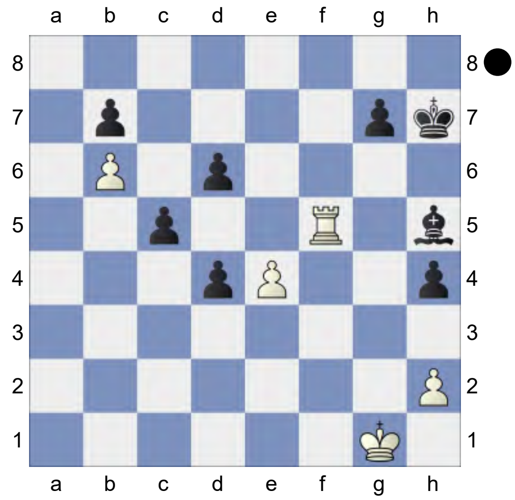
40.Rf2 -1.57/24

[40.Qg5!∓ -0.34/23 Bf3 41.Kf2]

40...Bh5∓ White does not recover from this. **41.Qf5+?** -7.84/21

[41.Rg2∓ -0.96/26]

41...Qxf5-+ 42.Rxf5



KR-KB **42...Bg6! 43.Rf4 Kh6 44.Rxh4+ Kg5 45.Rh8 c4**

[Inferior is 45...Bxe4 46.Rc8=]

46.Kf2 c3

[46...Bxe4 47.h4+ Kf4 48.Rf8+ Ke5 49.Rf7∓]

47.Rc8 Bh5 48.Ke1 Kf4 49.e5 dxe5 50.Rc5 Bf3 51.Rc4 Ke3 52.Rc7 g5 and ...Kd3 would now be decisive **53.h3 Kd3 54.Kf2 Bd5 55.Kg3 c2 56.h4 Bc4 57.hxg5 c1Q**

[57...c1B 58.Rxb7 Bf4+ (*58...Bxg5 59.Kg4-+*) 59.Kg4 Be6+ 60.Kh5-+]

58.Kg4 Qf4+ 59.Kh5 Bd5 60.Kg6 Be4+ 61.Kh6 Qf8+ 62.Kh5 Qf5 63.Kh4 Bf3 Black mates. **64.Kg3 Qg4+ 65.Kf2 Qg2+ 66.Ke1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.85/ Black=0.04 (flawless)

66...Qg1#

0-1

81 C50
☐ Komododragon 3583
■ Caissa 3545
TCEC 27 Premier 2024 (37.4) 08.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 h6 5.d4 exd4 6.c3 Bb6 7.cxd4 White has more active pieces.

[7.Nxd4 d6=]

7...d6 8.Nc3

[8.h3 Nge7 9.Nc3 Ng6 10.Be3 0-0 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.Qe2 Nce7 13.a3 c6 14.Ba2 f5 15.Ng5+ Kh8 16.exf5 Nxf5 17.Nf7+ Rxf7 18.Bxf7 Nf8 19.Rfe1 Bd7 20.Rad1 Qf6 21.Bh5 d5 22.Qf3 Ng6 1-0 (48) Assaubayeva,B (2434)-Balajayeva,K (2376) Women's World Rapid Ch., Warsaw 2021 (4.23)]

8...Nge7N White is better.

[8...Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.g4 Bg6 11.a3 a6 12.Bf4 f6 13.Rc1 Qd7 14.e5 0-0-0 15.exd6 cxd6 16.Re1 Bf7 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Bxd5 Re8 19.Rxe8+ Qxe8 20.Qb3 Bc7 21.Be6+ Kb8 22.Re1 Nge7 23.Bd5 0-1 (38) Klein,T (1457)-Roth,M (1390) Rheinhessen-ch H2 op 1997 (2) Ka8 24.Qc4 Qd8 25.b4 g5 26.Bg3 h5 27.b5 Na5 28.Qa2 axb5 29.Rb1 hxg4 30.hxg4 Rh6 31.Rxb5 Qh8 32.Nd2 f5 33.Bxd6 Rxd6 34.Bg2 Rc6 35.Bxc6 Naxc6 36.Qb2 Qh2+ 37.Kf1 b6 38.Ke2 0-1 Korotylev,A (1457)-Shrewsbury School (1390) USSR - World 37/513 1984 (2)]

9.Be3 0-0 10.Qd2 Bg4 11.Rae1 Na5 12.Bd3 Nac6 13.d5 Ne5 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Nd4 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Bd7 17.f4 Ng6 18.Re3 Qh4 19.Ref3 Qf6 20.a3 c6 1.28/19

[⌓20...Rfe8 0.91/20]

21.a4 Rfd8 22.b3 b5 23.axb5 cxb5 24.Ndxb5 Bxb5 25.Nxb5

[25.Qxb5 Rdc8 26.Qb4 (*26.Qxb7 Qd4+ 27.Kh1 Rab8∓*) 26...h5±]

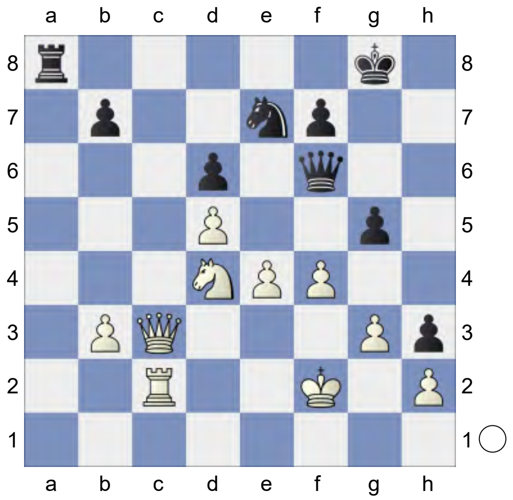
25...Ra2 26.g3 Rda8 1.80/20

[26...Nf8± 1.37/22 27.Qc4 h5]

27.R3f2 h5 28.Nd4 h4 29.Rxa2 Rxa2 30.Qc3! h3 2.08/27

[30...Kh7± 1.42/22 is a better defense. 31.Rf2 Rxf2 32.Kxf2 hxg3+ 33.hxg3 Ne5]

31.Rf2+- Ra8 32.Rc2! Ne7 Prevents Nf5 **33.Kf2 g5**



34.Nc6! Discovered Attack **34...Qxc3 35.Nxe7+ Kf8 36.Rxc3 Kxe7** Endgame KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **37.Kf3!**

[37.fxg5 Ra2+ 38.Kf3 Rxh2±]

[37.Rc7+ Kf6±]

37...Ra2 38.Kg4

[38.fxg5 Kd7=]

38...gxf4 3.94/31

[38...Rxh2 2.19/28 39.Rc7+ (*39.Kxg5 Rg2=; 39.fxg5 Re2±*) 39...Kf8]

39.gxf4

[39.Kxh3 fxg3 40.Kxg3 f5±]

39...Re2 40.Kf5

[Weaker is 40.Rxh3 Rxe4 41.Kg5 Rd4±]

40...Rxh2 41.Rc7+ Ke8 42.Rxb7 Re2 43.Rb8+ Ke7 44.b4 2.49/28

[⌓44.Ra8 4.59/28 Rb2 45.Ra7+ Kf8 46.Kf6]

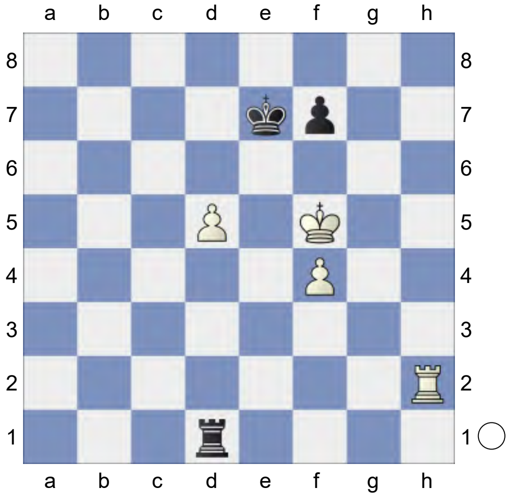
44...h2 45.Rh8 Kd7 46.Rh5 Ke7 47.b5 Kd8 48.Kg5! Rf2? 5.68/28

[48...Rxe4 2.44/27 is a better chance. 49.Rxh2 Rb4]

49.b6 Ke7 50.Kf5 Rb2 51.Rh4 Rxb6 52.Rxh2 Rb1 53.e5! dxe5 54.Kxe5

[54.fxe5 Rf1+ 55.Ke4 Re1+ 56.Kf4 Rd1⩲]

54...Re1+ 55.Kf5 Rd1



56.Re2+! Kf8 57.Ke5 Ke7 58.Rb2 f6+ 59.Ke4 Kf7 60.Rb7+ Kg6 61.f5+ Kh6 62.Rb3 Kg7 63.Rd3 Re1+ 64.Kd4 Kf7

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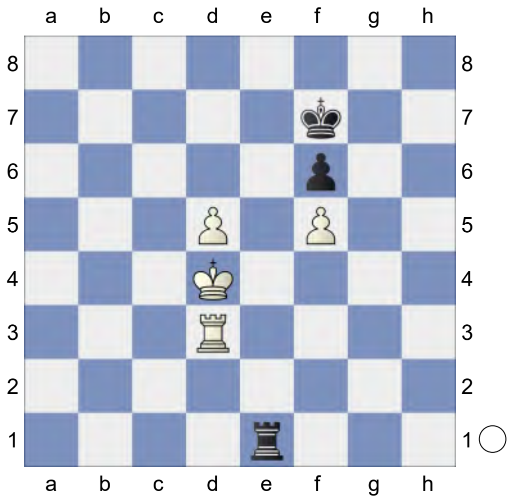


65.Re3! Rd1+ 66.Kc5 Rc1+ 67.Kd6 Hoping for Re7+. **67...Rc2 68.Kd7** 6.63/27

[⌓68.Re7+ 16.07/28 Kf8 69.Rc7]

68...Ra2 69.d6 Rf2 70.Kc7 Rc2+ 71.Kd8 Rc5 72.Rf3 Re5 73.d7 White threatens Kc7 and mate. **73...Rc5 74.Re3 Rc2 75.Rh3 Rc1 76.Rh8 Rc3 77.Rh4 Kf8 78.Rh1 Rc2 79.Rh3 Rc4 80.Rd3 Rc2 81.Rb3 Rc1 82.Rf3 Rd1 83.Rc3 Kg7 84.Kc7 Kh6 85.Rg3 Rc1+ 86.Kd6 Ra1 87.d8Q** 11.10/5

[⌓87.Rg6+ #12/26 Kh5 88.d8Q *(88.d8R Rd1+ 89.Ke7* Discovered Attack *Rxd8 90.Kxd8 Kh4 91.Ke7 Kh3 92.Kxf6 Kh2)* 88...Rd1+ 89.Ke7 Discovered Attack Rxd8 90.Kxd8 Kh4 91.Kd7 *(91.Rxf6 Kg5 92.Rf8 Kg4 93.f6 Kg5 94.f7 Kg6 95.Ke7 Kg5)* 91...Kh3 92.Ke7 *(92.Rxf6 Kg4 93.Ke6 Kg3 94.Rg6+ Kf4 95.f6 Ke4 96.f7 Ke3)*]

87...Rd1+ 88.Kc7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.28 (precise)

88...Rxd8

1-0

82 **C52**
☐ **M-Z_Bot** **3069**
■ **BitByByte** **2884**
Blitz 07.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4 The position is equal. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Strongly threatening Ba3. **11...Nf6 12.Rd1N** White has compensation.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens,A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

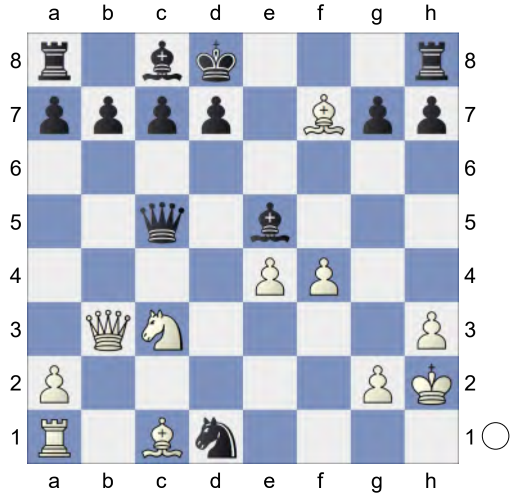
[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 13.f4! Ng4 (-> ...Qc5+) **14.h3!**

[14.fxe5 Qc5+]

[14.Ba3 Qh4 15.fxe5 *(15.Bxf7+ Kd8∓)* 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ *(16...Qxe5 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5±)* 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 Qg5+ 20.Kf2 Qf4+ 21.Kg2 Qf3+ 22.Kg1 Qg3+ 23.Kf1 d6-+]

14...Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1** Pin **17.Bxf7+ Kd8!**



18.Nd5 Bd6

[18...Bxa1 19.Ba3± *(19.Qxd1? c6-+)*]

19.e5 c6 1.26/20

[19...Bf8!= 0.00/22 keeps the balance.]

20.exd6± cxd5

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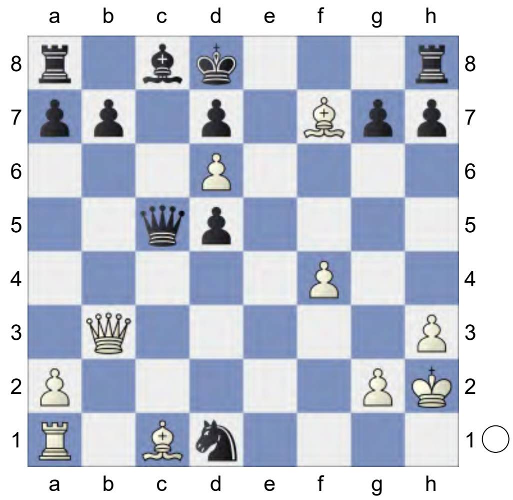


21.Ba3! Some like it hot **21...Qe3**

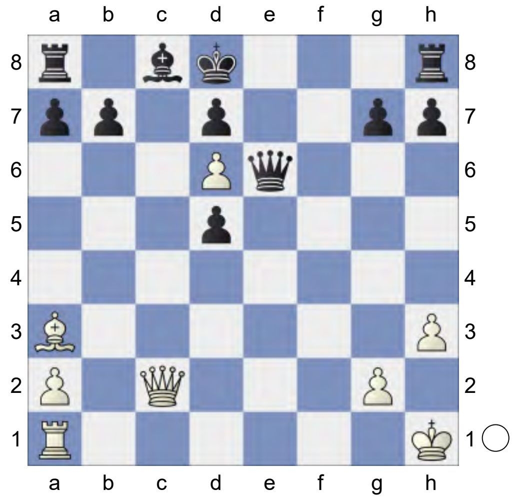
[21...Qd4 22.Rxd1 Qxf4+ 23.Kg1 Qxf7 24.Qc3=]

22.Qxd1→ White has some attack. **22...Qxf4+**

[22...Qxa3? perishes. 23.Qxd5 Qc3 24.Qg5+ Qf6 25.Qc5 Qxf4+ 26.Kh1+-]

23.Kh1 Qxf7 24.Qc2! White stays focused until the end. **24...Qe6** 3.81/21

[24...Qf4= 0.00/21 and Black stays safe.]



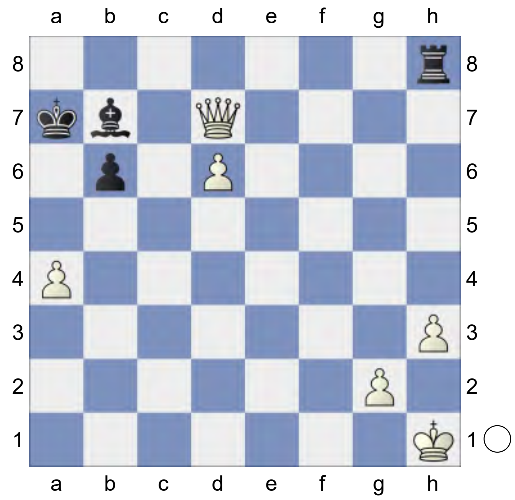
Prevents Re1 **25.Bb4!+- Qe4 26.Qc3 b6?** 4.46/22

[26...d4 2.70/23 27.Qc5 Ke8]

27.Qxg7 Ba6 And now ...Re8 would win. **28.Qxh8+ Qe8 29.Qxh7** Black is weak on the dark squares **29...Kc8 30.Re1 Qf8 31.Qh5 Kb7 32.Qxd5+ Kb8 33.a4 Qc8 34.Qf3 Bb7 35.Qf7 a5** 6.88/20

[⌓35...Qc2 4.38/18 36.Qf8+ *(36.Qxd7? Qxg2#; 36.Re8+ Bc8+-)* 36...Bc8]

36.Re8 Pin **36...axb4 37.Rxc8+ Bxc8** Endgame KQ-KRB **38.Qc4 Ka7 39.Qxb4 Rb8 40.Qb5 Bb7 41.Qxd7 Rh8**



42.a5! bxa5 43.Qb5 a4 44.d7 Rxh3+ 45.Kg1 Rh8 46.Qxa4+ Kb8 47.Qa5 23.80/22

[⌓47.Qf4+ #23/14 Ka8 48.Qd4 Rg8 49.d8Q+ *(49.d8B Rxg2+ 50.Kf1 Ra2+-; 49.d8R+ Rxd8 50.Qxd8+ Ka7 51.g4 Ba6 52.g5 Kb7 53.Qd5+ Kb6 54.Qd6+ Kb7)* 49...Rxd8 50.Qxd8+ Ka7 51.g4 Ka6 52.g5]

47...Bc8 48.d8R 23.80/19 **Rxd8 49.Qxd8 Kb7 50.Qd6** Threatening mate with Kf2. **50...Ka8 51.Qc7** White mates. **51...Bb7 52.Kf2 Bxg2 53.Ke3 Bh1 54.Kd4 Bb7 55.Kc5 Ka7 56.Kb5 Ka8 57.Kb6 Bh1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.66

58.Qa7#
1-0

83 C50
☐ Aronian,L 2748
■ So,W 2748
Champions Showdown Kings (1.3)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
CWN 18/1/1908 Played in a "FLS" corr. tourney; Peterson (Cork) v Kershaw (Luton) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.h3 d6**

[5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 15.Ne2 c6 16.b4 Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 1-0 (38) Firouzja,A (2778)-Aronian,L (2759) Saint Louis 154/106 2022]

6.c3N

[6.Nc3 Ne7 *(6...a6 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5 21.Rfe1 1-0 (50) Dardha,D (2609)-Yurasova,D (2048) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (2) Rad8 22.b4 cxb3 23.Bxb3 Qxa3 24.Nxb5 Qc5 25.Nc3 Rc8 26.Rd3 a5 27.Rde3 Qb4 28.Rb1 Qc5 29.Bxf7+ Kxf7 30.Rxb7+ Kg8 31.Rb5 Qc7 32.Nd5 Nxd5 33.Rxd5 Qxc2 34.Rxa5 Ra8 35.Rd5 Qc1 36.Rxd6 1-0 (50) Dardha,D (2606)-Ismayil,M (2002) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Late blitz 2022 (1))* 7.Be3 Bb6 8.a3 h6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.Qe2 c6 11.Bb3 Bxb3 12.cxb3 Ng6 13.g3 0-0 14.Rd1 Qe7 15.b4 Qe6 16.d4 d5 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Bxb6 axb6 20.f4 Qe7 1-0 (39) Peterson,N-Kershaw,W Four-Leaved Shamrock tourney 1907]

6...0-0 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bb3 h6 9.Bh4 The position is equal. **9...g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.Nbd2 Qf6 12.Qe2 Kh8 13.0-0-0 Bd7 14.Rdf1 b5 15.Bh2! Nf4 16.Bxf4 gxf4 17.g4 Rg8 18.Bd5 b4** 0.36/20

[18...Rab8!= -0.01/21 feels stronger.]

19.Nb3 -0.61/22

[19.cxb4!± 0.36/20 Bxb4 20.Kb1]

19...bxc3∓ Black converts the advantage convincingly. **20.Nxc5** -1.04/23

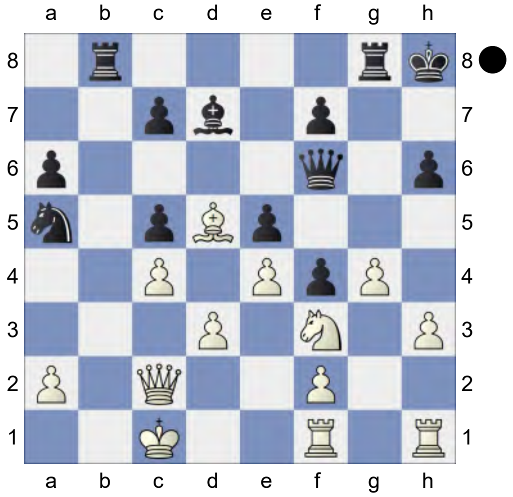
[White should play 20.bxc3∓ -0.46/21 Ba3+ 21.Kc2]

20...dxc5∓ 21.bxc3 Rab8 22.Qc2 -1.86/23 Repels c4

[22.Kc2∓ -1.18/22]

22...Na5-+ 23.c4 -2.61/23

[23.Kd2 -1.65/21 keeps fighting.]



23...Qb6! 24.Kd2 Hoping for Rb1!.

[24.Nxe5? Ba4-+]

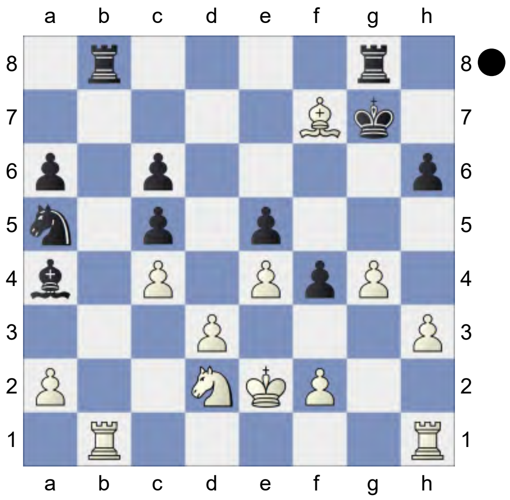
24...Qb4+ 25.Ke2 Ba4 26.Qd2 Qxd2+ 27.Nxd2 Kg7 28.Rb1 c6 -1.98/22

[⌓28...Bc2 -3.81/24 29.Rxb8 Rxb8]

29.Bxf7? -4.21/26

[Wrong is 29.Rxb8? Rxb8 30.Rb1 Rxb1 31.Nxb1 cxd5]

[29.Rhc1 -1.98/22 was forced.]



29...Kxf7 30.Rhc1 Inhibits Bc2. **30...Rb4** Black is clearly winning. **31.Rc3 Rxb1 32.Nxb1 Rb8 33.Nd2 Rb4 34.h4 Nb7 35.g5 hxg5 36.hxg5 Nd8 37.Nf3 Kg6 38.Rc1 Nf7 39.Kf1 Rb2 40.a3 Bc2 41.Ne1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/ Black=0.19 (very precise)

41...Bb1

0-1

84 **C50**

☐ **Caissa** **3545**

■ **Komododragon** **3583**

TCEC 27 Premier 2024 (30.4) 06.12.2024

[Kitty Kat,TA]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 h6 5.d4 exd4 6.c3 Bb6 7.cxd4

[7.Nxd4?! d6⩲]

7...d6 8.h3 Nge7 White is better. **9.Nc3 0-0N**

[9...Ng6 10.Be3 0-0 11.Qd2 Kh7 12.Qe2 Nce7 13.a3 c6 14.Ba2 f5 15.Ng5+ Kh8 16.exf5 Nxf5 17.Nf7+ Rxf7 18.Bxf7 Nf8 19.Rfe1 Bd7 20.Rad1 Qf6 21.Bh5 d5 22.Qf3 Ng6 23.Bxg6 Qxg6 24.Ne2 1-0 (48) Assaad,A (1964)-Bou Mjahid,N Beirut op 11th 2022 (1) Bc7 25.Bf4 Bd8 26.Ng3 Bh4 27.Qh5 Qxh5 28.Nxh5 Rf8 29.Ng3 Bf6 30.Nxf5 Bxf5 31.Bd6 Rf7 32.Re8+ Kh7 33.Rf8 Rd7 34.Be5 Kg6 35.Bxf6 gxf6 36.Re1 Be4 37.f3 Bd3 38.g4 b6 39.Re6 1-0 (48) Assaubayeva,B (2434)-Balajayeva,K (2376) Women's World Rapid Ch., Warsaw 2021 (4.23) c5 40.Rfxf6+ Kg7 41.Rd6 Re7 42.Rfe6 Rf7 43.Re3 Bc4 44.dxc5 bxc5 45.b3 d4 46.Re5 Rxf3 47.bxc4 d3 48.Rxc5 1-0 12.Nf4 (1964)-Koyuncu,O London 1975 (1)]

10.Re1 Na5 11.Bd3 Nac6 12.Bc2 f5 13.Bb3+! Kh8 14.e5 f4 15.exd6 cxd6 16.Na4 Ba5 17.Bd2 Bxd2 18.Qxd2 Nf5 19.Nc3

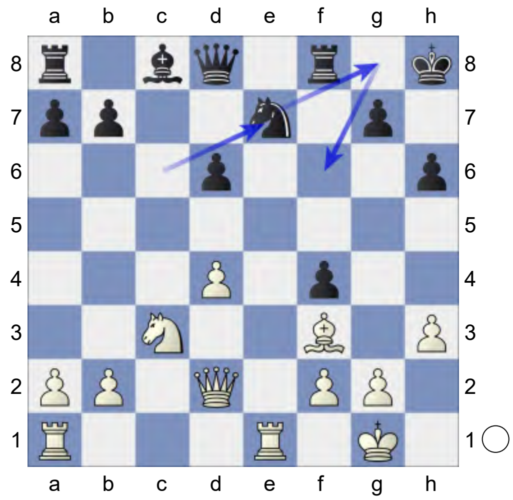
[19.Qxf4 Nfxd4 20.Qg3 (*20.Bf7? Nxf3+* Deflection *21.Qxf3 Ne5-+*) 20...Nxf3+ 21.gxf3 Nd4⩱]

19...Nh4 20.Bd5 0.67/20

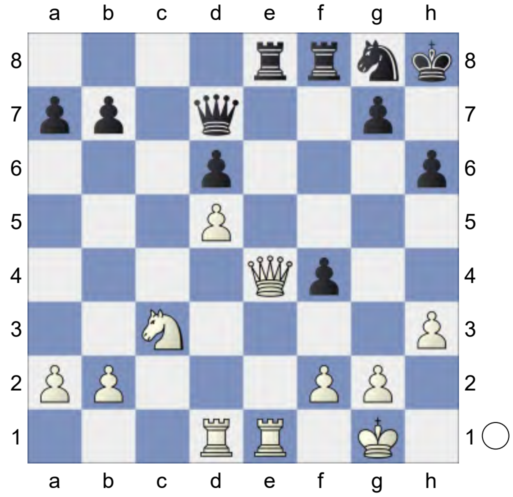
[20.Nxh4± 1.10/20 Qxh4 21.Re4]

20...Nxf3+⩲ 21.Bxf3 Ne7!

(Diagram)



22.Qd3! Dodges Ng6. White has more active pieces. **22...Bf5 23.Be4 Qd7 24.d5** Ne2 is the strong threat. **24...Rae8 25.Rad1 Bxe4 26.Qxe4 Ng8**



27.Qf3 Nf6 28.Re6 0.48/19

[28.a3± 0.87/20]

28...Rxe6 29.dxe6 Qxe6 30.Qxf4 Rd8 31.Rd4 d5 32.Qd2 a6 33.g4 Re8 34.f3 Qe5 35.Kg2 Repels Qg3+ **35...g5 36.Qf2**

[36.Nxd5? Rd8 37.f4 gxf4 38.Qxf4 Qxf4 *(38...Nxd5? 39.Qxe5+ Kh7 40.Rxd5+-; 38...Rxd5? 39.Qxh6+ Kg8 40.Rd2-+)* 39.Rxf4 Nxd5-+ *(39...Rxd5 40.Rxf6 Rd2+ 41.Kg3±)*]

[36.f4 simplifies gxf4 37.Qxf4 Qxf4 38.Rxf4 Kg7 39.Kf3]

36...Kg7 37.Rd2 Qe1 38.Qd4

[38.Nxd5? perishes. Qxf2+ 39.Kxf2 Rd8-+]

38...h5 39.Rd1

[39.Nxd5 Re2+ 40.Rxe2 Qxe2+ 41.Kg1 Qxf3 42.Qxf6+ Qxf6 43.Nxf6 Kxf6 44.gxh5 Kg7=]

39...Qe5 40.Qxe5

[Of course not 40.Nxd5 hxg4 41.hxg4 Qxd4 42.Rxd4 Re2+ *(42...Rd8 43.Ne7±)* 43.Kg3 Rxb2=]

40...Rxe5 41.Kf2 hxg4 42.hxg4 Kf7 43.Rh1 Nd7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

44.Rh7+

½-½

85 **C55**
☐ **HELMUT_LANG** **2793**
■ **KING_Kaymer** **2756**
Blitz 26.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5! b5N** 0.07/20

[9...Qe7∓ -0.59/18 10.Nd2 *(10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.c3 Ne6 12.Nd2 Rg8 13.Kh1 Bd7 14.Qf3 Rg6 15.Qf2 Nf4 16.g3 Nh3 17.Qe3 b6 18.a4 Rd8 19.Nf3 Rg4 20.Qh6 Rxe4 21.Bd5 Re2 22.Qxh7 Nf2+ 23.Rxf2 Rxf2 24.Qh8+ Qf8* ½-½ Lanzani,M (2250)-Arlandi,E (2360) ITA-ch 46th Cesenatico 1986 (7); *10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2* *h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 f5* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)*)* 10...h5]

[9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

[9...Bd7 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 1-0 Can,E (2555)-Chuvnik,M (2189) EU-ch 16th Jerusalem 2015 (6)]

10.Bd3= 0-0 11.Nc3 c6 Dodges Nd5. White is slightly better. **12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qh5 Be6** 0.94/20

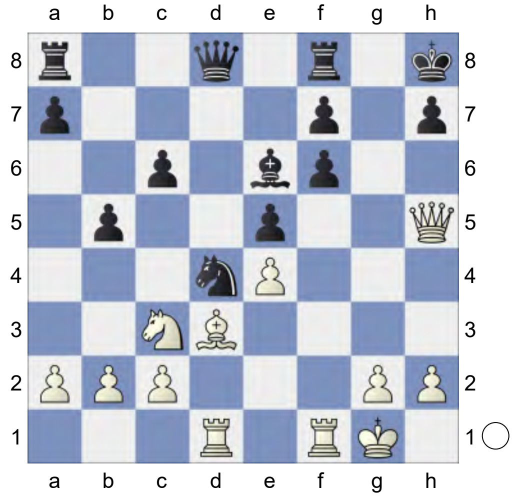
[13...Kh8⩲ 0.33/19]

14.Rad1 0.12/18

[White should play 14.Rf2!± 0.94/20]

14...Kh8 1.18/23

[14...b4!= 0.12/18]



15.Qh6? -0.33/20

[15.Nd5!± 1.18/23 cxd5 16.exd5]

15...Rg8!∓ 16.Rxf6 a5

[16...Qf8 simplifies 17.Qxf8 Rgxf8 18.Rdf1 a5]

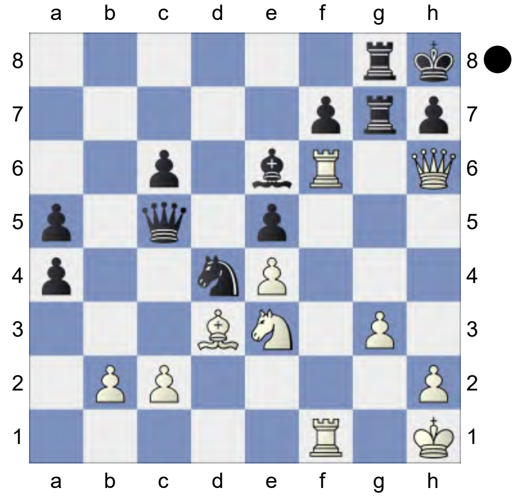
17.Rdf1 Rg7 18.a4 Qb6 0.00/22

[18...b4∓ -0.41/22]

19.Kh1 Rag8 20.g3 Qc5 21.Nd1 -0.88/21

[21.Qe3= -0.27/20 keeps the balance.]

21...bxa4∓ 22.Ne3



a3! 23.bxa3 Qxa3 24.Nc4 Qc5 25.Rxe6 Nxe6 26.Qf6 Qd4 0.04/18

[26...Rf8∓ -0.61/20 27.Nxe5 Qd4 28.Nxc6 Qxf6 29.Rxf6 Rg5]

27.Nxa5= Qd7 28.Nc4 Qd8 29.Nxe5 Qxf6 30.Rxf6 Nd8 31.Rd6 Re8 32.Nxc6 Nxc6 33.Rxc6 Endgame KRR-KRB **33...Rg5 34.Kg2 Kg7 35.Kf3 Re7 36.h4 Ra5 37.g4 f6 38.h5 Rd7 39.Bc4 Rd2** 0.58/19

[39...Ra3+= 0.11/20 feels stronger. 40.Kf4 Rd2]

40.Bd5 0.01/24

[40.Rc7+!± 0.58/19 Kf8 41.Rf7+ *(41.Rxh7 Rxc2 42.Bd3 Ra3=)* 41...Ke8 42.Rxf6 *(42.Rxh7?* too greedy. *Ra3+ 43.Bd3 Rxc2-+)*]

40...Ra3+ 41.Kf4? -#1/16

[41.Bb3= 0.01/28]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.20 (precise) **41...Rf2#** **0-1**

86 **C52**
☐ **M-Z_Bot** **3103**
■ **ArasanX** **3098**
Rapid 03.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min+3sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 -0.13/19

[12...Bd7∓ -0.65/20 13.Rab1 Nh6]

13.Bd3= Nh6 14.c4! Nf7 15.c5 dxc5 16.dxc5 Bd8 17.Bb4 Qc7 18.Rab1 Be7 19.h4 White has compensation. **19...0-0 20.Rb2 Be6 21.Rfb1 Rfb8 22.Qc3 Bd8 23.h5 Bg4 24.a4! Bxh5 25.Nh4! b6 26.Ba6 Nb7 27.Ba3** White wants to play Nf5. **27...Qd7 28.Nf5 Bg6 29.Nc4 Bxf5**

[29...Nxc5? 30.Bxc5 Bxf5 31.exf5+-]

30.Rd2 Qe8 0.55/21

[30...Qe6= 0.00/21 31.exf5 Qxf5]

31.exf5⩲ Be7 32.Nd6

[32.cxb6 axb6 33.Bxb7 *(33.Rxb6 Nc5∓)* 33...Rxb7=]

32...Bxd6 33.cxd6 Qd7 34.Bc4 Qxf5 35.Qb3 Qg6 and ...Na5 would now be decisive **36.Qa2! Rd8 37.d7 c5 38.Rbd1 Kf8** 0.40/19

[38...Na5!∓ -0.45/19]

39.a5! f5 0.77/19

[39...bxa5? 40.Be6+-]

[39...Nxa5? 40.Bxc5+ bxc5 41.Qxa5+-]

[39...Ke7!⩲ 0.41/20]

40.Rd3!± Nbd6 0.90/19

[40...bxa5? 41.Bd5 Nfd6 42.Bxb7 Nxb7 43.Qd5+-]

[40...Nxa5 41.Bxc5+ bxc5 42.Qxa5±]

[40...Rab8⩲ 0.43/17 should be considered.]

41.Bb2! Nxc4

[41...Rxd7? 42.axb6 Ng5 43.Bd5+- *(43.Bxe5 Nxc4 44.Rxd7 Nf3+ 45.Kf1 Ncxe5+-)*]

42.Qxc4 f4

[42...bxa5? 43.Qxc5+ *(43.Bxe5 Nxe5 44.Qxc5+ Kg8+-)* 43...Kg8 44.Qd5+- *(44.Qxa5 Qe6±; 44.Bxe5*

Nxe5 45.Qxe5 Qg4±)]

43.f3

[43.Bxe5? Nxe5 44.Qxf4+ Qf6 45.Qxf6+ gxf6-+]

43...h6 1.31/19

[43...bxa5? 44.Bc3+- *(44.Qxc5+ Kg8+-; 44.Bxe5 Nxe5 45.Qxc5+ Kg8±)*]

[43...Rab8!= -0.10/18]

Black is on the road to losing. **44.a6**

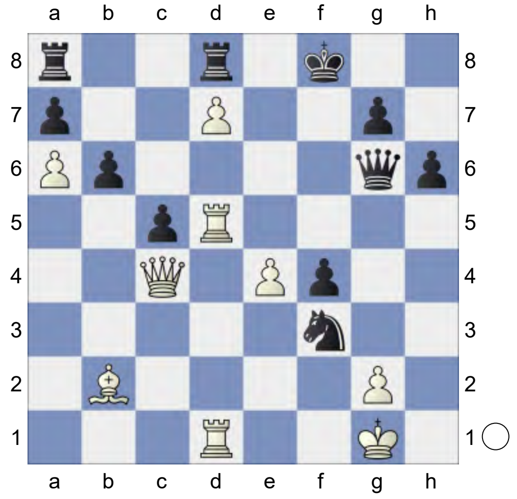
[44.Bxe5? Nxe5 45.Qxf4+ Qf6 46.Qxf6+ gxf6-+]

44...e4 1.78/22

[44...h5± 1.33/18 was called for.]

45.fxe4+- Ng5 46.Rd5! And now Rf5+ would win. **46...Nf3+**

[46...Nxe4 47.Rf1 Qe6 48.Rxf4+ *(48.Re1? Rxd7-+)* 48...Nf6 49.Bxf6 gxf6 50.Qd3+- *(50.Re4 Qf7+-)*]



47.Kf1!

[47.Kh1?! Nh4 48.Qe2 f3 49.gxf3 Qg3]

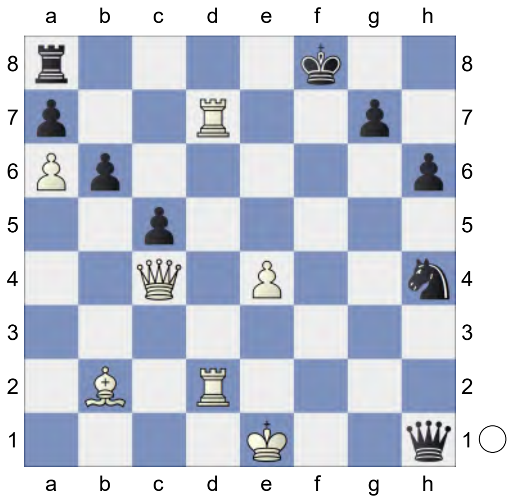
47...Nh4 2.97/20 Prevents Rf5+ **48.R1d2** Active counter play! **48...f3 49.gxf3 Qg3** Prevents Rh2. **50.R5d3** 2.37/18 Chess con chili.

[50.Qc3± 1.32/19 Kg8 *(50...Qxf3+ 51.Rf2* Pin *)* 51.Ke2]

50...Qh3+

[50...Nxf3? loses. 51.Rf2 *(51.Bxg7+ Kxg7 52.Rg2 Qxg2+* Decoy *53.Kxg2 Ne1+ 54.Kh1 Nxd3+-)* 51...Qg1+ 52.Ke2 Qe1+ 53.Kxf3+-]

51.Ke2 Rxd7 52.Rxd7 Qxf3+ 53.Ke1 Qh1+



54.Qf1+! Nf3+ 55.Ke2 Qxf1+ 56.Kxf1 Nxd2+ 57.Rxd2 Endgame KRB-KR **57...Ke7** Prevents Rd7+

[57...Re8]

58.Bxg7 h5 59.Kf2 b5 60.Rd5 Rg8 61.Be5 White is clearly winning. **61...Rg6 62.Rxc5 Rxa6 63.Rxb5 Ra4 64.Kf3 Ke6 65.Bf4 Ra3+ 66.Be3 h4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.23 (precise)

67.Rh5

1-0

87 **C52**
☐ **M-Z_Bot** **3100**
■ **mayhem23111** **3111**
Rapid 30.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5

also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7** Black has an edge.

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.dxe5 The position is equal. **11...Ng6**

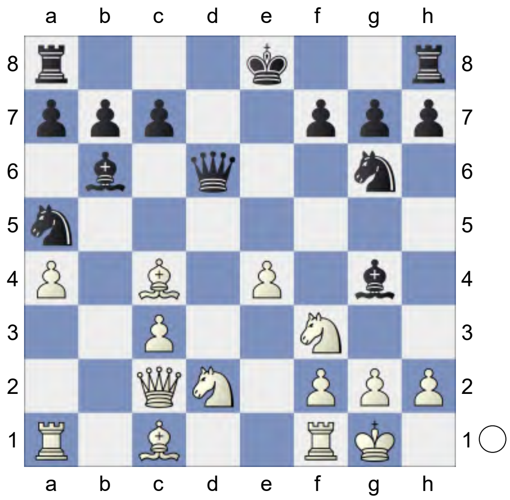
[11...0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

12.exd6 Qxd6 13.a4N

[13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Nf4 15.Be4 Qxc3 16.Qb1 Bg4 17.Bb2 Qb4 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.a3 Qe7 20.Bf5+ Bxf5 21.Qxf5+ Ne6 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 g6 25.Qh3 h5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Kb8 0-1 (33) Rangeet,M (1512)-Lalith,B (2544) New Delhi op 20th 2023 (2) 28.Bb2 Rhd8 29.Qb3 Rd3 30.Qc2 Qd7 31.h4 Qd5 32.Rc1 Rd2 33.Qb3 Nf4 0-1 Saleh,N (1512)-Sadvakasov,D (2544) Zalaegerszeg 2004 (2)]

13...Bg4

(Diagram)



14.Nd4 0-0 15.h3 Bd7 16.Bb5 Rfd8

[16...Rad8 keeps more tension. 17.Nc4 Nxc4 18.Bxc4 Nh4]

17.N2f3 Prevents Nh4 **17...Bxb5 18.axb5 Nc4 19.Kh1 Qc5 20.Ra4 a6! 21.Qa2**

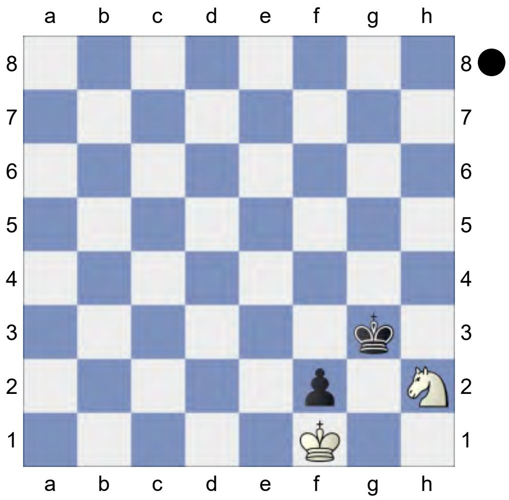
[21.bxa6 simplifies Rxa6 22.Rb4 Nce5 23.Nxe5 Nxe5 24.Rd1]

21...Nce5 22.Ng5 Qxc3 23.Ne2 Qc5 24.f4 Chess con chili.

[24.bxa6? perishes. Rxa6 25.Rxa6 bxa6-+]

24...h6! 25.fxe5 hxg5 26.Bxg5 Rf8 27.Rf5⇄ aiming for e6. White is not keeping still **27...Nxe5 28.Bf4 Rae8 29.bxa6 bxa6 30.Qa1 f6** ...g6 is the strong threat. **31.Qa2+ Rf7 32.Bxe5 Rxe5 33.Rxa6 Qe7 34.Rxe5 fxe5 35.Ra8+ Kh7 36.Kh2 Rf8 37.Rxf8 Qxf8=** Endgame KQB-KQN **38.Qe6 Qf2 39.Qf5+ Qxf5 40.exf5** KB-KN **40...Kh6 41.g4 c5 42.Kg3 c4 43.h4 Bd8 44.g5+ Bxg5 45.hxg5+ Kxg5** KN-K3P **46.f6 gxf6 47.Kf3 c3 48.Nxc3 e4+ 49.Nxe4+** KN-KP **49...Kh4 50.Ke2 f5 51.Nd2 f4 52.Ke1 f3 53.Kf1 f2 54.Nf3+ Kg3 55.Nh2**

(Diagram)



Deflection **55...Kxh2** A balanced but interesting game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless)

56.Kxf2

½-½

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☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3120**

■ **PetersBot** **3053**

Rapid 28.11.2024

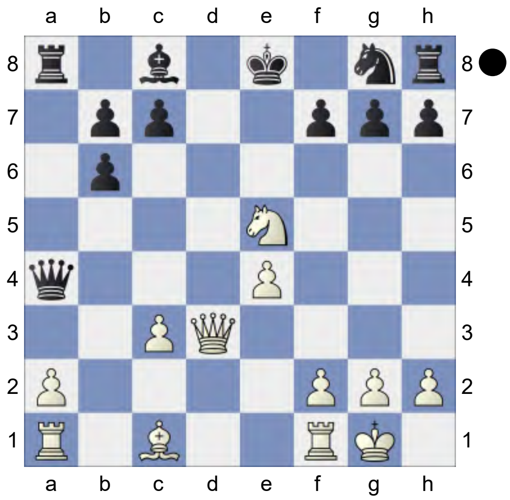
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Nxc4** 0.13/18

[10...Qe7∓ -0.46/19]

11.Nxc4= The position is equal. **11...Qc6 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Nxe5 Qa4 15.Qd3**

(Diagram)



Nf6 16.Bg5 Qxe4 17.Qb5+ c6! 18.Qxb6

[Wrong is 18.f3? Qf5 *(18...cxb5 19.fxe4 Nxe4 20.Rae1-+)* 19.Qc4 0-0-+ *(19...Qxg5 20.Qxf7+ Kd8 21.f4±; 19...Qxe5? 20.Rfe1+-* Pin *)*]

18...0-0!

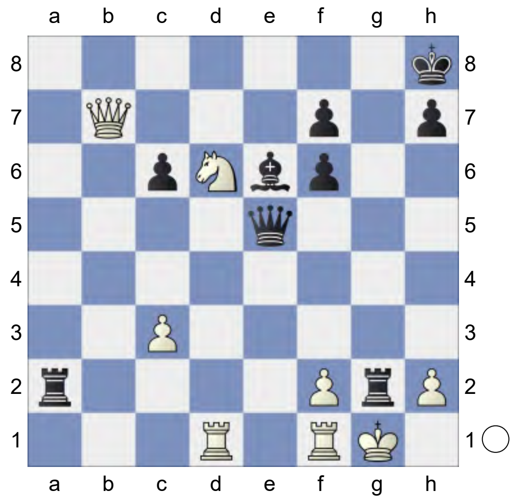
[18...Qxe5? too greedy. 19.Rfe1+-]

19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Rae1 Qd5 21.Nf3 Kh8N

[21...Rxa2 22.Re3 Ra6 23.Qc7 c5 24.Qg3+ Kh8 25.Rfe1 Re6 26.Qf4 Qd6 27.Qh6 Rxe3 28.fxe3 Rg8 29.e4 Bg4 30.e5 Qa6 31.e6 Bxe6 32.Qxf6+ Rg7 33.Rd1 1-0 Model games in 3...Bc5-Lomasov,S]

22.Rd1 Qh5 23.Qd4 Qg6 24.Nh4 Qg5 25.Nf3 Qf5 26.Nd2 Rxa2 27.Ne4 Qe5 28.Qb4 Rg8 29.Nd6 Be6 30.Qxb7 Rxg2+!

(Diagram)



Decoy **31.Kxg2 Bd5+ 32.Rxd5! Qxd5+ 33.Kg1** and Qc8+ should not be overlooked **33...Qxd6** Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **34.Qc8+ Kg7 35.Qg4+ Kh6 36.Qh3+ Kg7 37.Qg4+ Kf8 38.Qc8+ Kg7** and ...Ra5 would now be decisive Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **39.Qg4+**

½-½

88 **C52**

☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3115**

■ **ArasanX** **3050**

Rapid 28.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7** Black is slightly better. **11.dxe5** The position is equal. **11...Ng6**

[11...0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Be2N

[14.Bd3 Nf4 15.Be4 Qxc3 16.Qb1 Bg4 17.Bb2 Qb4 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.a3 Qe7 20.Bf5+ Bxf5 21.Qxf5+ Ne6 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 g6 25.Qh3 h5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Kb8 28.Bb2 Rhd8 0-1 (33) Rangeet,M (1512)-Lalith,B (2544) New Delhi op 20th 2023 (2) 29.Qb3 Rd3 30.Qc2 Qd7 31.h4 Qd5 32.Rc1 Rd2 33.Qb3 Nf4 0-1 Saleh,N (1512)-Sadvakasov,D (2544) Zalaegerszeg 2004 (2)]

14...Nf4 15.Bd1 0-0 16.Ne4 Ng6 17.Re1 Nc4

[17...Bg4 18.Neg5 Rad8 19.h3 Bc8]

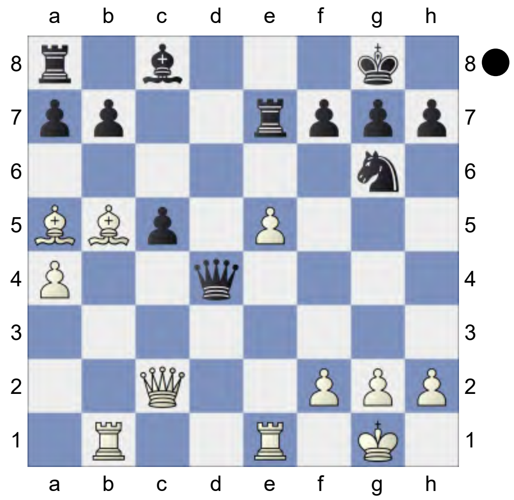
18.Ned2 Nxd2 19.Bxd2 Re8 20.Nd4 Qc4 21.Be2 Qd5 22.a4 Bxd4

[22...Qxe5? 23.Bb5+-]

23.cxd4 Qxd4 24.Rab1 c5 25.Bb5 This pair of bishops is nice. **25...Re7 26.Ba5**

[26.Be3 simplifies Qxe5 27.Qxc5 Bd7 28.Qxe5 Nxe5 29.Bf1]

(Diagram)



Strongly threatening Rbd1. **26...Qg4** ...Nh4 would now be deadly.

[26...Nxe5? loses. 27.Red1+-]

27.h3 Bf5 28.Qxc5 Qf4 29.Rbd1 Rxe5

[29...a6 30.Bc4 Rxe5 31.Rxe5 Nxe5 32.Rd4 Qc1+]

30.Rxe5 Qxe5 31.Qxe5

[31.Rd5 keeps more tension. Qa1+ 32.Kh2 Be6 33.Bc3]

31...Nxe5 32.Rd5⇄ White puts up resistance **32...f6 33.f4 Be6 34.Rd6 Nc4 35.Rxe6 Nxa5=** Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **36.Re7 Rc8 37.Rd7 g6 38.Be2 a6 39.Kh2 Rc5 40.Rd8+ Kg7 41.Rd7+ Kg8 42.Rd8+ Kg7 43.Rd7+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless)

43...Kg8

½-½

90 C51
☐ **Nikitosik-ai 3101**
■ **Cheng-4 2765**
Rapid 27.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Lukacs: 'LesEchecs.com: 'C50: Partie italienne (gambit Evans refusé) '' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 6.d4** White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.0-0 0-0**

[7...Nxe4?! 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 Bxe5 10.Qd5±]

8.Re1 h6 White is slightly better. **9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ Pink,J (2712)-Strick,E (2690) 28/526 Praha 1979 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.Bd3 Rb8N

[11...Na5 12.Qa4 *(12.Qc2 b6 13.Rb1 Bb7)* 12...b6 13.Nf1 Bb7 14.Ng3 Qf8 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.f4 Ree8 18.e5 d6 19.Ba3 Bc6 20.Qd1 Nd7 21.Qg4 Nb7 22.Nf5 Kh8 23.Re3 Nbc5 24.Rae1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Re6 26.Qh4 ½-½ Felicio,C (2297)-Tsenkov,L (2374) LSS WC-2013-S-00013 2010 Rg6 27.Rd2 Re8 28.exd6 cxd6 29.Ne7 Rg4 30.Qxg4 Rxe7 31.Rxe7 Qxe7 32.Qe2 Qf6 33.Rxd6 1-0 Felgaer,R (2593)-Harikrishna,P (2646) Dos Hermanas-A 2005 (4)]

12.Rb1 White is more active. **12...b5** Prevents Nc4. **13.Qd1!** White now steadily converts the win. **13...exd4**

1.23/19

[13...Ba6⩲ 0.58/17]

14.cxd4± Nb4 15.Bf1 Bf4

[15...Nxa2?! 16.Qb3 Nxc1 17.Rbxc1⩲]

16.Qb3 a5 17.a3 Wards off c5 **17...Nc6** 1.71/18

[17...Na6± 1.30/18]

18.e5+-

[18.Bxb5 Na7 19.Qa4 Nxb5 20.Rxb5 Rxb5 21.Qxb5 Qd8±]

18...Nh7

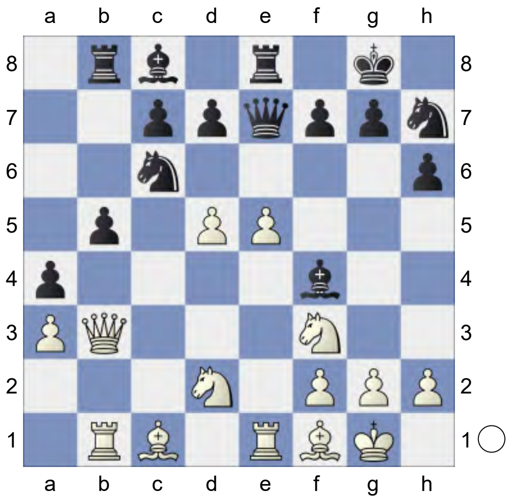
[18...Bxd2? 19.exf6 *(19.Bxd2 Ng4+-)* 19...Qxe1 20.Nxe1 Bxe1 21.Qg3+- *(21.Bxb5 Nxd4 22.Qc4 Bc3±)*]

19.d5!

[19.Bxb5?! Bxd2 20.Bxd2 Na7⩲]

19...a4

[19...Nxe5 20.g3±]



20.Qc2 Nxe5

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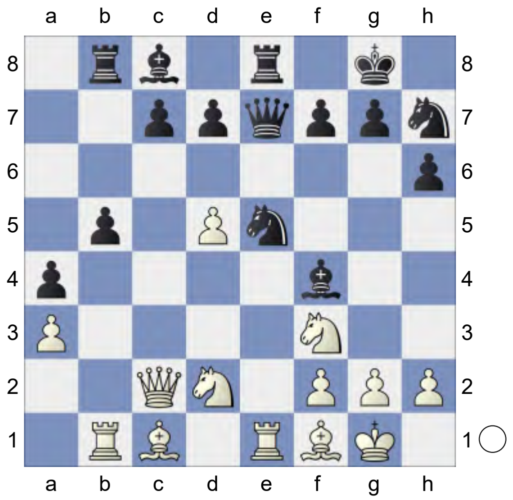


21.g3! Ng5 22.Nxg5 Bxg5 2.00/18

[22...hxg5 1.62/18 23.Bb2 *(23.gxf4 gxf4 24.Kh1 Bb7±)* 23...d6 *(23...Bxd2? 24.Rxe5 Qd8 25.Rxe8+ Qxe8 26.Qxd2+-)*]

23.f4

[23.Bxb5? Bxd2 24.Bxd2 Rxb5 *(24...Qxa3? 25.Rxe5* Decoy *Rxe5 26.Qxc7+-; 24...Nf3+? 25.Kg2-+)* 25.Rxb5 Nf3+ *(25...Qxa3? 26.Re3±)* 26.Kh1 Nxe1-+]

23...Qd6 24.fxe5

[24.fxg5?! hxg5 25.Rb4 *(25.Bxb5 Qxd5∓)* 25...Bb7 26.Rxb5 *(26.Bxb5 Qxd5 27.Ree4 c5-+)* 26...Bxd5±]

24...Qxd5 25.Ne4

[25.Qxc7? Qd4+ *(25...Bxd2 26.Bxd2 Bb7 27.Re3∓)* 26.Kh1 Bb7+ *(26...Bxd2? 27.Bb2∓)* 27.Bg2 Qf2-+ *(27...Bxd2? 28.Bxd2 Bxg2+ 29.Kxg2-+)*]

25...Bxc1 26.Qxc1

[26.Rexc1 Bb7 27.e6 *(27.Rxb5? Qxe4 28.Qxe4 Bxe4∓)* 27...Qxe4∓]

26...Qd4+ 27.Nf2 c6 28.Qf4 Qxf4 29.gxf4 Re6 Black is weak on the dark squares **30.Ne4**

[30.f5 Re8 31.Bh3 b4±]

30...Rg6+ 31.Kf2 d5 32.exd6 Black must now prevent Rbd1. **32...Bf5**

33.Rbd1 Rd8 34.Ng3 Bd7 35.f5 Rg4 36.Re7 Kf8 37.Be2 Rf4+ 38.Ke3 Rh4 39.Bh5 Re8 5.00/19

[39...Be8 3.42/17 is a better defense. 40.Rc7 Bd7]

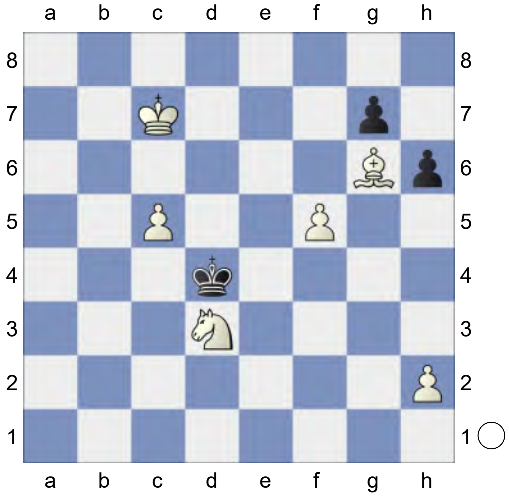
40.Rd4

[Not 40.Bxf7 Rxe7+ 41.dxe7+ Kxe7±]

40...Rxd4 41.Rxe8+

[Less strong is 41.Kxd4 Rxe7 42.dxe7+ Kxe7+-]

41...Kxe8 42.Kxd4 b4 43.axb4 Bc8 44.Kc3 Bd7 45.Kb2 Bc8 46.Ka3 Ba6 47.Ne4 Kd8 48.Nc5 Bd3 49.Nxd3 Kd7 50.Bxf7 Kxd6 51.Kxa4 Ke7 52.Bg6 Kd7 53.Ka5 Kd6 54.Kb6 Kd5 55.Kc7 c5 56.bxc5 Kd4



57.Kb6! White wants to mate with c6!.

57...h5

[57...Ke3 58.c6]

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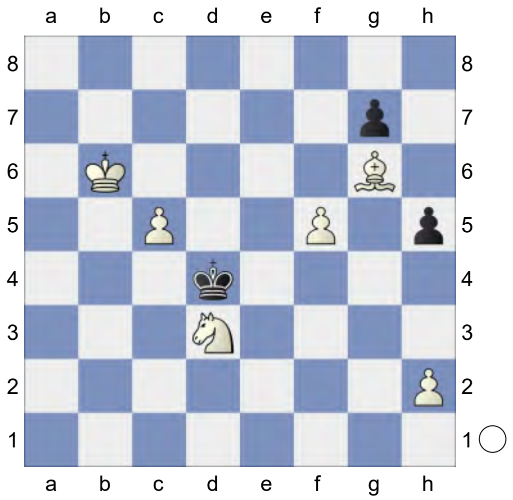


58.c6! White mates. **58...Kc4**

[58...Ke3 59.c7]

59.f6 gxf6 60.c7 f5 61.Bxf5 Kc3 62.c8Q+ Kd2 63.Qc1+ Ke2 64.Qc2+ Kf1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.45 **65.Qf2#**

1-0

92 **C52**
☐ **SolistaBot** **3060**
■ **Nikitosik-ai** **3020**
Blitz 26.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5

Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

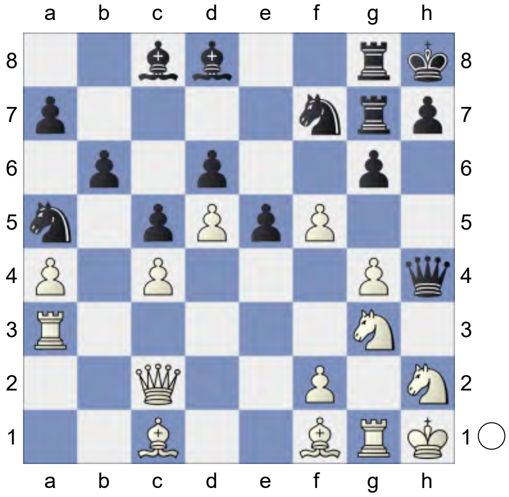
11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 0.28/20 Prevents Bb4.

[14...Nf7∓ -0.33/21]

15.d5= White has compensation. **15...Bd8 16.Bb2 b6 17.h3 0-0 18.Nh2 Kh8 19.Kh1 Qe8 20.a4 Rb8 21.g4 Rb7 22.Rg1 g6 23.Ndf1 Rg7 24.Ng3 Nf7 25.Bf1 Rfg8 26.Ra3 Qf8 27.Bc1! Qe7 28.h4 f5** Discovered Attack **29.exf5 Qxh4**



30.f6! Qxf6

[30...Bxf6 31.Ne4 Bd8 32.Rf3= *(32.Rh3 Qe7=)*]

31.Ne4 Inhibits Ng5. **31...Qe7 32.Rag3 Qe8** 0.76/18

[32...Rf8⩲ 0.40/19]

33.g5⩲ White is more active. **33...Bf5 34.Bd3 Bxe4+** 0.93/17

[34...Qd7!⩲ 0.52/22 deserves consideration.]

35.Bxe4 a6 1.30/21

[⌓35...Qd7 0.93/21]

36.R1g2!

[36.Rh3?! Qd7 37.Rh4 b5=]

36...b5 37.Nf3! bxc4 1.68/24

[37...b4± 0.97/21]

38.Rh3 Qd7 39.Rgh2 Nb3 40.Nh4!

[40.Qxc4 Nxc1 41.Bxg6 Qxh3 *(41...Nxg5 42.Nxg5* Remove Defender *Bxg5 43.Rxh7+ Rxh7 44.Rxh7+ Qxh7+ 45.Bxh7=)* 42.Rxh3 Rxg6∓ *(42...Nxg5 43.Nxg5 Bxg5 44.Bf5=)*]

[40.Bxg6?! Qxh3 41.Rxh3 Rxg6±]

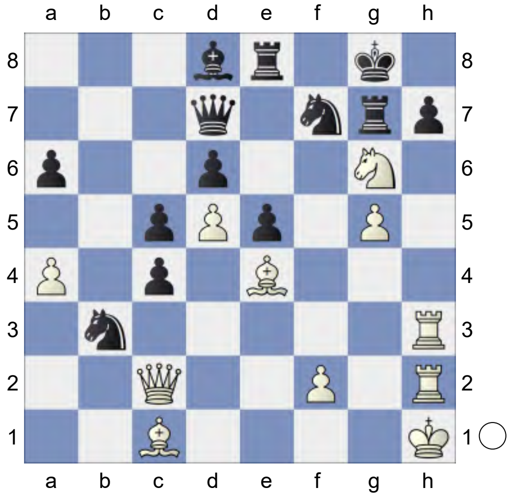
40...Re8

[40...Nxg5? 41.Nxg6+ Rxg6 42.Bxg5+-]

41.Nxg6+

[41.Qxc4? Nxc1 *(41...Nxg5? 42.Rxb3 Qg4 43.Bxg5+-)* 42.Bxg6 Nxg5-+ *(42...Bxg5? 43.Bf5-+)*]

41...Kg8



42.Nh8 Decoy **42...Nxg5**

[42...Kxh8? 43.Rxh7+ Kg8 44.Rxg7+ Kxg7 45.Rh7+ Kf8 46.g6+- *(46.Qxc4 Nxc1 47.Bg6 Bxg5=)*]
[42...Nxh8? 43.Bxh7+ Kf8 44.Bf5 *(44.Qxc4? Nxc1 45.Rf3+ Nf7-+)*]

43.Bxg5 Rxg5 1.96/22

[43...Bxg5± 1.41/20 44.Bf5 *(44.Bxh7+ Kf8-+)* 44...Nd4 *(44...Qxa4? 45.Bxh7+ Kf8 46.Ng6+ Rxg6 47.Qxg6+-)* 45.Bxd7 *(45.Bxh7+? Kf8-+)* 45...Nxc2 46.Bxe8 Ne1 *(46...Kxh8? 47.f4+- Discovered Attack)*]

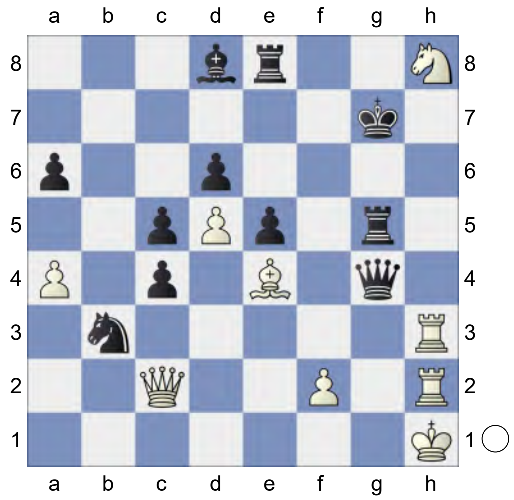
44.Bxh7++- Kg7 2.22/23

[44...Kf8 1.76/20 was called for.]

45.Be4

[45.Qxc4? Nd2 46.Bg6 Qxh3 *(46...Nxc4 47.Rh7+ Kf6 48.Rxd7±)* 47.Rxh3 Nxc4-+ *(47...Rxh8? 48.Qc3-+)*]

45...Qg4



46.Rh7+!

[46.Qxc4? Qg1#]
[46.Rg3 Qf4 47.Rh7+ *(47.Qxc4? Nd2-+)* 47...Kg8±]

46...Kg8 47.Rg2

[47.Qxc4? Qg1#]

47...Qf4 48.Nf7 Pin, Double Attack

[48.Qxc4? Nd2 49.Ng6 *(49.Rxg5+? Bxg5 50.Qe2 Qxe4+-+)* 49...Qxe4-+ *(49...Nxc4? 50.Nxf4 exf4 51.Rd7-+)*]

48...Rxg2 49.Nh6+ Zwischenzug

[49.Kxg2 Bg5 *(49...Nd4 50.Nh6+=)* 50.Nxd6 *(50.Qxc4? Nd2-+)* 50...Rf8∓]

49...Kf8 50.Bxg2

[50.Kxg2 Nd4 51.Qb1 Qg5+ 52.Kf1 Re7 53.Rh8+ Kg7 54.Rg8+ *(54.Rxd8 Qxh6 55.Qb8 Qh3+ 56.Ke1 Qc3+ 57.Kf1 Qh3+ 58.Ke1 Qc3+ 59.Kf1 Qh3+=)* 54...Kxh6+-]

50...e4 aiming for ...Re7. **51.Qc3**

[51.Qxc4 Re7 52.Rh8+ Kg7 53.Qc3+ Nd4 54.Rg8+ Kh7=]
[51.Rf7+ Qxf7 52.Nxf7 Kxf7 53.Qxc4 *(53.Bxe4 Nd4=)* 53...Nd2 54.Qxa6 e3+-]

51...Re5

[51...Qc1+ 52.Qxc1]

52.Qh3 Inhibits Qh4.

[52.Qxc4? perishes. Rh5+ 53.Kg1 Qh2+ *(53...Rxh6 54.Rxh6 Qxh6 55.Qxb3=)* 54.Kf1 Nd2+ *(54...Rxh6? 55.Rxh6 Nd2+ 56.Ke2-+)* 55.Ke2 Nxc4-+]
[52.Rf7+ Qxf7 53.Nxf7 Kxf7 54.Qxc4 Nd4 55.Qxa6 Be7+-]

52...Qc1+ 53.Bf1 Qf4 54.Rf7+

[Stronger than 54.Bxc4 Qf3+ 55.Qxf3+ exf3=]

54...Qxf7 55.Nxf7 Kxf7 56.Qh7+ Kf8 57.Qh8+ Kf7 58.Bxc4

[58.Qxd8 c3 59.Qd7+ *(59.Qxd6 Rh5+ 60.Kg2 c2+-)* 59...Re7 60.Qf5+ *(60.Qxd6 c2=)* 60...Kg7 61.Qg5+ *(61.Bxa6 c2=)* 61...Kf7 62.Qf4+ *(62.Bxa6 c2=)* 62...Ke8 63.Bxa6 *(63.Qxd6 c2±)* 63...Nd4]

58...Bf6 59.Qh7+ Ke8 60.Bxb3 e3 61.fxe3 Rxe3 62.Bd1 Rg3

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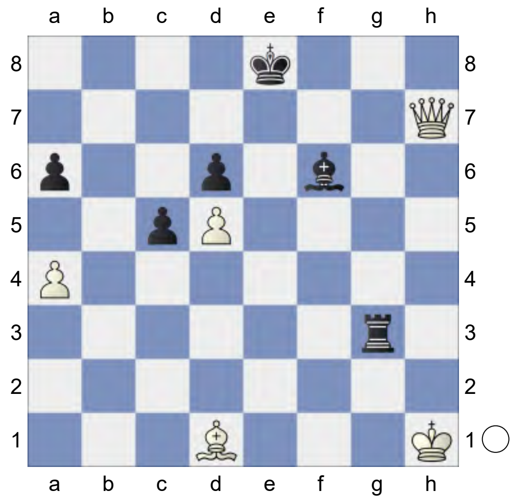

63.Bg4! Rxg4 Endgame KQ-KRB

[63...Be5 64.Qd7+]

64.Qh5+ Kd8 65.Qxg4 Qg8+ is the strong threat. **65...Bc3 66.Qc4 Be5 67.a5 Ke8 68.Qxa6** Threatening mate with Qb5+. **68...Kd8 69.Qb6+** White mates. **69...Ke7 70.a6 Kf6 71.Qb1 Bc3 72.Qe4 Bd2 73.a7 c4 74.a8Q c3 75.Qh8+ Kg5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) / Black=0.19 (very precise) **76.Qhh4#**

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91 **C52**
☐ **M-Z_Bot** **3029**
■ **Nikitosik-ai** **3032**
Blitz 26.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min+3sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** 0.11/20

[⌓10...f6 -0.28/20]

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3= White has compensation.
11...f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Dodges Bb4 **15.d5 Bd8 16.Bb2 b6 17.h3 Bd7 18.Nh2 Bc7 19.Bc3 Nb7 20.a4 a6** 0.39/22

[20...Rf8= -0.05/22]

21.Nb1± Nd8 22.Bd2 Ndf7 23.Nc3 0-0 24.Kh1 Kh8 25.Rg1 Bd8 26.g4 Ng8 27.Nf1 Qe8 28.Ne3 Ne7 29.Kh2 Ng6 30.Ng2 Ne7 31.Qd1 Rb8 32.Qf3 Ng5 33.Qg3 Nf7 34.Rgb1 Ra8 35.Qf3 Ng5 36.Qe2 Nf7 37.Bc2 Rb8 38.Ra3 g6 39.Ne3 Rg8 40.Rg1 g5 41.Bd1 Ng6 42.Nf5 Nf4 43.Qe1 Qf8 44.Bf3 Rg6 45.Qb1 Nh6 46.Qc2 Nxf5 47.exf5 Rg7 48.Raa1 Qg8 49.Be3 h6 50.Ne4 Be7 51.Ng3 h5 0.65/23 **52.gxh5 g4** 1.04/26 **53.h6±**

[53.hxg4 Rxg4 54.Rh1 (*54.Bxg4 Qxg4 55.Bxf4 exf4∓*) 54...Rh4+

55.Kg1 Qg5 56.Rxh4 Qxh4∓]

53...Rg5 54.Bd1↑ White has the initiative.

[54.hxg4 Rxg4 55.Rge1 (*55.Bxg4 Qxg4 56.Bxf4 exf4∓*) 55...Rh4+ 56.Kg1 Bf8∓ (*56...Rxh6 57.Bxf4 exf4* Pin *58.Rxe7∓*)]

54...gxh3 0.94/23

[54...Qf8± 0.49/25]

55.a5 b5 56.cxb5 Bxb5 57.Qd2 Bf8!

[57...Qxd5? 58.Bxf4 Qxd2 59.Bxd2+-]

58.Bf3 Qh7 59.Qc3!

[59.Bxf4 exf4 60.Ne4 (*60.Qxf4 Qxh6 61.Rae1 Rg8=*) 60...Rxg1 61.Rxg1 Qxf5=]

59...Rxg3 60.fxg3

[60.Rxg3?! Qxf5 61.Bg4 Qe4=]

60...Ng2 61.Bc1

[61.Kxh3? Nxe3 62.Qxe3 Bxh6-+]

61...Bxh6 62.Ra3!

[62.Kxh3? Bd2+ (*62...Bxc1+ 63.Kxg2=*) 63.Kxg2 Bxc3-+]

62...Kg7

[62...Bxc1 63.Qxc1 Kg7 64.Bg4±]

63.Bg4!

[63.Kxh3? Ne3 (*63...Bxc1+? 64.Kxg2 Bxa3 65.Qxa3-+*) 64.Bxe3 Bxe3+ 65.Kg2 Rh8-+ (*65...Bxg1? 66.Kxg1 Qxf5 67.Rb3-+*)]

63...e4! 64.Rb3! Rh8 1.31/21

[64...Bxc1± 0.54/20 65.Qxc1 (*65.Rxc1 Qh6∓*) 65...Re8]

65.Rh1! Some like it hot

[65.Bxh3? Bxc1 (*65...Be3? 66.Qxf6+* Decoy *Kxf6 67.Bb2+ Bd4 68.g4-+*) 66.Kxg2 Qxh3+-+]

65...Qg8? 2.78/21

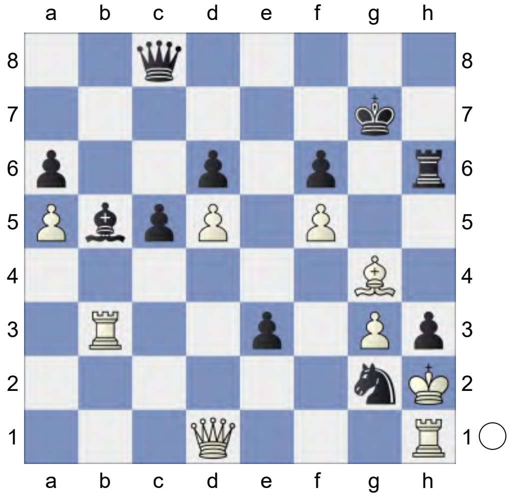
[Black should play 65...c4!± 0.70/20]

66.Bxh6++- Rxh6 67.Qd2!

[67.Bxh3 Qxd5∓ 68.Qb2 (*68.Kxg2 e3+ 69.Kh2 Rxh3+* Deflection *70.Kxh3 Qxh1+ 71.Kg4 Be2+ 72.Kf4 Qf3#; 68.Rxb5? axb5 69.Qc2 Ne3-+*) 68...Bc6=]

67...e3 68.Qd1 Black cannot hold the game after this. **68...Qc8?** 3.21/20

[68...Qe8± 1.55/17]

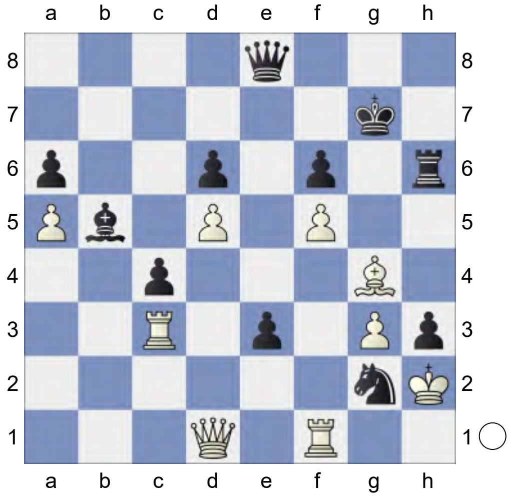


69.Rf1! c4? 4.40/21

[69...Rh7 2.16/18 is a better defense.]

[69...Qe8 70.Be2]

70.Rc3 Qe8



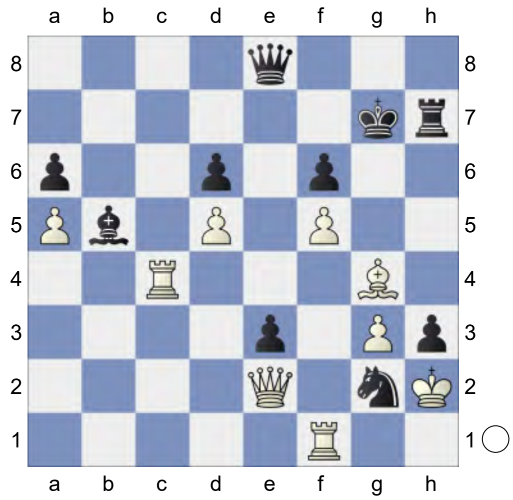
White must now prevent ...Qe5. **71.Qc2!**

[71.Qd4? e2 72.Bxe2 (*72.Qa7+? Kf8-+*) 72...Qxe2-+]

71...Ba4? 5.55/19

[71...Rh5 2.30/18 is tougher.]

72.Qe2 Bb5 73.Rxc4 Rh7



74.Rfc1! Bxc4

[74...Qe5 75.Rc7+]

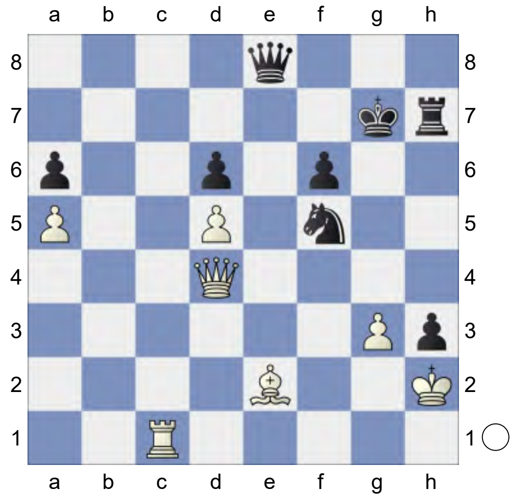
75.Qxc4 e2 76.Bxe2

[76.Bxh3? e1Q *(76...e1B 77.Kxg2 Rh5 78.Bg4±)* 77.Rxe1 Nxe1-+]

76...Ne3 77.Qd4

[77.Qxa6 Qe4 78.Rc7+ *(78.Qxd6? Qg2#)* 78...Kh6 79.Rxh7+ *(79.Qxd6? Qg2#)* 79...Kxh7 80.Qa7+ *(80.Qxd6? Qg2#)* 80...Kh6]

77...Nxf5



78.Qg4+! Kf8 79.Bxa6

[79.Qxf5? Qxe2+]

79...Nh6 80.Qf4

[80.Qxh3 Ng4+ 81.Kg2 Qe4+ *(81...Rxh3? 82.Rc8-+* Pin *)* 82.Kg1 Qe3+ *(82...Rxh3 83.Rc8+ Kg7 84.Rc7+ Kg6 85.Rg7+ Kxg7 86.Kf1 Rh1#)* 83.Kh1 Rxh3+ 84.Kg2 Rxg3+ 85.Kh1 Qh6#]

80...Qe7 81.Rb1

[81.Kxh3 Qd7+ 82.Kg2 Ng4 83.Rc8+ Kf7+-]

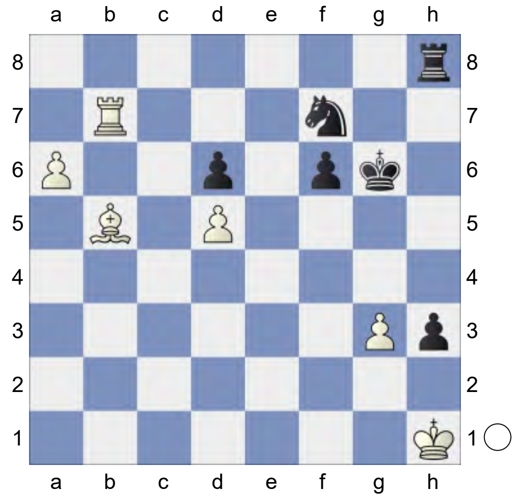
81...Qe5 82.Rb8+

[82.Kxh3? Ng4+ 83.Kg2 Qxd5+ 84.Kf1 Rh1+ *(84...Qxa5 85.Qxd6+ Re7 86.Rb8+ Kf7 87.Bc4+* Deflection *Kg6 88.Rg8+ Kh6 89.Rh8+ Kg7 90.Qxe7++-; 84...Qh1+? 85.Ke2-+)* 85.Ke2 Rxb1-+]

82...Kg7 83.Qxe5

[83.Kxh3 is a self mate. Ng4+ 84.Kg2 Qxd5+ 85.Qf3 Rh2+ *(85...Qxa5?* is the wrong capture. *86.Qxg4+ Qg5 87.Qe6+-)* 86.Kf1 Qxf3+ 87.Ke1 Qe3+ 88.Kf1 Qf2#]

83...Ng4+ 84.Kh1 Nxe5 Endgame KRB-KRN **85.Rb7+ Nf7 86.Bb5** and a6 would now be decisive **86...Rh8 87.a6 Kg6**



88.Rxf7! Kxf7 KR-KB

[88...Ra8 89.Re7]

89.Bc6 Rg8 90.a7 Rxg3 91.a8Q White wants to mate with Qe8+.

[91.a8B Kg6 92.Bb5 Rf3-+]

91...Kg7 92.Bd7 Re3 93.Be6 Re2 94.Qg8+ Kh6 95.Bf5 Rg2 96.Qe6 Kg5 97.Qe4 Rg3 98.Kh2 Rg2+ 99.Kxh3 Rg1 100.Kh2 White mates. **100...Rh1+ 101.Kxh1 Kh6 102.Qe3+ Kg7 103.Qe8 Kh6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.09 (flawless) **104.Qg6#**

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93 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Santos Latasa,J** **2614**

TCh-ESP Div Honor 2025 (7.7) 14.08.25

[Kitty Kat]

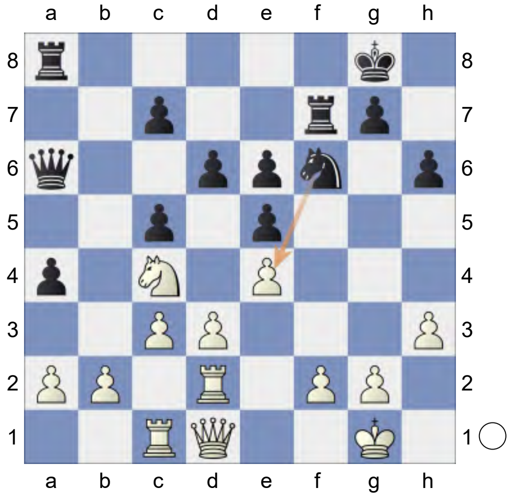
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 *(8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) *)* 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 (25) Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934_226900 Zürich (Switzerland)]

6...a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 Be6 9.Bb5 Qb8 10.Nf1 Qa7 11.Re2 a4 12.Ng3 Qa5 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.h3 Nd7 15.Ng5 Qb6 16.Nf1 h6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Nxe3 c5 20.Rc1 Rf7 21.Rd2 Nf6 The position is equal. **22.Nc4 Qa6**



aiming for ...Nxe4!. **23.Qe2 Raf8 24.Ne3 Qa7 25.Re1 Qa6 26.Qd1 Qb5 27.Kh2 Kh8 28.Qe2 Qa6 29.f3 Qa7 30.Red1 Nd7 31.b4 axb3 32.axb3 Qb8 33.Rb1 Qd8 34.Qe1 Qg5 35.Re2 Ra8 36.Qg3 Qf4 37.Nc4 Rff8** A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **38.Qxf4**

½-½

94 **C52**

☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3105**

■ **BitByByte** **2925**

Rapid 20.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4

Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 0.14/19

[Black should play 7...Qf6∓ -0.48/21]

8.0-0= Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4 The position is equal. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Rd1N White has compensation.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens, A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

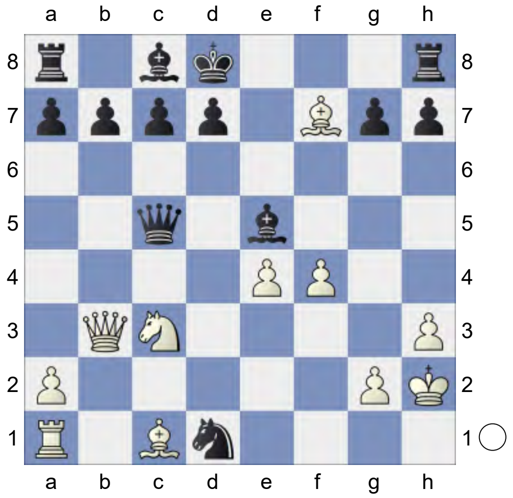
[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 13.f4! Ng4 (-> ...Qc5+) **14.h3!**

[14.fxe5 Qc5+]

[14.Ba3 Qh4 15.fxe5 *(15.Bxf7+? Kd8-+)* 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ *(16...Qxe5 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5±)* 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 Qg5+ 20.Kf2 Qf4+ 21.Kg2 Qf3+ 22.Kg1 Qg3+ 23.Kf1 d6-+]

14...Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1** Pin **17.Bxf7+ Kd8!**



18.Nd5 Bd6 ...Rf8! is the strong threat.

[18...Bxa1 19.Ba3± *(19.Qxd1? c6-+)*]

19.e5! c6 0.97/19

[19...Bf8!= 0.00/21 keeps the balance.]

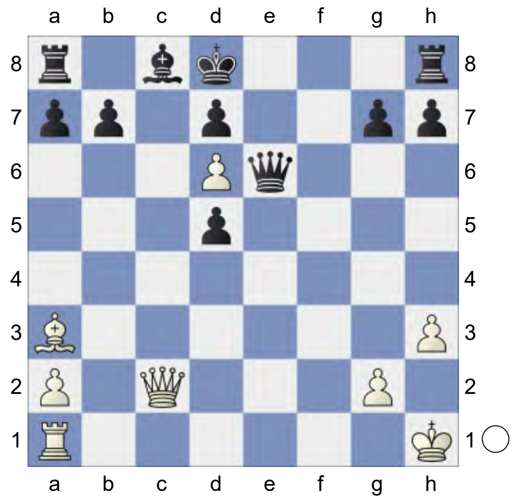
20.exd6± cxd5 21.Ba3! Chess con chili. **21...Qe3 22.Qxd1→** White has strong attack. **22...Qxf4+**

[22...Qxa3? is the wrong capture. 23.Qxd5 Qc3 24.Rc1+-]

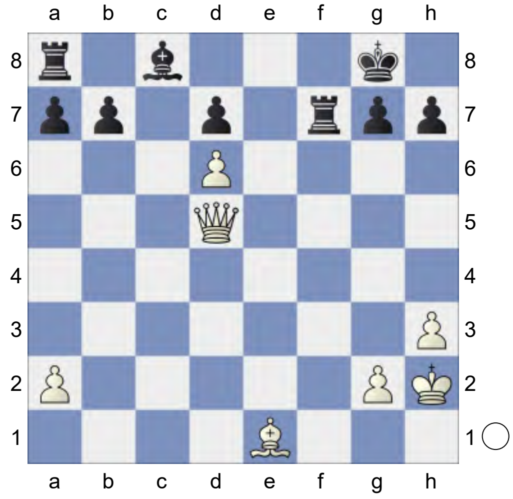
23.Kh1 Qxf7 24.Qc2! This costs Black the game. **24...Qe6** 3.22/22

[24...Ke8!± 0.59/23]

(Diagram)



Repels Re1 **25.Bb4!+- Qe4 26.Qc7+ Ke8 27.Re1 Qxe1+ 28.Bxe1 Rf8 29.Kh2 Kf7 30.Qa5 Kg8 31.Qxd5+ Rf7**



32.Ba5! Kf8 33.h4 Rb8 34.Bc7 Ra8 35.a4 a5 36.Bb6

[36.Bxa5 Ra6±]

36...Kg8 37.Qc4 and g4 would now be decisive

[37.Bxa5 Ra6±]

37...h5 5.95/23

[⌓37...Kf8 3.73/19 38.g4 Rf6]

38.Qc5 Rf4 39.Qd5+ Rf7 40.Qxh5 Ra6 41.Qc5

[Less strong is 41.Bxa5 b6 42.Bc3 Rxa4=]

41...Rf4 42.Qxc8+ Kh7 43.Qxb7 Rxh4+ 44.Kg3 Rxb6 45.Qxb6 Endgame KQ-KR **45...Rh6 46.Qc7 Rg6+ 47.Kh2 Rh6+ 48.Kg1 Rh4 49.Qxd7 Rd4 50.Qf5+ Kh6 51.d7** White mates. **51...Rd1+ 52.Kf2 Rd2+ 53.Kg3 g5 54.d8Q Rxd8 55.Qf6+ Kh5 56.Qxd8 Kg6 57.Kg4 Kh7 58.Kxg5 Kg7 59.Qe7+ Kh8 60.Kf6 Kg8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.63

61.Qg7#

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95 **C52**

☐ **Boller1910** **3034**

■ **Botyuliirma** **3010**

Blitz 18.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

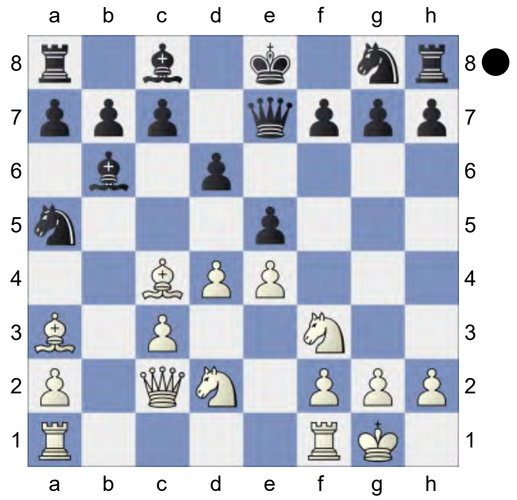
Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3



f6 12.Bb5+N

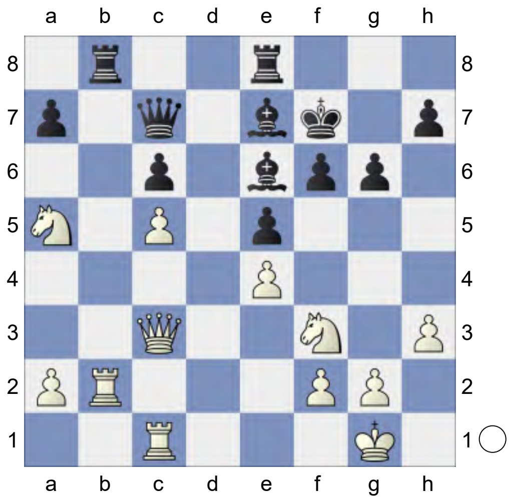
[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6! 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 Nf7 15.c5 dxc5 16.dxc5 Bd8 17.Bb4 White has compensation. **17...Qc7 18.Rab1 0-0 19.Qc3 Re8 20.h3 g6 21.Rb2 b6 22.Bxa5 bxa5 23.Bc4 Kg7** The position is equal. **24.Bxf7 Kxf7 25.Nc4 Be7** Prevents Nd6+. **26.Rc1**

[26.Qxa5 Qxa5 27.Nxa5 Bxc5⩲]

26...Be6 27.Nxa5 Excellent horsemanship. **27...Rab8**

(Diagram)



...Rxb2 would now be deadly. **28.Rcb1 Rxb2 29.Rxb2 Bc8** Against Rb7 **30.Nd2 Rd8 31.Ndb3 Be6 32.Nd2 Qd7 33.Qb4 Kg7 34.Ndc4** And now Nd6! would win. **34...Qd1+ 35.Kh2 Qc1! 36.Nd6!**

[36.Nxc6 Rd1 37.Ne3 (*37.N4xe5? fxe5 38.Nxe5 Qf4+ 39.g3 Qxe5-+*) 37...Bxc5 (*37...Rh1+ 38.Kg3-+*) 38.Qb7+ Rd7-+]

36...Qf4+ 37.Kg1⇄ White has counterplay **37...Qc1+ 38.Kh2 Qf4+ 39.Kg1**

[Reject 39.g3 Qf3 40.g4 (*40.Nxc6* gets mated. *Bxh3* Decoy) 40...Rd7∓ 41.Nxc6 Bxd6 42.cxd6 h5-+]

39...Qc1+ An interesting draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

40.Kh2

½-½

96 **C52**
☐ **Booktester** **3058**
■ **PetersBot** **3011**
Blitz 17.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6! 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 0.21/19 Prevents Bb4.

[14...exd4∓ -0.67/19 15.e5 fxe5]

15.d5= White has compensation. **15...0-0 16.Bb2 Bd8 17.a4 g6 18.h3 Qg7 19.Rae1 b6 20.g4 Nf7 21.Nh2** -0.36/18

[Better is 21.Kg2= 0.19/20]

21...h5 0.08/18

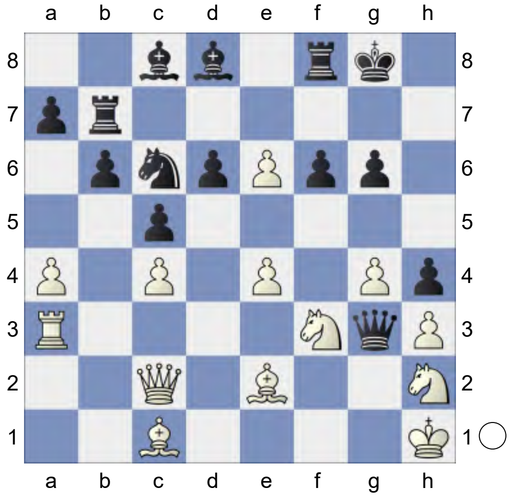
[21...g5∓ -0.36/18]

22.Re3 Qh6 23.Be2 h4 24.Ra3 Rb8 25.Bc1 Ng5 26.f4 exf4 27.Rxf4 Rb7

[27...Nxh3+? 28.Rxh3 Rb7 *(28...Qxf4? 29.Ndf3+-)* 29.Rf2+-]

28.Kg2 Ne6 0.99/19 **29.dxe6± Qxf4 30.Ndf3** Dodges Qe5 **30...Qg3+ 31.Kh1 Nc6**

[31...Qxh3? 32.Ne1+- *(32.Ng1 Qxa3 33.Bxa3 Bxe6±)*]

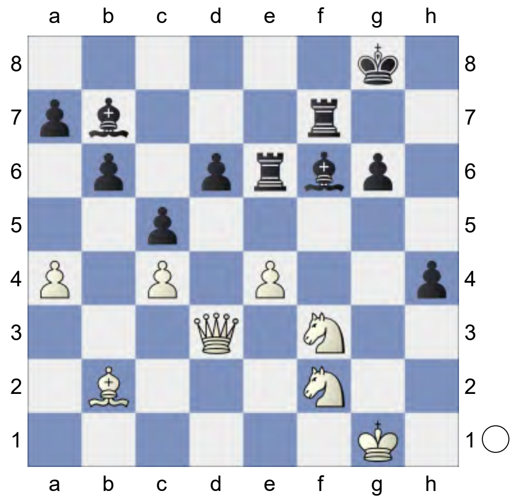


32.Nf1! Qxh3+ 33.N3h2 Qxa3 34.Bxa3 Nd4 35.Qd2 Nxe2 36.Qxe2 Re7 37.Bb2 Rxe6 38.Kg1 Bb7 39.Nd2 f5 40.gxf5 Rxf5 41.Ng4 Bg5 Repels Nh6+ **42.Qd3** Dancing on a razor blade. **42...Rf4 43.Nf2→** White has strong attack. Excellent horsemanship. **43...Rf7** 1.68/18

[43...Kf7± 0.86/18]

44.Nf3+- Bf6

(Diagram)



45.e5! Discovered Attack **45...Be7**

[45...dxe5 46.Ng4]

46.Ne4 Rf5 Prevents Nfg5 **47.Bc1 Bxe4 48.Qxe4 dxe5 49.Be3**

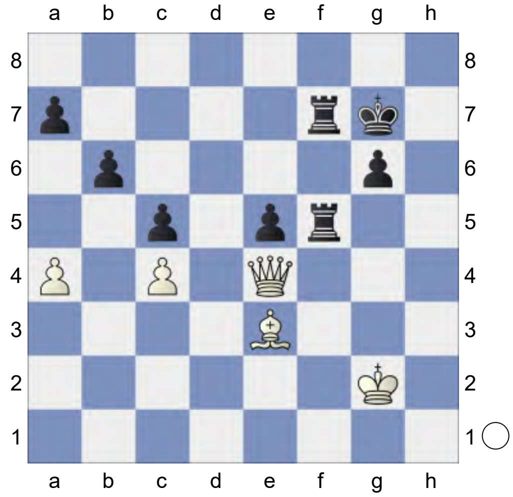
[49.Nxh4 Bxh4 50.Qxh4 Rd6]

[49.Qd5?! Kf7 50.Qe4 Rh5]

49...Bf6 2.41/18

[⌓49...h3 1.90/17 50.Kh2 Bf6]

50.Nxh4 Bxh4 51.Qxh4 Ref6 52.Qe4 Rf7 53.Kg2 Kg7



54.a5! Rc7

[54...Kh7 55.Qc6]

55.Qd5 Rcf7 56.Qd6 Rf3 57.Qxe5+ Kh7 58.Qe4 Rf1 59.Kg3 Rd1 60.Kg4 and axb6 should not be overlooked **60...Rd6** 3.55/19

[60...Rdf1 2.35/17 61.a6 Rd1]

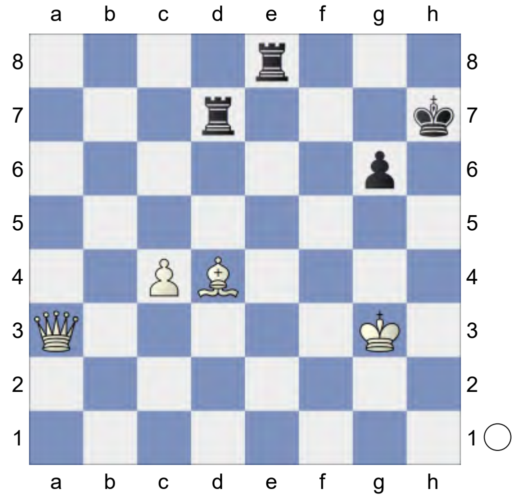
61.Qe5 Rd3 62.axb6 axb6 63.Qe6 Kg7 64.Qe4

[64.Bh6+ Kxh6 65.Qxf7 Rd4+ 66.Kf3 Kg5+-]

64...Rd1 65.Qe5+ Kh7 66.Qe6 Rdd7 5.97/22

[66...Rdf1 3.76/17 was called for. 67.Qxb6 R1f5]

67.Qxb6 Rde7 ...Re4+ would now be deadly. **68.Qxc5 Re4+ 69.Kg3 Rd7 70.Kf3 Re8 71.Qa3** Prevents Rd3. **71...Rf7+ 72.Kg3 Rfe7 73.Bd4 Rd7**



74.Qf3! Rxd4 Endgame KQ-KRR

[74...Kg8 75.Qf6]

75.Qf7+ Kh6 76.Qxe8 Rxc4 KQ-KR **77.Qg8 Re4 78.Qa8 Re7 79.Qf8+ Rg7 80.Kh4 Kh7 81.Kg5 Ra7 82.Qh6+ Kg8 83.Qh4**

[Weaker is 83.Kxg6 Ra6+ 84.Kh5 Rxh6+ 85.Kxh6=]

[83.Qxg6+ Rg7=]

83...Ra5+ 84.Kxg6 Ra6+ 85.Kf5 Ra5+ 86.Ke6 Ra6+ 87.Kd7 10.65/20 **Ra7+ 88.Kc8** Intending Kd8 and mate. **88...Ra8+**

[88...Rh7 89.Qg5+ Rg7 90.Qd5+ Rf7 91.Qg5+ Rg7]

89.Kb7 White mates. **89...Rf8 90.Kc6 Kg7 91.Qg5+ Kf7 92.Kd7 Rg8 93.Qd5+ Kf8 94.Ke6 Kg7 95.Ke7**

Kh7 96.Kf7 Rg7+ 97.Kf8 Kh6 98.Qh1+ Kg6 99.Qg1+ Kf5 100.Qxg7 Ke4 101.Qc3 Kd5 102.Ke7 Ke4 103.Ke6 Kf4 104.Qd3 Kg4 105.Qe3 Kh5 106.Kf5 Kh4 107.Qc3 Kh5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)
108.Qh3#
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97 **C52**
☐ **Brainy60** **3055**
■ **LaQuaisha** **2973**
Blitz 11.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6! 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Repels Bb4 **15.d5 Bd8 16.Bb2** White has compensation. **16...0-0 17.a4 g6 18.h3 Bd7** 0.47/20

[18...b6= -0.03/24]

19.g4 Nf7 20.Nh2 h5 0.59/24

[20...g5= 0.14/21]

21.f4!⩲ hxg4 22.Be2! gxh3 0.83/22

[22...g3= 0.19/22 23.Ng4 g2 24.Kxg2 Bxg4 25.Bxg4 Kg7]

23.Kh1± Kg7 1.06/21

[23...g5!= 0.30/21 keeps the balance.]

24.Bg4 0.35/22

[24.f5 g5∓]

[24.Qd3!± 1.06/21]

24...Rh8⩲

[24...exf4 25.Rxf4 Ne5 26.Rg1]

25.Rf3 Bc7 0.80/23

[25...exf4⩲ 0.39/21 26.Rxf4 Ne5]

26.Ndf1± Black is on the road to losing. **26...Rag8** 1.06/23

[26...exf4 27.Bxd7 Qxd7 28.Rxf4∓]

[26...Nh6!⩲ 0.51/21 27.Bxd7 *(27.Bxh3? Bxh3 28.fxe5 dxe5∓; 27.fxe5 fxe5 28.Bxd7 Qxd7=)* 27...Qxd7]

27.Ne3! Bd8 1.85/23

[27...exf4?! 28.Rxf4 Ne5 29.Raf1=]

[27...Rh7± 0.73/22]

28.Raf1+- Nh6

[28...exf4? 29.Bxf6+ *(29.Rxf4 Ne5±)* 29...Qxf6 30.Rxf4+-]

29.fxe5

[29.Rxh3? Nxg4 30.Rxh8 Nxe3-+

(30...Rxh8? 31.Nexg4 Bxg4 32.Kg1-+)]

29...fxe5 30.Bxd7 White is more active.

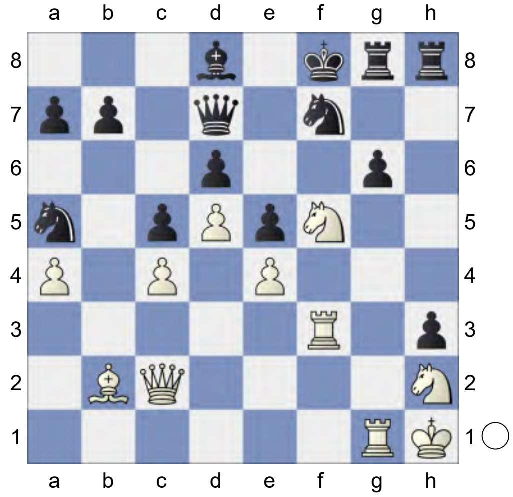
[30.Rxh3? Nxg4 31.Rxh8 Rxh8-+]

30...Qxd7 31.Rg1! Nf7 2.47/22

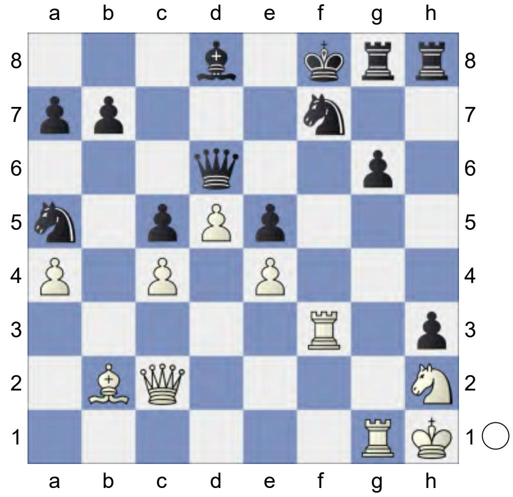
[Not 31...Rh7 32.Bc1∓]

[31...g5± 1.02/20]

32.Nf5+ Kf8



33.Nxd6 Deflection **33...Qxd6**



34.Ng4! Rh7 2.75/21

[34...Ke8± 1.33/21 was necessary.]

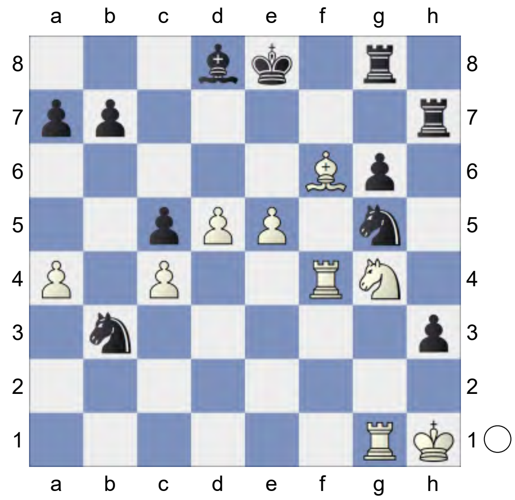
35.Bxe5 Qb6 36.Bf6 Ke8 37.e5 Ng5 3.68/20

[⌓37...Qb4 2.26/17]

38.Rf4 Qb3? 4.71/21

[38...Nc6 2.50/18]

39.Qxb3 Nxb3



40.Bxd8! Kxd8 41.Nf6 Discovered Attack, Double Attack **41...Rf8 42.Rxg5 Rg7 43.Kh2 Nd4 44.Kxh3 Rh8+ 45.Kg2 b6 46.Rf2 a6 47.d6 Kc8 48.Rg4 Ne6 49.Rb2 Kb7 50.a5 b5 51.cxb5 g5 52.b6 Nd8 53.Kg3 Nf7 54.Re4 Rg6 55.Rf2** and d7 would now be decisive **55...Rg7 56.Rd2 g4 57.e6 Nh6 58.d7 Rd8 59.Rd5 Re7 60.Rxc5 Rh8 61.Rec4 Nf5+ 62.Rxf5 Rh3+ 63.Kg2 Rh8 64.Rfc5 Rh2+ 65.Kxh2 g3+ 66.Kg2 Rxd7 67.exd7 Kb8 68.Rc8+ Kb7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=1.14

69.R4c7#

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99	**C52**
☐ **Booktester**	**3055**
■ **YoBot_v2**	**3027**
Blitz	10.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]	

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

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11.a4! White has compensation.

11...Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6 13.Rb1N

[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ (36) Castro Salguero,R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11. ♘e2 13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7 Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...g5 14.Ba3 h5 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Nxc4 17.Bxc4 Na5! 18.Ba2 h4 19.Rfd1 Qg7 20.Bb4 g4

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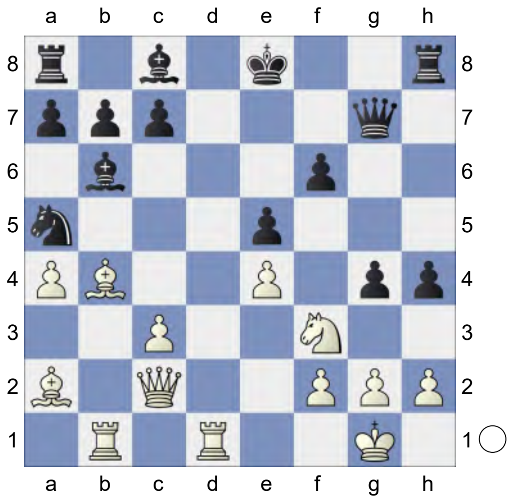
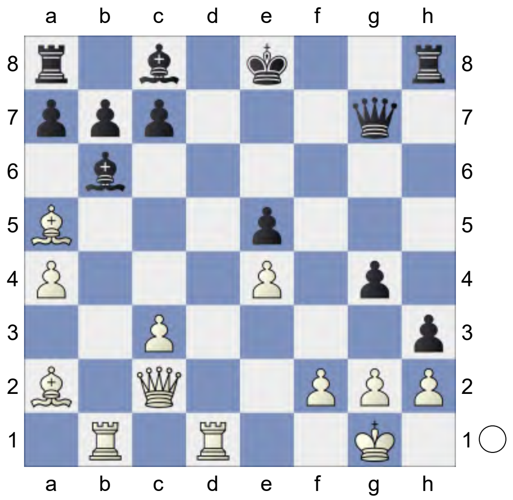


21.Nxe5 fxe5 The position is equal.

22.Bxa5 h3

[22...Bd7 simplifies 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Bd5 h3]

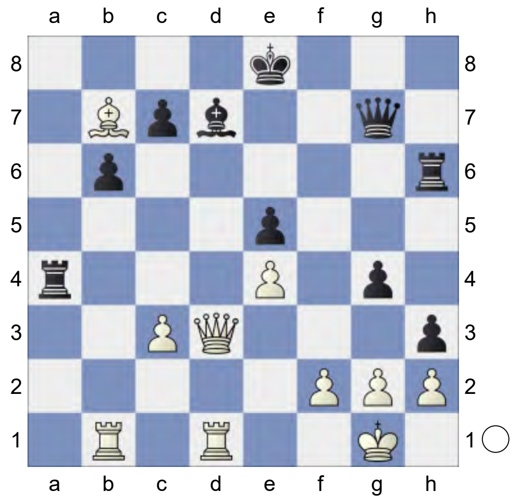


23.Qd3 Bd7

[23...Qf6 feels hotter. 24.Bxb6 axb6 25.Qb5+ Ke7]

24.Bxb6 axb6 25.Bd5 Rxa4 26.Bxb7 Rh6

(Diagram)



Repels Bc6 **27.Bc8!⇄** Decoy. White is not keeping still **27...Rd6 28.Qc2** aiming for Qb3. **28...b5 29.Rxd6 cxd6 30.Bxd7+ Qxd7=** Endgame KQR-KQR **31.Qd3 Rc4 32.Qd5 Rxc3 33.Qg8+ Ke7 34.Qg5+**

[34.Qg7+ Kd8 35.Qg8+ Kc7∓]

34...Ke8 35.gxh3 gxh3 36.Qg8+! Ke7 ...Qc6 is the strong threat. **37.Ra1 Qc7 38.Qh7+ Ke6 39.Qf5+ Ke7 40.Qh7+ Ke6 41.Qf5+ Ke7** (-> ...Rc1+) An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless) **42.Qh7+**

½-½

98 C52

☐ Buletten-Karl 3041

■ BerserkEngine 3028

Blitz 10.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7**

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 0-0 15.c5 dxc5 16.dxc5 Bd8 17.Bb4 White has compensation. **17...Nf7 18.a4 Qc7 19.Rab1 Re8 20.Rfc1 Be7 21.Nc4 Nxc4 22.Bxc4 Bf8 23.Qb3! g6 24.Bd2 Kg7 25.Be3 Nd8 26.Qc3 Ne6 27.Ba2 Bd7 28.g4 h6 29.h4 Kh7 30.h5 g5 31.Rb2 Rad8 32.Rcb1 Bc8 33.Bxe6 Rxe6 34.Nd2 Re7 35.f3 Red7 36.Nc4 Rd1+ 37.Rxd1 Rxd1+** The position is equal. **38.Kg2 Qd7 39.Nd2** Active counter play! **39...Ra1 40.Qc4 Qd8 41.Nb3 Rd1! 42.Nd2 Kg7 43.Qc3 Ra1**

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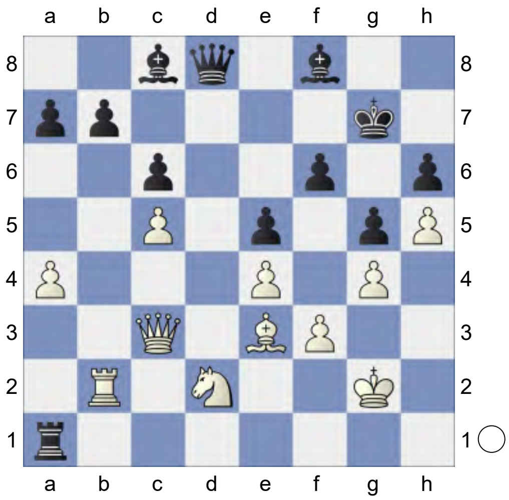


44.Rxb7+! Discovered Attack **44...Bxb7 45.Qxa1 Qd3 46.Qb2**

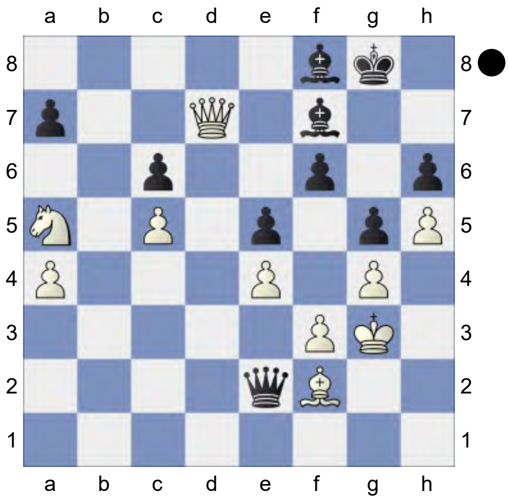
[46.Qe1 simplifies Kf7 47.Qb1 Qxb1 48.Nxb1 Ba6 49.Nd2]

46...Qe2+ 47.Bf2 Ba6 48.Kg3 Bd3 49.Qb7+ Kg8 50.Qb3+ Kh7 51.Qf7+ Bg7 52.Qg6+ Kg8 53.Qe8+ Kh7 54.Qg6+ Kg8 55.Nb3 Bc4 56.Qe8+

[56.Na5!? Bf7□ 57.Qf5=]

56...Bf8 57.Qg6+ Bg7 ...Bf7! would now be deadly. **58.Qe8+ Bf8 59.Na5!? Bf7□ 60.Qd7**

[60.Qxc6=]



Some like it hot **60...f5! 61.Qxf5= Qa6 62.Be1 Qe2 63.Bf2 Qa6**

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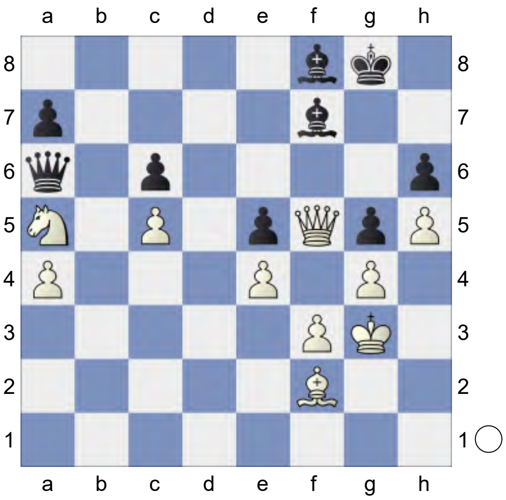


64.Qxe5! And now Bd4! would win. **64...Qxa5 65.Bd4⇄** White has counterplay **65...Qe1+**

[65...Qxa4 66.Qh8#]

66.Kh2 Qe2+ 67.Kg3 Qe1+ 68.Kh2 Qe2+ 69.Kg1 Qd1+

[69...Qxf3 70.Qh8#]

70.Kg2 Qd2+

[Inferior is 70...Qxa4 71.Qh8#]

[70...Bc4 keeps more tension. 71.Qh8+ Kf7 72.Qf6+ Ke8]

71.Kh3 Bc4 72.Qh8+ Kf7 73.Qf6+ Ke8 74.Qxc6+ Ke7 75.Qd6+ Ke8 76.Qc6+ Kf7 77.Qf6+ Ke8 (→ ...Bf1+) An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless) **78.Qc6+**

½-½

101 **C52**

☐ **Buletten-Karl** **3024**

■ **PetersBot** **2990**

Blitz 09.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4**

d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Inhibits Bb4. **15.d5 0-0 16.Bb2 Bd8 17.Bc3 b6 18.h3 f5** 0.43/22

[18...Bd7= 0.04/19]

19.exf5± Bxf5 20.Rae1 Qd7 21.Ne4 b5 22.cxb5 c4 23.Be2 Bg6! 24.Nfd2 Rf4 25.Bf3 Bb6 0.58/17

[25...Nb7!= 0.07/19]

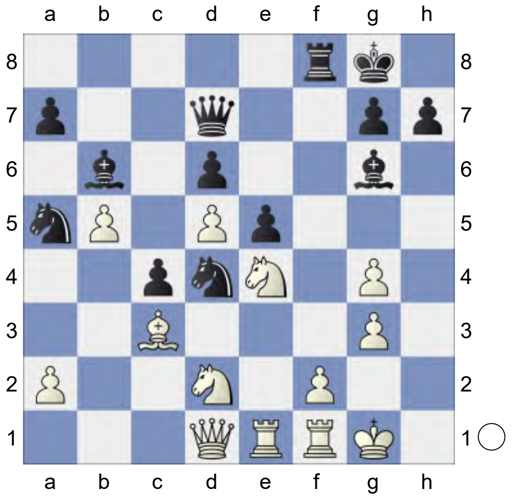
26.Qd1 Nf5 27.Bg4!

[27.g3 Nxg3 28.Bg4 (*28.Nxg3? Qxh3-+*) 28...Nf5∓ (*28...Qxb5 29.Nxg3 Qxd5 30.Bf3±* Skewer)]

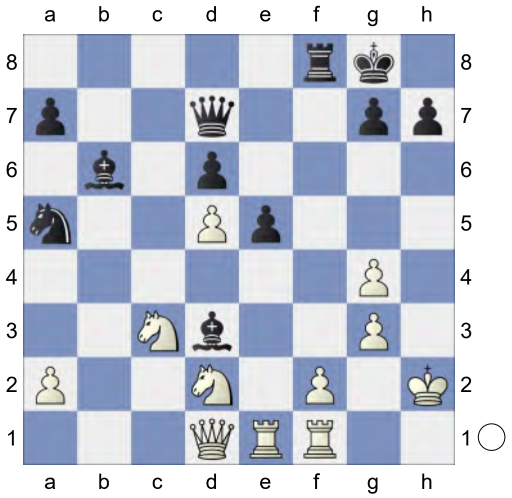
27...Rf8 28.g3 Rxg4 29.hxg4

[29.Qxg4 Qxb5 30.Qf3 (*30.Rc1 Qxd5 31.Ng5 Nd4=*) 30...Nd4∓ (*30...Qxd5? 31.Nf6+* Discovered Attack *gxf6 32.Qxd5+-*)]

29...Nd4



30.Kh2! Nxb5 31.Bb4 c3 32.Bxc3 Nxc3 33.Nxc3 Bd3!



34.Nde4! Bxf1 35.Rxf1 Nb7! 36.f3 0.31/20

[36.Ng5± 0.78/21]

36...Bd4 37.Ne2 Qb5 38.Qc2!

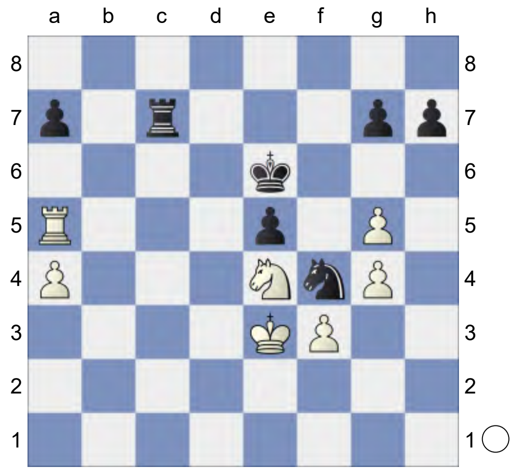
[Reject 38.Nxd4 exd4 39.Rf2 Qxd5=]

38...Bb6 39.Kg2 Na5! 40.N2c3 Nc4! and ...Ne3+ should not be overlooked **41.Nxb5**

[Avoid the trap 41.Nf6+? Rxf6 (*41...gxf6? 42.Nxb5 Ne3+*

43.Kh3-+) 42.Nxb5 Ne3+ 43.Kf2 Nxc2+-+]

41...Ne3+ 42.Kf2 Nxc2+ 43.Ke2 Ne3 Dodges Rd1 **44.Rc1 Nxd5 45.Nbxd6 Ne7 46.g5 Ra8 47.Rc3 Rd8 48.a3 Nd5 49.Rd3 Ne7 50.Rc3 Rf8 51.a4 Rd8 52.Kf1 Nd5 53.Rc1 Rf8 54.Ke2** a5! is in the air **54...Ne7! 55.Rc4 Rb8 56.Rc3 Rd8 57.Kf1 Nd5 58.Rc6 Ne7 59.Rc1 Rf8 60.Ke2 Rb8 61.Nc4 Bd4 62.Ncd6** Excellent horsemanship. **62...Rb2+** The position is equal. **63.Nd2 Kf8 64.Nb5 Bf2** Decoy **65.Kxf2 Rxd2+=** Endgame KRN-KRN **66.Ke3 Ra2 67.Nc3 Rg2 68.g4 Kf7 69.Rb1 Rc2 70.Kd3 Rf2 71.Ke4 Rc2! 72.Kd3 Rf2 73.Ke3 Rc2 74.Ne4 Nd5+ 75.Kd3 Rc7 76.Rb5 Nf4+ 77.Kd2 Ke6 78.Ra5 Rd7+ 79.Kc3 Rc7+ 80.Kd2 Rd7+ 81.Ke3 Rc7 82.Nd2 Rc1 83.Ne4** Threatens to win with Ra6+. **83...Rc7**



84.g6! hxg6 85.Ng5+ Kf6 86.Nh7+ Ke6 87.Ng5+ Kf6 88.Ne4+ Ke6 89.Kd2 Rd7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **90.Kc2** Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

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100 C52
☐ Booktester 3039
■ ArasanX 2973
Blitz 09.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6** The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.a4! Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6 13.Re1N

[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ Castro Salguero, R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11. ♘e2_13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7 Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W

Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...exd4 0.37/20

[13...Qe7= 0.01/18 deserves consideration.]

14.Nxd4⩲ Nxd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Bb2 Nc6 17.Bxd4! Nxd4 18.Qc3 c5

[18...Qxa4? 19.Bf7+ (*19.Qxc7 Qd7±*) 19...Kxf7 20.Rxa4+-]

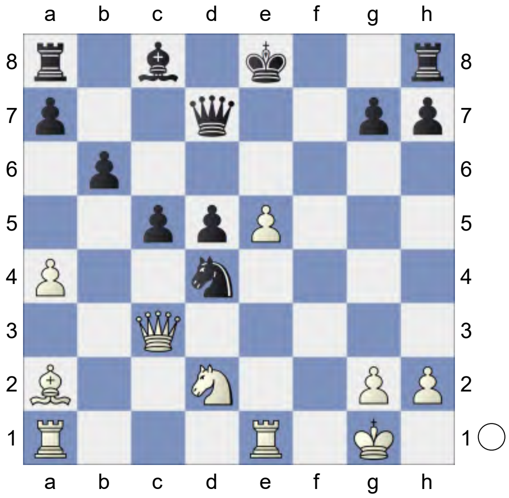
19.f4 b6!

[19...Qxa4? 20.Bf7+ Kxf7 21.Rxa4+-]

20.e5! fxe5

[20...Qxa4 21.exf6+ (*21.Bf7+ Kxf7 22.Rxa4 dxe5+-*) 21...Kf8 22.fxg7+ Kxg7 23.Qg3+ Kf8 24.Qg5+-]

21.fxe5 d5



22.e6! Nxe6 0.72/25

[22...Qd6= 0.09/21]

23.Re5 0.32/23 White has more active pieces.

[23.Qf3± 0.72/25 Bb7 (*23...Qxa4? 24.Bxd5 Qd4+ 25.Kh1+-*) 24.Qh3]

23...Bb7

[23...Qxa4? 24.Bxd5 (*24.Rxd5 0-0=*) 24...Qf4 25.Bxa8+- (*25.Rf1 Qd4+ 26.Qxd4 cxd4+-*)]

24.Qh3 0-0-0! 25.Rxe6

[25.Qxe6 Qxe6 26.Rxe6 c4]

25...Rhe8! 26.Rae1 Rxe6 27.Rxe6 Kb8! 28.Qg3+! Qc7 29.Qh4 a5

30.Nf3 0.21/22

[30.Qxh7 c4 31.Bb1 (*31.Nf3 d4=*) 31...d4=]

[White should try 30.Bb1± 0.75/23]

30...Rd6= 31.Re5 Rd7 1.15/22

[31...h6= 0.08/21]

32.Bb1±

[Don't take 32.Qxh7 c4⩲]

32...Ka7! 33.Re6

[33.Bxh7 g5 34.Qxg5 Rxh7-+]

[33.Qxh7 d4 34.Re1 c4∓]

33...h6 1.82/22

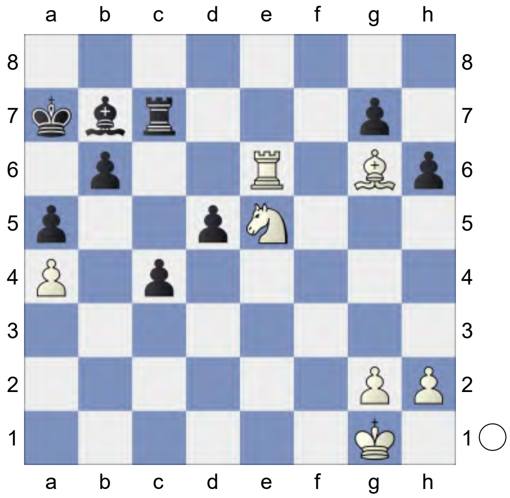
[33...g5!⩲ 0.45/21 34.Qxg5 (*34.Nxg5 d4±*) 34...d4]

34.Bg6+- Rd6 2.17/26

[34...Qd8± 0.99/21]

35.Qg3↑ White has strong initiative.

35...Rc6 36.Qxc7 Rxc7 37.Ne5 Wards off Rc6 **37...c4**



38.Kf2! d4

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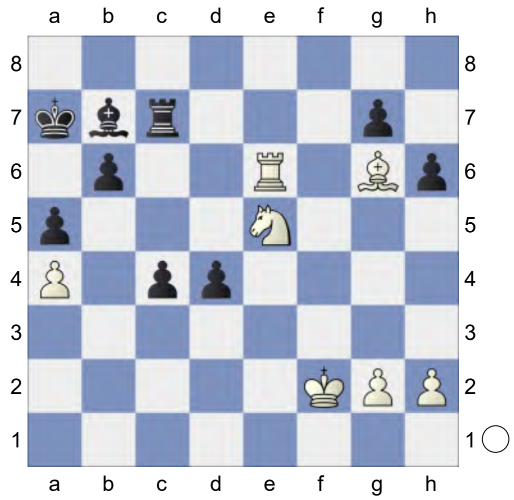

39.g3! d3 2.56/24

[39...h5± 1.47/21 keeps fighting. 40.Ke2 (*40.Bxh5 c3=*) 40...c3]

40.Ke3 c3 And now ...c2 would win.

41.Nxd3 and Nc1 would now be decisive

[41.Bxd3 c2 42.Bxc2 Rxc2∓]

41...Bc6 3.33/24

[⌓41...Bd5 2.28/24 42.Re5 Bb3]

42.Be8 Bxe8 43.Rxe8 KRN-KR

43...Rc4 4.35/24

[⌓43...Kb7 3.04/22 44.Re4 b5 45.axb5 Kb6]

44.Re4 Rxe4+ 10.05/28

[44...Rc6 3.91/20 45.Ne5 Rc5]

45.Kxe4 White is clearly winning. **45...c2 46.Kd4 Kb7 47.Kc3 Kc6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) / Black=0.49 **48.Kxc2**

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102 **C50**

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2706**

■ **Deac,Bogdan-Daniel** **2668**

Chess.com Classic Play-In blitz (4)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.a3 h6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.0-0

[8.c3 0-0 9.0-0 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bb5 Bd7 12.Bc4 Ne7 13.Qb3 Rf8 14.Qc2 Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 b5 16.Bb3 Ng6 17.c4 bxa4 18.Bxa4 Bg4 19.Nd2 Nh5 20.Nf1 Qh4+ 21.g3 Nxg3 22.hxg3 Qh1 0-1 (26) Mitusov,S (2478)-Urkedal,F (2551) Landsturneringen 2024 Elite og Senior 6 (9.2)]

8...Bg4 The position is equal.

[8...0-0 9.h3 Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Ne7 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 0-1 (52) Van Foreest,J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) NED-ch KO Utrecht 2023 (4.5)]

9.c3 Inhibits Nd4. **9...Qd7N**

[9...Na5 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Ba2 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.g4 Nxg4 14.hxg4 Bxg4 15.d4 Qf6 16.Kg2 Nc6 17.Qd3 exd4 18.Nh2 Bh5 19.Bd2 Qg6+ 20.Kh1 Ne5 21.Qg3 Qxe4+ 22.f3 Qc2 23.cxd4 Ng6 24.Bc3 1-0 (33) Philippe (2171)-Safar Zadeh, E (2272) Munich SKA 1993 (7) Rae8 25.Rae1 Qf5 26.Bb1 Qb5 27.Re4 d5 28.Rxe8 Rxe8 29.Qh3 Nf4 30.Qf5 Ne2 31.Qh7+ Kf8 32.Bd3 Qc6 33.Bb4+ 1-0 Obregon Garcia,R (2171)-Rakshitta,R (2272) Wch U20 Girls 39th 2023 (7)]

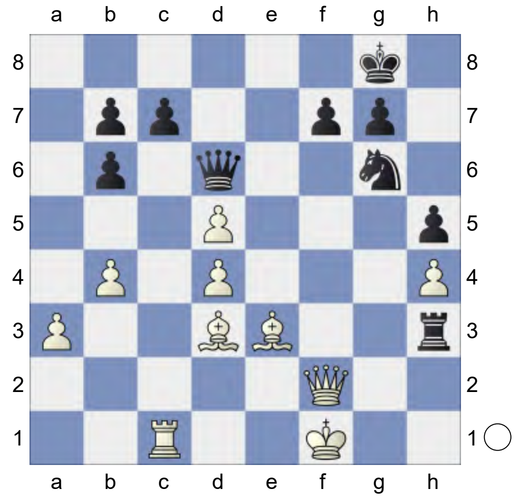
10.Re1 0-0 11.b4 Ne7 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.h3 Bh5 14.d4 Ng6 15.Qd3 exd4 White must now prevent ...Bxf3. **16.cxd4 Rfe8** 0.45/21

[16...Bxf3= 0.02/22 17.Qxf3 Rfe8]

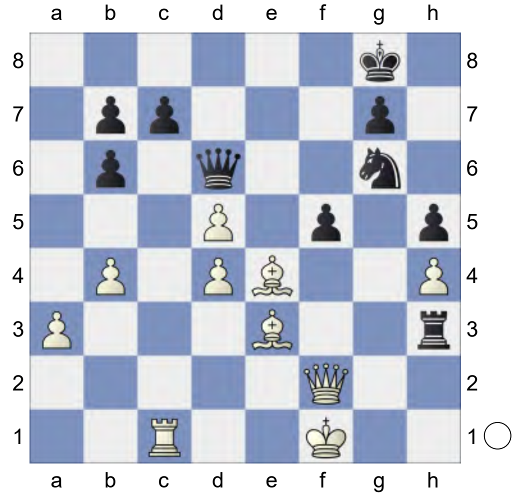
17.Bd2 d5 18.exd5 Bxf3 19.Qxf3 Qd6 1.02/24

[19...b5= 0.19/22 20.Ba2 Nh4]

20.g3± Rad8 1.33/24
[Black should play 20...Qd7 0.83/22]
21.Rxe8+ Rxe8 22.h4 Re4 23.Be3 h5 2.00/24
[23...Rg4± 1.35/21]
24.Rc1+- Rg4 25.Kf1 Ne4 26.Bd3 1.73/27
[⌓26.Be2 2.90/22]
26...Nxg3+ 3.21/22
[26...Qxd5 1.73/27 was necessary. 27.Bxe4 *(27.Rxc7? Nd2+ 28.Bxd2 Qxf3-+)* 27...Rxe4]
27.fxg3 Rxg3 28.Qf2 Rh3



29.Be4 Against Rh1+. aiming for Rc3.
29...f5? 7.03/23
[29...Qe7 2.76/22 30.Bxg6 fxg6]



30.Bg2! White is clearly winning.
[30.Bxf5? loses. Rh1+ 31.Ke2 Rh2 32.Bxg6 *(32.Be6+? Kh7-+)* 32...Rxf2+ 33.Bxf2 Qxg6 34.Rxc7 Qe4+ 35.Be3 Qxh4-+ *(35...Qxd5? 36.Re7-+)*]
30...Rh2 31.Bg5 f4
Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.55
32.Re1
1-0

103 **C52**
☐ **Booktester** **3033**
■ **PetersBot** **2984**
Blitz 07.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** 0.06/18
[10...Ne7!∓ -0.32/19 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]
[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3= f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Repels Bb4 **15.d5 0-0 16.Bb2 Bd8 17.Bc3 b6 18.h3 f5 19.exf5 Bxf5 20.Rae1 Qd7 21.Ne4 b5 22.cxb5 c4 23.Be2 Bg6 24.Nfd2 Rf4! 25.Bf3 Nb7 26.a4** With the idea Qa2!.

[26.Nxc4 Rxf3 27.gxf3 Qxh3∓]

26...Rc8 27.Qa2 Nf5! 28.Bd1

[28.Nxc4? Rxf3 29.Bxe5 *(29.gxf3? Nh4-+)* 29...Rd3∓ *(29...dxe5 30.Nxe5±)*]

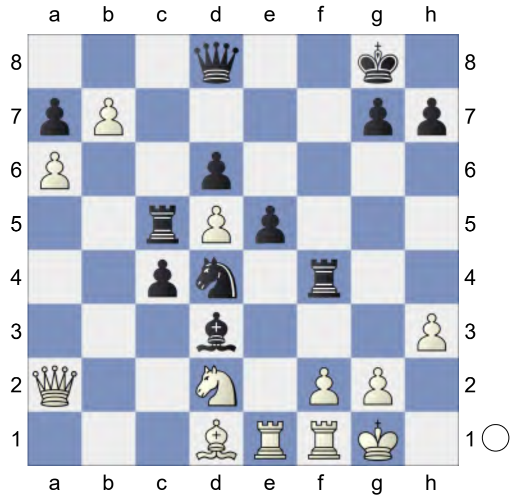
28...Bb6 29.a5! Bd4 30.a6

[30.Nxc4? Bxc3 *(30...Qxb5 31.a6⩲)* 31.a6 Bxe1 32.axb7 Rxe4-+]

30...Nc5 31.Bxd4! Nxd4 32.Nxc5 Rxc5 33.b6 Qd8 34.b7⇄ White is not keeping still

[34.bxa7 Bd3 35.Bh5 Nb5]

34...Bd3



35.Bg4! Rf8!

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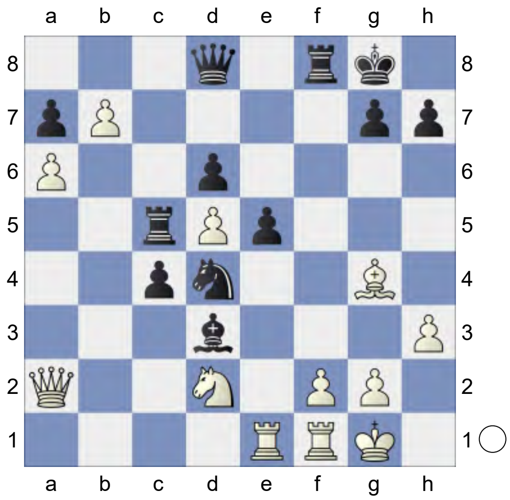


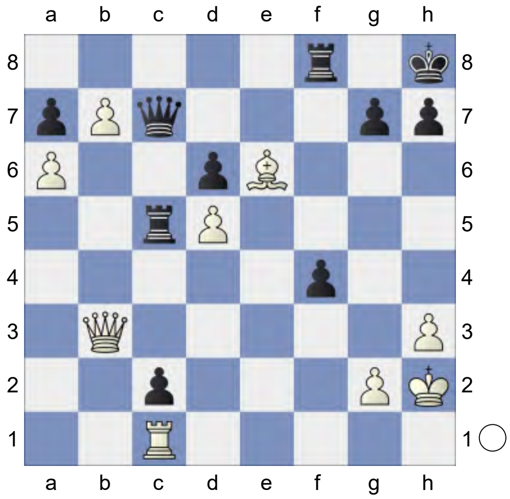
36.f4! c3!

[36...Rxd5 37.fxe5 Rxf1+ *(37...Bxf1? 38.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 39.Kxf1+-)* 38.Nxf1 Rxe5 39.Qb2+-]

37.Nb3 Inhibits Ra5.

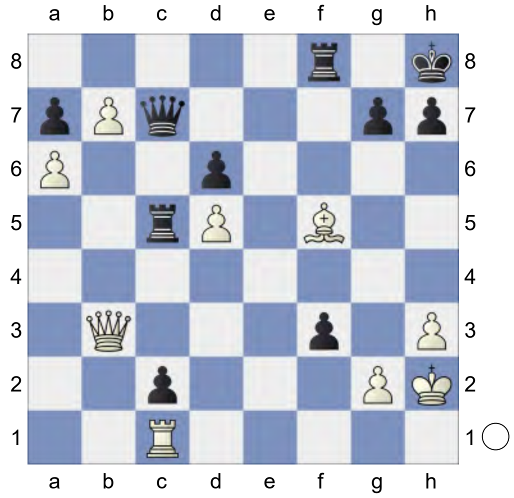
[37.Ne4 Ra5 38.Qf2 Bxf1 *(38...Rxa6 39.Re3=; 38...Rxf4? 39.Qh4+-; 38...Bxa6 39.Nxc3 Bxf1 40.Qxf1-+)* 39.Qxf1 c2 *(39...Rxf4 40.Qc4=; 39...exf4 40.Nxc3 Qc7 41.Qd3±)* 40.Be6+ Nxe6 41.dxe6 d5∓ *(41...exf4 42.Rc1⩱; 41...Rxf4? 42.e7+-)*]

37...Nxb3 38.Qxb3 Bxf1 39.Rxf1 exf4 40.Kh2 c2 41.Rc1 Qc7 42.Be6+ Kh8

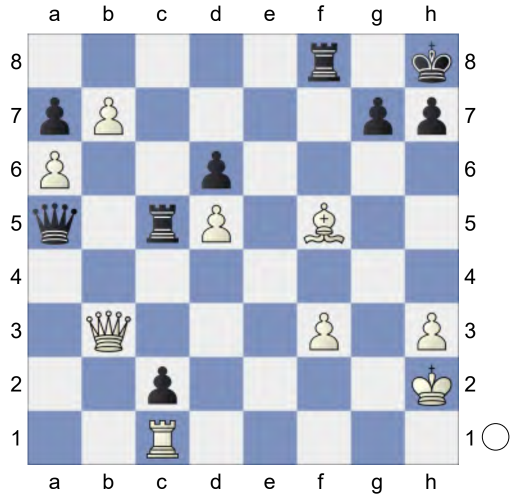


43.Bf5! Deflection, Promotion **43...f3**

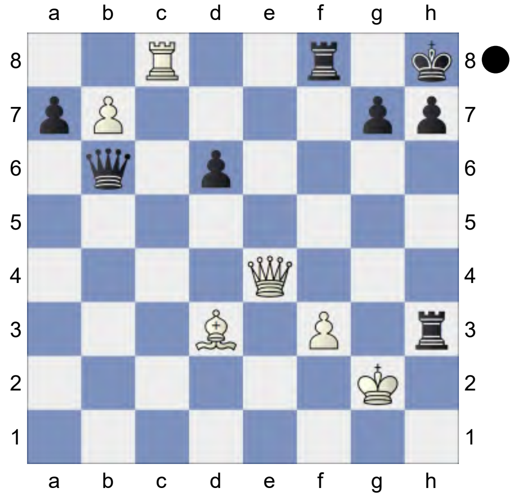
[43...Rxf5? 44.b8R++-]



44.gxf3 Qa5!
[44...Rxf5? 45.b8R++- *(45.b8Q+ Qc8+-)*]
[44...Rc3?! 45.Rxc2 *(45.Qb2 Qc4=)* 45...Rxc2+ *(45...Rxb3? 46.Rxc7 g5 47.Be4+-)* 46.Bxc2± *(46.Qxc2 Qb6±)*]



45.Qe3 Inhibits Qd2+. **45...Rxd5**
[45...Rxf5 46.Qe8+]
[45...Qxa6 46.Qe7 Rg8 *(46...Rxf5 47.Qe8+; 46...Rb8? 47.Re1+-)* 47.Bxh7]
46.Bxc2 Qf4! would now be deadly. **46...Qxa6 47.Qe4 Rh5**
[Stronger than 47...Qxb7 48.Qxh7#]
[Don't blunder 47...Rd2+? 48.Kh1 Rxc2 *(48...g6? 49.Qe7+-)* 49.Rxc2+-]
48.Bd3! White threatens Rc8! and mate. **48...Qb6 49.Kg2 Rg5+! 50.Kh1** The board is on fire. **50...Rh5 51.Kg2** Inhibits Qf2+. **51...Rg5+! 52.Kh1 Rh5** aiming for ...Qf2!. **53.Rc8 Rxh3+ 54.Kg2**



Rg3+! 55.Kxg3 Qg1+ The position is equal. **56.Kh3 Qh1+ 57.Kg3 Qg1+ 58.Kh4 Qh2+ 59.Kg4 Qg2+ 60.Kh5 Qh3+ 61.Kg5 Qg3+! 62.Qg4 Qe5+ 63.Qf5**
[63.Bf5!?= Qf6+□ 64.Kf4 Qe5+ 65.Kg5=]
63...Qg3+! 64.Qg4 Qe5+ 65.Qf5
[65.Kh4!? Qh2+□= 66.Qh3 Qf4+ 67.Kh5 Qh6+ 68.Kg4 Qf4+ 69.Kh5=]
65...Qg3+! Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless) **66.Qg4=**
½-½

105 **C54**
☐ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2741**
■ **Sevian,Samuel** **2692**
American Cup Elim (2.6) 19.03.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 7...Bb6 is the modern continuation.7...Lb6 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **8.h3** Wards off Ng4 **8...Ne7 9.d4 Ng6 10.Bd3 Re8 11.Nbd2 c6 12.Nf1 d5 13.dxe5** -0.41/23

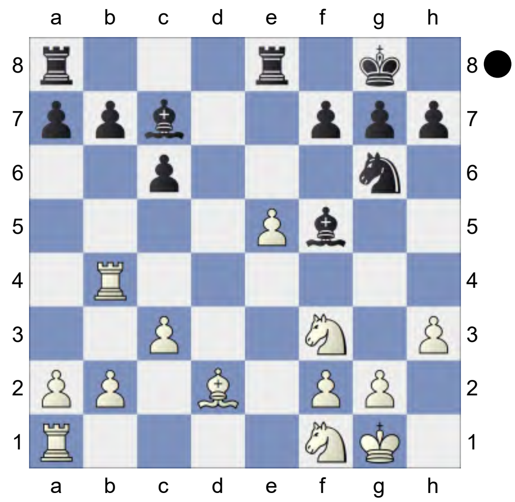
[13.Bg5⩲ 0.32/22]

13...Nxe4⩱ 14.Bxe4 dxe4 15.Qxd8 Bxd8N

[15...Rxd8 16.Rxe4 Rd1 17.g4 -1.03/23 (*17.Re1⩱* -0.55/23 *Rxe1 18.Nxe1*) 17...Be6 18.c4 -2.38/23 (*18.Re1⩱* -1.04/22 only move. *Rxe1 19.Nxe1*) 18...a5 -1.24/19 (*18...Rad8-+* -2.38/23 *19.Kg2 R8d3*) 19.b3? -3.53/24 (*19.Kg2⩱* -1.24/19 was necessary.) 19...a4-+ 20.b4 a3 Prevents Bb2 21.Kg2 Ra4 -2.25/20 0-1 (62) Vyprachticky,D (2332)-Simek,P (2298) CZE-chT1W 2122 2021 (1.5) (*⌓21...Rad8* -4.11/21 *22.Ng3 R8d3*)]

16.Rxe4 Bc7 17.Bd2 Bf5 18.Rb4 -0.87/22

[18.Re2⩱ -0.48/22]



18...Rab8 -0.41/21

[18...b6!⩱ -0.87/22]

19.Ng3 -0.81/23

[19.Ne3⩱ -0.41/21 Bd3 20.a4]

19...Be6 20.Ng5 Nxe5 0.01/21

[Black should play 20...Bd5⩱ -0.79/22 Strongly threatening ...a5!. 21.Ra4

Nxe5 *(21...Rxe5 22.c4∓)*]

21.Nxe6= Rxe6 22.Re4 Rbe8 23.Be3 -0.49/22

[23.Bf4= -0.01/21 might be stronger.]

23...a6 -0.04/23

[23...g6!∓ -0.49/22]

24.Rd1 h6 0.58/22

[24...g6= -0.24/22]

25.Nf5± **Kh7** Black is weak on the dark squares **26.Bf4** 0.06/21

[26.Kf1± 0.53/20]

26...Bb8 0.42/23

[26...Kg6= 0.06/21 27.Ne3 f5]

27.Rde1? -6.65/22

[27.Kf1± 0.42/23]

27...Ng6? 0.01/27

[27...Nd3-+ -6.65/22 28.Rxe6 fxe6 29.Rxe6 Rxe6 30.Bxb8 Nxb2]

28.Rxe6= Rxe6 29.Rxe6

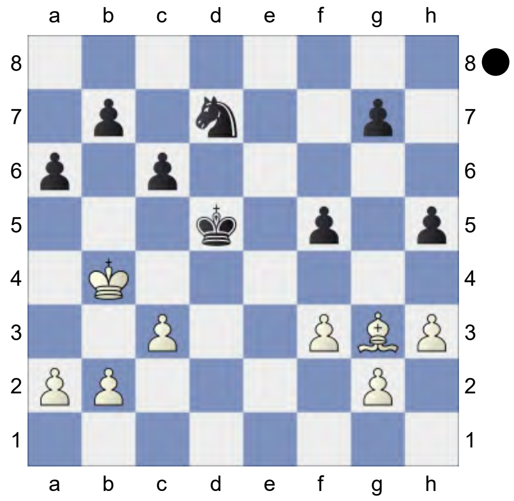
[29.Bxb8? perishes. Rxe1+ 30.Kh2 Re2-+]

29...fxe6 30.Bxb8 exf5 Endgame KB-KN **31.Kf1 Kg8 32.Ke2 Kf7 33.Kd3 Ke6 34.Kc4 Nf8 35.Kb4** -0.45/27

[35.b3= 0.12/25]

35...Nd7∓ 36.Bc7 Kd5 37.f3 h5 38.Bg3 -0.93/25

[38.b3∓ -0.40/28]



38...g6 -0.04/27

[38...c5+!∓ -0.93/25 39.Ka5 Kc4]

39.h4 c5+ 40.Ka5 The position is equal. **40...Kc6** With the idea ...Nb6. **41.c4 Nf8**

[41...Nb6!? 42.b3□ Nd7=]

42.Ka4 Ne6 43.Be5 Nd8 44.Kb3 Nf7 45.Bf4 Kd7 46.Kc3 Nd8 47.Kd3 Ne6 48.Be5 Kc6 49.Kc3 Kd7 50.b3 Kc6 51.a3 a5 52.Kd3 b6 53.Ke3 Kd7 54.Bf6 Kc6 55.Bc3 Kd7 56.Kf2 Kc6 57.Be5 Kd7 58.Ke3 Kc6 59.g3 Kd7 60.Kf2 Kc6 61.Ke2 Kd7 62.Ke3 Kc6 63.Kf2 Kd7 64.g4 Kc6

[64...fxg4 65.fxg4 hxg4 66.Kg3±]

65.gxh5 gxh5 66.Ke2 Kd7 67.Kd3 Kc6 68.Kc3 Kd7 69.b4 axb4+ 70.axb4 cxb4+ 71.Kxb4 Kc6 72.Kc3 Kd7 73.Bg3 Kc6 74.Bf2 Kc7 75.Kb4 Kc6 76.Be3 Nf8 77.Kc3 Ne6 78.Kd3 Kc7 79.Kc3 Kc6 80.Kb4 Nf8 81.Bd4 Ne6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.29 (precise)

82.Be3

½-½

104 **C54**

☐ **Sevian,Samuel** **2692**

■ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2741**

American Cup Elim (2.2) 19.03.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.0-0 g5 10.Bg3 The position is equal. **10...0-0 11.a4** 11.Bb3 is not played anymore. 11.Lb3 wird inzwischen seltener gespielt. **11...Kg7** now supersedes 11...Nh7. löst 11...Sh7 inzwischen ab.

[11...g4 12.Bh4 gxf3 13.Qxf3 Kg7]

12.Rc1N -0.30/21 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[12.b4 -0.15/20 12.Re1 0.30 Nh7 0.64/21 *(12...Ne7= -0.15/20; 12...g4 13.Bh4 Ne7 14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Kh1 d5 17.Bb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 Ng8 19.g3 Qd3 20.Qe1 Rd8 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Rd1 Qxd1 23.Bxd1 Bxc4 24.Nf5+ Kh7 25.Be2 Be6 26.Bxg4 Nf6 27.Qe2* (28) Chapter C50-Games Chapter C50 Game 2 *Nxe4 28.Ne7* 1-0 13. ♗f4 ♗f5 (2629)-Arbakov,V (2619) Deutschland 60/178 1994*)* 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 f6 1.02/20 *(14...h5!⩲ 0.32/20)* 15.Re1 0.63/21 *(15.h3± 1.02/20)* 15...Ng6 1.78/20 *(15...h5!⩲ 0.63/21)* 16.Nf1+- h5 17.h4 g4 18.N3h2! 1-0 (31) Firouzja, A (2777)-Nakamura,H (2787) Bullet Chess Winners blitz 2023 (4.4)]

[⌓12.Re1 0.30/20]

[12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1 Nd3 26.h4 Nxe1 0-1 (56) 3.g3 b5 4. ♗g2 31338 (2629)-Nepeina Leconte, M (2324) Baku FIDE GP 2008 (5)]

12...Ne7= 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Qd6! 17.Nxf7 -1.11/24

[17.Ndf3? g4 18.Nxf7 *(18.Qxd6 cxd6 19.Nxf7 gxf3-+)* 18...Qxd1 *(18...Rxf7 19.Bxf7 Kxf7 20.Nd4∓)* 19.Rcxd1 gxf3∓]

[17.Nef3⩱ -0.36/21]

17...Rxf7 -0.18/21

[17...Qxg3∓ -1.11/24 18.Qh5 Ng8]

18.Bxf7 Kxf7 19.Kh1 -0.85/21

[19.e5⩱ -0.36/21 Qd5 *(19...Qxe5 20.Qh5+ Kg7 21.Rce1⩱)* 20.c4 Qxe5 21.Re1 Qxb2 *(21...Qxg3 22.c5⩲)* 22.c5]

19...g4 Black has strong compensation. **20.Qb3+** -1.55/22

[White should play 20.Qe2 -0.79/20]

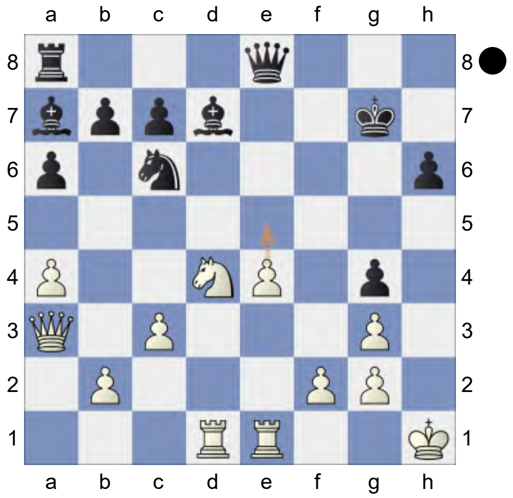
20...Kg7!∓ 21.Rcd1 Qc6 -0.71/22

[⌓21...Qg6 -1.49/21 Strongly threatening ...Nc6. 22.Kg1 Nc6]

22.Qa3 Qe8 23.Nb3 Nc6 24.Nd4 Bd7

[24...Qxe4? 25.Rfe1 Qg6 26.Nxc6 Qh5+ 27.Kg1+-]

25.Rfe1



Nxd4 -0.30/22

[Better is 25...Qf7!∓ -1.13/19 26.e5 Be6 *(26...Qxf2? 27.e6+-)*]

26.cxd4= Bxa4

[26...Qf7 27.Rd2 Rf8 28.b4 c6]

27.Rc1 -2.21/21

[27.Rd2!= 0.01/20 and White has nothing to worry.]

27...Bxd4? 0.11/20

[27...Bc6-+ -2.21/21 28.Qc3 Kg8]

28.Rxc7+ Kg8 29.Qd6 Qd5+ would kill now. Dancing on a razor blade. **29...Be5** This pair of bishops is nice. **30.Qd5+ Kh8 31.Rc5 Bg7 32.Qxb7 Bd4⇄** Black is fighting back **33.Rf5**

[33.Rc7 looks sharper. Ra7 34.Rh7+ Kg8 35.Rg7+]

33...Bd7! **34.Rf4** and e5! would now be decisive **34...Be5** **35.Rf7** Deflection **35...Bc6** **36.Qb3** **Rb8** **37.Qc4** **Bb5** **38.Qa2** **Bd7** **39.Qd5** **Bc6** 6.38/25

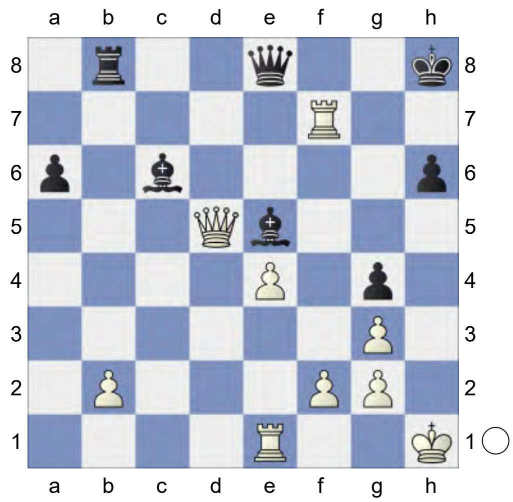
[39...Bb5= 0.14/23]

40.Qc4? -0.01/23

[40.Qc5 Rb5 41.Qa7 Kg8=]

[40.Rf8++- 6.38/25 Qxf8 41.Qxe5+ Kg8 42.Qe6+ Kh7 43.Qxc6 Qxf2 44.Rd1]

40...Bb5 **41.Qa2** **Bd7** **42.Qd5** **Bc6**



43.Qc5 0.45/23

[White has to play 43.Rf8+!+- 6.58/25 Qxf8 44.Qxe5+ Kg8 45.Qe6+ Kh7 46.Qxc6 Rxb2 47.Rd1 (*47.Qxa6 Qxf2 48.Rg1 Qxg3=*) 47...Rxf2 48.Rd6 (*48.Qxa6 Qe8±*)]

43...Bxb2? 5.94/28

[43...Rb5!⩲ 0.45/23 44.Qa7 Kg8]

44.Re7? 0.64/21

[44.Qf5+- 5.94/28 Bg7 45.Qg6]

44...Qf8!⩲ **45.Rb1** White is more active. **45...Qxf2** #5/12 What a bad dream for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.77/ Black=0.49

46.Qxf2

1-0

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106 **C50**

☐ **So,W** **2745**

■ **Martirosyan,Haik M.** **2635**

FIDE World Rapid Team (4.4) 11.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.d3** **Nf6** **5.c3**

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...0-0 **6.0-0N**

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A

(2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.Nbd2 Nb6! 11.Bb3 The position is equal. **11...Qxd3 12.Nxe5 Qf5**

[12...Bxd1 simplifies 13.Nxd3 Bxb3 14.Nxc5 Bc2]

13.Nef3 Rad8 14.Qe2

[14.g4!? Bxg4 15.hxg4 Qxg4+ 16.Kh1=]

14...Nd5 14...Nd5 is better than 14...Qc8. 14...Sd5 ist besser als 14...Dc8. **15.Ne4 Bxf3! 16.Qxf3 Qxf3 17.gxf3 Bb6 18.Rd1!?** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **18...Nde7 19.Bf4 h6 20.a4 a5** 0.71/24

[20...Rxd1+= 0.22/22 21.Rxd1 Rd8]

21.h4!?N 0.29/25 White is more active. New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[21.Bg3 0.01/25 21.Nd2 0.67 Nf5 22.Kf1 Nxg3+ 23.fxg3 Ne7 24.Ke2 Rfe8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rd1 Rxd1 27.Bxd1 ½-½ (40) So,W (2753)-Xiong, J (2693) USA-ch Saint Louis 2023 (7)]

[Better is 21.Nd2± 0.71/24]

21...Nf5 22.h5 Nh4 0.80/24

[22...Rxd1+⩲ 0.43/24 23.Rxd1 Re8]

23.Nd2!± Ne5 aiming for ...Nd3. **24.Kf1!**

[24.Bxe5?! Rxd2 25.Rxd2 Nxf3+ 26.Kg2 Nxd2∓]

24...Nd3 1.52/24

[Black should play 24...Rfe8 0.71/25]

25.Bg3 This pair of bishops is nice. **25...Nf5 26.Nc4 Nc5 27.Bc2 Nxg3+ 28.fxg3 Ne6 29.f4 Rxd1+** 2.87/25

[29...Rfe8± 1.44/25 30.Rac1 Rf8]

30.Rxd1+-

[30.Bxd1 Ra8 31.Bf3 Nc5⩲]

30...Rd8? 5.48/30

[30...Re8 2.61/25 31.Nxb6 cxb6]

31.Rxd8+ Nxd8 Endgame KBN-KBN **32.Be4 Kf8 33.Ke2 Ke7 34.Bd5 g6 35.hxg6 fxg6 36.Kf3 Kf6 37.Ne5?** 0.60/26

[37.Nxb6+- 2.99/25 cxb6 38.Ke4]

37...Bg1 38.Kg2 Ba7 39.Nc4! c6 0.86/25

[39...b6⩲ 0.48/24]

40.Be4± b5? 4.04/26

[40...g5± 0.89/23 is more resistant.]

41.Nxa5+-

[41.axb5 cxb5 42.Nxa5 g5±]

41...bxa4 42.Bc2? 0.49/26

[42.Bxc6 Nxc6 43.Nxc6 Be3=]

[42.Nxc6+- 3.54/26 Nxc6 43.Bxc6]

42...Bb6 1.61/26

[42...g5⩲ 0.49/26]

43.Nc4 Bc7 44.Bxa4 0.56/28

[White has to play 44.Nd2!+- 1.75/26]

44...g5⩲ 45.fxg5+ Kxg5 46.Nd2 Kf6 47.Kh3 Ke5 0.99/25

[47...Bb6⩲ 0.52/24]

48.Kg4 c5 2.23/25

[48...Ke6± 0.96/22 49.Nf3 Kf6]

49.Kh5!+- Nf7 50.Bc2? 1.07/25

[50.Kg6+- 2.74/27 Ng5 51.g4 *(51.Kxh6 Kf6±)*]

50...Kf6± 51.Ne4+ Kg7 1.21/24

[51...Ke7!⩲ 0.65/25]

52.Nxc5 Bxg3 53.Kg4! Bd6

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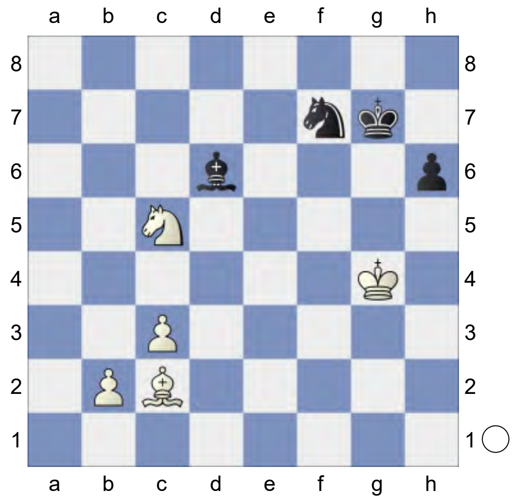
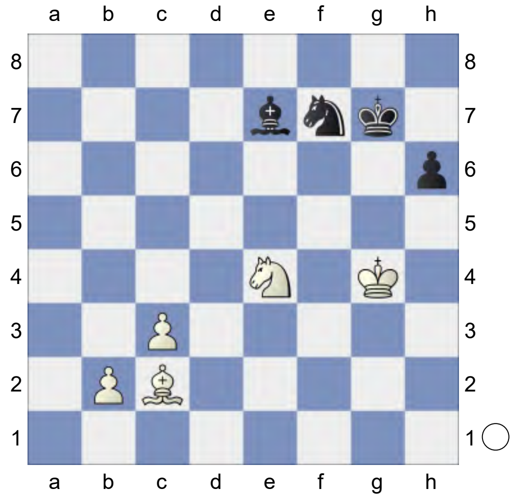


54.Ne4 Be7 2.01/23

[54...Bb8± 1.09/23]



55.Kf5!+- h5? 3.56/26

[55...Ng5 1.74/24 56.Ng3 Kf8]

56.Ke6 Bd8 5.43/25

[⌓56...Kf8 3.57/25 57.Nf2 Ng5+ 58.Kd7 Bf6]

57.b4 h4 58.c4 h3 59.Bd1? 1.02/24

[59.c5+- 3.73/24 and White stays clearly on top. h2 60.Ng3]

59...h2? 6.12/22

[59...Bg5± 1.02/24]

60.Bf3 White is clearly winning. **60...Bc7 61.c5 Ne5 62.Bh1 Nd3 63.b5 Kg6 64.c6 Ba5 65.Kd6** and c7 would now be decisive **65...Bb4+ 66.Kd7 Ba5 67.c7 Ne5+ 68.Kd6 Nc4+ 69.Kc6 Bxc7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.53

70.Kxc7

1-0

107 **C54**

☐ **Sevian,Samuel** **2701**

■ **Tin,Jingyao** **2583**

FIDE World Cup 2025 (2.3) 06.11.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

7...Nxe4 8.d5 Ne7 9.0-0 The position is equal. **9...Bxd2 10.Nxd2 Nd6 11.Bd3 0-0! 12.Qh5 f5 13.Nc4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 d6 15.Re1 Ng6 16.Bg5** Prevents Qf6. **16...Qd7 17.Rac1 Qf7 18.Bb3** -0.79/22

[18.Bd2= 0.01/22 remains equal.]

18...a5 19.Rc3 a4 0.15/25

[19...f4∓ -1.06/23 ...a4 would now be deadly. 20.Rec1 Bf5]

20.Bc2=

[20.Rh3!? h6□ 21.Bc2∓]

20...Re8 0.58/23

[20...f4!= 0.01/22]

21.Rc1 -0.29/21

[21.Rxe8+± 0.58/23 Qxe8 22.Bd2]

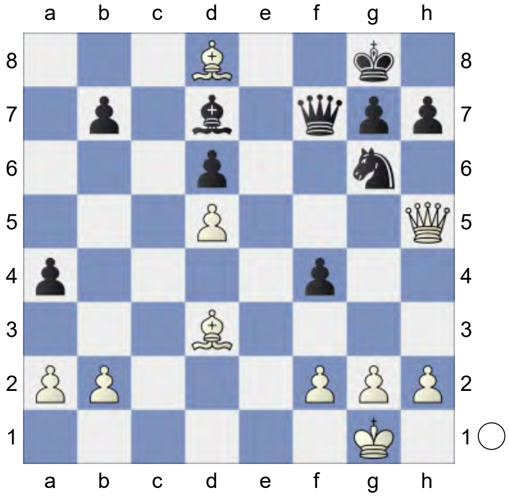
21...f4 0.21/24

[21...Qxd5 22.Rxc7 *(22.Rh3 Qa5=)* 22...Be6 23.Be3∓]

[21...Ra5 -0.29/21]

22.Bd3 Bf5 23.Rxc7 Rac8 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.Rxc8+ Bxc8 26.Bd8 Bd7 1.30/22

[Better is 26...f3!± 0.48/23]



27.Ba5!± White is more active. **27...Qe8 28.h3** 0.45/26

[28.Bc3± 1.42/25]

28...Bb5 1.73/27

[28...Qe5± 0.45/26 29.Bxg6 hxg6 30.Qxe5 *(30.Qxg6 Be8±)* 30...dxe5]

29.Bf5+- A strong pair of Bishops. **29...Bd7 30.Bc2** 0.84/24

[30.Bc3+- 1.91/25]

30...Bb5 1.73/23

[30...Qe5± 0.84/24 31.Bxg6 hxg6 32.Qxg6 Be8 33.Qe6+ Qxe6 34.dxe6 Kf8]

31.Bc3↑ Black is under strong pressure.

31...Bd7 2.20/24

[31...a3± 0.94/24]

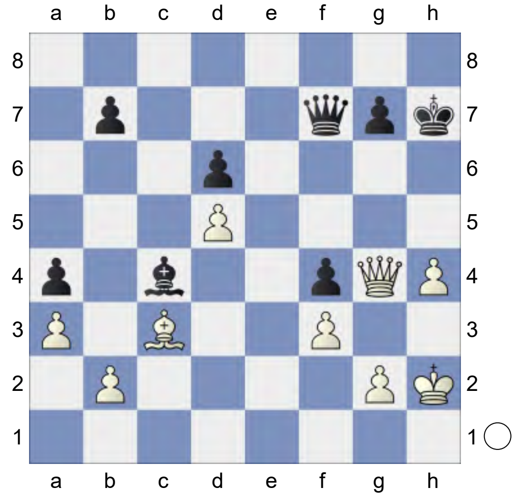
32.h4? 0.47/23

[White should play 32.a3+- 2.20/24]

32...Qe7? 2.94/23

[32...a3!± 0.47/23]

33.Bxg6 hxg6 34.Qxg6 Endgame KQB-KQB. White is a pawn up. **34...Be8 35.Qg4 Qf7 36.f3 Kh7 37.Kh2 Bb5 38.a3 Bc4**



39.Bd2! Qxd5 40.Bxf4 Qd4 41.Qg3 1.14/24

[41.Kg3+- 2.19/27]

41...Qxb2± 42.Bxd6 Qf6 43.Be5 Qf7 2.24/25

[43...Qe7± 1.04/22 44.Bd6 Qf6]

44.Qg5+- aiming for h5. **44...b5?** 4.84/25

[44...Qg6 1.96/23 was called for. 45.Qd2 Bb5]

45.h5 Bd3 7.39/24

[⌓45...Bb3 4.63/21 46.Kg1 Bc4]

46.Kg3 Bc4 47.Kh4 Bd3 48.Bd4 Qc7 49.f4 Qd7 50.Be5 Qa7 51.Kg3 5.02/22

[⌓51.h6 11.31/24]

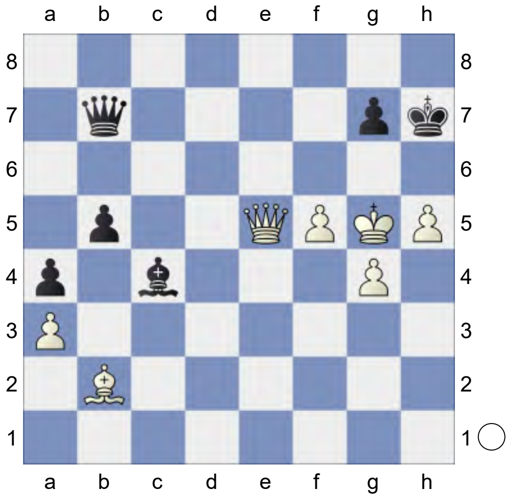
51...Qd7 52.Bc3 Bf5 53.Kh4 Bd3 54.g4 Qc7 55.Qe5? 1.45/24

[55.Bd4+- 10.00/24 has better winning chances. Qb7 56.Qe5]

55...Qb7? 9.98/24

[55...Qxe5± 1.45/24 56.Bxe5 *(56.fxe5 g6±)* 56...Be4]

56.Bb2 Qh1+ 57.Kg5 Qb7 58.f5 Bc4



59.h6! gxh6+

[59...Qd7 60.Qxg7+]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/Black=0.84

60.Kf4

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108 C51

□ **AldoGamer001_Bot 2826**

■ **BotalexM 2665**

Blitz 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 h6 15.Rb1 b6 16.e5 Nd5 17.Ne4 Bf8 18.Bb5 Qe6 19.Bd3 Qc6 20.Re1 Bg4 21.Nd4 Qd7 22.h3 c5 23.hxg4 cxd4 24.Bxh6 Qxg4 25.Bg5 Rdc8 26.Bd2 Nb4 27.Rxb4 Bxb4 28.Ng5 Be7 29.Bf5 Rxc3 30.Bxc3 Qxg5 31.Bd2 Qh4 32.e6 Rf8 33.exf7+ Rxf7 34.Bxa5 bxa5 35.Be6 Qf6 36.Qc8+ Bf8 37.Bxf7+ Qxf7 38.Re8 d3 39.Rd8 a4 40.g3 Qf3 41.Qc4+ Qf7 42.Qxa4 a5 43.Rxd3 Be7 44.Qxa5 g6 45.Qa8+ Kg7 46.Qb7 g5 47.a4 Qe6 48.Re3 Qxe3 49.fxe3 Kf6 50.a5 Bd8 51.a6 Be7 52.a7 g4 53.a8Q Bc5 54.Qc6+ Bd6 55.Qxd6+ Kg7 56.Qe8 Kh7 57.Qdg6#

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109 C53

□ **Wei Yi 2753**

■ **Piorun,K 2557**

FIDE World Cup 2025 (2.1) 04.11.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C53: Giuoco Piano sidelines

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb6

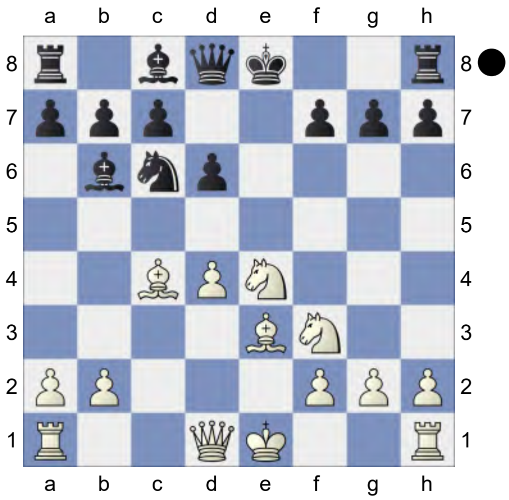
[6...Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Bg4 *(7...h6 8.Qb3 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 Qe7 10.0-0 Nf6 11.e5 dxe5 12.Ba3 Qd7 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Ne4 15.Rad1 Qf5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Rd8+* 1-0 Bugryshov-Mahler, B C) 6.Qb3 2006*)* 8.0-0 Nf6 9.d5 Bxf3 10.gxf3 Bxc3 11.dxc6 Ba5 12.cxb7 Rb8 13.Qa4+ c6 14.Qxc6+ Ke7 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qc5+ Qd6 17.Qxa5 Rxb7 18.b3 1-0 Kramnik,V (2790)-Salov,V (2680) Hoogovens Blitz 1998 (6)]

7.Nc3 Nf6 8.Be3 Nxe4N 1.02/20

[8...Bg4 9.Bb3 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.Qd3 Bxf3 12.gxf3 Nh5 13.Ne2 Qf6 14.Kg2 Qg6+ 15.Kh1 Qf6 16.f4 Rad8 17.Rg1 Qe7 18.Rg5 Nf6 19.Rag1 g6 20.e5 dxe5 21.fxe5 Nxe5 22.Qf5 Neg4 23.R1xg4 1-0 (30) Euwe,M-Muffang,A Match/Nation NED-FRA 6,5-3,5 1924]

9.Nxe4±

(Diagram)



Hoping for Nfg5. **9...d5 10.Bb3** White is better.

[10.Bg5?! Qd7=]

10...dxe4 11.Ng5 Be6

[11...Nxd4? 12.Nxf7 *(12.Bxf7+ Kf8⩲)* 12...Qf6 13.Nxh8+-]

12.Nxe6 0.44/20

[12.Nxe4 Bxb3 *(12...Nxd4 13.Bxe6 Nxe6 14.Qa4+ Qd7 15.Qxd7+ Kxd7 16.0-0-0+ Ke7 17.Rde1∓)* 13.Qxb3 Qe7∓ *(13...Nxd4 14.Qa4+ Nc6 15.Rd1∓; 13...Bxd4 14.Qxb7 0-0 15.Qxc6±)*]

[12.Bxe6± 1.03/21 fxe6 13.Qg4 *(13.Nxe4 Qd5∓)*]

12...fxe6⩲ 13.0-0 -0.01/21

[13.Qg4⩲ 0.42/22]

13...Bxd4 0.62/22

[Better is 13...Qf6= -0.01/21]

14.Qh5+ g6 15.Qg4 -0.01/21

[White should try 15.Qb5± 0.93/21 Bb6 16.Bxe6]

Loses the game. **15...Qf6?** 2.89/24

[15...Bxe3= -0.01/21 16.fxe3 Qe7]

16.Bxe6+- This pair of bishops is nice.

[Weaker is 16.Qxe4 0-0-0∓]

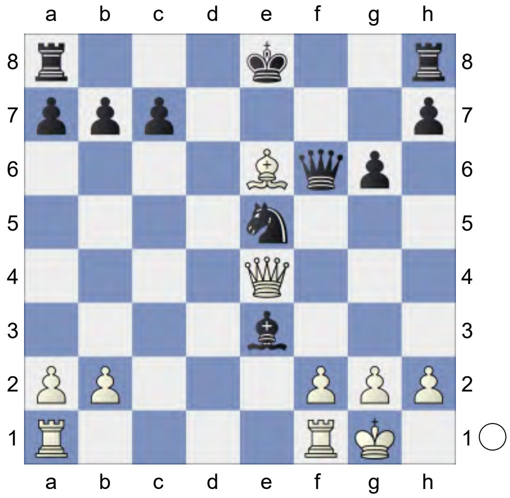
16...Ne5 4.93/23 Prevents Bd7+.

[16...h5 2.48/20 was called for. 17.Qxe4 Be5]

17.Qxe4 White is clearly winning.

17...Bxe3 6.65/24

[⌓17...Bxb2 4.74/22 18.Rab1 *(18.Qxb7 Rd8+-)* 18...Qxe6]



18.Bf7+! Kxf7 19.fxe3 Rhe8 20.Qxb7 Qxf1+ 21.Rxf1+ Kg8 22.Qxc7 a5 23.a4 Rad8 24.Qxa5 Nc4 25.Qc3 Nd2

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.88

26.Rd1

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110 C54
☐ wtfisgoingonhere 2861
■ KhatanbaatarGM 2646
Blitz 26.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.b4N

[5.d4 exd4 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5

/ 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 20.e5 Nc2 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11)]

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 (*6...exd4 7.cxd4 Bb4 8.d5 Ne7 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 Nxe4 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Qxe4 Bf5 14.Qf4 Nd5 15.Qxf5+* Chapter-Games Chapter 2 (1)*)* 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...Bb6 6.d3 d6 7.a4 a6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Nc4

[11.a5!? Ba7□ 12.Nc4=]

11...Ba7 12.h3 h6 13.Re1 Be6 14.Rb1 c6 15.a5 Re8 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qc7 18.Nb6 Rad8 19.c4 d5 20.cxd5 cxd5 21.Rc1 Qd6 22.Nd2? -1.50/23

[22.exd5= 0.02/23 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Bxd5 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.Rc5]

22...Qxb4∓ 23.exd5 Nxd5

[23...Bxd5 24.Nxd5 Nxd5 25.Re4∓]

24.Bxd5 Bxd5 25.Nxd5 Rxd5 26.Nc4 -1.84/21

[26.Rb1∓ -1.30/22 Qe7 (*26...Qxa5 27.Rxb7 Qa2 28.Qf3∓*) 27.Qf3]

26...Red8 27.Qf1 -2.82/20

[27.Qf3∓ -1.51/18]

27...f6 28.g3 -3.07/20

[28.Rb1 -2.05/20 Qe7 29.Rg3]

28...Rd4 -1.57/18

[28...Ne7-+ -3.07/20 White must now prevent ...Nc6. 29.Rb1 Qc5 (*29...Qc3 30.Rxb7 Nf5 31.Rf3∓*)]

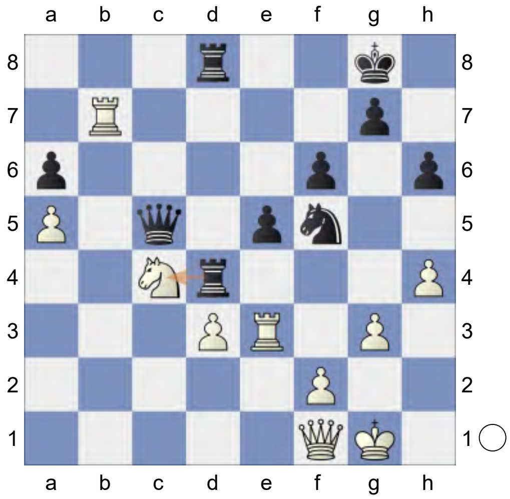
29.h4 -2.52/20

[29.Rb1∓ -1.57/18 Qe7 30.h4]

29...Ne7-+ 30.Rb1 Qc5 31.Rxb7 -4.74/24

[31.Nd2 -3.15/19 was necessary. R4d7 (*31...Qxa5 32.Nb3∓*) 32.Nb3]

31...Nf5



32.Rf3? -7.50/20

[32.Qh3 -3.67/23 Nxe3 33.Qe6+ Kh8 34.Nxe3]

32...Nd6? -0.67/21

[32...e4-+ -7.50/20 33.Rxf5 Remove Defender Qxf5]

33.Nxd6∓ R8xd6 34.Qh3 Qc6

[34...Qxa5 35.Rb8+ Rd8 36.Qe6+ Kh8 37.Rb6=]

[34...Rxd3? 35.Rxd3 Rxd3 36.Qe6+ Kh7 37.Qf5+ (*37.Qxa6 Rxg3+ 38.Kf1 Qc1+ 39.Ke2 Qc2+ 40.Ke1 Rg1+*) 37...Kg8 38.Qxd3+-]

35.Rb8+ Kf7 -0.14/23

[35...Rd8∓ -0.71/26 36.Rxd8+ Rxd8]

36.Qf5 e4 0.79/24

[36...g6= -0.28/24 37.Qc8 Qxc8 (*37...Qxf3 38.Qg8+ Ke7 39.Qe8#*) 38.Rxc8 R4d5 (*38...Rxd3 39.Rxd3*

Rxd3 40.Rc6=)]

37.dxe4 -0.01/25

[Better is 37.Qh5+± 0.79/24 g6 38.Qxh6 exf3 39.Rf8+ Ke6 40.Qxg6]

37...Qxe4= 38.Qc8 Kg6 39.h5+ -1.42/26 **Kxh5∓ 40.Qe8+ Qxe8 41.Rxe8** Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **41...R6d5** -0.57/23

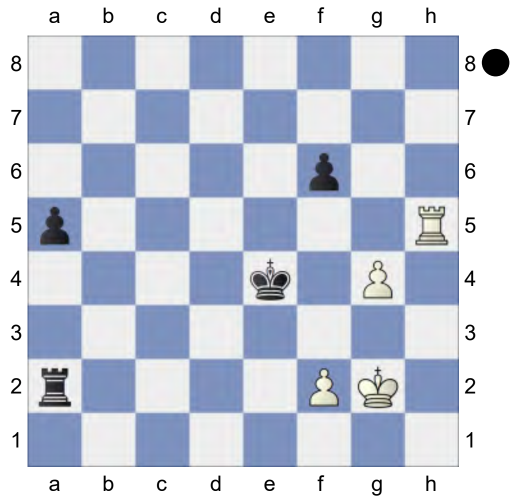
[41...Ra4-+ -1.63/22 42.Re7 g6 *(42...Rxa5 43.Rxg7 Rg5 44.Rc7=)*]

42.Re7∓ Kg6 -0.06/26

[Reject 42...Rxa5?! 43.Rxg7 f5 44.Kg2=]

[Black should try 42...Rd7∓ -0.65/23 43.Rfe3 Kg4]

43.Rc3= Rxa5 44.Rcc7 Ra1+ 45.Kg2 Ra2 46.Rxg7+ Kf5 47.Rc5+ Ke6 48.Rc6+ Rd6 49.Rxd6+ Kxd6 KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **50.Rg6 Ke5 51.Rxh6 a5 52.Rh5+ Ke4 53.g4**



a4 54.Rf5 a3 55.Rxf6 And now Ra6 would win. **55...Rb2 56.Ra6 a2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/ Black=0.34

57.Kg3 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

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111 C52

☐ XShashX 3013

■ PetersBot 2986

Blitz 20.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

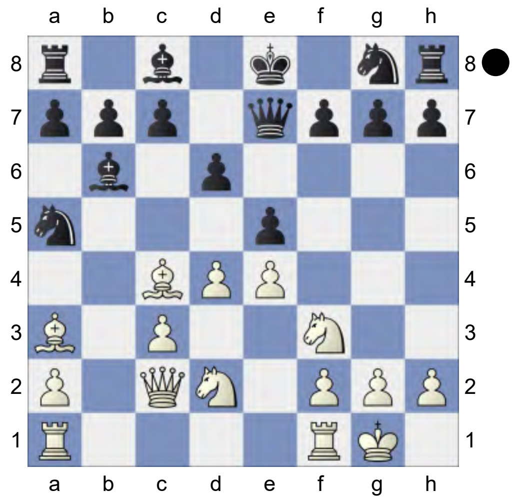
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3

(Diagram)



f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Wards off Bb4 **15.d5 0-0 16.Bb2** White has compensation. **16...Bd8 17.a4 g6 18.h3 Bd7 19.g4 Nf7 20.Nh2 h5** 0.49/25

[20...g5= 0.08/22]

21.f4!⩲ hxg4 22.Be2 g3

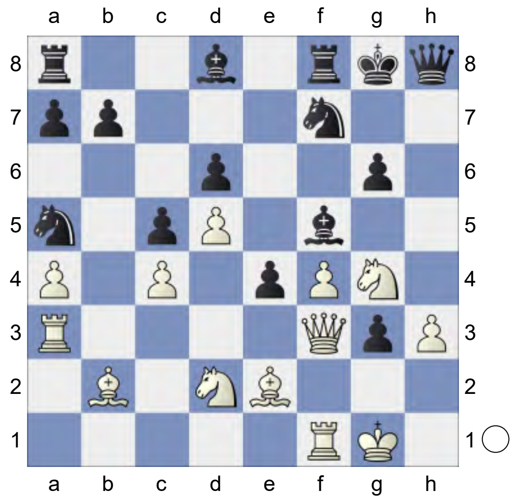
[22...gxh3 23.Kh1∓]

23.Ng4 f5! 24.exf5 Bxf5 25.Qc3 Qh4 26.Ra3 Qh8

[26...Qxh3 27.Qxg3 Qh7 *(27...Qxg3+ 28.Rxg3 Bh4 29.Rg2⩲)* 28.Qg2⩲ *(28.fxe5 Nxe5 29.Nxe5 dxe5⩲)*]

27.Qf3 e4

(Diagram)



Discovered Attack **28.Qc3** Really sharp! **28...Qxc3**

[28...Qxh3 29.Qg7#]

29.Rxc3 Bh4 30.Re3 Rae8 31.Bd1 0.01/22 **b6= 32.Bc3 g2 33.Kxg2 Kh7! 34.Nf6+ Bxf6** The position is equal. **35.Bxf6 Nh6 36.Bc3** A strong pair of Bishops. **36...Bd7! 37.Rfe1**

[Don't play 37.Nxe4 Nxc4 38.Re2 *(38.Nf6+ Rxf6 39.Rxe8 Bxe8∓)* 38...Nf5∓]

37...Nf5!

[37...Rxf4 38.Nxe4 Re5 39.Nxd6 *(39.Bxe5 dxe5 40.Ng5+* Discovered Attack *Kg8+-)* 39...Rxe3 40.Rxe3±]

38.Rxe4 Rxe4 39.Rxe4 Kg8 40.Bg4 next Kf2 is good for White. **40...Kf7 41.Kf2 Re8! 42.Rxe8 Kxe8 43.Bxa5 bxa5** Endgame KBN-KBN **44.Ne4 Ke7** Prevents Nf6. **45.Nc3 Kf7 46.Ne4 Ke7! 47.Nc3 Kf7 48.Ke1 a6 49.Kd2 Ke7 50.Kd3 Kf7 51.Ke4 Ke7 52.Kf3= Nh4+ 53.Ke3 Nf5+ 54.Kd3 Be8 55.Kd2 Bd7 56.Ke2 Kf7 57.Ne4 Ke7!** Threatens to win with ...Nd4+. **58.Nc3 Ng3+ 59.Kd3** Bxd7 would now be deadly. **59...Nf5 60.Kd2 Be8 61.Kd3 Bd7 62.Kd2 Be8 63.Ke2 Nd4+ 64.Kd3 Nf5 65.Ke2 Bd7 66.Kf3 Be8 67.Ke4 Bd7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)
68.Kf3
½-½

112 **C54**
☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**
■ **Malakhov,Vladimir** **2642**
Karpov Cup 50 Years rapid (2) 21.05.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 *(8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) *)* 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 (25) Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934_226900 Zürich (Switzerland)]

6...a6 7.Re1 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 h6 10.h3 seems to push 10.Bb3 aside. setzt sich inzwischen gegen 10.Lb3 durch. **10...Re8**

[10...Na5 11.Bb3 Nxb3 12.axb3 Re8 13.Ng3 d5 0.67/18 *(13...Bd7=* 0.13/18 *)* 14.exd5!⩲ Qxd5 15.Be3 Bxe3 1.26/20 *(15...c5⩲* 0.47/19 *)* 16.Rxe3± Bd7 17.Qc2 0.69/22 *(17.c4!±* 1.30/19 *Qd6 18.Qe1)* 17...Re6 1.84/22 *(17...Bc6⩲* 0.69/22 *)* 18.c4+- Qd6 19.Qc3 c5 20.Nxe5 Rae8 2.16/21 *(20...Rd8±* 1.52/19 *21.Nf5 Qf8)* 21.Rae1 b5? 3.59/21 *(21...R6e7±* 1.54/21 *22.Nxd7 Qxd7 23.Rxe7 Rxe7)* 22.Nf5+- Qc7 Strongly threatening ...b4. 23.Ng4 Nh5 24.Rxe6 Rxe6 25.Ne7+ Kf8 26.Nd5 Qd6 27.Ne5 and b4 should not be overlooked b4 2.85/22 *(⌓27...Be8* 1.75/19 *)* 28.Nxd7++- Qxd7 29.Qd2 ½-½ (50) Niemann,H (2692)-Malakhov,V (2648) Chessable Masters Play In rapid 2024 (3)]

11.b4 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.a4 Qd7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 d5 16.Qc2 Ne7 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Nc4 f6 19.d4 exd4 0.52/19

[19...Qc6= 0.01/21 20.Na5 Qxc3 21.Qxc3 Nxc3]

20.Rxe6 Qxe6 21.Nxd4 Qf7 22.Na5 b6 23.Nc4N 0.03/18

[23.Nab3 Ng6 24.a5 Ngf4? 2.83/20 *(24...Kh8⩲* 0.36/16 *)* 25.c4!+- Nxb4 26.Qe4 Re8? 5.04/18 *(26...Nxh3+* 2.41/19 *27.gxh3 Re8)* 27.Qxf4+- Qxc4 28.Rc1 Nd5 9.00/19 *(⌓28...Nd3* 5.01/19 *)* 29.Qf3 1-0 Fromm,M (2190)-Matthes,A (2198) GER-chT Lands U20 2020 (5.6)]

[23.Nab3⩲ 0.46/20]

23...Rd8= 24.Rd1 Nf4 25.Ne3 Qg6! Against Qe4 **26.Qxg6**

[26.Qb3+ seems wilder. Kh7 27.Kh2 Ned5 28.Ndf5]

26...Nexg6 27.Kf1 Kf7 28.g3 Nd5 29.Nxd5 Rxd5 Endgame KRN-KRN **30.Ke2 Ne5 31.Rb1 Nc4 32.Kd3 Ne5+ 33.Ke4 Rd7 34.f4 Nc4 35.Kd3** Inhibits Nd2. **35...Nd6 36.b5** -0.44/21

[36.Rg1= 0.01/20 deserves consideration.]

36...a5 -0.05/21

[36...axb5∓ -0.44/21 37.axb5 g5]

37.g4 Nb7 38.Kc4 Nc5 39.Ra1 Re7 40.Nc6 Re4+ Skewer **41.Kd5 Rxf4** 0.01/17

[41...f5∓ -0.38/22 42.gxf5 Rxa4 *(42...Rxf4 43.Nd4=)*]

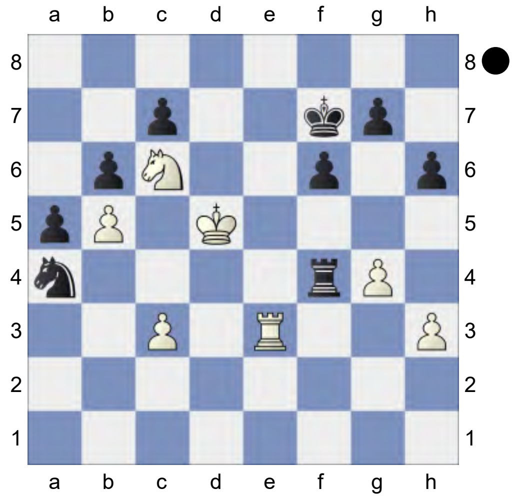
42.Re1? -3.81/24

[42.Nd4!= 0.01/17]

42...Nxa4-+

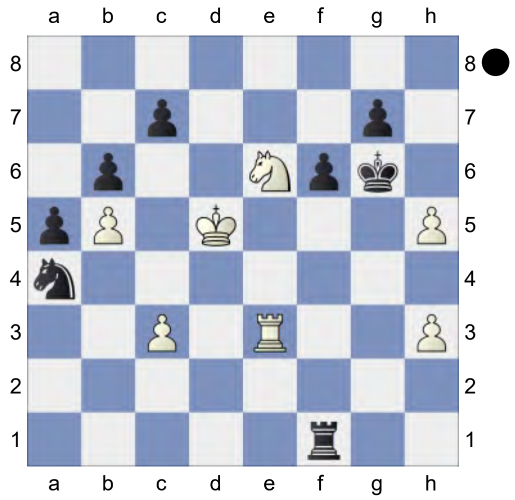
[42...Rxa4 43.Re7+ Kg6 44.Rxc7=]

43.Re3



h5? -0.35/21 **44.Nd8+!∓ Kg6 45.Ne6** Dodges Nc5 **45...Rf1 46.gxh5+**

(Diagram)



Kh6!

[Much weaker is 46...Kxh5 47.Nxg7+ *(47.Kc6 g5∓)* 47...Kh6 48.Ne6∓]

47.c4!

[47.Kc6? Rc1 48.Kxc7 Rxc3+ *(48...Kxh5 49.Nf4+ Kh6 50.Nd5=; 48...Nxc3 49.Kb7∓)* 49.Rxc3 Nxc3 50.Kxb6 a4∓]

47...Rf5+ -0.16/24

[47...Rd1+∓ -0.89/21 48.Kc6 Rc1 *(48...Kxh5 49.Kxc7 g5 50.Ng7+ Kg6 51.Ne8∓)*]

48.Kd4= Rxh5 With the idea ...Nb2.

[48...Kxh5? too greedy. 49.Nxg7+ *(49.Nxc7 Rf2=)* 49...Kg6 50.Nxf5 Kxf5 51.Kd5+-]

49.Nxc7 Rh4+ 50.Kd5 Rh5+ 51.Kd4! Rh4+ 52.Kd5 Rh5+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)

53.Ke4? -5.97/28 An unexpected result.

[53.Kd4!= 0.01/21]

½-½

113 **C54**
☐ **Santos Latasa,Jaime** **2623**
■ **Le,Quang Liem** **2729**
Leon 38th blitz (1.3) 05.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

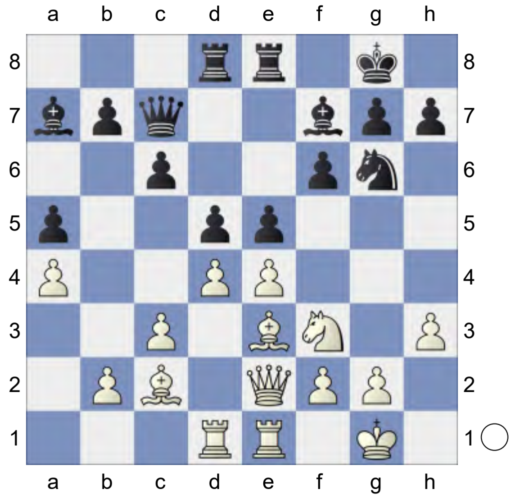
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Re1 Ba7 **8.Nbd2!** 8.Nbd2 is better than 8.Na3. 8.Sbd2 ist besser als 8.Sa3. **8...0-0 9.h3** Prevents Ng4 **9...Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

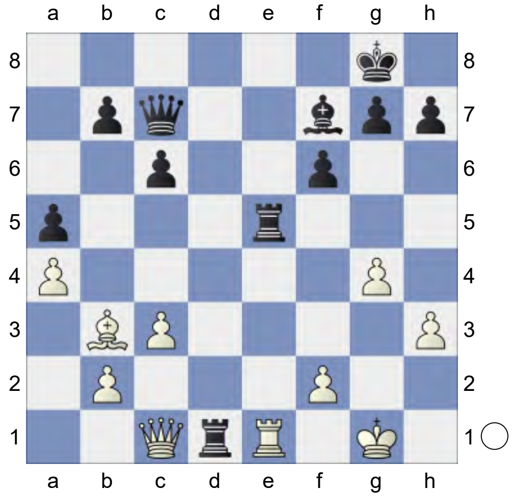
10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bd3 Nh5 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 c6 15.Ng3 Qd7 16.Nf5 f6 17.N5h4 **Rad8N**

[17...Rfe8 18.Nxg6 Nxg6 19.Be3 Bb8 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Qxd7 Bxd7 22.Bb3+ Be6 23.Bxe6+ Rxe6 1-0 (50) Murzin,V (2657)-Ma,Q (2645) Tashkent Al Beruniy-A 2nd 2025 (3)]

18.Nxg6 Nxg6 19.Be3 Qc7 The position is equal. **20.Qe2 Rfe8 21.a4 Bf7 22.Rad1 d5**



Hoping for ...dxe4. **23.dxe5 Bxe3 24.Qxe3** and exf6 should not be overlooked **24...Nxe5 25.Nxe5 Rxe5 26.Qc1 Bh5 27.g4 Bf7 28.exd5 Rdxd5 29.Bb3 Rxd1**



Remove Defender **30.Qxd1 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Qd7** Against Qe8+ A balanced but interesting game.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

32.Bxf7+
½-½

114 C52
☐ Mithril-SF 3031
■ Mr-Chess-Berserk 3001
Blitz 10.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Repels Bb4 **15.d5 g6 16.h3 Bd7**

[16...f5!?]

17.Nh2 g5 0.34/23

[17...Bc7= -0.12/23]

18.Rab1⩲ White has compensation. **18...g4 19.Bc1 0-0-0! 20.g3** 0.01/22

[20.h4⩲ 0.44/24 is more appropriate.]

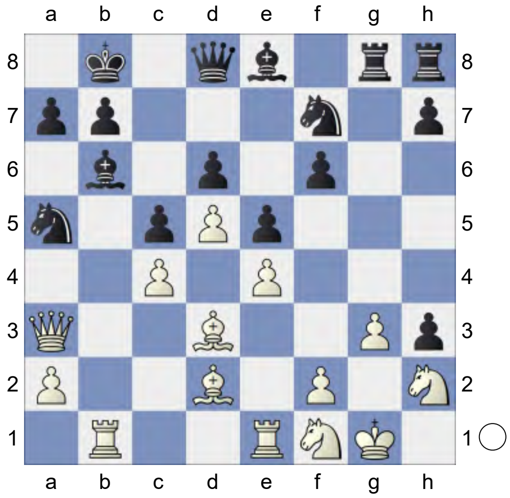
20...Kb8 0.40/22

[20...Rdf8!= 0.01/22]

21.Re1! gxh3 Threatens to win with ... f5!. **22.Ndf1 Nf7** 0.98/20

[22...Qf8!= 0.18/22]

23.Bd2!± Rdg8 24.Qb2! Be8 25.Qa3! Qd8!



26.Rb2! Rg7 1.26/24

[⌓26...Ng5 0.84/24]

27.Reb1 0.73/23

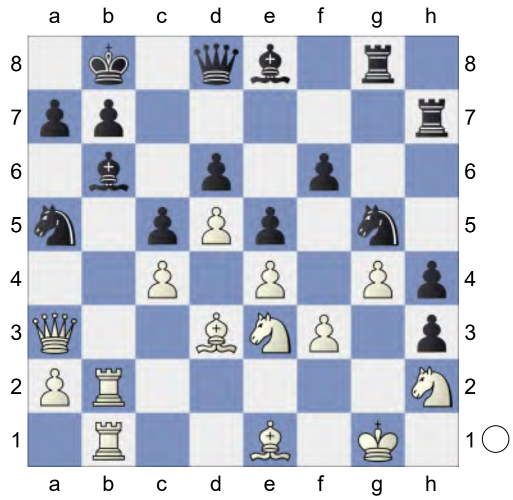
[⌓27.Ne3 1.26/24]

27...Ng5 28.Ne3 h5 29.Be1 Rhg8 1.14/24

[29...h4⩲ 0.67/21]

30.f3 h4 1.29/21 **31.g4 Rh7**

(Diagram)



32.Be2! Bc7 33.Nhf1

[33.Kh1 Ka8±]

33...Ka8 34.Nf5 b6 35.N1e3

[35.Bxh4?! h2+ 36.Kh1 *(36.Kxh2 Nf7=; 36.Nxh2 Nh3+ 37.Kh1 Rgh8∓)* 36...Nh3=]

35...Nb7 36.Kh2

[36.Nxh4?! h2+ 37.Kh1 Rgh8=]

[36.Bxh4?! Rgh8 37.Bg3 h2+ 38.Kh1 Bd7=]

36...Bd7 37.Bxh4 Nf7 38.Be1

[38.Kxh3 Nh8=]

38...Nh8 39.Ng3 1.14/22

[39.Bd1+- 1.67/23]

39...Qe8 1.61/25 **40.Bd1+-** Black should try **40...Nf7!=** -0.01/25

[40...Ng6± 1.18/22 41.Nef5 Kb8]

41.Ne2 Qd8 42.Ng3? -0.01/25

[42.Nc3+- 1.99/22]

42...Ng5 1.49/24 **43.Nef5± Qe8** 2.03/24

[43...Rgh8± 1.33/24 44.Bd2 Rg8]

44.Rb3 Rgh8 1.91/24

[44...Ba4± 1.43/23]

45.Qb2 1.52/25

[45.Rxb6+- 1.91/24 Bxb6 46.Rxb6]

45...Rg8 46.Ra3 Rf8 1.70/23

[46...Rgh8± 1.33/23 is a better defense. 47.Be2 Bc8]

47.Ra6? -0.01/23 **Qc8!= 48.Ra3** Some like it hotBlack is on the road to losing. **48...Qe8** White should try **49.Qc3+-** 1.70/23 **Nd8 50.Ra6→** White attacks with force. **50...Ndf7?** 2.93/23

[50...Bc8± 1.25/24]

51.Qa3+- Qb8 52.Ba4 Bxa4 53.Rxa4 Bd8 54.Bd2 Qc7 3.58/25

[⌓54...Nh8 2.30/23 55.Ra6 Rb7]

55.Ra6 Rg8? 5.36/25

[55...Qd7 2.23/24 56.Rb3 Nh6 57.Nxh6 Remove Defender Rxh6]

56.Ne2 Qb7 57.Bxg5 Nxg5 58.Rb3

[58.Nxd6 Nxf3+ 59.Kh1 Qb8 60.Qxf3 Qxd6=]

58...Qb8? 5.18/21

[58...Bc7 3.06/20 59.Qa4 Bb8]

59.Qa4 Qc7 60.Ra3 Qd7 8.02/23

[⌓60...Kb8 4.91/21 61.Qb3 Qf7]

61.Qb3 Rgg7 7.11/24

[⌓61...Kb8 4.67/21 62.Rxa7 Qxa7]

62.Qd1 Qb7 10.45/20

[⌓62...Nxf3+ 5.13/19 63.Rxf3 Rxg4]

63.Nc3 Excellent horsemanship. **63...Bc7 64.Nxg7 Rxg7 65.Qa4 Nxf3+ 66.Kxh3 Bb8 67.Qe8 Nd4 68.Nb5 Nxb5 69.Qxb5**

[Not 69.cxb5 Rc7 70.Kg2 Rc8±]

69...Rg8 Black is weak on the light squares **70.Qc6** Active counter play!

[And not 70.Qxb6 Qh7+ 71.Kg3 Rxg4+ 72.Kxg4 Qxe4+ 73.Kg3 Qe1+ 74.Kf3 Qf1+ 75.Ke4 f5+ 76.Ke3 Qe1+ 77.Kf3 Qf1+ 78.Ke3 Qe1+ 79.Kd3 Qd1+ 80.Kc3 Qc1+ 81.Kd3 Qd1+ 82.Kc3= Qe1+ 83.Kc2 *(83.Kb2 Qd2+ 84.Kb3 Qd1+ 85.Kc3=)* 83...Qe2+ 84.Kc1 Qe1+ 85.Kc2 *(85.Kb2 Qd2+ 86.Ka1 Qd1+ 87.Qb1 Qd4+ 88.Qb2 Qd1+ 89.Qb1 Qd4+ 90.Qb2 Qg1+ 91.Qb1 Qd4+=)* 85...Qe2+ 86.Kc1 Qe1+ 87.Kc2=]

70...b5 71.cxb5 Rc8 Inhibits b6.

72.Qxb7+ Kxb7 Endgame KRR-KRB **73.Rf3 Bc7 74.Rc6 Rh8+ 75.Kg2 Rf8 76.Rf5 Rf7 77.Kf3 Rg7 78.Rxf6 Bb8 79.a4** Hoping for a5. **79...Bc7 80.g5 Bd8 81.Rfxd6 Bc7 82.Rg6** 30.25/20

[⌓82.Rh6 #18/26 Ba5 83.g6 *(83.Rxc5 Bb6+-)* 83...Rg8 84.Rh7+ *(84.Rxc5 Rf8+ 85.Kg2 Bd2+-)* 84...Ka8 85.g7 *(85.Rxc5 Bb4+-)* 85...Kb7 86.Rf6 *(86.Rxc5 a6+-)* 86...Bc3 87.d6]

82...Rh7 83.Rh6 Rf7+ 84.Rhf6 Rh7 85.g6 Rh3+ 86.Kg4 Re3 87.Rf7 Rxe4+ 88.Kg5 Re1 89.Rfxc7+ Kb8 90.a5 White threatens Rc8+ and mate. **90...Rg1+ 91.Kh6** White mates. **91...Rh1+ 92.Kg7 Rh8 93.Kxh8 c4 94.a6 c3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.52

95.Rc8#

1-0

115 **C54**

□ Aronian,Levon **2729**

■ Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi **2720**

Bundesliga 2425 (7.3) 01.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

CWN 18/1/1908 Played in a "FLS" corr. tourney; Peterson (Cork) v Kershaw (Luton) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.h3 d6**

[5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 15.Ne2 c6 16.b4 Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 1-0 (38) Firouzja, A (2778)-Aronian,L (2759) Saint Louis 154/106 2022]

6.c3N

[6.Nc3 Ne7 *(6...a6 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5 21.Rfe1* 1-0 (50) Dardha, D (2609)-Yurasova,D (2048) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (2) *Rad8 22.b4 cxb3 23.Bxb3 Qxa3 24.Nxb5 Qc5 25.Nc3 Rc8 26.Rd3 a5 27.Rde3 Qb4 28.Rb1 Qc5 29.Bxf7+ Kxf7 30.Rxb7+ Kg8 31.Rb5 Qc7 32.Nd5 Nxd5 33.Rxd5 Qxc2 34.Rxa5 Ra8 35.Rd5 Qc1 36.Rxd6* 1-0 (50) Dardha,D (2606)-Ismayil,M (2002) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Late blitz 2022 (1)*)* 7.Be3 Bb6 8.a3 h6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.Qe2 c6 11.Bb3 Bxb3 12.cxb3 Ng6 13.g3 0-0 14.Rd1 Qe7 15.b4 Qe6 16.d4 d5 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Bxb6 axb6 20.f4 Qe7 1-0 (39) Peterson,N-Kershaw,W Four-Leaved Shamrock tourney 1907]

6...h6

[6...a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Bb3 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 h6 12.0-0 Re8 13.Re1 Be6 14.d4 Bxb3 15.Qxb3 ½-½ (48) Aronian,L (2730)-Vidit,S (2722) Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid 2024 (1.1)]

7.Nbd2

[7.b4!? Bb6□ 8.Bb3=]

7...Bb6 7...a6 is becoming the main line. 7...a6 wird zur Hauptvariante. **8.Nf1** **a6N**

[8...Qe7 9.Ng3 Be6 10.Bb3 0-0-0 11.Be3 -0.44/22 *(11.Ba4= -0.01/18 deserves consideration.)* 11...d5∓ And now ...dxe4 would win. 12.Qe2 Bxe3 13.Qxe3 d4 14.Qe2 -0.48/20

(*14.Qd2=* 0.01/22) 14...g5 0.42/22 1-0 (26) Vokhidov,S (2616)-Kuybokarov,T (2330) Lindores Abbey Blitz Tal Memorial 2021 (12.36) (Black should play *14...Qd6∓* -0.48/20 *15.Bxe6+ fxe6*)]

9.Ng3 Na5 10.Bd5 0-0

[10...c6!? 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7∓]

11.b4 Nc6 12.Bb3 Re8 13.0-0 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.a4 d5 16.Qb3 Qd7 The position is equal. **17.Ra2 dxe4 18.dxe4 Rd6 19.Re1 Rd8 20.a5 Ba7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless) **21.Be3**

½-½

116 **C52**

☐ **Fruity23** **3028**

■ **caissa-x** **3023**

Blitz 04.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

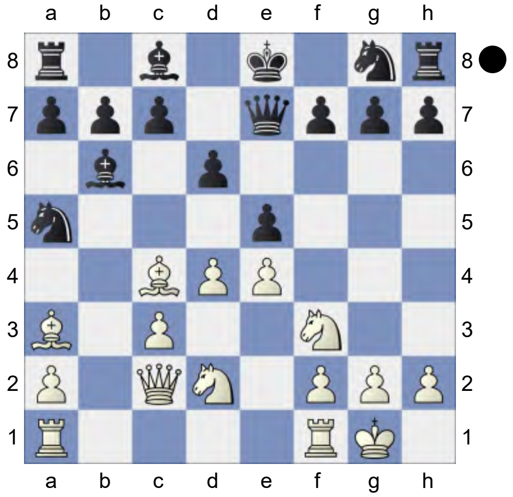
Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3



f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Against Bb4 **15.d5 Bd8 16.Bb2 b6 17.h3 Bd7 18.Bc3** White has compensation. **18...g6 19.Nh2 Qg7 20.Rae1 0-0** 0.33/21

[20...Nb7= -0.12/20]

21.Qd1 -0.07/20

[21.Kh1± 0.33/21 is superior.]

21...Nb7 22.Kh1 Be7 23.Rg1 a6 24.Qb1 Bd8 25.Qb2 f5 26.Rb1 f4! 27.Ndf3 Bc7! 28.Bd2 Nd8 29.g3

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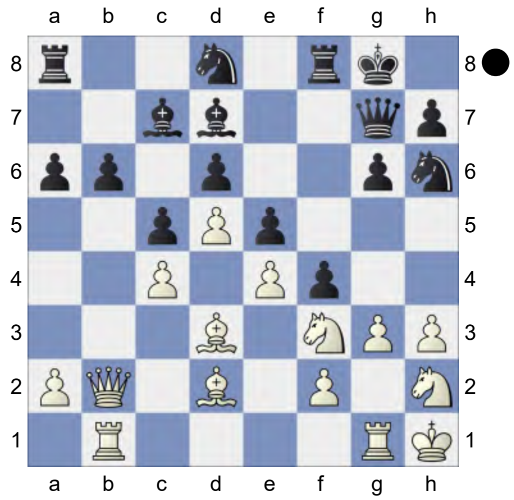


aiming for gxf4. **29...Ndf7! 30.Kg2 fxg3 31.fxg3 g5 32.g4 Bd8 33.Nf1 Nh8⇄** Black is not keeping still **34.Ng3** White wants to play Rbf1. **34...Ng6** Hoping for ...Nf4+.

[34...Rxf3 35.Kxf3 Ng6 36.Nf5+-]

35.Nf5 Active counter play!

[35.Nxg5? loses. Nh4+ 36.Kh1 Bxg5-+]

[35.Nh5 Qf7 36.Rbf1 *(36.Nxg5? Qf2+ 37.Kh1 Nxg4-+)* 36...Nf4+ 37.Nxf4 gxf4±]

35...Bxf5 36.exf5 Nh4+ Black is weak on the light squares **37.Nxh4 gxh4 38.Kh1 Bg5 39.Bc3 Rab8** An interesting draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

40.a4

½-½

117 C53

☐ Wei Yi 2755

■ Navara,D 2677

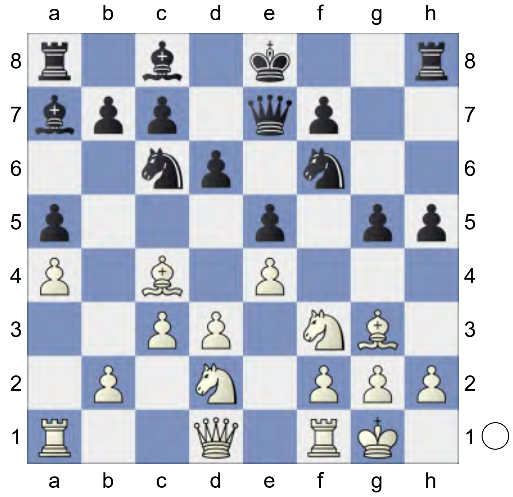
7th Prague Masters 2025 (4.3) 01.03.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5N**

[6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 20.Bd2 Qe8 1-0 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang,A (2687) Wch Blitz New York 2024 (7)]

6...h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7 The position is equal. **10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 h5**



aiming for ...h5-h4. **12.h4!**

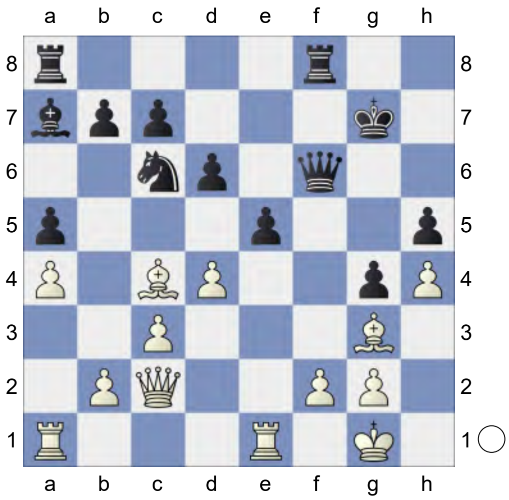
[Don't play 12.Nxg5 h4 13.Bxf7+ *(13.Nxf7 Rh7-+)* 13...Kf8 14.Bxh4 Rxh4-+]

12...g4 13.Ne1 0-0 14.Nc2 Kg7 15.Re1 Ng8 16.Nf1 f5 17.exf5 Nh6 18.Nfe3 Nxf5 19.Nxf5+ Bxf5 20.d4 Bxc2 1.51/20

[Black should try 20...Bg6± 0.68/17]

21.Qxc2± Qf6

(Diagram)



22.Re4! exd4? 5.10/21 A mistake that costs the game.

[22...Rae8± 1.56/18 is a better chance.]

23.Rae1+- Re4-e6 is the strong threat. **23...dxc3 24.bxc3 Qf5 25.Bd3** A strong pair of Bishops.

[Less strong is 25.Be6 Qg6±]

25...Qd5 26.Re6 Rf6 27.Rxf6 Kxf6 28.Qd2 Kg7 Repels Qd2-h6+ **29.c4 Qc5 30.Re6 Rh8** Dodges Qd2-h6+ **31.Qf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.79

1-0

118 **C50**

☐ **titanshahmat2003** **2745**

■ **DailyTornado** **2686**

Blitz 27.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Be3 Bxe3

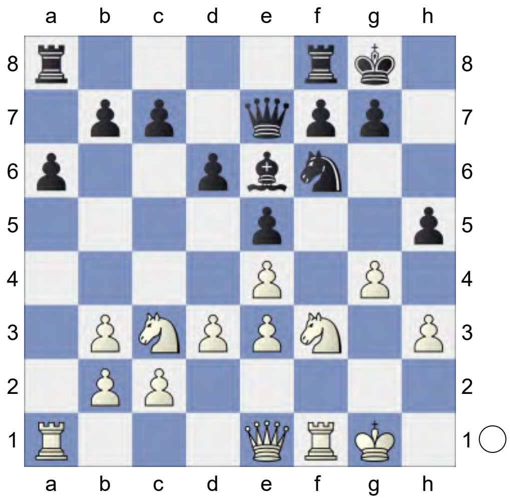
[6...Bb6 7.Nc3 h6 8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.exd5 Ne7 10.Bb5+ c6 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Ba4 0-0 13.Bb3 Bg4 14.Bxb6 axb6 15.Qe2 Qd7 16.Qe3 Ng6 17.Nd2 Rab8 18.a4 d5 19.a5 bxa5 20.Rxa5 Be6 21.Rfa1 0-1 (61) Efremov,A (1651)-Guerra,J (2067) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Late blitz 2022 (1)]

7.fxe3 Na5 8.Bb3 Nxb3N

[8...c6 9.Qe2 0-0 10.Nbd2 Qe7 11.c3 Nxb3 12.Nxb3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nfd2 Qg5 15.Rae1 Bg4 16.Qf2 f5 17.Kh1 Qg6 18.Nc1 f4 19.e4 Ne3 20.Rg1 Qh5 21.Nf3 Nxg2 22.Nxe5 Bh3 23.Rxg2 0-1 (36) Vergani,B-Chigorin,M Hastings 28841 1895 (16)]

9.axb3 0-0 10.Qe1 a6 11.Nc3 Be6 12.h3 Qe7 13.g4 h5 1.22/21

[13...Nd7= -0.13/20]



14.g5 -0.20/22

[14.Qh4!± 1.22/21]

14...Nh7= 15.Qg3 g6 16.d4 Rfe8 0.32/20 Black is weak on the dark squares

[16...exd4= -0.19/22 17.exd4 b5]

17.b4 -0.51/22

[17.dxe5± 0.32/20 dxe5 18.Rad1]

17...c6∓ 18.Rf2 Nf8 0.01/21

[18...exd4∓ -0.41/21 19.exd4 d5]

19.dxe5 dxe5 20.Nxe5 Qxb4 21.Raf1 -0.70/23

[21.Nd3= -0.07/23 Qe7 22.Raf1]

21...Qxb2 22.Ne2 -1.03/23

[22.Nd1∓ -0.67/23 might be stronger. Qa1 23.Nxf7]

22...Re7 -0.36/21

[22...Bxh3∓ -1.03/23 23.Nd3 Qxc2]

23.Nd4 Qc3 24.Nxe6 Nxe6 25.Nxf7 Rf8 26.Nh6+ Kg7 Active counter play!

27.Rxf8 0.01/23

[27.Qd6 Rfe8 28.Rf7+ Rxf7 29.Rxf7+ Kh8∓]

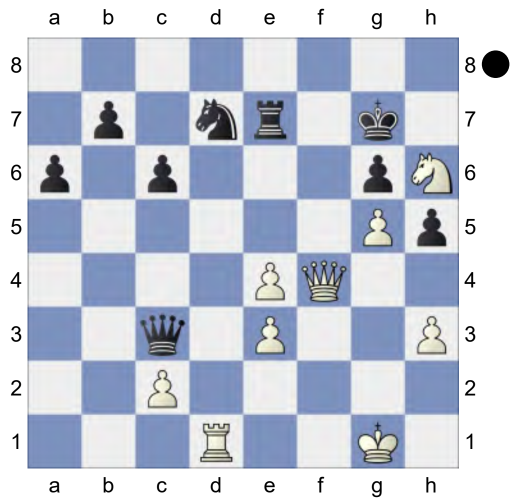
[White should try 27.Nf5+!± 0.56/26 gxf5 28.exf5 Rxf5 29.Rxf5]

27...Nxf8= 28.Qf4 -1.48/23

[28.Rxf8= 0.01/25 Kxf8 29.Qb8+ Re8 30.Qd6+ Re7 31.Qd8+ Re8 32.Qd6+]

28...Nd7∓ 29.Rd1? -3.13/22

[29.Nf7∓ -1.23/20 might work better.]



29...Qxc2-+ 30.Rxd7 -9.93/23

[30.Rd4 -2.61/21]

30...Rxd7 31.Qf6+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.21 (precise)

31...Kh7

0-1

119 **C53**

☐ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2755**

■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2831**

CCT Final KO 2024 rapid (2.2) 21.12.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

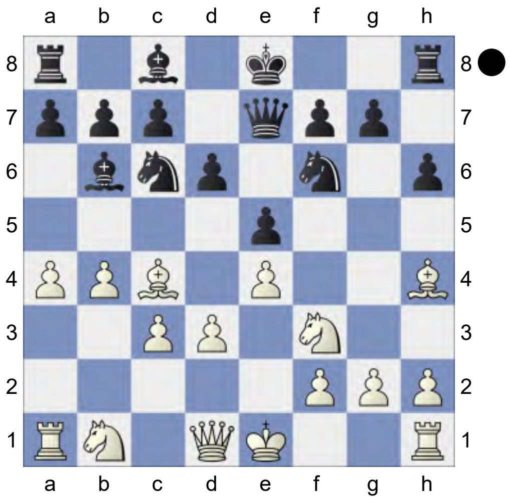
[5.0-0 Qe7 6.d4 Bb6 7.Bg5 d6 8.a4 a6 9.Re1 h6 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.Na3 g5 12.Re2 Ne7 13.Bd3 Ng6 14.Nc4 Ba7 15.Bc2 Bg4 16.Re3 0-0-0 17.h3 h5 18.hxg4 hxg4 19.Nh2 Rh4 0-1 Budzyn,M (2084)-Rafiee,M (2282) Walsrode Chessemy op-A 2023 (7)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Rudolph, J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3)]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Qe7 8.b4 Bxf6! is the strong threat. **8...Bb6 9.a4** -0.79/20

[9.0-0= -0.15/20 remains equal.]



9...a5!∓ 10.b5 Black is better. **10...Nd8 11.Nbd2 Ne6 12.0-0 Nf4 13.d4 Bg4 14.Qb3 0-0-0 15.Rfe1 g5** Black is more active. **16.Bg3 Bh5 17.Bf1 Kb8 18.Rad1 Rhe8 19.Nc4 Bxf3 20.gxf3 Qe6 21.Qc2 h5 22.Ne3** -2.41/22

[22.Kh1∓ -1.39/19]

22...exd4-+ 23.Nf5 -3.13/20

[23.cxd4 -2.01/16 was necessary. Nh3+ 24.Kg2]

23...dxc3 And now ...Qe5 would win. **24.Qxc3** -3.09/21

[⌓24.h4 -2.13/19 Qe5 25.Qc1]

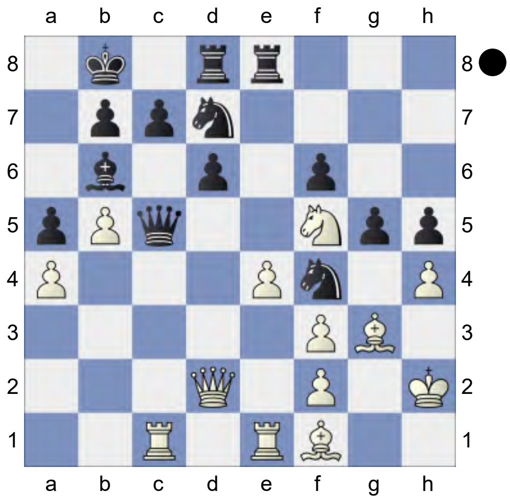
24...Nd7 25.h4 Qe5 Dodges hxg5 **26.Qd2 f6 27.Kh2 Qc5** -1.51/19

[27...Qe6-+ -1.89/20 Threatens to win with ...Ne5. 28.Qc3 Qe5]

28.Rc1 -2.83/18

[28.Re3∓ -1.51/19]

(Diagram)



28...Ne5! A dynamic duo of knights. **29.Bg2 Qa3 30.Qd1** -4.18/20

[30.Bxf4 -2.62/19 might work better. gxf4 31.Rc3 Qxa4 32.Rb1]

30...d5 31.exd5 Rxd5 32.Qc2 Red8 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 34.Ne3 Rxe3

[And not 34...Bxe3 35.Qxc7+ Ka7 36.Qxa5+ (*36.fxe3 Qd6+-; 36.Rc6 Rd6+-*) 36...Kb8 37.Qxd8+ Ka7 38.Rc8 Nxg2 39.Ra8#]

35.fxe3 Qxe3 (→ ...Rd2) **36.Re1 Qd4 37.hxg5** -8.97/18

[⌓37.Qe4 -4.55/17 Nxg2 38.Kxg2]

37...h4 38.Bxf4 Qxf4+ Black mates. **39.Kh1 h3** Decoy **40.Bxh3 Qg3** Black took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.25 (precise)

0-1

120 C50

□ **Nepomniachtchi,I. 2755**

■ **Carlsen,Magnus 2831**

CCT Final RR 2024 rapid (2.2) 17.12.24

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6**

7.Bxb6N

[7.h3 d6 8.Qd2 Nd4 (*8...Be6 9.Bb3 Qd7 10.Ne2 Ba5 11.c3 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Ng3 Nxe3 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Qxe3 Bb6 16.Qe2 Qd6 17.0-0 0-0-0 18.Rad1 Rhf8 19.b4 Rd7 20.Rfe1 a6 21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Qxe5 Qxe5 23.Rxe5* 0-1 Colas,J (2200)-Kulkarni,V (2310) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) 0-1 Colas,J (2200)-Kulkarni,V (2310) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4)*; 8...Qe7 9.a3 Be6 10.Bxe6 Qxe6 11.Bxb6 axb6 12.Nb5 0-0-0 13.c4 Nh5 14.Nh4 Nf4 15.g3 Qf6 16.Nf5 Ne6 17.Qd1 Ned4 18.Ne3 Qf3 19.Qxf3 Nxf3+ 20.Kf1 Nfd4 21.Nxd4 Nxd4 22.Rc1 c6 23.Kg2* ½-½ Halprin,A-Tarrasch,S Imperial Jubilee tournament 1898 (26) ½-½ Halprin,A-Tarrasch,S Imperial Jubilee tournament 1898 (26)*)* 9.a3 Be6 10.Nd5 Nxf3+ 11.gxf3 Nxd5 12.exd5 Bf5 13.Rg1 g6 14.Bxh6 Bxh3 15.0-0-0 Qh4 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 0-0-0 18.Qa5 Kb8 19.d4 exd4 20.Rxd4 Qf2 21.Rgd1 Qxe3+ 1-0 4 Nf3 c5 5 g3-Heinrich,G WchT Students 06th 1959 (2) 1-0 4 Nf3 c5 5 g3-Heinrich,G WchT Students 06th 1959 (2) 22.Kb1 Qxf3 23.Ba6 b6 24.Qa4 Bc8 25.Bc4 Rh1 26.c3 Bg4 27.Bb3 Rxd1+ 28.Bxd1 Qf5+ 29.Bc2 Qf1+ 30.Ka2 Bd7 31.Qb3 Re8 32.Rd1 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Bxb5 34.Kb3 a5 35.a4 Bd7 36.Rf1 Rf8 1-0 Morales,J-Alonso,S COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (2) 1-0 Morales,J-Alonso,S COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (2)]

7...axb6 8.d4 seems to push 8.0-0 aside. setzt sich inzwischen gegen 8.0-0 durch. seems to push 8.0-0 aside. setzt sich inzwischen gegen 8.0-0 durch.

8...exd4 0.30/23

[8...Nxe4! -0.16/26 deserves consideration. 9.Nxe4 d5]

9.Nxd4= 0-0 10.Ndb5! White is slightly better. **10...Re8 11.0-0 d6 12.Re1 Ne5** 'N' 'N'

[12...Na7 13.e5 Nxb5 14.Bxb5 c6 15.exf6 Rxe1+ 16.Qxe1 cxb5 17.fxg7 Qg5 18.Qe8+ Kxg7 19.Qxb5 1-0 Santos Latasa,J (2631)-Meskovs,N (2540) CrunchLab Masters PlayIn rapid 2024 (7)]

13.Bf1 Bd7 14.Qd2 Ng6 15.a4 Bxb5 16.Bxb5 c6 17.Bf1 Qc7 18.Rad1 Rad8 19.f4 Nf8 20.g3 Ne6 0.75/18

[20...d5± 0.34/21]

21.Bg2± b5 22.axb5 cxb5 23.h3 b4 24.Nd5 -0.06/19

[24.Na2± 0.34/18]

24...Nxd5= 25.exd5 Qb6+ 26.Kh2 Nc5 27.b3 Nd7 28.g4 Qc5 29.Re2 Rxe2 30.Qxe2 Nf6 31.Qc4 Qxc4 32.bxc4 Endgame. KRB-KRN Endgame. KRB-KRN **32...Rc8 33.Bf1 Ne4 34.Kg2 Kf8 35.Rb1 Nc5 36.Rxb4 Ra8 37.Bd3 Ra3 38.g5 hxg5** The position is equal. **39.fxg5 g6 40.h4 Ra1 41.Rb2 Ke7 42.Be2 Re1 43.Kf2 Rh1 44.Kg3 Re1 45.Kf2 Rh1 46.Kg3 Re1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) / Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

121 **C50**
☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2722**
■ **Le Tuan Minh** **2598**
Titled Tue 26th Aug Early blitz (6)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.a3 0-0 9.b4N

[9.h3

A) 9...Be6

A1) 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Re1 *(11.c3 Qe8 12.b4 Ne7 13.c4 Bd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.f4 Kh7 16.Bd2 e5 17.c5 b6 18.Nb2 b5 19.a4 a6 20.Qb3 Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.f5 Qd7 23.Nd1 d5 24.Nf2 Na7 25.axb5 Nxb5* ½-½ (65) Piccoli,L (2220)-Proudian,A (2431) Niteroi op 3rd 2023 (4) *)* 11...Qe8 12.c3 Nh5 13.b4 Nf4 14.Bxf4 Rxf4 15.Ra2 Qg6 16.Kf1 Raf8 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.Re3 Ne7 19.Rae2 Qf6 20.Qd2 d5 21.Nh2 d4 22.Rf3 Ng6 23.Rg3 dxc3 24.Qc2 Rxf2+ 0-1 (52) Ohara,M (1790)-Lelis,L (1815) Sao Paulo op 2023 (5);

A2) 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Re1 Qe8 13.c3 Qg6 14.Be3 Nh5 15.Nh4 Qf7 16.a4 Ne7 17.g3 Nf6 18.Kh2 d5 19.f3 Rad8 20.Qe2 Nh5 21.Rf1 Ng6 22.Ng2 Nf6 23.Bg1 Rd7 24.Ne3 1-0 (66) Paravyan,D (2601)-Svane,F (2600) Titled Tuesday intern op 11th Apr Early blitz 2023 (11);

B) 9...Ne7 10.Re1 Ng6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.d4 Qe7 13.c3 c6 14.Bf1 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

9...Ne7 The position is equal. **10.Re1 Ng6 11.h3 Re8 12.c3** -0.33/24

[12.Bb2= 0.03/22]

12...c6∓ 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.Bb3 d5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.c4 dxe4 -0.27/23

[Better is 16...d4∓ -0.78/22]

17.dxe4= Nh5

[17...Qc8 simplifies 18.Re3 Nh5 19.c5 bxc5 20.Bxe6 Qxe6 21.bxc5 Nhf4]

18.Kh2 Qf6 19.Qc3 -0.42/21

[19.c5!= 0.01/19]

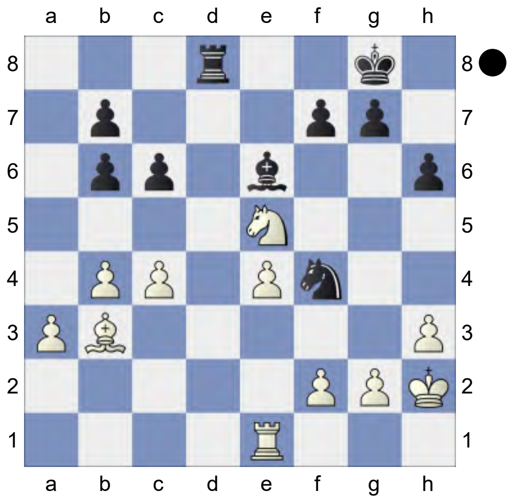
19...Rad8 20.Ra2 -0.65/23

[20.g3= -0.18/22 is superior.]

20...Nhf4∓ 21.Rd2 Against Rd3 **21...Rxd2 22.Bxd2 Rd8** ...Rd3 would now be deadly. **23.Bxf4 Nxf4**

[23...Qxf4+ 24.g3 Qf6 25.Bd1=]

24.Qxe5 Qxe5 25.Nxe5



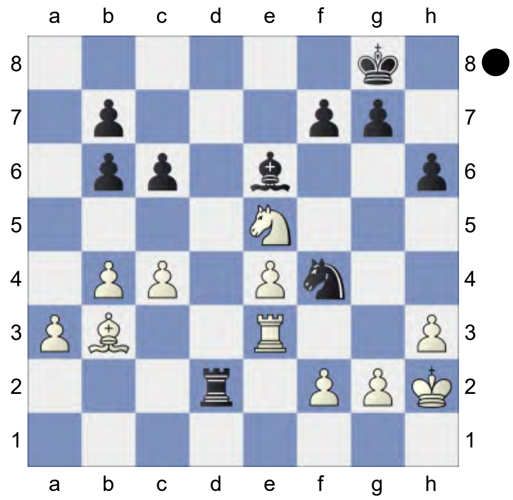
Rd2 -0.14/22

[25...Ra8!∓ -0.90/23]

Now White is beyond hope. **26.Re3?** -3.28/22

[26.Rd1= -0.14/22 and White has nothing to worry. Rxf2 27.Kg3]

(Diagram)



26...f6!-+

[26...Rxf2 27.Kg3 Rf1 *(27...Rxg2+ 28.Kxf4 g5+ 29.Kf3±)* 28.h4∓]

27.Nf3 Rxf2 28.Kg3 -6.97/30

[28.Ne1 -3.09/21 Rb2 29.Bd1]

28...Rxg2+ 29.Kxf4 And now Nd4 would win. **29...g5+**

[29...Bxh3 30.c5+ Kh7 31.Ne1 *(31.cxb6?* gets mated. *Rg4+ 32.Kf5 Rh4#)* 31...g5+ 32.Kf3+-]

30.Nxg5 hxg5+

[30...fxg5+ 31.Ke5 Bf7 *(31...Kf7 32.c5±)* 32.Kd6±]

31.Kf3 Rh2

[31...Bxh3 32.c5+ Kf8 33.cxb6∓]

32.c5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.10 (very precise)

32...Bxb3

[Not 32...Rxh3+ 33.Kf2 Bxb3 *(33...Rxe3? 34.Bxe6+ Kf8 35.Kxe3+-; 33...Rh2+? 34.Kg1+-)* 34.Rxh3+-]

0-1

122 C53

☐ Shankland,S. 2670

■ Praggnanandhaa,R. 2741

7th Prague Masters 2025 (6) 04.03.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Berliner Schacherinnerungen, 1859, S.55-56 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d3 h6 6.Nbd2N**

[6.b4!? Bb6□ 7.0-0± *(7.Bb2 a6 8.Nbd2 Bg4 9.Qb3 Qe7 10.a4 Nf6 11.0-0 Be6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Bxc4 14.Qxc4 0-0 15.a5 Ba7 16.d5 Nb8 17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.Nh4 c6 19.Nf5 Qe5 20.Nxh6+ Kh7 21.Nf5 Rg8* 1-0 Clausen,M-Pedersen,K (2398) Tingkaerskolen op-B 1997 (7) *)*]

[6.0-0 Bb6 7.a4 *(7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3* 0-1 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)*)* 7...a5 *(7...a6 8.Be3 Nge7 9.Bxb6 cxb6 10.Nbd2 0-0 11.Re1 Kh8 12.Bb3 f5 13.Ng5 Qe8 14.Ne6 Bxe6 15.Bxe6 Qg6 16.Bb3 Rad8 17.Nc4 fxe4 18.dxe4 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Qc2 Qg5 21.Qe4 Rf4 22.Nxe5* 1-0 Park,E (2375)-Moradiabadi,E (2515) US Masters op Charlotte 2024 (6)*)* 8.Nbd2 Nge7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Re1 Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Be3 Ng6 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.Ne3 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Qxh4 16.g3 Qf6 17.f4 exf4 18.Rf1 Qg5 19.Rxf4 Bh3 20.Nd5 Ne5 1-0 So,W (2757)-Dubov,D (2707) Chess.com Classic Div 2 L Chess.com INT rapid 2024 (4.1)]

6...a6 7.Nf1 Nf6 8.Ng3 Ba7 9.a4 0-0

10.0-0 Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Bg4 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3

[14.gxf3 simplifies exd4 15.cxd4 Nh4 16.Be3]

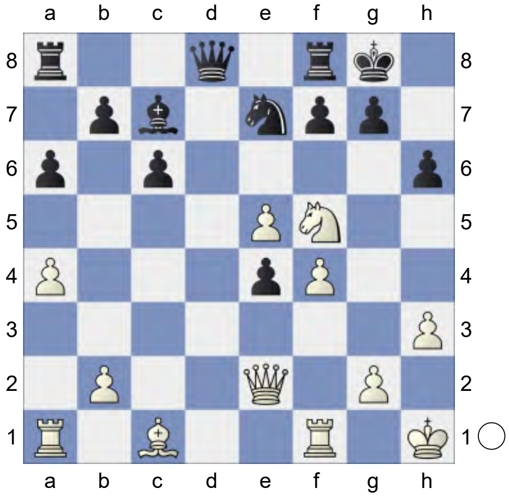
14...exd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Nf5 Be5 17.Kh1 -0.37/17

[17.Qe3= 0.07/17 Bf4 18.Qc3]

17...c6 0.01/20

[17...Ne7∓ -0.37/17 is more appropriate.]

18.Qe2= With the idea f2-f4. **18...d5 19.f4 Bc7 20.e5 Ne4 21.Bc2 Ne7⇄** Black is fighting back **22.Bxe4 dxe4**

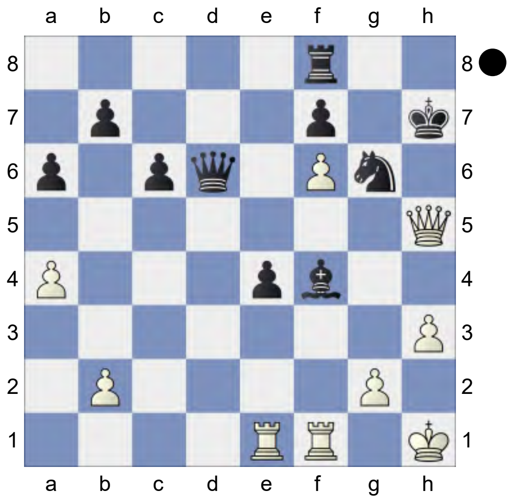


23.Nxh6+ gxh6 24.f5! aiming for Qe2-g4+. **24...Bxe5 25.Bxh6** Black must now prevent Ra1-e1! **25...Qd6 26.Qg4+ Kh7! 27.Bxf8 Rxf8 28.Qh4+! Kg7** And now ...Rf8-d8 would win. **29.Qg5+ Kh7! 30.f6 Ng6 31.Rae1 Bf4!**

[31...Bxb2? 32.Rxe4 Kg8 33.Rh4 Bxf6 34.Rxf6+-]

32.Qh5+

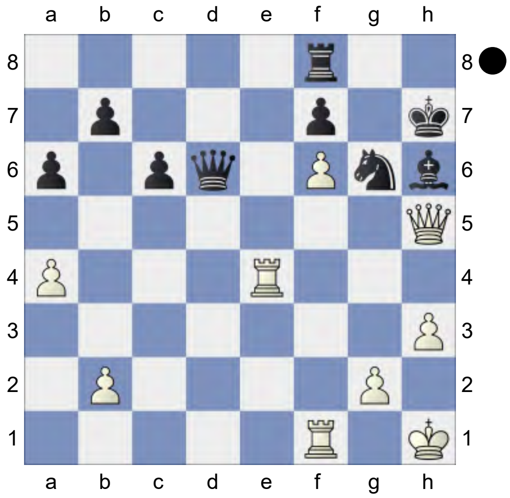
(Diagram)



Bh6!

[32...Kg8 33.Rxe4 Rd8 *(33...Qxf6? 34.Qg4+-)* 34.Rfxf4 Qd1+ *(34...Nxf4? 35.Qh6+-)* 35.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Kh2 Nxf4 37.Rxf4±]

33.Rxe4



Qd3! 34.Rfe1 Qg3 35.Rd1 Qf2 36.Qe2 Qxf6 37.Rf1 Qg5 -0.44/20

[37...Qd6∓ -1.14/20 38.h4 Bg7]

38.h4!∓ Nxh4 0.01/22

[38...Qg3∓ -0.69/23]

39.Rg4= The position is equal. **39...Qd8** ...Nh4-g6 is the strong threat. **40.Rd1!**

[40.Qc4 Ng6 41.Rxf7+ Bg7 42.Rxb7 Kh8-+]

40...Qf6 ...Nh4-f5 would now be deadly. **41.Rf1 Qd8 42.Rd1!**

[42.Qc4 Ng6 43.Rxf7+ Bg7 44.Rxb7 Qd1+ 45.Kh2 Kh8 46.Rh4+ Nxh4 47.Qxh4+ Kg8 48.Rxg7+ Kxg7]

42...Qf6 Strongly threatening ...Nh4-f5.
43.Rf1! Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

123 **C55**
☐ **DmDonCh** **2854**
■ **CarlsenNepo21** **2729**
Blitz 09.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3 Ne6**

[7...Nc6 8.f4 exf4 9.Bxf4 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 1-0 Predke,A (2673)-Eljanov,P (2706) ITA-chT GpA 55th 2024 (6.1)]

8.f4N

[8.Nc3 0-0 9.Qe2 d6 10.Rad1 Nf4 11.Bxf4 exf4 12.Qd2 f3 13.gxf3 Nh5 14.Kh1 Be6 15.Bd5 Qf6 16.Qe3 Nf4 17.Rg1 Rab8 18.b4 a6 19.Rg3 Rfe8 20.Rdg1 g6 21.Rd1 Bxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 0-1 Faust,D (1919)-Carrizo,J (1724) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (1)]

8...exf4 0.01/22

[8...Nxe4 9.fxe5 0-0 10.Bd5=]

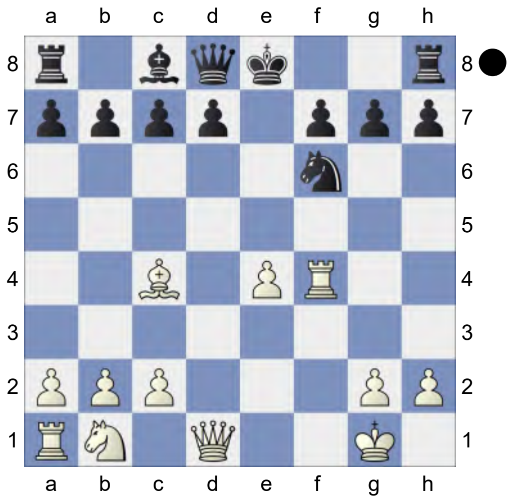
[8...d6∓ -0.48/23]

9.Bxf4? -1.50/22

[9.e5!= 0.01/22]

9...Nxf4∓

[9...Nxe4 10.Bxe6 dxe6 11.Qf3∓]



10.Rxf4 d6 11.Nc3 Be6 -1.18/20

[11...0-0-+ -1.75/23 12.Qd2 Re8 13.Rxf6 gxf6 (*13...Qxf6? 14.Rf1+-* Deflection)]

12.Qe2 -1.68/24

[12.Bxe6∓ -1.18/20 fxe6 13.Qe2]

12...0-0 -1.32/20

[Better is 12...Bxc4-+ -1.68/24 13.Qxc4 0-0]

13.Raf1 -1.68/20

[13.Bxe6∓ -1.32/20 fxe6 14.e5]

13...Qe7 -0.87/22

[13...Bxc4-+ -1.68/20 14.Qxc4 c6]

14.Rxf6? -2.46/23 **gxf6-+ 15.Bd3 Kh8 16.Qh5 Rg8 17.e5 f5!**

[17...dxe5 18.Qxh7#]

18.Bxf5 Bxf5

[18...dxe5 19.Qxh7#]

19.Rxf5 Rg7 20.Nd5 Qd7 21.Rg5 Rxg5 22.Qxg5 Endgame aiming for Qf6+. KQR-KQN **22...Qe6** 2.06/19

[22...f5-+ -2.25/25 ...Qe6 would now be deadly. 23.exf6 Rg8]

23.Nxc7+- Qxa2

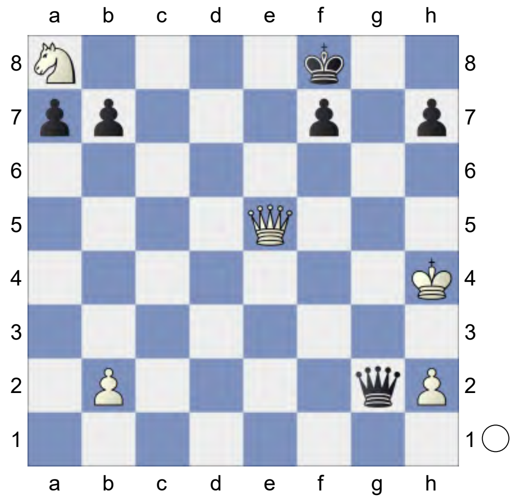
[23...h6 24.Qd2 Qg6 25.Nxa8+-]

24.Qf6+ Kg8 25.Nxa8 dxe5 4.86/24

[25...Qb1+ 1.78/18 is more resistant. 26.Qf1 Qxb2 (*26...Qxf1+ 27.Kxf1 dxe5 28.Nc7+-*)]

26.Qd8+ Kg7 27.Qg5+ Kf8 28.Qxe5

Qb1+ 29.Kf2 Qxc2+ 30.Kg3 Qg6+ 31.Kf3 Qc6+ 32.Kg3 Qg6+ 33.Kh4 Qxg2



34.Nc7? 0.19/20

[34.Qd6+!+- 2.45/21 Kg7 35.Qg3+ Qxg3+ 36.hxg3]

34...Qf2+!= 35.Kg5 Qg2+ 36.Kf5

[36.Qg3 Qd2+ 37.Qf4 h6+ 38.Kg4 *(38.Kxh6? Qxf4+ 39.Kh5 Qxc7-+)* 38...Qxb2]

36...Qf3+ 0.72/23 **37.Qf4± Qh5+** 2.29/18

[37...Qc6± 1.03/18 might work better. 38.b4 a6]

38.Ke4? 0.61/19

[White has to play 38.Kf6+- 2.29/18 Qg6+ 39.Ke5]

38...Qe2+!± 39.Kd5 0.18/20

[39.Kf5!± 0.58/23]

39...Qd3+? 3.13/26

[39...Qg2+= 0.18/20 and Black stays safe. 40.Ke5 Qxb2+ 41.Kd6 Qb6+ 42.Kd7 h6]

40.Ke5? 0.55/17

[40.Qd4+- 3.13/26 Qh3 41.Kd6 *(41.Qxa7 Qg2+ 42.Kc4 Qc2+* Skewer *43.Kd5 Qxc7-+; 41.Qh8+ Ke7+-)* 41...Qxh2+ 42.Kd7 Qh3+ 43.Kd8]

40...Qe2+ 41.Kd6 Qd3+? 3.55/26

[41...Qxb2± 1.14/18 42.Kd7 Qb6]

42.Nd5+- Qa6+ 43.Ke5 2.00/16

[⌓43.Kc5 3.55/22]

43...Qe2+ 44.Qe4? -0.01/20

[44.Ne3 Qxb2+ 45.Kf5 Qb1+ 46.Kg4 Qg6+ 47.Kf3 Qc6+ 48.Kf2 Qb6]

[44.Kd6+- 1.74/18 Qh6+ would kill now. Qxb2 45.Kc7]

44...Qxb2+

[44...Qxh2+ simplifies 45.Qf4 Qxf4+ 46.Kxf4 h5]

45.Kd6 Qa3+ 46.Kd7

[46.Kc7 h6 47.Qe5 *(47.Kxb7 Qb2+ 48.Ka8 Qxh2±)* 47...Kg8 48.Nf6+ *(48.Kxb7 a6+-)* 48...Kf8+-]

46...Qh3+ 47.Kd8 Qe6 48.Qd4

[Much worse is 48.Qxh7 Qxd5+ 49.Kc7 b5 50.Qh8+ Ke7 51.Qh4+ f6 52.Qh7+ Qf7 53.Qe4+ Kf8+ 54.Kd6 b4∓]

48...Qe8+ 49.Kc7 Qc6+ 50.Kd8 0.07/19 **Qe8+** 0.54/5

[50...Qd6+= 0.07/19 might be stronger. 51.Kc8 f6]

51.Kc7± Qc6+ 52.Kd8 0.00/5

[52.Kb8± 0.49/23 f6 53.Nxf6 *(53.Qxf6+ Qxf6 54.Nxf6 a5+-)*]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.56/Black=0.62 **52...Qe8+**

½-½

124 **C50**

☐ **Hou,Yifan** **2633**

■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2692**

Moscow Stars Blitz (9) 29.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 h6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 Bb6 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.

7.Re1

[7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

7...Nge7 8.d4N

[8.b4 Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.g3 Qg5 1-0 (37) Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2) 23.Kh1 Nh5 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 b6 26.Qf2 Nc8 27.Rd1 Ra8 28.axb6 cxb6 29.Nd2 Nf6 30.Nc4 Nd7 31.f4 exf4 32.Nxf4 Nf8 33.Qf3 Ra7 34.e5 Rf7 35.Qe4 b5 36.Nd6 Nxd6 37.exd6 Rd7 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2)]

8...0-0N

[8...Ng6 9.Be3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 exd4 11.cxd4 Bxd4? 3.72/21 *(11...0-0± 0.70/19)* 12.Qb3+- Bxe3 13.Bxf7+ Kd7 14.Rxe3 Qf6 1-0 (71) Tabatabaei,M (2718)-Radjabov,T (2700) Moscow Stars Blitz 2024 (9)]

9.h3 Ng6 10.Be3 Qf6 0.55/19

[10...Kh8!= -0.12/19]

11.Bb3 0.01/22

[11.a4!± 0.55/19]

11...Re8= 12.Na3 -0.95/20

[12.Ba4= 0.08/21]

12...Nf4 0.09/21

[12...exd4∓ -0.95/20 13.cxd4 Rxe4]

13.Nc4 exd4

[13...Nxh3+ 14.gxh3 Bxh3 15.d5 Qg6+]

14.Bxf4 Qxf4 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.Nxd4 Bd7

[16...Rxe4 seems wilder. 17.Nb5 Rxe1+ 18.Qxe1 Bxh3 19.Nxc7 Qg5]

17.Re3 Ne5 0.70/21 Inhibits Rf3.

[17...Rxe4?! 18.Rf3 Nxd4 19.cxd4+- *(19.Rxf4 Ne2+±; 19.Bxf7+ Qxf7 20.Rxf7 Ne2+ 21.Kh1 Kxf7=)*]

[17...Re7= 0.25/20 deserves consideration.]

18.Ne2⩲ Qf6 19.Ng3 0.04/20

[Better is 19.f4± 0.73/20 Ng6 20.f5]

19...g6 20.Qf1 Be6 21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.f4 Nd7 23.Qf3 Rae8 24.Rf1 R6e7 25.a3 c6 1.21/21

[25...Qe6= -0.01/20 keeps the balance.]

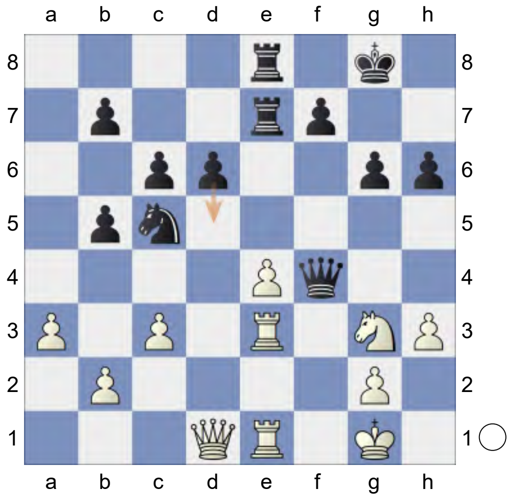
26.Rd1 Nc5 27.Rde1 -0.01/19

[27.b4± 0.99/22 Na4 28.f5]

27...b5= 28.Qd1? -2.73/25

[28.b4= 0.01/21 and White is okay. Nd7 29.Qg4]

28...Qxf4-+



29.Rf3 Qe5 30.Ref1 Ne6

[30...Nxe4 31.Nxe4 Qxe4 32.Qxd6-+]

31.Qd3 Ng5 32.Rf6 Re6 -1.41/24

[32...Nxe4 33.Nxe4 Qxe4 34.Qxe4

Rxe4 35.Rxf7=]

[32...d5-+ -3.09/22 33.exd5 Rd8 *(33...cxd5 34.R6f4∓; 33...Qxd5 34.Qxd5 cxd5 35.Rb6=)*]

33.R6f4∓ d5 -0.47/25

[33...R8e7-+ -1.75/23 Hoping for ... Qc5+. 34.h4 Nh7]

34.exd5∓ Qxd5 0.41/21

[Black should play 34...cxd5∓ -0.59/24 35.Qxb5 R8e7]

35.Qxd5± cxd5 36.h4 Ne4 37.Nxe4 dxe4 38.Rxf7 R8e7 2.22/28

[38...e3± 0.34/23 39.Rxb7 e2]

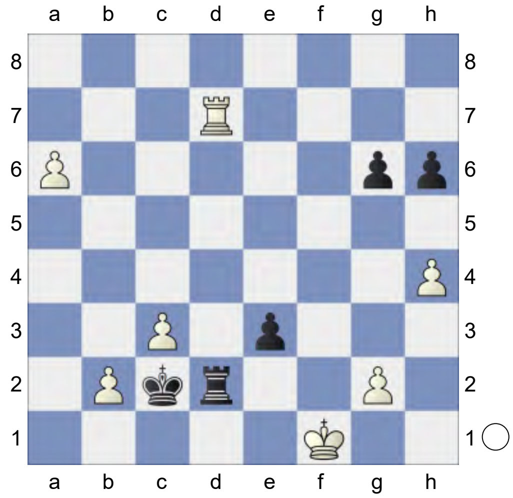
39.Rxe7+- Rxe7 Endgame KR-KR **40.Rf6 Kg7 41.Rb6 Rd7?** 5.59/25

[41...Rf7 1.64/24 is tougher.]

42.Rxb5 e3 43.Kf1 Rd2 44.Rxb7+ Kf6 45.a4 Kf5 46.a5 Ke4 47.a6 Kd3 48.Rd7+ Kc2 49.Re7 0.01/23

[49.a7+- 6.68/30 Rxd7 50.a8Q *(50.a8B? Kd2-+)*]

49...Kd3= 50.Rd7+ Kc2



51.Re7 -0.01/22

[51.a7!+- 6.65/30 Rxd7 52.a8Q *(52.a8B? too greedy. Kd2-+)*]

51...Kd3! 52.Rd7+ Never resign too early!

Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.47

52...Kc2 An unexpected result.

½-½

126 C54

☐ **Sevian,Samuel 2636**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander 2696**

WchT Rapid London (8.2) 12.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.a4 d6 6...d6 is better than 6...Ba7.6...d6 ist besser als 6...La7. **7.0-0 Ba7**

[7...h6 8.Re1 Ba7 9.Nbd2 g5 10.b4 Ne7 0.67/21 *(10...Nh7= 0.12/20)* 11.Nf1!± Ng6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 g4 14.Nd2 h5 15.d4 h4 16.Qb3 Rh7 17.Rad1 0.01/20 0-1 (29) Sevian,S (2698)-Grischuk,A (2728) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th May Early blitz 2024 (10) *(White should play 17.b5± 0.55/18)*]

8.Be3 The position is equal.

[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

8...Bxe3

[8...h6 9.Bxa7 Rxa7 10.Nbd2 Nh5 11.d4 Nf4 12.Re1 Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.d5 Ne7 15.a5 g5 16.Qa4+ Kf8 17.Nh2 Qc8 18.Ndf1 Bg6 19.b4 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Ng3 Nh4 22.Bf1 Nxd5 23.Qb3 0-1 (43) Yanes Canizares,A (2400)-Rodriguez Hernandez,L (2385) Varadero Elite

2023 (9)]

9.fxe3 Ne7N

[9...0-0 10.Nbd2 h6 11.d4 Bg4 12.Qc2 Bh5 13.Rae1 Nd7 14.b4 Qe7 15.g3 a5 16.b5 Nd8 17.Nh4 Ne6 18.Bd5 Ra7 19.Nf5 Qd8 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bc4 c6 22.Bd3 Bg6 23.Nc4 Bxf5 24.Rxf5 0-1 (63) Kostenko,P (2466)-Jones,B (2681) WchT 12th Astana 2019 (1.20) g6 25.Rff1 Qe7 26.Kg2 Nd7 27.Qa2 Raa8 28.Qa3 c5 29.d5 Ng7 30.b6 f5 31.Qc1 Nf6 32.Qc2 Rad8 33.Kh2 h5 34.Nxa5 Ra8 35.Nb3 h4 36.gxh4 c4 37.Bxc4 Nxe4 38.Rg1 Qxh4 39.Ref1 0-1 (63) Kucera,T (2466)-Kauschmann,H (2681) 4NCL West Bromwich ENG 2004 (1.20)]

10.Nbd2 Ng6 **11.Qe1!?N** New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[11.a5 0-0 12.Qe1 c6 13.Ba2 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.e4 exd5 poses a challenge Be6! 16.exd5 Bxd5 17.Bc4 -0.65/20 0-1 (43) Zambrana,O (2405)-Bjerre,J (2648) Olympiad-45 Budapest 2024 (2.30) *(17.Nc4!= 0.01/21)*]

11...a5 12.Nh4 Qe7 0.60/21

[12...Nxh4= 0.10/21 13.Qxh4 Be6]

13.Nf5⩲ Bxf5 14.Rxf5 c6 0.89/21

[14...0-0!⩲ 0.46/20]

15.Qg3± h5 1.28/20

[15...Qc7⩲ 0.69/19]

16.Nf3 0.62/22 White has more active pieces.

[16.h3± 1.28/20]

16...h4⩲ 17.Qh3 d5 1.60/22

[17...Nf8!⩲ 0.50/22]

18.exd5 0.64/24

[18.Ba2± 1.60/22]

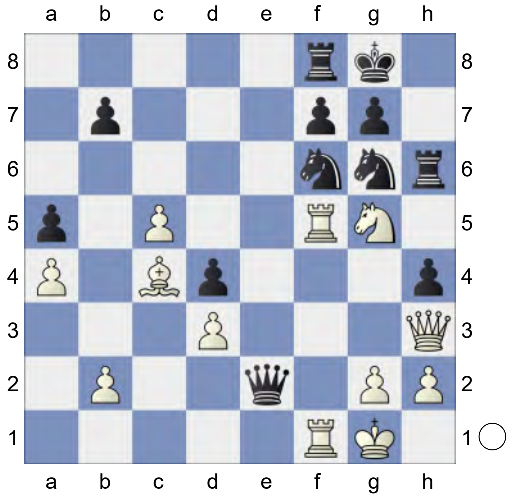
18...cxd5 19.Bb5+ Kf8 20.Rf1 Kg8 21.Ng5 Rh6 1.85/22

[21...Rd8± 0.84/22]

22.c4+- d4 23.exd4 exd4 2.22/26

[23...Qd8 1.77/24]

24.c5 Rf8 25.Bc4 Qe2



26.Qf3! Qxf3 27.Nxf3

[27.R5xf3 Ne5 28.Rf5 Neg4 *(28...Nxc4 29.dxc4 Rh5 30.R1f4⩱)* 29.Nxf7 *(29.c6 bxc6 30.Nxf7 Rxf7±)* 29...Rxf7]

27...Ne7 2.38/23

[27...h3 1.67/22]

28.Rf4 Rh5 1.92/22

[28...h3± 1.53/22]

29.Rxh4 1.12/23

[29.Rxd4 h3±]

[29.Nxh4+- 1.92/22 Rxc5 30.h3 *(30.Rxd4 Re8±)*]

29...Rxc5± 30.Nxd4 Ng6 2.28/25

[30...Rd8± 1.24/20 31.Rhf4 Ned5]

31.Rh3+- Rd8 2.20/26

[31...Ne5 1.70/24]

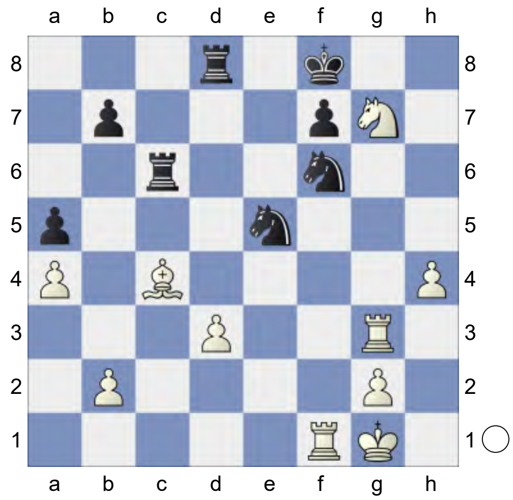
32.Nf5 Rc7 33.Rg3 Kf8 34.h4 Ne5 4.09/24

[34...Rc6 2.65/22 is a better defense. 35.b3 b6]

35.Nxg7 Rc6 7.06/23

[35...Nxc4 3.22/22 36.Rxf6 *(36.dxc4 Rc6+-)* 36...Nxb2]

(Diagram)



36.Ne6+! White is clearly winning. **36...fxe6 37.Rxf6+ Ke7 38.Rf4** Rg7+ is the strong threat. **38...Rh8 39.Rg7+** Skewer **39...Kd6 40.Rxb7 Nxc4 41.dxc4 Ke5**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.45
42.g3
1-0

125 **C54**
☐ **Giri,Anish** **2688**
■ **Kasimdzhanov,Rustam** **2641**
WchT Rapid London (5.3) 12.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6N

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 0-1 (40) Lunacek, J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7 Italian Game-N, N 2018]

10.Bxe6! now scores much better than the old 10.Re1.punktet besser als das ältere 10.Te1. **10...fxe6 11.b4 Qd7 12.Ra2**

[12.Re1 keeps more tension. Nh5 13.Ra2 Qf7 14.Nf1]

12...Ne7 13.Nh2 Ng6 14.Ndf3 h6 15.Re1 Rf7 16.g3N

[16.b5 Bb6 17.bxa6 Rxa6 18.Be3 -0.57/22 (*18.Qb3=* -0.17/18) 18...Bxe3∓ 19.Rxe3 Rf8 20.Qb3 b6 21.Re1 Rfa8 22.Rea1 0-1 (51) Caruana,F (2805)-Kovalev,V (2559) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st May Early blitz 2024 (8)]

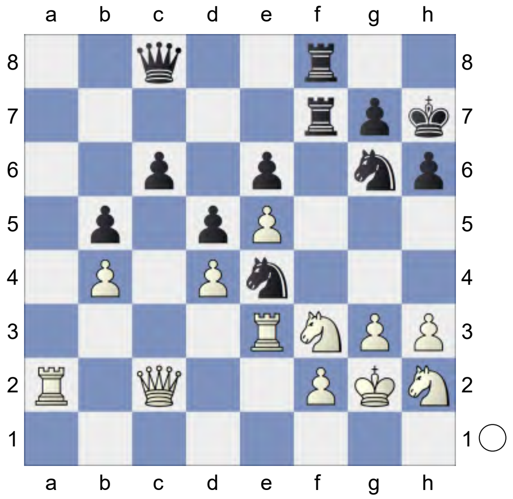
16...Raf8 17.Kg2 Qe7 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Kh7 20.Rb2 b5 21.Ra2 Qd7 22.Qb3 d5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Ra6 c6 25.Qc2 Nh5 1.11/20

[25...Qc8= 0.18/19 remains equal. 26.Qa2 Kg8]

26.d4!± Qc8 27.Ra2 0.81/23

[⌓27.Ra3 1.43/25]

27...exd4 28.cxd4 Nf6! 29.e5 Ne4



30.Rxe4 -0.11/24

[30.Nf1!± 0.79/25]

30...dxe4= 31.Qxe4 Hoping for Nh4. **31...Qd7** 0.21/28

[⌓31...Qb7 -0.24/24]

32.Ra6 Rf5! 33.Qxc6 Qf7 34.Qe4 Kh8 35.Rb6 Ne7 36.Rxb5 -0.36/27

[36.Qb7= 0.11/25]

36...Nd5∓ 37.Ra5 Qb7 And now ... Nf4+! would win. **38.Qe2 Qxb4 39.Ra6 Qb3** Black has compensation. **40.Ra1** -0.81/21

[40.Rxe6? is the wrong capture. Nf4+ 41.gxf4 Qxe6-+]

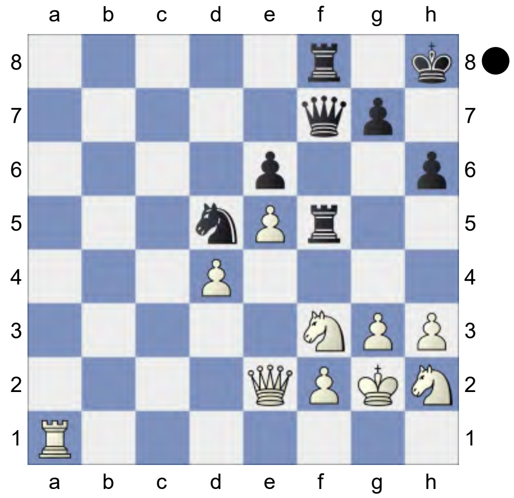
[40.Ra2∓ -0.38/23 deserves consideration.]

40...Qb7 -0.28/24

[40...R5f7∓ -0.81/21]

41.Ra3 Qf7 42.Ra1 -0.76/26

[42.Nf1= -0.09/22]



42...Qg6 -0.37/24

[42...g5!∓ -0.76/26]

43.Kh1 -0.89/25

[43.Qc2∓ -0.37/24]

43...Qf7 0.01/24

[Better is 43...R5f7∓ -0.89/25]

44.Kg2= Qg6 0.01/24

[44...g5∓ -0.69/25]

45.Kh1 Qf7 0.01/24

[45...Qe8∓ -0.72/22]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.21 (precise)

46.Kg2

½-½

127 **C51**
☐ **TorомBot** **3022**
■ **RaspFish** **2993**
Blitz 23.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.d4 exd4 7.cxd4 Bb6 8.0-0 d6 9.Nc3 Na5 10.Bd3 White has compensation. **10...Ne7 11.h3** Wards off Bg4

[11.Na4 0-0 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.Nh4 f6 14.f4 f5 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qh6 d5 17.e5 Nb3 18.Nf3 Rf7 19.Ng5 Qf8 20.Nxf7 Nxa1 21.Bb1 Qxf7 22.Rf2 Ra4 23.Bb2 Rb4 24.Qh3 Bd7 25.Qa3 Nc6 0-1 2.c4 e5 (2600)-12. ♘d2 g6 13, ♗ (2550) Daugavpils 1978]

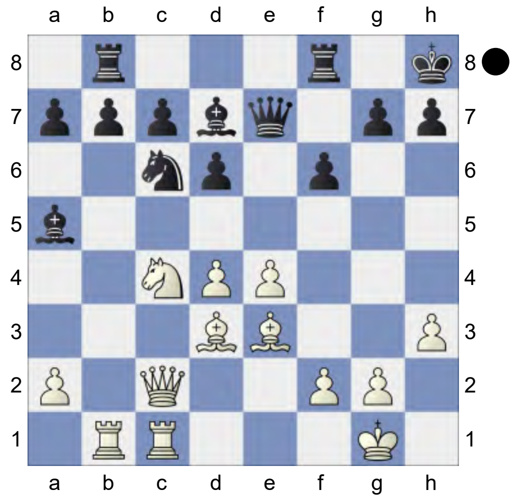
[11.e5 dxe5 12.dxe5 Bg4 13.Bg5 Nac6 14.Re1 0-0 15.Re4 Bf5 16.Qd2 Bxe4 17.Nxe4 Nd4 18.Nf6+ gxf6 19.Bxf6 Nxf3+ 20.gxf3 Qd4 21.Rf1 1-0 Blackburne,J-Owens,J British CA Congress-06 Masters 1890 (15)]

11...0-0 12.Rb1N

[12.Ne2 f6 13.Kh1 Ng6 14.Ng3 c5 15.d5 Qe8 16.Bb2 Bd7 17.Nh5 Ne5 18.Nxe5 dxe5 19.Rb1 Bc7 20.Bc3 b5 21.d6 Bb6 22.f4 b4 23.fxe5 bxc3 24.exf6 Qe5 25.Rf5 Bxf5 26.exf5 Qxd6 0-1 Maarsen-Utrecht Netherlands intercity 1871]

12...Ng6 White is slightly better. **13.Bg5 f6 14.Be3 Kh8 15.Qc2 Nc6 16.Nd5**

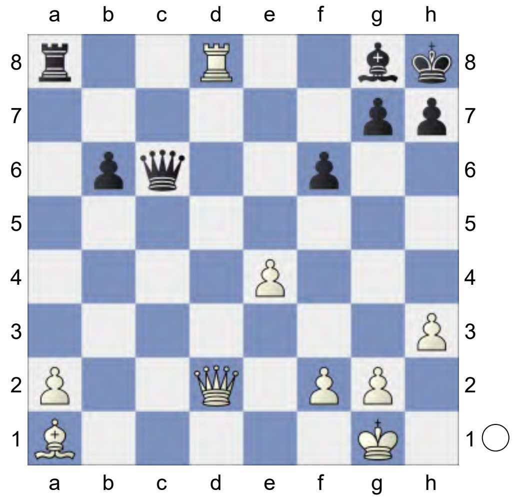
Bd7 17.Rfe1 Ba5 18.Rec1 Rb8 19.Nd2 Nge7 20.Nxe7 Qxe7 21.Nc4!



Bb6 22.Nxb6 axb6 23.Rb3 Rbc8 24.Qd2 Qd8 25.d5 Ne5 26.Be2 Be8 27.Bd4 Nd7 28.Re3 c6 29.Bg4 Ra8! 30.dxc6 bxc6 31.Rd3

[31.Rxc6 Nc5 32.Bxc5 Bxc6-+]

31...Qc7 32.Bxd7 Bxd7 33.Ba1 Be6 34.Rxd6 Rfd8 35.Rcxc6 Qxc6 36.Rxd8+ Bg8



White must now prevent ...Rxd8. **37.Qd6**

[37.Rxa8 simplifies Qxa8 38.Qd6 Bxa2 39.e5]

37...Qc1+ 38.Qd1 Qxd1+ 39.Rxd1 Bxa2= Endgame KRB-KRB **40.e5 Bb3 41.Rb1** and exf6! would now be decisive. The position is equal. **41...Bc2 42.Rc1 fxe5 43.Bxe5 Ra2 44.Bd4 Kg8 45.Bxb6 Rb2 46.Kh2 Rxb6 47.Rxc2** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **47...Rb5 48.Rc8+ Kf7 49.h4 Rb2 50.Rc7+ Kg8 51.Rc8+ Kf7 52.f3 Rb5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) / Black=0.02 (flawless) **53.Rc7+**

½-½

128 C50

☐ Niemann,Hans Moke 2736

■ Martinez Alcantara,Jose Eduardo

Titled Tue 24th Jun Early blitz (7)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5

Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 (45) Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6.0-0 Bb6 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Bb3 Ne7 10.Nc4 Ng6 11.h3 c6 The position is equal. **12.Nxb6 axb6 13.d4 Re8 14.Bc2 b5 15.a3 Be6 16.Be3 Qe7 17.Qd2 Nh5 18.Kh2 Rad8 19.Rad1 Nhf4 20.Ng1 Nh5! 21.g3 Nf6** 1.15/22

[21...d5= 0.01/20]

22.Qe2 -0.01/26

[22.f4± 1.15/22]

22...Bc4= 23.Qd2 exd4 0.91/27

[23...Be6!= -0.01/22]

24.Bxd4± c5 25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.f4 Nf8 0.93/21

[26...b4!± 0.56/25 is superior.]

27.Nf3! Qe7 1.26/22

[27...b4!± 0.69/20]

28.Qf2 Qc7 29.Rd2 Qc6 1.77/21

[29...b6± 1.26/21 30.Kg1 Kh8]

30.Qg2 Qc7 31.Red1 Be6 32.Qf2 0.86/21

[⌓32.Qe2 1.46/21]

32...b6 33.a4 0.16/23

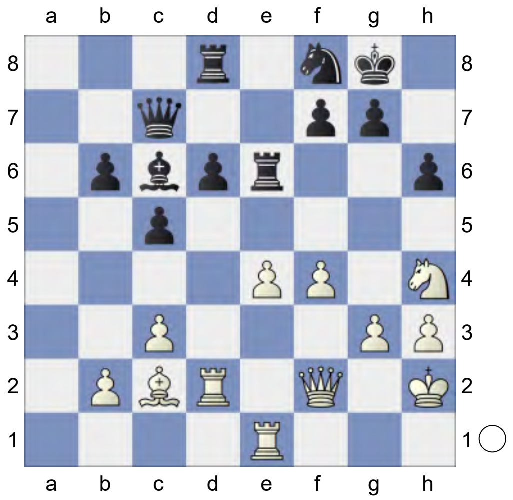
[33.Qf1± 1.31/22]

33...bxa4= 34.Bxa4 Bd7 35.Bc2 Bc6 36.Re1 Re7 0.62/25

[Black should play 36...Nh7= -0.01/22]

37.Nh4± Re6 1.07/21

[37...g6= 0.14/21]



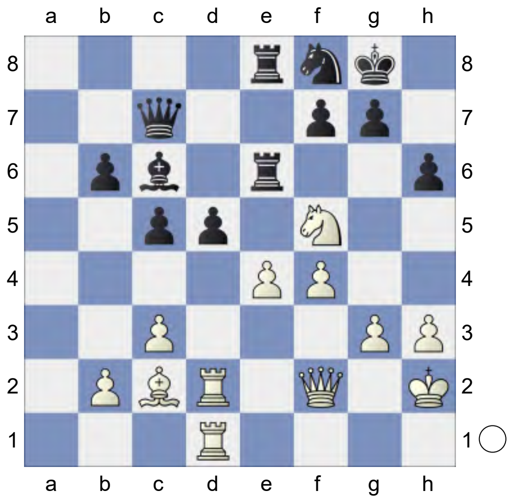
38.Nf5!± Rde8 1.71/24

[38...Nh7± 0.99/19 was worth a try.]

39.Red1 1.06/24

[39.Qf3+- 1.71/24]

39...d5



40.e5

[40.exd5 Bxd5 41.Bd3 (*41.Rxd5 Re2∓* Pin) 41...Bb3∓]

40...f6 41.Nd6↑ Black is under strong pressure. **41...Rd8** 1.81/23

[41...Rb8± 1.03/23]

42.Re1? -0.01/23

[42.Rf1+- 1.81/23]

42...fxe5 0.87/20

[42...Nd7!= -0.01/23 keeps the balance.]

43.fxe5 Hoping for Qf4. **43...Qe7 44.Rde2** 0.91/23 White is much more active.

[Better is 44.Nf5 1.51/24 Qe8 45.Rde2]

44...Nd7 1.69/25

[44...g6± 0.91/23]

45.Qf5? 0.01/23

[45.Nf5+- 1.69/25 Qf7 46.Qf4]

45...Rf8? #1/6

[45...g6= 0.01/23 46.Qg4 (*46.Qf4 Kg7±*) 46...h5 (*46...Nxe5 47.Rxe5 Rxe5 48.Rxe5±*)]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.44

46.Qh7#

1-0

132 **C52**

☐ **Fruity23** **3055**

■ **MateAI** **3032**

Blitz 21.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4** 0.22/19

[⌓6...d6 -0.15/19]

7.Qb3= Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

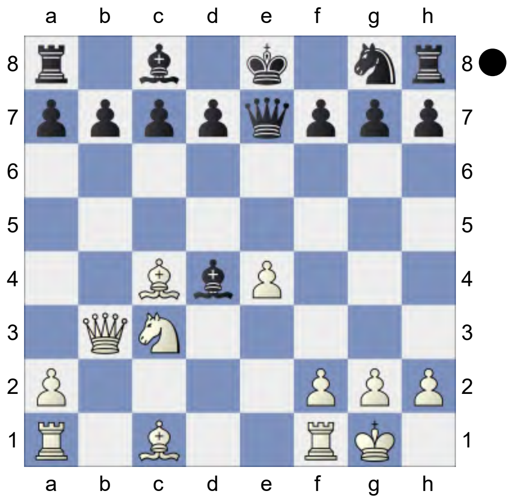
[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ (*9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Ne5+-*) 9...Kd8 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxg8 h6+-*)]

9.cxd4! Nxd4

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-*)]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3!

(Diagram)

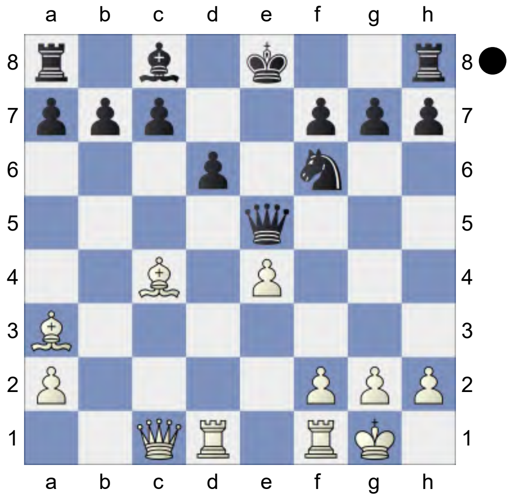


Nf6 The position is equal. **12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5**

[14...Nxe4 15.Qb2± (*15.Qxg7 Qf6+-*)]

15.Qc1

[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]



Strongly threatening f4. **15...0-0**

[15...Nxe4? 16.f3+-]

16.Bb2 Qxe4N

[16...Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 (*17...Ng4 18.f4 dxe5 19.h3 Qc5+ 20.Kh1*

Nf2+ 21.Kh2 Be6 22.Bxe6 Qxc1 23.Rxc1 Nd3 24.Bb3 Nxb2 25.fxe5 c6 26.Rf3 b5 27.Rxc6 Nc4 The Main Line-N,N 2014*)* 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.Bd5 Qb4 19.Qh6 Bf5! 20.Qxf6 Qg4 21.Bxb7 Rae8 22.Qc3 Re7 23.Bc6 Rb8 24.Qa5 Rb6 25.h3 Qg6 26.Rd5 Re5

[26...Bxh3? is the wrong capture. 27.Rg5 Rxc6 28.Rxg6+ hxg6 29.gxh3+-]

27.Rxe5 dxe5 28.Bd5 c6 29.Bf3 e4 30.Bg4 Bxg4 31.hxg4 Qxg4 32.Qxa7 Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **32...Rb5 33.Qa8+ Kg7** ...Rg5 would now be deadly. **34.Qxc6 Rg5 35.Qc3+ f6 36.g3 Rh5 37.Qa3 Kg6** (→ ...Qh3) **38.Qe3 Qf3 39.Qxf3 exf3 40.a4** An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) **40...Ra5**

½-½

131 **C52**

□ **Boller1910** **3043**

■ **Nikitosikbot_v2** **3043**

Blitz 21.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

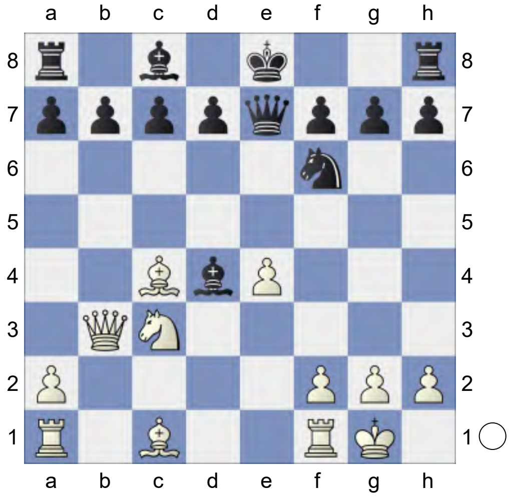
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nd8+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-)*]

9.cxd4 Nxd4

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6



12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5

[14...Nxe4?! 15.Qxg7 Qf6 16.Qxf6 *(16.Bxf7+ Ke7+-)* 16...Nxf6 17.Bb2+-]

15.Qc1 White has compensation.

[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]

15...Bd7N 0.45/22

[15...Nxe4? 16.f3+-]

[15...0-0= 0.05/22 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Qc3 *(20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3* ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022*)* 20...Qf6 21.Qc1 Qh4 22.Qc3 Ne8 23.Bd5 Rb8 24.Rd3 Rd8 25.Rg3 Qxg3 26.hxg3 Rxd5 27.Ba3 Nd6 28.Qxc7 Nb5 29.Qe7 Rfd8 30.Bb2 R5d7

1-0 (70) Yvinec,J (2349)-Pavoni,F (2310) corr W-32ch prel09 2008]

16.Bb2⩲ Qh5

[16...Qxe4? 17.Rfe1 0-0-0 18.Rxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxg7+- (*19.Bxf7 Rhf8+-*)]

[16...Qa5!?]

17.e5 Ng4 18.h3

[18.Qf4 simplifies Nxe5 19.Bxe5 dxe5 20.Bxf7+ Qxf7 21.Qxf7+ Kxf7 22.Rxd7+ Kf6 23.Rxc7 Rab8 24.Rb1]

18...Nxe5 19.Bxe5 dxe5→ Black mounts an attack.

[19...Qxe5? 20.Rfe1 0-0-0 21.Rxe5 dxe5 22.Qg5+- (*22.Bxf7 Rhf8+-*)]

20.Qa3 White wants to play Rfe1. **20...Bc6** White must now prevent ...Qg6. **21.Qc5 Rd8**

[21...Qg5!? 22.Bd5□ Qf6± (*22...Bxd5 23.Rxd5 f6 24.f4±*)]

22.Rxd8+ Kxd8 23.f3! Kc8 24.Qxa7 And now Rd1 would win. **24...Kd7!**

[Don't blunder 24...Re8? 25.Rd1+-]

25.Rd1+ Ke7 26.g4 Wards off Qf5. Intending Qc5+ and mate. **26...Qxh3 27.Qc5+?** -4.81/5

[27.Qa3+= 0.01/31 and White is okay. Ke8 (*27...Kf6 28.Rd6+ cxd6 29.Qxd6+ Kg5 30.Qxe5+ Kh4 31.Qh5+ Kg3 32.Qe5+ Kh4 33.Qh5+ Kg3 34.Qe5+ Kh4=*) 28.Be2 (*28.Qa8+ Ke7=*)]

27...Kf6-+

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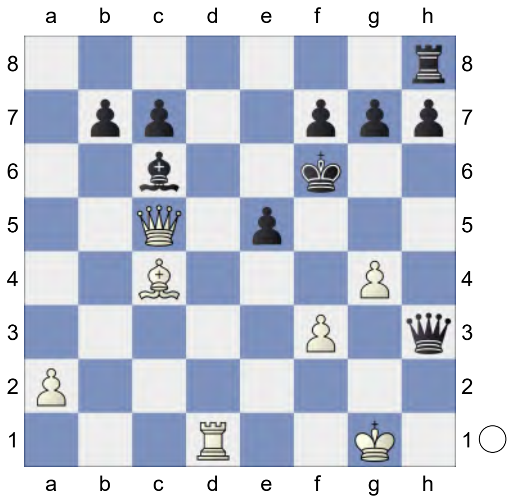

28.Rd6+! The position is equal. **28...cxd6 29.Qxd6+ Kg5 30.Qxe5+ Kh4 31.Qh5+ Kg3 32.Qe5+ Kh4** (-> ...Qg3+) **33.Qh5+ Kg3 34.Qe5+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless) **34...Kh4=**

½-½

129 **C52**

☐ **Fruity23** **3057**

■ **ArasanX** **2971**

Blitz 21.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6** Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4

Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6 13.Re1N

[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ Castro Salguero, R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11.♘e2_13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7 Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...exd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Bb2 Nc6 0.17/17

[16...Qc6 -0.20/18 was preferable. 17.Qb1 Bc5 (*17...Qxa4? 18.Bf7+* Discovered Attack *Kxf7 19.Rxa4+-*)]

17.Bxd4!= Nxd4 18.Qc3 Ne6 0.36/22

[18...Qxa4? 19.Bf7+ (*19.Qxc7 Qd7±*) 19...Kxf7 20.Rxa4+-]

[Black should try 18...c5= -0.16/20]

19.Nf3± and e5! would now be decisive **19...0-0**

[19...Qxa4? perishes. 20.Bxe6 Qc6 21.Qb3 Bxe6 22.Qxe6+ Kd8 23.Nd4+-]

20.Nd4! Qe7 21.Rab1 Kh8 22.Bxe6 Bxe6 23.Rxb7 Rfc8 24.Nc6 White has compensation. **24...Qd7** Black is weak on the dark squares **25.h3 a6 26.a5 Bg8 27.Re3 Bf7 28.Re1 Re8 29.Nb4 Re7 30.Rc1** The position is equal. **30...Rxe4** and ...Rc4 should not be overlooked **31.Qxc7 Qxc7 32.Rcxc7 Bg8 33.Nc6 Bd5 34.f3 Re1+ 35.Kf2 Ra1 36.Rxg7 Bxc6 37.Rxh7+ Kg8 38.Rhg7+ Kh8 39.Rh7+ Kg8 40.Rhg7+ Kh8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless) **41.Rh7+**

½-½

130 **C52**

☐ **Boller1910** **3037**

■ **MateAI** **3044**

Blitz 21.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.21/20

[⌓6...d6 -0.19/21]

7.Qb3= Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ (*9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 d5+-*) 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- (*10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-*)]

9.cxd4 White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-*)]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3 Nf6

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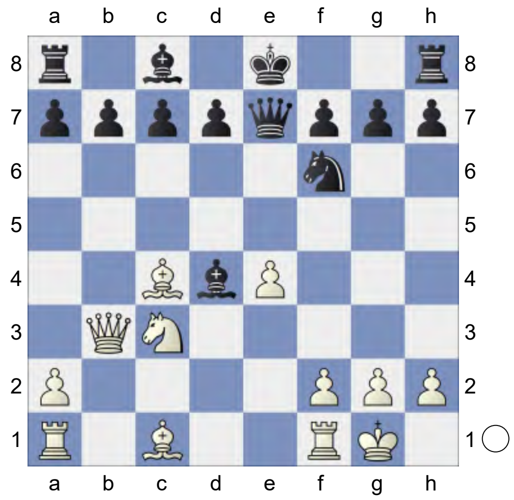


12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5

[14...Nxe4? 15.Qxg7 Rf8 16.Rfe1+- *(16.Qxh7 Ng5+-)*]

15.Qc1 White has compensation.

[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]

15...0-0

[15...Nxe4? 16.Bd5+-]

16.Rfe1 The position is equal. **16...Ng4N**

[16...Nxe4? 17.f3+-]

[16...Re8 17.Bb2 Qh5 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Rd3 Mainlines In The Evans]

17.f4 Qa5 18.Bb2 Be6 Prevents Rd5. **19.Be2 Nf6!**

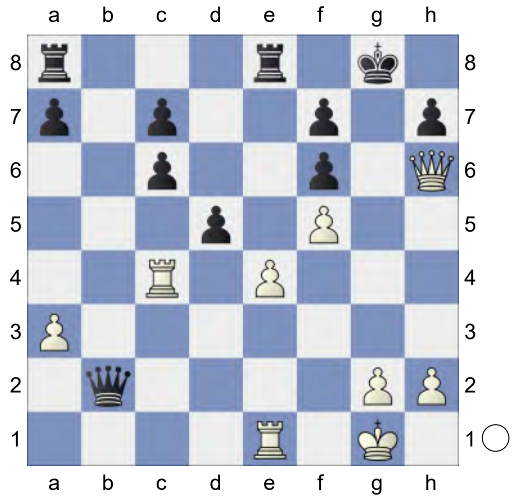
[19...Qxa2? 20.f5 Nf6 21.Bxf6 *(21.fxe6 Qxe6 22.Bc4 Qe7+-)* 21...gxf6 22.fxe6 Qxe6 23.h3+- *(23.Qxc7 a5+-)*]

20.f5 Bd7! 21.Bc4 Hoping for Bxf6. **21...Rfe8! 22.Bc3⇄** White has counterplay **22...Qb6+ 23.Bd4** A strong pair of Bishops. **23...Qb4 24.a3 Qa4 25.Bxf6 gxf6 26.Bd5 Bc6 27.Qh6 Qc2** Dodges Rd3

[27...Qxa3? 28.Re3 *(28.Qxf6 Qc5+ 29.Kh1 Bxd5=)* 28...Qc5 29.Bxc6 *(29.Kh1 Qxe3 30.Qxe3 Bxd5+-)* 29...bxc6 30.Kh1+-]

[27...Bxd5? 28.Rd3 Rxe4 29.Rxe4+-]

28.Bxc6 bxc6 29.Rc1! Qb2 and ...Rab8 should not be overlooked **30.Rc4= d5**



31.Re3! Qa1+

[31...dxc4 32.Rg3+ Kh8 33.Qg7#]

[31...Qb1+ 32.Kf2]

32.Kf2 Qb2+

[32...dxc4 33.Rg3+ Kh8 34.Qg7#]

33.Kf1 Qb1+

[33...dxc4 34.Rg3+ Kh8 35.Qg7#]

34.Ke2 Qa2+

[34...dxc4 35.Rg3+ Kh8 36.Qxf6#]

[34...Rxe4? too greedy. 35.Rcxe4 Qb2+ 36.Ke1 Qc1+ *(36...dxe4 37.Rg3+ Kh8 38.Qg7#; 36...Qa1+? 37.Kf2+-)* 37.Kf2 Qd2+ *(37...dxe4 38.Rg3+* Discovered Attack*)* 38.Kg3 dxe4 39.Kh4+-]

35.Kd1 Some like it hot **35...Qa1+**

[35...Qxc4 36.Rg3+ Kh8 37.Qxf6#]

36.Kc2 Qa2+! 37.Kd1 Qa1+ 38.Kc2 Rg3+ would kill now. **38...Qa2+!**

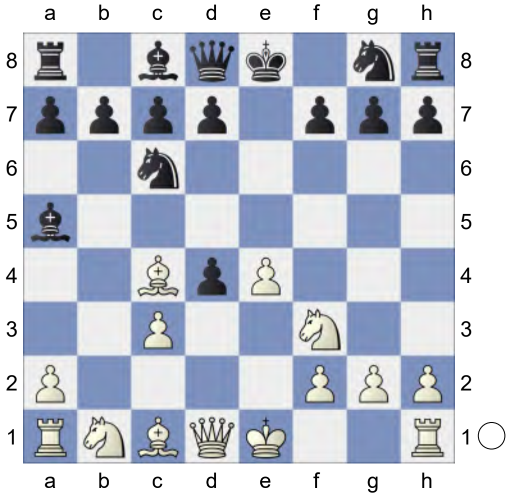
[Stronger than 38...dxc4 39.Rg3+ Kh8 40.Qg7#]

An interesting draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)
39.Kd1 Qxc4 40.Rg3+ Kh8 41.Qxf6#
½-½

133 **C52**
☐ **Fruity23** **3035**
■ **Nikitosik-ai** **2999**
Blitz 20.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Nouveau coup d'œil sur le Gambit Evans **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4**



7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6
[8...Qxe4 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4 White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**
[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3 Nf6 12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5
[14...Nxe4?! 15.Qb2± *(15.Qxg7 Qf8±)*]

15.Qc1
[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]

15...Bd7N
[15...Nxe4? 16.Bd5+-]
[15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Qc3 *(20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3* ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022 *)* 20...Qf6 21.Qc1 Qh4 22.Qc3 Ne8 23.Bd5 Rb8 24.Rd3 Rd8 25.Rg3 Qxg3 26.hxg3 Rxd5 27.Ba3 Nd6 28.Qxc7 Nb5 29.Qe7 Rfd8 30.Bb2 1-0 Yvinec,J (2349)-Pavoni,F (2310) corr W-32ch prel09 2008]

16.Bb2 Qh5 The position is equal.
[16...Qxe4? 17.Rfe1 0-0-0 18.Rxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxg7+- *(19.Bxf7 Rhf8+-)*]

17.e5 Ng4 18.h3 Nxe5 19.Bxe5 dxe5
[19...Qxe5? 20.Rfe1 0-0-0 21.Rxe5 dxe5 22.Bxf7+-]

20.Qa3 Bc6 21.Qc5 Qg5 22.Bd5 Qg6
[22...Bxd5?! 23.Rxd5 f6 24.f4+-]

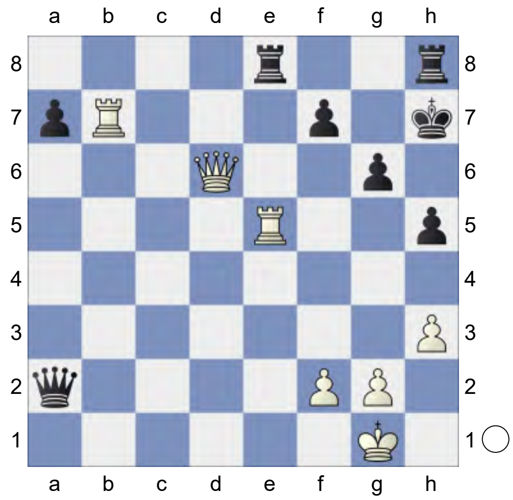
23.Bxc6+ Qxc6 24.Qxe5+ Kf8 25.Rfe1 h5!
[Inferior is 25...Re8 26.Rd8]

26.Qe7+ Kg8 27.Rd7 Qc4 28.Rxc7 Qxa2 29.Qd7 Rf8 30.Qd6 And now Qxf8+! would win. **30...Kh7**
[30...Rh6 31.Qxf8+ Kh7 32.Rxf7+-]

31.Re5
[31.Rxb7 Re8 32.Rxe8 Rxe8]
[31.Qd3+ simplifies g6 32.Qf3 Rhg8 33.Ree7]

31...g6 32.Rxb7 Active counter play! **32...Re8**

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with ...Qa1+. **33.Rxh5+! gxh5 34.Qf6! Kg8 35.Rb5** Inhibits Qd5. **35...Rh7**

[Don't play 35...Re1+?! 36.Kh2±]

36.Rg5+ Kf8 37.Qd6+ Re7 38.Qb8+ Re8 39.Qb4+ Re7 40.Qb8+ Re8 41.Qd6+ Re7 42.Qd8+ Re8 A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **43.Qd6+**

½-½

134 C51
☐ **Nikitosik-ai** 3021
■ **expositor** 2734
Blitz 13.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 Be6N**

[10...0-0 11.Qc2 c5 (*11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.e5 Qe4 15.Qxe4 Nxe4* 2) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit 4.b4 − 6.d4 Na) 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 (*13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6* 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024) 13...Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 23.Rfe1 Be5 24.c4 Rad8 25.Bxe5 0-1 Kryvoruchko,Y (2707)-Karjakin,S (2771) FIDE World Rapid 2014 (12.7)]

11.Qc2 Qd6 12.Nf3 0-0-0 13.Be2 Qc6! 14.Nbd2 Rhe8 0.56/21

[14...Bc5= 0.00/19]

15.Ne5!± Qc5 16.Ndf3 Nc4 Prevents Be3. **17.Nd3 Qa5 18.Nf4↑** Black is under pressure. **18...Na3 19.Bxa3 Bxa3 20.Nxe6 Rxe6** 0.91/20

[20...fxe6= 0.28/20 21.Rab1 c6]

21.e5± Nd7 22.Ng5 Re7 23.Rab1 Hoping for Rb5!. White is more active. This move loses the game for Black. **23...Qxe5** 2.02/22

[23...Rxe5? 24.Nxf7 (*24.Nxh7 Nb6∓*) 24...Rxe2 25.Qxe2+-]

[23...c6!± 0.64/20]

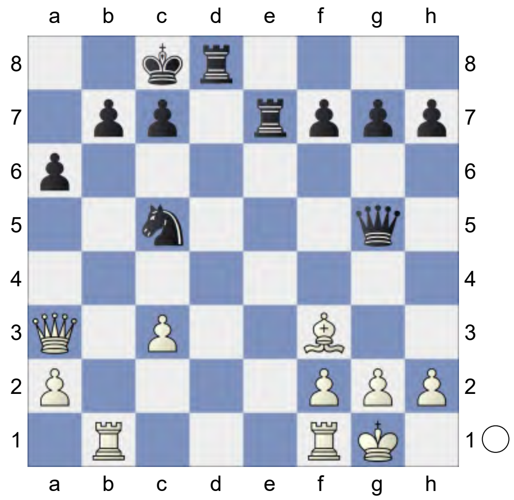
24.Qb3!+- Nc5

[24...Qxg5 25.Qxb7#]

25.Qxa3 Qxg5 26.Bf3 a6 2.89/25

[26...Kb8 1.72/22 is a better defense.]

(Diagram)



27.Bxb7+! Remove Defender, Deflection **27...Nxb7 28.Qxa6 Qd5 29.c4 Qe4** ...Kb8 is the strong threat. **30.f3!**

[30.Qa8+ Kd7 31.Qxb7 Qxb7 32.Rxb7 Re4±]

30...Qe3+ 31.Kh1 Rd2? 4.08/22

[31...c5 2.32/23]

32.Qxb7+

[32.Rxb7 Re6 33.Qb5 Rb6 34.Rxb6 cxb6±]

32...Kd7 33.Qb5+ Ke6? 7.58/23

[33...Kc8 3.33/21 34.Qa6+ Kd7]

34.Rfe1 Pin

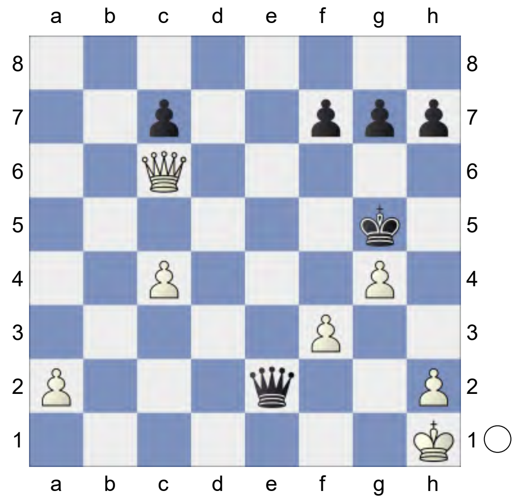
[34.Rbe1 Re2 35.Rxe2 Qxe2±]

34...Re2 35.Qc6+ Kf5 36.Rb5+ Re5 37.Rxe5+ Qxe5 Endgame KQR-KQR. White is a pawn up. **38.g4+**

[Not 38.Qd7+ Kf6 39.Qd8+ Qe7 40.Qd4+ *(40.Rxe2?* loses. *Qxd8 41.Kg1 Qd4+ 42.Kf1 Qxc4-+)* 40...Qe5 41.Qh4+ *(41.Rxe2? Qxd4 42.Re1 Qxc4-+)* 41...Ke6⩲]

38...Kg5 39.Rxe2 Qxe2

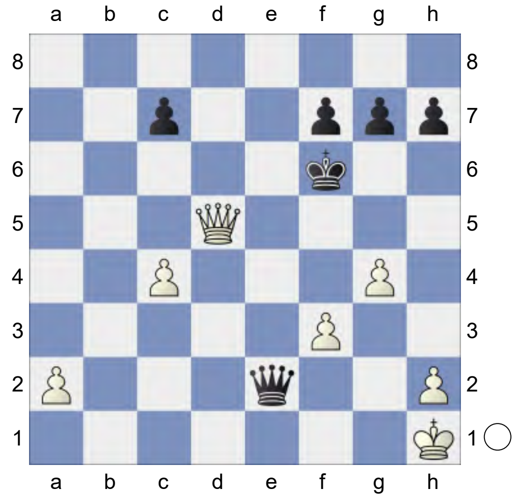
(Diagram)



KQ-KQ. White is a pawn up. **40.Qd5+!**

[40.Qxc7? Qf1#]

40...Kf6



41.g5+! Ke7 42.Qe4+ Qxe4 43.fxe4 KP-KP. White is a pawn up. **43...Kd6 44.a4 Kc5 45.a5 Kc6 46.Kg2 Kb7 47.Kf3 Ka6 48.Ke3 Kxa5 49.Kd4 Kb6 50.Kd5 Kb7 51.e5 g6 52.c5 Kb8 53.Kc6** Intending Kd7 and mate. **53...Kc8 54.h3 Kb8 55.Kd7 Kb7 56.c6+** 14.63/27 **Kb6 57.h4 Ka5 58.Kxc7 Kb4 59.Kd6 h5**

[59...Kc4 60.c7]

60.gxh6 Kb3 61.c7 Kc3 62.h7 Kd3 63.c8Q f6 64.h8Q 35.45/13

[⌓64.exf6 #6/14 Ke4 65.h8Q *(65.h8R g5 66.f7 Ke3 67.f8Q g4*

68.Qc3+ Ke4 69.Qe8+ Kf5 70.Rf8#) 65...Ke3 66.Qhe8+ Kf2 67.Qg4 Kf1 68.Qee2#]

64...f5 65.Qc5 White mates. **65...f4 66.Qa8 Kd2 67.Qg2+ Kd1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.82 **68.Qcg1#**

1-0

136 **C54**

☐ **Svidler,Peter** **2698**

■ **Malakhov,Vladimir** **2642**

Karpov Cup 50 Years rapid (4) 22.05.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.h3 h6N is now debated instead of 7...Ba7.wird nun anstelle von 7...La7 disktutiert.

[7...Ba7 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 *(9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Na5 12.Bb3 Nxb3 13.Qxb3 b5 14.d4 c5 15.Rad1 c4 16.Qc2 Qe7 17.Rf2 Re8 18.d5 Bd7 19.Nf1 Bc8 20.Ng3 g6 21.Rdf1 Nd7 22.Nh2 Nc5 23.Rxf7 Qxf7* 1-0 (44) Al Mashikhi,S (2095)-Pultinevicius,P (2465) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.1) *24.Rxf7 Kxf7 25.Ng4 Bxg4 26.hxg4 Kg7 27.b3 cxb3 28.axb3 Rec8 29.Qa2 a5 30.Qe2 Rab8 31.Qa2 a4 32.bxa4 bxa4 33.c4 Rb3 34.Nf1 Rcb8 35.Kh2 Rb2 36.Qa3 R8b3 37.Qa1 Rb1 38.Qa2 Rxf1* 0-1 (44) Brezikova,B (1610)-Braun,J (1854) Bundesliga Germany 1999 (3) *)* 9...g5 10.Bg3 Nh7 11.d4 h5 12.dxe5 h4 13.Nxh4 gxh4 14.Qh5 Qe7 15.Bxh4 Qf8 16.e6 Ne5 17.Bb3 Qg7 18.Kh1 Nf6 19.Bxf6 Qxf6 20.exf7+ Kf8 21.Qe2 Bxh3 22.gxh3 0-1 (25) Burovic,R (1649)-Devreese,V (1398) World Championship Match, 19th Game 31 (7)]

8.Re1 Ba7 9.Nbd2 The position is equal. **9...0-0 10.Nf1 Re8 11.Ng3 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.c4!N** A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[13.d4 aiming for d5. Re8 0.59/20 *(13...d5= 0.22/20)* 14.Be3 exd4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.cxd4 c6 17.Qb3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Re6 19.Qc2 0-1 (85) Niemann,H (2734)-Carlsen,M (2831) Wch Blitz Final 2024 (1.4)]

13...Nh7 14.Nf5 h5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 g6 17.Ng3 Ng5 18.Rf1 Nxf3+ 19.Qxf3 Qe7 20.Ne2 A mistake that costs the game. **20...Nb8?** 3.05/27

[20...Rf8= -0.01/22 and Black has nothing to worry.]

21.Nc3+- c6

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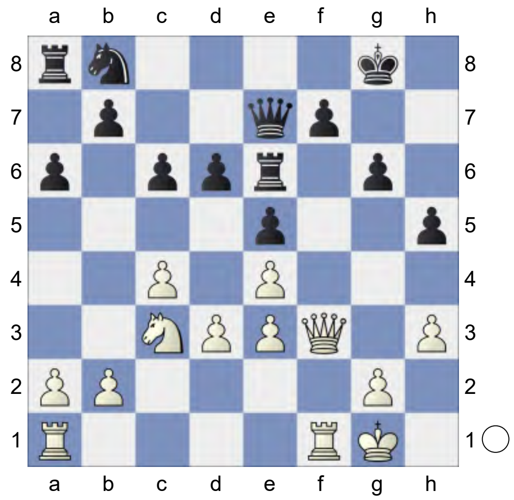

Prevents Nd5. **22.Nd5! cxd5 23.cxd5 Nd7 24.dxe6** White is clearly winning. **24...Qxe6 25.Rac1** Repels Rc8 **25...Rf8 26.Rc7 Nc5 27.Qf6 Qxf6 28.Rxf6 Nxd3 29.Rxd6 Nxb2 30.Rxb7** Endgame KRR-KRN **30...Nc4 31.Rd3 Kg7 32.Rc7 Nb6 33.Rb3 Nc8 34.Rb8 Nd6 35.Rxf8 Kxf8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.49

36.Rc6

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135 **C54**

☐ **Svidler,Peter** **2698**

■ **Malakhov,Vladimir** **2642**

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[Kitty Kat]

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8.Re1 Ba7 9.Nbd2 The position is equal. **9...0-0 10.Nf1 Re8 11.Ng3 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6** **13.c4!N** A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[13.d4 d5 is the strong threat. Re8 0.53/19 *(13...d5= 0.17/22 feels stronger.)* 14.Be3± exd4 15.Bxd4 Nxd4 16.cxd4 c6 17.Qb3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Re6 19.Qc2 0-1 (85) Niemann,H (2734)-Carlsen,M (2831) Wch Blitz Final 2024 (1.4)]

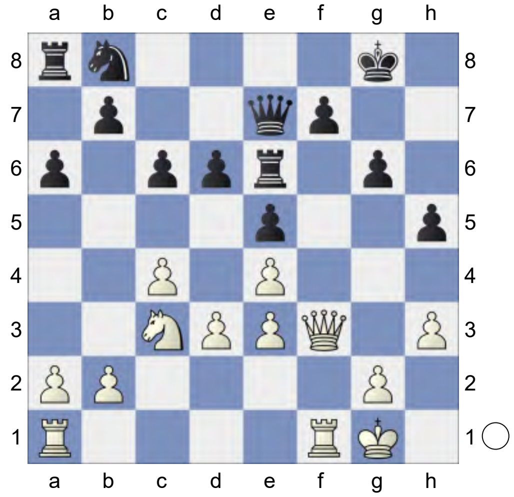
13...Nh7 14.Nf5 h5 15.Be3 Bxe3

16.fxe3 g6 17.Ng3 Ng5 18.Rf1 Nxf3+ 19.Qxf3 Qe7 20.Ne2 This costs Black the game. **20...Nb8?** 3.21/27

[20...Rf8= -0.01/23 and Black has nothing to worry.]

21.Nc3+- c6 4.29/26

[⌓21...Nd7 2.91/24 22.Nd5 Qf8]



Dodges Nd5 **22.Nd5! cxd5 23.cxd5 Nd7 24.dxe6** White is clearly winning. **24...Qxe6 25.Rac1 Rf8 26.Rc7 Nc5 27.Qf6 Qxf6 28.Rxf6 Nxd3 29.Rxd6 Nxb2 30.Rxb7** Endgame KRR-KRN **30...Nc4 31.Rd3 Kg7 32.Rc7 Nb6 33.Rb3 Nc8 34.Rb8 Nd6 35.Rxf8 Kxf8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.45

36.Rc6

1-0

137 **C50**

□ **Ding,Liren** **2728**

■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2783**

WCh 2024 Singapore SIN (2.1) 26.11.24

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a4 d6 7.0-0 h6**

[7...0-0 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 Nb4 11.a5 d5 12.exd5 Nfxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.e4 Be6 16.Kh1 f6 17.b3 Qe7 18.Qe2 Qc5 19.Nc4 Rad8 20.Ne3 Rd7 21.Qd2 Qd4 22.Ra4 0-1 Boskovic,M (2713)-Osnos,V (2768) 54/146 Barcelona 1992 (3)]

8.Be3 White has an edge. **8...Be6**

[8...0-0 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.Nd5 Be6 11.Ne3 Re8 12.Nd2 Bxc4 13.Ndxc4 b5 14.Nd2 Nd4 15.Kh1 Qd7 16.b3 c6 17.f3 Nh5 18.Rf2 Nf4 19.g3 Nh3 20.Rg2 g6 21.Qf1 Qd6 22.Rd1 Rad8 23.Nb1 0-1 Sindarov,J (2677)-Vokhidov,S (2650) Julius Baer GenCup Pl/In Chess.com INT rapid 2024 (3)]

9.a5N

[9.Nd5 Bxe3 10.fxe3 0-0 11.a5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.e4 Ng6 14.Qe1 Qd7 15.Kh1 Rae8 16.b4 Nh5 17.Rb1 f5 18.b5 fxe4 19.dxe4 Qg4 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.Rb3 Rf4 22.h3 Qc8 23.Kh2 Rf6 1-0 Praggnanandhaa,R (2690)-Lazavik,D (2541) PRO League Prelim Chess.com INT rapid 2023 (3.2)]

[9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.d4 exd4 11.Nxd4 Qd7 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.Qd3 0-0 14.Bxc5 Qxc5 15.Rad1 Rf7 16.Qd4 Qxd4 17.Rxd4 Nd7 18.a5 Ne5 19.Ne2 g5 20.Nc1 Nc6 21.Ra4 Ne5 22.Nd3 Nxd3 23.cxd3 Raf8 ½-½ Praggnanandhaa,R (2684)-Giri,A (2764) Tata Steel-A 85th Wijk aan Zee 2023 (5) 24.Rb4 c6 25.d4 d5 26.exd5 cxd5 27.Rb6 Re7 28.Re1 Kf7 29.Rc1 Kg6 30.g3 Rf3 31.Rd1 Kf6 32.Kg2 g4 33.h3 h5 34.hxg4 hxg4 35.Rh1 Rd3 36.Rh6+ Kg5

37.Rhxe6 Rxe6 38.Rxe6 Rxd4 ½-½ Ronneland,D (2684)-Grube,J (2764) 65/272 Ljubljana 1995 (5)]

9...Bxc4 10.dxc4 0-0 0.22/21

[10...Bb4!∓ -0.43/22 11.Nd5 Nxe4]

11.Bxc5= dxc5 12.b3 Qxd1 13.Rfxd1 Rad8 14.Rdc1 Nd4 15.Ne1 Rd6 16.Kf1 g6 17.Rd1 Rfd8 18.f3 Kg7 19.Kf2 h5 20.Ne2 Nc6 21.Nc3 Nd4 22.Ne2 0.00/25 **Nc6 23.Nc3** 0.40/21

[23.Rxd6= 0.00/25 deserves consideration. cxd6 24.Nc3]

23...Nd4 Not much happened in this game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise) **24.h4⩲** 0.45/21

½-½

138 **C51**
☐ **Nikitosik-ai** **3038**
■ **AKS-Mantissa** **2740**
Blitz 09.11.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6! 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.f4**

[13.Nec4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 23.Rfe1 Be5 24.c4 Rad8 25.Bxe5 Rxe5 26.f4 Rh5 27.Re3 Ng4 0-1 Thinius,M (2707)-10. ♗a3 b6 11. ba5 ♘ h5_1525 (2771) Saint Petersburg 92/85 2004 (12.7)]

13...Be6

[13...b6 14.c4 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Qxc6 16.e5 Bb7 17.Rf3 Rfd8 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.Bxh7+ Kf8 20.Be4 Rxd2 21.Qxd2 Qxe4 22.Bb2 Bxb2 23.Qxb2 Qxc4 24.Rh3 Kg8 25.Rg3 g6 26.Rh3 Qd4+ 27.Qxd4 cxd4 28.Rd1 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Dragomirescu,R (2347) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Late blitz 2024 (9)]

14.Ndf3 c4 15.Be2 Rae8N

[15...Ng4 16.Nxg4 Bxg4 17.Be3 Bc5 18.Nd4 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Webb,M (2225)-Eames,R (2201) 130/(108) England 2016]

16.Be3 a6 17.Ng5 Bc5⇄ Black is not keeping still **18.Bd4 h6** 0.44/23

[18...b5= -0.19/20]

19.Nxe6⩲ Rxe6 20.Kh1 Bxd4 0.62/22

[20...b5= 0.26/21]

21.cxd4 b5 22.Bf3 Nb7 0.74/22

[22...Rd8= 0.28/21 23.d5 Red6]

23.g4± g5 0.90/22

[23...Rd8= 0.24/24 24.Rad1 Rde8]

24.Rad1 0.45/19

[24.h4!± 0.90/22]

24...Nd6 0.98/22

[24...Rd8!⩲ 0.45/19]

25.d5 Re7 26.Nc6 Rxe4 27.fxg5 hxg5 28.Qc1

[28.Bxe4?! Ndxe4 29.Nd4 c3=]

28...Nh7 29.Bxe4 Nxe4 30.Rd4 0.70/22 **Re8⩲ 31.Qe3 Nd6**

[31...Nhf6 32.Rxf6 Nxf6 33.Qxg5+ Kf8 34.Qxf6±]

32.Qd2 White is much more active. **32...Ne4** 2.12/23

[32...Qd7⩲ 0.70/20]

33.Qg2!+- Nd6 34.Rdd1! Qd7 1.99/21

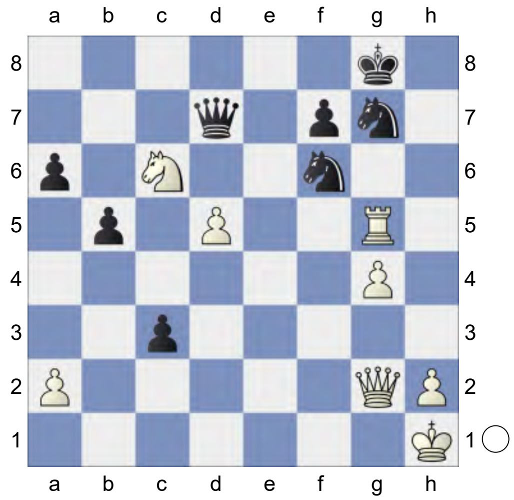
[34...Qb6± 1.03/20 keeps fighting.]

35.Rde1 Nf6? 3.87/23

[35...b4 1.87/20 36.Rxe8+ (*36.Nxb4 Nf8±*) 36...Qxe8 37.Nxb4 Nf8]

36.Rxe8+ Overworked Piece **36...Ndxe8**

37.Rf5 c3 38.Rxg5+ Ng7



39.Re5! Ne6? 5.29/21

[39...Nxg4 3.00/21 40.Ne7+ Kf8]

40.h3

[40.dxe6 Qd1+ 41.Qg1 Qf3+ 42.Qg2 Qd1+ 43.Qg1 Qf3+ 44.Qg2 Qd1+=]

[40.Rf5 Nxd5 41.Ne5 *(41.Qxd5? Qxd5+ 42.Rxd5 c2-+)* 41...Qc8 42.Qxd5 c2∓]

40...Nf4? 5.60/23

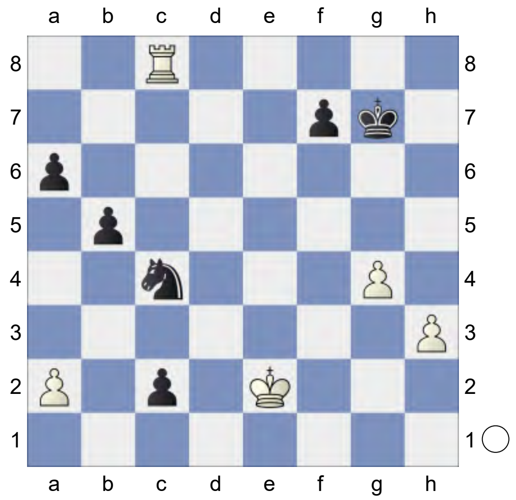
[40...Nc7 3.43/21 41.Ne7+ Kf8]

41.Ne7+ Qxe7 42.Rxe7 Nxg2 43.Kxg2 Nxd5 Endgame KR-KN **44.Re8+ Kg7 45.Rc8 Ne3+ 46.Kf3 Nc4** ...c2 is the strong threat. **47.Ke2** and Rxc4! would now be decisive

[Don't go for 47.Rc5? c2 48.a4 c1Q-+ *(48...c1R? 49.Rg5+ Kf6 50.Rf5+ Ke7 51.axb5-+)*]

47...c2

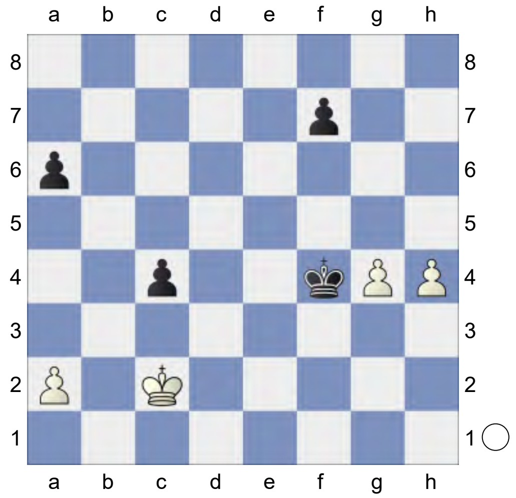
(Diagram)



48.Rxc4! Remove Defender **48...bxc4** KP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **49.Kd2 Kf6 50.h4!**

[50.Kxc2 Kg5 51.Kc3 Kh4 52.Kxc4 Kxh3-+]

50...Ke5 51.Kxc2 K3P-K3P **51...Kf4**



52.h5! Kg5 53.Kc3 f5 54.gxf5

[54.Kxc4 fxg4 55.Kd3 Kxh5-+]

54...Kxh5 55.Kxc4 KPP-KP. White is a pawn up. **55...Kh4 56.f6 Kg5 57.f7 Kf4 58.f8B** 12.54/24 KB-KP

[⌓58.a4 #10/22 Kf5 59.f8Q+ *(59.f8R+ Ke5 60.Ra8 Kf6 61.Rxa6+ Kg5 62.a5 Kg4 63.Rb6 Kh4)* 59...Ke5 60.Qf3 *(60.Qb8+ Kf5 61.Qg3 Ke6 62.Qf4 Kd7 63.Kd5 Ke7 64.a5 Kd8 65.Kd6 Kc8 66.Kc6*

Kd8 67.Qf8#) 60...Ke6 61.Qf4 *(61.Qh3+ Ke5 62.Qe3+ Kf6 63.Kd5 Kf5 64.Qe5+ Kg4 65.Ke4 a5 66.Qg7+ Kh4 67.Kf4 Kh5 68.Qh7#)* 61...Kd7 62.Qf6 Kc7 63.Kc5 *(63.Qxa6 Kd7 64.Kd5 Ke7 65.Qg6 Kd7 66.Qf7+ Kd8 67.Kd6 Kc8 68.Qc7#)* 63...Kb8 64.Kc6 *(64.Qxa6 Kc7 65.Qa7+ Kc8 66.Kd6 Kd8 67.Qd7#)* 64...Ka8 65.Kb6 Kb8 66.Qh8#]

58...Ke3 59.a3 Intending Kb4 and mate. **59...Kf4 60.a4** 16.84/28

[⌓60.Kb4 #18/24 Ke4 61.Ka5 Kd5 62.Kxa6 Kc6 63.a4 Kc7 64.Ka7 Kd7 65.Kb7]

60...Kf5 61.a5 Kg4 62.Kc5 Kf5 63.Kb6 Ke6 64.Kxa6 Kd7 65.Ka7 Kc6 66.a6 Kc7 67.Ka8 Kb6 68.a7 Kc7 69.Ba3 Kc8 70.Bd6 Kd7 71.Kb8 Kxd6 72.a8Q

[Weaker is 72.a8B Ke7=]

72...Ke5 73.Qf3 Kd4 74.Kc7 Kc4 75.Qe3 10.59/5

[⌓75.Kd6 #6/14 Kd4 76.Qe2 Kc3 77.Kc5 Kb3 78.Qd2 Ka3 79.Kc4 Ka4 80.Qb4#]

75...Kd5 76.Qf4 White mates. **76...Kc5 77.Qe4 Kb5 78.Qd4 Ka5 79.Kc6 Ka6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/ Black=0.95 **80.Qb6#**

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Blitz 14.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6**

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.a4! Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6! 13.Re1N

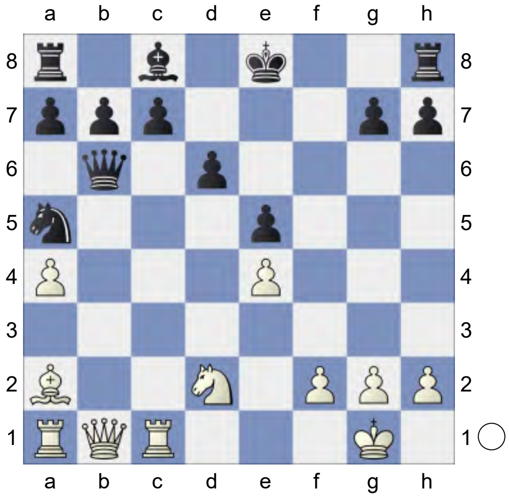
[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ Castro Salguero, R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11. ♘e2_13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7 Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...exd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Bb2 Qc6 17.Qb1 Be5

[17...Qxa4? 18.Bf7+ Kxf7 19.Rxa4+-]

18.Bxe5 fxe5 19.Rc1 Qb6

[19...Qxa4? 20.Bf7+ *(20.Rxc7 Qd4+-)* 20...Kxf7 21.Rxa4+- *(21.Rxc7+ Qd7+-)*]



20.Qd3 White has compensation. **20...Rf8 21.Qe2 Bd7 22.Rab1 Qa6**

[22...Bg4? 23.Qxg4 *(23.Qe1 Qd4±)* 23...Qxf2+ 24.Kh1+-]

23.Qh5+

[23.Qxa6 bxa6 24.Rxc7 Ke7⩲]

23...g6 24.Qg5 Qd3 25.f3

[25.Rxc7 Rc8 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Bd5]

25...Qd4+

[25...Bxa4? 26.Rxc7 Bd7 27.Be6+- *(27.Bd5 Rc8=)*]

[25...Rf4 keeps more tension. 26.Bg8 Qxd2 27.Bxh7 Rc8]

26.Kh1 Qxa4 27.Ra1 Qd4 28.Nf1 0.00/22

[28.Bd5!± 0.72/23 Nc6 29.Rab1]

28...Nc6 0.54/23

[28...b5!= 0.00/22]

29.Ne3

[29.Rab1!?]

29...Ne7 Dodges Nd5 **30.Rd1 Qc5 31.Rac1 Qa5 32.Ra1 Qc5 33.Rac1** -0.01/19

[33.Bd5⩲ 0.40/23]

33...Qa5!= 34.Bd5 Rd8 35.Ra1 Qc5 36.Bxb7 Be6! 37.Rdc1 Qd4 0.44/20

[37...Qb6= 0.01/23 38.Rab1 Qa5]

38.h3 0.04/22

[38.Nc2⩲ 0.44/20 Qb6 39.Rab1]

38...c6 39.Rab1 Qa4 0.61/22

[39...Qd3= 0.07/22]

40.Kh2 0.19/22

[40.Qh6⩲ 0.61/22]

40...Rf7 41.Ra1 Qd4 42.Rab1 Qa4 43.Ra1 Qd4 44.Ba6! Rf4

[44...Kf8!?]

45.Nc4 0.01/22

[45.Re1⩲ 0.44/19 is more appropriate.]

45...Bxc4 The position is equal. **46.Bxc4 d5 47.exd5 Rf5**

[47...cxd5? 48.Bb5+ Kf8 49.Rc7+-]

48.Qh6 Rh5

[48...cxd5? 49.Bb5+ Kf7 50.Rc7 *(50.Qxh7+ Kf8+-)* 50...Qf4+ *(50...Qxa1 51.Qxh7+ Kf8 52.Qxe7+ Kg8 53.Qg7#)* 51.Qxf4 Rxf4 52.Raxa7+-]

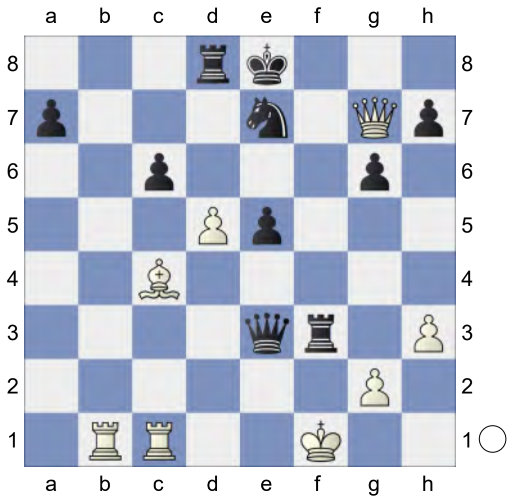
49.Qg7 Qf4+! 50.Kg1 Qe3+!

[Much worse is 50...Qf8?! 51.Qxf8+ Kxf8 52.dxc6±]

51.Kf1 Rf5! 52.Rab1

[52.Qxh7 Rf7 53.Qh4 *(53.Qh8+ Rf8=)* 53...Rf4+-]

52...Rxf3+



Demolition **53.gxf3 Qxf3+ 54.Ke1 Qe3+ 55.Kf1**

[55.Be2!? Qg1+□ 56.Bf1 *(56.Kd2?*

Rxd5+ 57.Bd3 Qf2+ 58.Kc3 Qd4+ 59.Kd2 Qxd3+-+) 56...Qe3+ 57.Be2=]

55...Qxh3+ 56.Ke2 Qg4+ 57.Kd2 Qf4+ 58.Kd1

[58.Kc3 Qd4+ 59.Kb3 Rb8+ 60.Ka2 Qf2+ *(60...Qd2+ 61.Ka1=)* 61.Ka1 *(61.Ka3? Qc5+ 62.Ka4 Rxb1-+)* 61...Qd4+ 62.Ka2=]

58...Nxd5 59.Qh8+ Ke7 (→ ...Qf3+) **60.Qg7+! Ke8** (→ ...Nc3+) **61.Qg8+**

[61.Qxa7? Qe4-+ 62.Rc2 Ne3+ 63.Ke1 Nxc2+-+]

61...Ke7 (→ ...Ne3+) **62.Qg7+! Ke6** and ...Rd7 would now be decisive **63.Rb3**

[63.Qxh7? too greedy. Qd4+ 64.Ke1 Qe3+ 65.Kd1 Kf5 66.Qf7+ Nf6+-+]

63...Qg4+ 64.Kd2⇄ White puts up resistance **64...Qf4+ 65.Kd1 Qg4+ 66.Kd2 Qg2+ 67.Kd1** Black must now prevent Rcc3!. Really sharp! Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) / Black=0.07 (flawless) **67...Qg4+**

½-½

140 **C54**

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WchT Blitz Pool A (11.3) 14.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Rc1 The position is equal. **12...Ba5!?** 0.37/22 Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[12...f6= -0.08/22 13.Nxd5 Ba5+ *(13...Qxd5? 14.Bc4+- Pin)* 14.b4 *(14.Nc3 fxe5 15.Bxc6 bxc6=)* 14...Nxb4 *(14...Qxd5? 15.Bc4+- Pin)* 15.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 16.Kf1 Kh8]

13.0-0± Bxc3! 14.bxc3 f5!?N An interesting novelty.Eine interessante Neuerung.

[14...Na5 1.69/21 14...f5 0.23 15.g4! Bg6 16.Ne1! f6 1.71/21 *(16...f5± 1.11/22)* 17.f3+- c6 18.Bd3 Ng5 19.Bxg6 hxg6 20.Bxg5 fxg5 1-0 (33) So,W (2770)-Carlsen,M

(2847) FTX Crypto Cup KO rapid 2021 (3.13)]

15.Be2 f4 16.Bd2 Qd7 0.92/23

[16...b5= 0.30/21]

17.Rb1 0.01/20

[17.Re1!± 0.92/23]

17...Na5 18.Be1 -0.77/20

[18.Re1± 0.34/21 keeps the upper hand.]

18...b6 19.Nh2 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Nc4 21.f3 Ng5 22.Bf2 Ne6 23.Rfe1 a5 24.Nf1 Qa4 -0.09/23

[24...a4∓ -0.88/22]

25.Rb3 -0.99/22

[25.Nd2= -0.09/23 Nxd2 *(25...Qxa2 26.Nxc4 Qxc4 27.Qxc4±)* 26.Qxd2]

25...b5 -0.27/22

[25...Qe8∓ -0.99/22]

26.Reb1 -0.98/22

[26.Ra1!= -0.27/22]

26...Rfb8∓ 27.Qd3 -1.62/24

[27.Rc1∓ -0.90/22]

27...b4 -0.39/25

[27...Qxa2-+ -1.62/24 28.Rxb5 Rxb5 29.Rxb5 a4]

28.cxb4 -0.88/26

[28.Nd2∓ -0.39/25 is more appropriate. Na3 29.R1b2]

28...axb4

[28...Qxa2 29.bxa5 Re8 30.Be1=]

29.Qf5? -2.56/24

[29.Nd2∓ -0.93/23 Na3 *(29...Qxa2? 30.Nxc4 dxc4 31.Qxc4+-)* 30.R1b2]

29...Ra6!-+ Active counter play! **30.h4 Rab6?** -0.44/24

[30...Qxa2 31.Rxb4 Rf8 32.Rb8±]

[30...Na5-+ -2.05/22 31.R3b2 Nc4]

31.Ra1? -2.22/20

[31.Rxb4!∓ -0.44/24 Rxb4 32.Rxb4 Qxb4 33.Qxe6+ Kh8 34.Qxd5]

31...Qd7 32.h5 -2.96/21

[⌓32.Qd3 -1.88/21]

32...Qf7 33.Qg4 h6 34.Rab1 Na5 A dynamic duo of knights. **35.R3b2 Nc6! 36.Rd2** -2.36/21

[36.Nd2∓ -1.54/24]

36...Ne7 -0.86/21

[36...Kh7-+ -2.36/21 has better winning chances. 37.Rc1 Na5]

37.Rc1? -2.53/23

[37.Rdb2∓ -0.86/21]

37...Nf5 38.Rcc2? -3.24/21

[38.g3 -1.71/21]

38...Ra8 -1.86/21

[⌓38...Kh7 -3.24/21 39.Rd1 Kg8]

39.Rb2 -2.92/21

[39.g3 -1.86/21 is the only way for White.]

39...Ra4 40.Rb3? -3.46/22

[40.g3 -1.91/21]

40...Rba6 -2.05/22

[⌓40...Rc6 -3.46/22 41.Rdb2 Rc1 *(41...Nexd4 42.Bxd4 Nxd4 43.Rxb4∓)* 42.Rxb4 Rxb4 43.Rxb4 Kh7]

41.Rdb2 -3.53/25

[⌓41.g3 -2.05/22]

41...Nfxd4? -1.13/24

[41...Nexd4 42.Bxd4 Nxd4 43.Rxb4 Rxb4 *(43...Rxa2? 44.Rxa2 Rxa2 45.Rxd4+-)* 44.Rxb4 Ne2+ 45.Kf2 Rxa2 46.Rb8+ Kh7 47.Ke1=]

[41...Kh7-+ -3.53/25 42.Rxb4 Rxb4 *(42...Nexd4 43.Bxd4 Nxd4 44.Rxa4∓; 42...Nfxd4 43.Bxd4 Nxd4 44.Rxa4∓; 42...Rxa2 43.Rb8∓)* 43.Rxb4 Rxa2]

42.Bxd4∓ Nxd4 43.Rxb4 Rxb4 -0.51/24

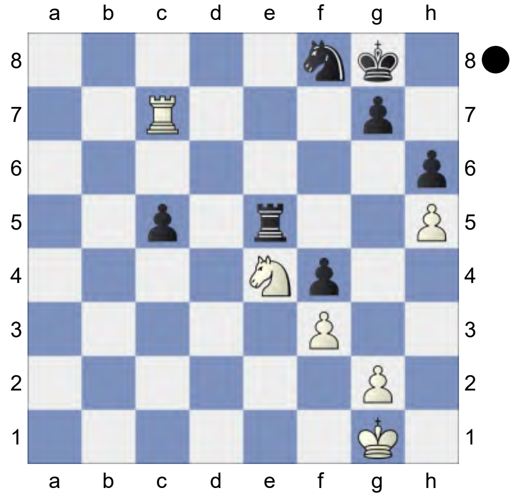
[43...Rxa2? 44.Rxa2 Rxa2 45.Rxd4+-]

[43...Qf5∓ -1.33/24 44.Rb8+ Kf7]

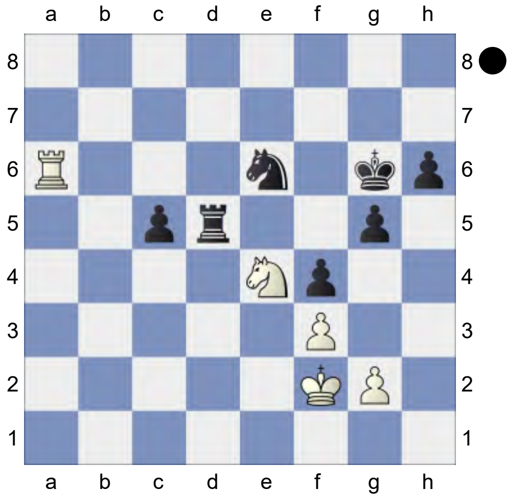
44.Rxb4∓ Ne6 45.a4 c5 -0.01/21

[45...Qe8∓ -0.54/24 46.g3 c5 *(46...Rxa4? 47.Rxa4 Ng5 48.Rxf4+-)*]

46.Rb8+= Kh7 47.Qh4? -6.06/25
[47.a5= -0.04/24]
47...Rxa4 -2.97/23
[⌓47...c4 -6.06/25 ...Qa7+ is the strong threat. 48.Qf2 Qa7 *(48...Qxh5 49.Qc2+ g6 50.Qb2±)*]
48.Rb6-+ Ra1? 0.01/21
[Black should try 48...c4-+ -3.17/21 49.Qg4 Nf8]
49.Qg4= Nf8⇄ Black is fighting back
[49...Ng5 50.e6 Qf6 51.e7 Rxf1+ 52.Kxf1 Qa1+]
50.e6 Qe7
[50...Qf6!? 51.e7□ Qxe7 *(51...Qxb6 52.exf8Q c4+ 53.Kh2 Qf6 54.Qe8 Ra6 55.Qgc8 Qh4+ 56.Kg1)* 52.Qf5+ Kg8 *(52...Kh8 53.Rb8=)* 53.Qxd5+ Qf7 54.Qxc5 Qa7=]
51.Qf5+ Kg8 52.Rb8 Re1 53.Qxd5
[53.Kf2 keeps more tension. Qh4+ 54.g3 Rxf1+ 55.Kxf1 Qh1+ 56.Ke2]
53...Qxe6 54.Qxe6+ Rxe6 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **55.Rc8** Dodges Rc6 **55...Re5 56.Nd2 Kf7 57.Rc7+! Kg8 58.Ne4** -0.81/26
[58.Rc8!= 0.01/24]



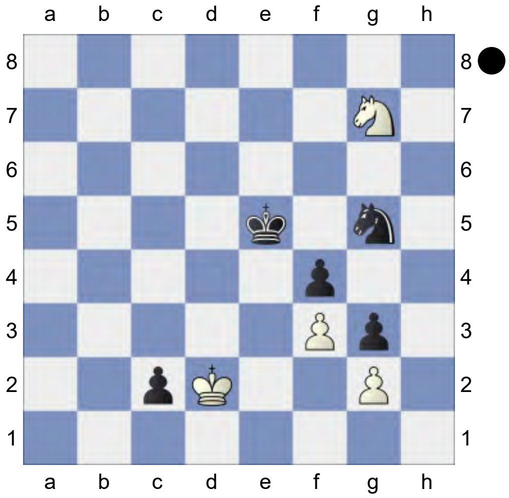
Black keeps a firm grip on the game.
58...Ne6!∓
[58...Rxh5 59.Nxc5 Rd5 60.Kh2=]
59.Rc8+ -1.69/29
[59.Rc6∓ -0.78/26]
59...Kf7-+ 60.Rc6? -3.04/24
[60.g4∓ -1.28/25]
60...Rxh5 61.Kf2 Rd5 62.Ra6 g5 63.Ra7+ Kg6 64.Ra6 -3.53/28
[⌓64.Re7 -2.33/25 Re5 65.g4]



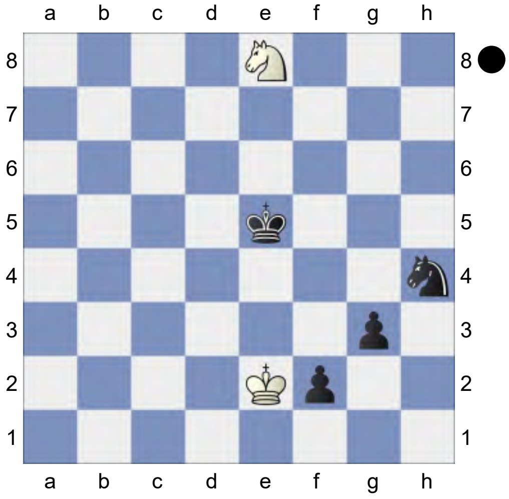
64...Kf5! 65.Rc6? -4.98/24
[65.Nd6+ -2.96/24 might work better. Kf6 66.Ne4+ Ke5 67.g3]
65...h5 66.Nd6+? -6.18/26
[66.g3 -2.99/25]
66...Ke5 67.Nf7+ Kf6 68.Nd6 g4 69.Ne4+ Ke5 70.Rc8 g3+ 71.Ke1 Kd4 72.Re8 Ng5 73.Nf6 Re5+ 74.Rxe5 Kxe5 75.Nxh5 KN-KN. Black is a pawn up. **75...c4** -20.57/26
[⌓75...Nxf3+ -#21/28 76.gxf3 c4 77.Ng7 c3 78.Ne8 c2 79.Kd2 g2 80.Kxc2 g1Q *(80...g1R? 81.Kd2-+)* 81.Kc3 Qg6 82.Nf6 Qxf6 *(82...Kxf6* gets mated. *83.Kd2 Ke5 84.Kc3 Qa6 85.Kc2 Kd4 86.Kb3 Qe2 87.Ka4 Kc4 88.Ka5 Kc5 89.Ka4 Qa2#)* 83.Kc4 Qc6+ 84.Kd3 Qc1 *(84...Qxf3+ 85.Kc4 Qd5+ 86.Kc3 f3 87.Kb2 f2 88.Kc3 f1Q 89.Kb2 Qdd3 90.Ka2 Qfb1#)* 85.Ke2 Qc2+ *(85...Qe3+ 86.Kf1 Qxf3+ 87.Ke1*

Kd4 88.Kd2 Qf2+ 89.Kd1 Kd3 90.Kc1 Qc2#) 86.Ke1 Qg2 87.Kd1 Kd4 *(87...Qxf3+ 88.Kd2 Kd4 89.Kc2 Qc3+ 90.Kd1 Qb2 91.Ke1 Ke3 92.Kf1 Qf2#)* 88.Kc1 Kc3 89.Kd1 Qf1#]

76.Ke2 c3 77.Ng7 c2 78.Kd2



Nxf3+! Promotion **79.Kxc2 Ne1+** Black mates. **80.Kd2 Nxg2 81.Ke2 Nh4 82.Ne8 f3+ 83.Ke3 f2 84.Ke2**



Nf3! Decoy, Promotion

Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/ Black=0.54

85.Kd3

[85.Nc7 Nh2]

0-1

141 **C53**

☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2766**

■ **Le Tuan Minh** **2598**

Titled Tue 10th Jun Late blitz (5) 10.6.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.b4N

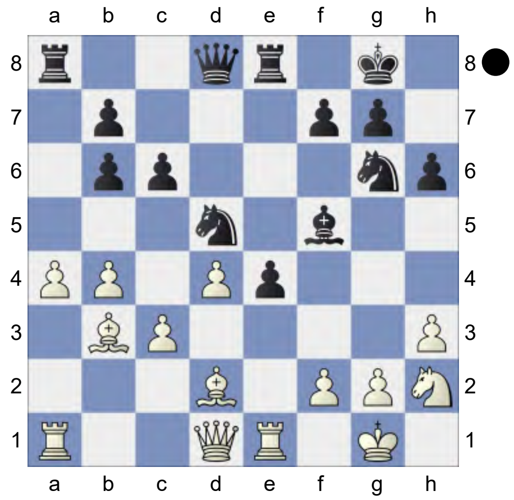
[5.d4 exd4 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 20.e5 Nc2 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11)]

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 *(6...exd4 7.cxd4 Bb4 8.d5 Ne7 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 Nxe4 11.dxc6 bxc6 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Qxe4 Bf5 14.Qf4 Nd5 15.Qxf5+* Chapter-Games Chapter 2 (1)*)* 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...Bb6 6.d3 d6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Nc4 Ng6 The position is equal. **10.a4 c6! 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.0-0 h6 13.Re1 Re8 14.h3 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5**

16.Bd2 Bf5 17.d4 e4 18.Nh2 -1.09/21

[18.Ne5!= -0.29/21]



18...Ndf4!∓ Black has more active pieces. **19.Re3** -2.21/21

[19.Nf1∓ -0.85/22]

19...Be6-+ 20.Bc2

[20.Rxe4 Bxb3 21.Rxe8+ Qxe8]

20...f5 21.Rg3 White is weak on the light squares **21...Bc4 22.Kh1 Qd6 23.Nf1 Be2 24.Qe1** -2.16/20

[24.Bxf4 -1.64/20 Nxf4 25.Qd2]

24...Bd3 25.Bb3+ Kh7 26.Ne3 Qf6 27.Bd1? -3.91/19

[27.Nc4 -2.35/20 Bxc4 28.Bxc4]

27...b5 28.a5 Rf8 29.Nf1 Nd5 30.Nh2 -3.55/22

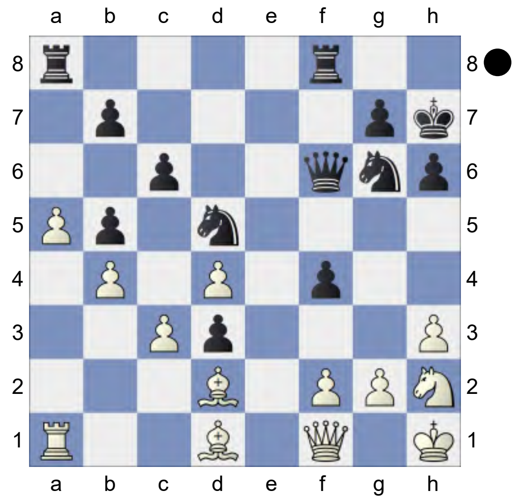
[30.Ne3 -2.21/21 Nc7 *(30...f4 31.Nxd5 cxd5 32.Rxd3=)* 31.Kg1]

30...f4? -0.69/24

[30...Bc4-+ -3.55/22 and ...Nh4 would now be decisive 31.Bh5 Nh4]

31.Rxd3∓ exd3 32.Qf1

(Diagram)



Nh4 -0.14/24

[Better is 32...f3!∓ -1.00/25 33.Bxf3 Qf5]

33.Qxd3+= Qg6 -0.01/22

[33...Qf5∓ -0.40/25 34.Bc2 Kg8]

34.Bc2 And now Qxg6+ would win. **34...Qxd3 35.Bxd3+ Kh8 36.Ng4 g5** 0.69/22

[36...Kg8= -0.01/23]

37.Ne5 -0.01/25

[37.Nxh6± 0.69/22 Kg7 38.Ng4]

37...Kg7 38.c4 -0.61/22

[White should try 38.Rc1= -0.07/22]

38...bxc4∓ 39.Bxc4 Nf5! A dynamic duo of knights. **40.b5 Nd6 41.Bxd5 cxd5 42.Bb4 Rfd8 43.Bxd6** -2.31/24

[43.Bc5∓ -0.74/23 was necessary.]

43...Rxd6∓ Endgame KRR-KRN **44.Rc1 Rxa5 45.Rc7+ Kf6 46.Rxb7** -4.40/23

[46.Rf7+ -1.98/24 Ke6 47.Rxb7]

46...Ra4-+ 47.Nf3 h5 -2.58/24

[⌓47...Kf5 -4.46/22 48.Kh2 Rb4]

48.Rb8? -5.44/23

[48.Kh2 -2.58/24 Ra2 49.Rh7]

48...g4 49.hxg4 hxg4 50.Ne5 g3

[50...Rxd4 51.Nxg4+ Ke7 52.Rh8-+]

51.fxg3 fxg3

[Less strong is 51...Rxd4 52.Nf3 Rd1+ 53.Kh2∓]

52.Nf3 Kf5 53.Rf8+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/Black=0.34

53...Rf6

0-1

142 **C50**

□ **Praggnanandhaa,R** **2768**

■ **Kuybokarov,Temur** **2535**

FIDE World Cup 2025 (2.5) 06.11.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...a5 7.Bb3 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 The position is equal. **9.h3 Be6 10.Bc2 d5 11.exd5 Bxd5 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qe2** -0.35/19

[13.Nf1= 0.01/18]

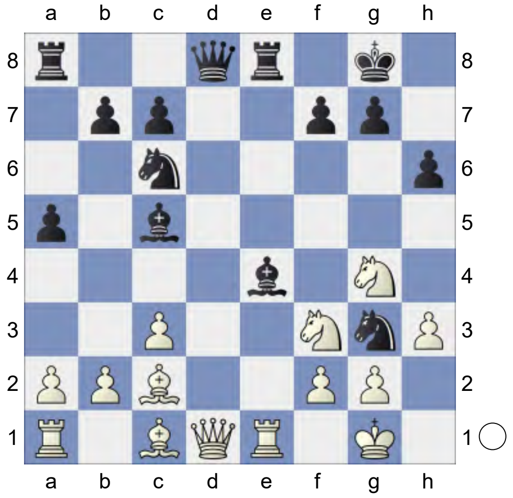
13...Nh5 14.Nf1 Qf6 15.N1h2

[15.Be3 simplifies Bf8 16.N1d2 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Qxf4 18.a3]

15...Ng3 16.Qd1 Ng4 poses a challenge **16...e4 17.Ng4 Qd8** 1.09/22

[17...Qd6= -0.02/23 remains equal. 18.dxe4 Bxe4]

18.dxe4± Bxe4



19.Be3 0.08/26

[19.Bf4!± 0.98/23 Qxd1 20.Bxd1]

19...Qxd1= 20.Bxd1 Bxe3 21.Nxe3 Nh5 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Ndc4 Ne5 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.Bf3 Nf4 Wards off Nd5 **26.Nc4** Discovered Attack **26...Rc5 27.Ne5**

[27.Bxb7 Ra7 28.Re8+ Kh7-+]

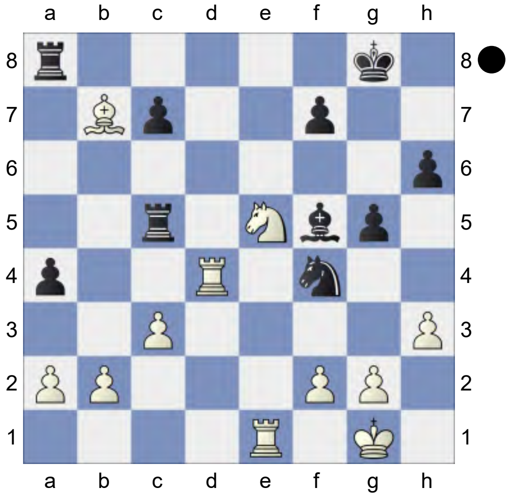
27...Bf5 28.Rad1 Threatens to win with Nd7!. **28...a4**

[28...Re8!? 29.Nd3 Rxe1+ 30.Nxe1 b6=]

29.Rd4 g5 This move loses the game for White. **30.Bxb7?** -4.65/25

[30.Ng4= -0.01/22 and White is

okay.]



30...Re8!-+ Black is clearly winning. **31.Nf3** -8.38/24

[Much worse is 31.g3 Nxh3+ (*31...Rcxe5? 32.Rxe5 Nxh3+ 33.Kf1-+*) 32.Kf1 Rexe5-+ (*32...Rcxe5? 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 34.Rxa4-+*)]

[⌓31.Rxa4 -4.32/22 Rcxe5 32.Rxe5 Rxe5 33.b4]

31...Rxe1+ Remove Defender **32.Nxe1 Ne2+ 33.Kf1 Nxd4 34.cxd4 Rc1 35.Ba6 Rb1 36.b3 a3** Hoping for ... Ra1. **37.Bc4 Rb2 38.b4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.11 (very precise)

38...Rxb4

0-1

145 **C52**

☐ **Mithril-SF** **3071**

■ **yobot_v2** **3015**

Blitz 07.08.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...Bd7 0.00/23

[12...c6!∓ -0.41/23 is more appropriate. 13.Bd3 Bg4]

13.Rfb1= The position is equal. **13...a6 14.Bxd7+ Qxd7 15.d5 Bc5 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.Nb3! Nxb3 18.Qxb3 b6 19.a4 Ne7 20.a5 Nc8 21.c4 0-0 22.Qd3 Qd8 23.Qb3 Qd7 24.Qc2 Qd8 25.Qb2 Qd7 26.Qc2 Qd8 27.Qb2 Qd7 28.Nd2 Nd6 29.axb6 Rfb8 30.b7! Rxb7 31.Qa3 Rxb1+ 32.Rxb1 a5 33.Qxc5 a4 34.Qa3 h6 35.h3 Kh7 36.f3 h5 37.Kh2 h4 38.Rb2 Qe8 39.Kg1 Qd7 40.Kh1 Qe8**

41.Kg1 Qd7 42.Kh2 Qe8 43.Kh1 Qd7 44.Kg1 Qe8 45.Kh1 Qd7 46.Rb1 Qe8 47.Kh2 Qd7 48.c5 Nb5 49.Qb4 Nd4 50.Nc4 Qe8 51.Kh1 Qc8 52.f4 Qe8 53.d6 cxd6 54.cxd6 exf4 55.Nb6 Nc6 56.Qe1 Rb8 57.Qxh4+ Kg8

[57...Kg6 feels hotter. 58.Qg4+ Kh7 59.d7 Qxe4 60.Rc1 a3]

58.Qxf4 Ne5 59.Qc1 Kh8 60.Nd5 Rxb1 61.Qxb1 Endgame KQN-KQN. White is a pawn up. **61...Nf7 62.Qb4 Kh7 63.Ne7** and e5! should not be overlooked **63...g6 64.Qd4 Kg7 65.Nd5 Qe5 66.Qxa4 Nxd6 67.Qa7+ Nf7 68.Qe3 Qa1+ 69.Kh2 Qe5+ 70.Kh1 Nd6 71.Qa7+ Nf7 72.Qe7 Qxe7 73.Nxe7** KN-KN. White is a pawn up. **73...Ng5 74.Nc6 Nxe4 75.Kh2 f5 76.Nb4 g5 77.g3 f4 78.gxf4 gxf4 79.h4 Ng3 80.h5 Nxh5 81.Kh3 Kf6 82.Kg2 Kf5 83.Na2 Ng3 84.Nc1 Ke4 85.Kh3 Ke3** (→ ...Ne4) **86.Na2! Ne2**

[86...Ne4!? 87.Nb4□ f3 88.Nd5+ Kd4=]

87.Nb4 f3 88.Nd5+ Kd2 89.Nf6 Nf4+

[89...f2!? 90.Ne4+□ Ke3 91.Nxf2 Kxf2=]

90.Kh2 Ke3

[90...f2!? 91.Ne4+□ Ke3 92.Nxf2 Kxf2=]

91.Kg3 Ke2 92.Ng4 Nd3 93.Kh4 Nb4 94.Kg3 Nd3 95.Kh4 Ne5!?

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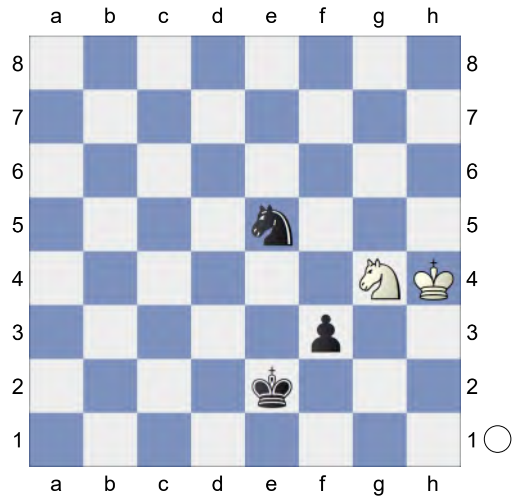

(→ ...Nxg4). Deflection, Promotion

96.Nf6! Ng6+

[96...f2!? 97.Ne4□= Nf3+ *(97...f1Q 98.Ng3+ Kf3 99.Nxf1=; 97...Ng6+ 98.Kg4=)* 98.Kh5 f1Q *(98...f1N 99.Ng3+ Nxg3+ 100.Kh6=)* 99.Ng3+ Kf2 100.Nxf1 Kxf1=]

[96...Nc4=]

97.Kh5 Nf4+

[97...f2!? 98.Ne4□ f1Q *(98...f1R 99.Kxg6 Kd3 100.Nf6=; 98...Nf4+ 99.Kh6=)* 99.Ng3+ Kf3 100.Nxf1 Nh8=]

98.Kg5 Ne6+

[98...Nd3!?]

99.Kh5! Ng7+

[99...f2!? 100.Ne4□ Ng7+ *(100...f1B 101.Ng3+ Kf3 102.Nxf1=)* 101.Kg6 f1Q 102.Ng3+ Kf3 103.Nxf1 Kg4=]

100.Kg6 Nf5

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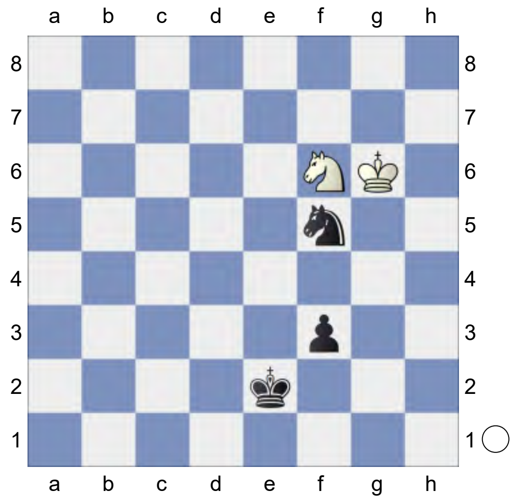

Promotion **101.Ne4! Ne7+ 102.Kh5 Nd5 103.Kg4 Ke3 104.Kf5! Ne7+ 105.Ke5 Nc6+ 106.Kf5 Ne7+ 107.Ke5 Nc6+ 108.Kd5 Nb4+ 109.Ke5 Nd3+ 110.Kf5 Nc5** Deflection, Promotion **111.Nf6 Kf2**

[111...f2!? 112.Ng4+□ Kf3=]

112.Kg5 Kg3 (→ ...f2) **113.Ng4! Ne4+ 114.Kf5 Nd6+ 115.Kg5 Nf7+ 116.Kh5 Nd6 117.Kg5 Ne4+ 118.Kf5 Nc5 119.Kg5! Ne6+ 120.Kh5 Ng7+ 121.Kg5 Ne6+ 122.Kh5 Nf4+ 123.Kg5 Nd5 124.Kf5 Ne7+ 125.Kg5 Ng8 126.Kh5 Nh6** Deflection, Promotion **127.Nf6 Kf4 128.Nd5+ Ke4 129.Nc3+ Kd3 130.Nd1 Ke2 131.Nc3+ Kd3 132.Nd1 Ke2 133.Nc3+ Kd2**

[133...Ke1!? 134.Ne4□ Nf5= *(134...Ng8=)*]

134.Ne4+ Ke3 135.Ng3 Nf5 136.Nh1 Ke2 And now ...Kf1 would win. **137.Kg4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) **137...Ne3+**

½-½

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143 **C52**
☐ **Mithril-SF** **3069**
■ **PetersBot** **3005**
Blitz 07.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 Black has an edge.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 0.19/21 Wards off Bb4

[⌓14...0-0 -0.17/23]

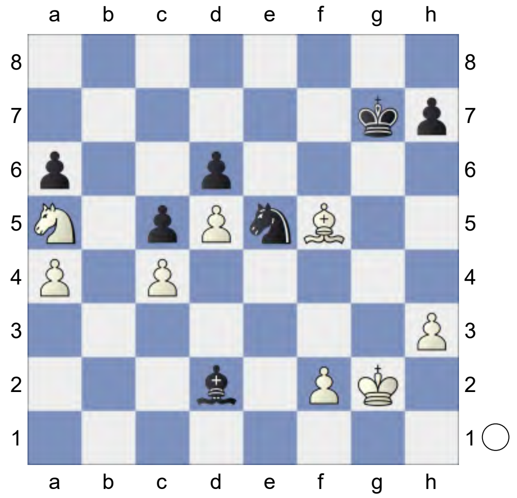
15.d5= White has compensation. **15...0-0 16.Bb2 Bd8 17.a4 g6 18.h3 Qg7 19.Rae1 Bd7 20.Bc3 b6 21.g4 f5 22.gxf5 gxf5+ 23.Kh1! Kh8**

[23...fxe4? 24.Rg1 Ng4 25.Rxe4 Nxf2+ 26.Kh2+-]

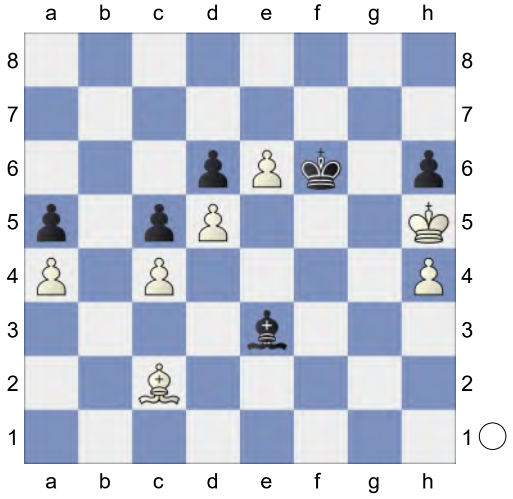
24.Rg1 Qf7 25.exf5 Qh5! 26.Kh2 Bxf5

[Don't play 26...Nxf5 27.Nxe5 Nd4 *(27...dxe5?* loses. *28.Rxe5 Bf6 29.Bxf5+-)* 28.Nxd7±]

27.Rg3 Bf6 28.Reg1 Rg8 ...Ng4+ would now be deadly. **29.Ne4** Chess con chili. **29...Bxe4 30.Bxe4 Rxg3 31.Rxg3 Nf7** Black is weak on the light squares **32.Qe2 Rf8! 33.Bd3 Qh6 34.Bd2** A strong pair of Bishops. **34...Qh5 35.Bc3 Qh6 36.Nd2** Ne4 is in the air **36...Bg5! 37.Kg2 Bf4 38.Rg4 Rg8 39.Rxg8+ Kxg8 40.Bxa5 bxa5 41.Qg4+ Qg7** The position is equal. **42.Qxg7+ Kxg7** Endgame KBN-KBN. Black is a pawn up. **43.Nb3 e4 44.Bxe4 Ne5 45.Nxa5 a6 46.Bf5** Strongly threatening Bc8. **46...Bd2**



47.f4! Bxa5 48.fxe5 KB-KB. White is a pawn up. **48...Bc7 49.e6 h6 50.Kg3 Ba5 51.Bd3 Bd2 52.Kg4 Kf6 53.Be2 Ke7 54.Kf5 a5 55.Kg6 Bg5 56.Kh7 Bd2 57.Bd1 Be3 58.Bc2 Bd2 59.Bd3 Bc1 60.Be2 Bd2 61.Kg6 Bg5 62.Kh5 Kf6 63.Bd3 Ke7 64.Bb1 Bd2 65.Kg6 Bf4 66.Kf5 Bd2 67.Kg6 Bg5 68.Kf5 Bc1 69.Be4 Be3 70.Bf3 Bd2 71.Ke4 Bg5 72.Be2 Bh4 73.Bd3 Bg5 74.Kf5 Bh4 75.Kg6 Bg5! 76.Kf5 Bd2 77.Kg4 Bg5 78.Kf3 Bd2 79.Bf5 Kf6 80.Be4 Ke7 81.Bg6 Bg5 82.Bh5 Bc1 83.Bg6 Bg5 84.Ke4 Kf6 85.Be8 Ke7 86.Bh5 Kf6 87.Kf3 Ke7 88.Bg6 Bd2 89.Bf5 Bg5 90.Bc2 Bh4 91.Ke4 Kf6 92.Bd3 Bg5 93.Bc2 Ke7 94.Kf5 Bd2 95.h4 Be1 96.Kg4 Bd2 97.Kg3 Be3 98.Kg2 Bc1 99.Bd1 Kf6 100.Bc2 Bd2 101.Kh2 Bf4+ 102.Kg2 Bd2 103.Kf3 Be1 104.Kg4 Bd2 105.Bd3 Bc3 106.Kh5 Bd2 107.Kg4 Be3 108.Be2 Bd2 109.Kh5 Bc1 110.Bd3 Bd2 111.Be4 Bf4 112.Kg4 Bd2 113.Kh5 Bf4 114.Kg4 Bd2 115.Bc2 Bc3 116.Kh5 Bd2 117.Bd1 Be3 118.Bc2 Bd2 119.Bg6 Ke7 120.Bf5 Kf6 121.Bc2 Be3**



122.Bf5! Deflection, Promotion **122...Bd2 123.Bg6 Be3 124.Be8 Bc1 125.Bc6 Be3 126.Kg4 Bd2 127.Kf3 Bc3 128.Ke3 Ke7 129.h5 Be5 130.Kd3 Bd4 131.Bd7 Bb2 132.Ke4 Bc1 133.Kf5 Bg5 134.Kg6 Kf8 135.Bc8 Bc1 136.Bd7 Bg5 137.Kf5**

Bh4 138.Bb5 Bg5 139.Bc6 Bd2 140.Bd7 Bc1 141.Bc8 Ke7 142.Kg6 Kf8 143.Kf5 Bg5 144.Bb7 Bd2 145.Bc6 Bg5 146.Bd7 Ke7 147.Ke4 Kf6 148.Be8 Bd2 149.Bf7 Bg5 150.Be8 Bc1 151.Bg6 Ke7 152.Kf5 Bg5 153.Bf7 Bd2 154.Kg6 Kf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

155.Kh7 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

1-0

144 C52
□ **Mithril-SF** 3070
■ **MateAI** 3026
Blitz 07.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.09/23

[6...d6!∓ -0.36/20]

7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nf6+-)* 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]

9.cxd4 Nxd4

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kd8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Rd1N -0.29/20

[⌓12.Ba3 0.16/20 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2))* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens,A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

12...Be5= ...0-0 is the strong threat.

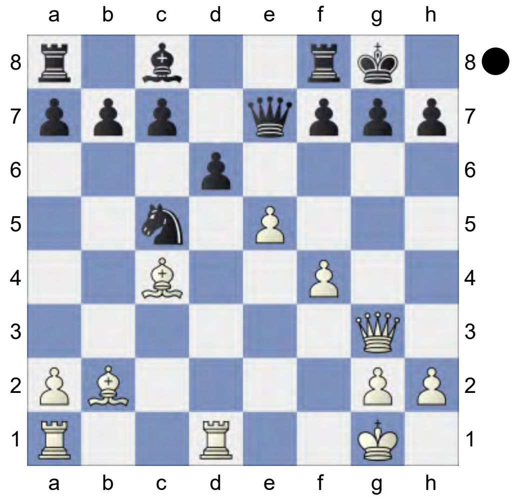
13.f4 Bxc3

[13...Ng4 14.Bxf7+ Kd8 15.Nd5 Qh4]

14.Qxc3 The position is equal. **14...0-0! 15.e5 Ne4 16.Qe3 Nc5!**

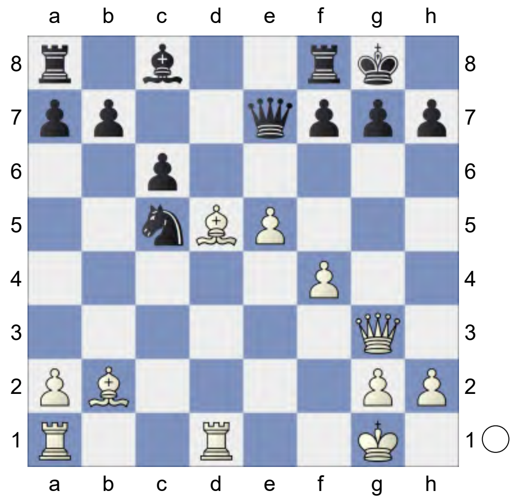
[16...Qc5? 17.Rd4 d5 18.Ba3 *(18.Bxd5 Qc3=)* 18...dxc4 19.Bxc5 Nxc5 20.f5+- *(20.Rxc4 b6+-)*]

17.Bb2 d6 18.Qg3



d5 19.Bxd5 next Ba3 is good for White. A strong pair of Bishops. **19...c6**

(Diagram)



20.Bxc6 bxc6 21.Ba3! Rd8 22.Qe3 Rxd1+ 23.Rxd1 Bg4 24.Bxc5 Qb7 25.Re1 Black is weak on the dark squares **25...Be6 26.Qf2 Qd7 27.h3 h6 28.Bd6 Rc8 29.Rf1 g6 30.Qe3 Kh7 31.a3 Qb7 32.Qc5 a6 33.Qc2 Rg8 34.Kh2 Qb6 35.a4 Bf5 36.Qc3 Be6 37.Bc5 Qb7 38.a5 Qb5 39.Rd1 Qe2 40.Rd2 Qe1**

[40...Qe4 41.Be3 Bd5 42.Qd4 Qxd4 43.Bxd4 Be6]

41.Bb6 Rb8 42.Rd3 Qf1 43.Rf3 Qb5 44.Rf2 Rc8 45.Qc5 Qd3 46.Qd6 Qc3 47.Qc5 Qe1 48.Rc2 Qe4 49.Rf2 Qe1 50.Rb2 Qe4 51.Qe3 Qa4 52.Rd2 c5 53.Rd6

[53.Bxc5? Rxc5 54.Rd6 Qc2-+ *(54...Qxa5 55.Rxa6 Qxa6 56.Qxc5-+; 54...Rxa5 55.Rxe6 fxe6 56.Qa7+ Kh8 57.Qb8+ Kh7 58.Qc7+ Kg8 59.Qc8+ Kg7 60.Qc7+ Kf8 61.Qd8+ Qe8 62.Qxa5=)*]

53...Qa2 54.Qf3

[54.Bxc5? Bd5 55.Rxd5 *(55.Rxa6? Qxg2#; 55.Qf2? Rxc5 56.Qxa2 Bxa2-+)* 55...Qxd5-+]

54...Rb8 55.Qe3 Bd5 56.Qg3 Be6 57.Qh4 Bf5 58.Qe1

[58.Bxc5? Rb2-+]

58...Be6 59.Qg1

[59.Bxc5 Bd5 60.Qf2 *(60.Rxa6? Qxg2#)* 60...Rb2∓]

59...Rc8 60.Qd1

[60.Bxc5 Qxa5 61.Be3 Rc2]

60...Rb8 61.Qg1 Bd5 62.Qf1

[62.Qxc5? Qxg2#]

[62.Bxc5? Rb2-+]

62...Kg8 63.f5

[63.Qxa6? Qxg2#]

[63.Bxc5? Bxg2 64.Qf2 *(64.Qxg2? Rb2-+* Pin *)* 64...Rb2 65.Kxg2 *(65.Rd8+? Kh7-+)* 65...Rxf2+ 66.Bxf2 Qxa5-+]

[63.Kg1 simplifies Be4 64.Qf2 Qxf2+ 65.Kxf2 Rc8 66.g4]

63...gxf5 64.Bxc5

[64.Qxa6? Qxg2#]

64...f4 65.Bd4 And now e6 would win.

[65.Rxa6 Rb2 66.Kh1 Rb1 *(66...Rxg2 67.Ra8+ Bxa8 68.Bf2 Rxf2+* Discovered Attack (Check) *69.Kg1 Rg2+ 70.Kh1 Rh2+ 71.Kg1 Rh1#; 66...Bxg2+ 67.Qxg2+* Remove Defender *Rxg2 68.Ra8+ Kh7 69.Bg1 Rg3 70.Rh8+ Kxh8 71.Bf2 Qd5+ 72.Kh2 Qg2#)*]

65...f3 66.Qf2

[66.Rxa6? is the wrong capture. fxg2 *(66...Bc4? 67.Qxf3 Bxa6 68.Qg4+ Kf8 69.Bc5+ Ke8 70.Qg8+* Skewer *Kd7 71.Qxb8+-)* 67.Qf2 g1B+ 68.Kxg1 Qb1+ *(68...Rb1+ 69.Kh2=)* 69.Qf1 Qe4-+ *(69...Qxf1+? 70.Kxf1 Bc4+ 71.Kg2-+; 69...Bc4? 70.Qxb1 Rxb1+ 71.Kf2-+)*]

[66.Rxh6 keeps more tension. Qd2 67.Rb6 Rc8 68.Qf2]

66...Qxf2 67.Bxf2 Rb5 68.gxf3 Rxa5 69.Rxh6 Bxf3 70.e6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

70...Rg5

½-½

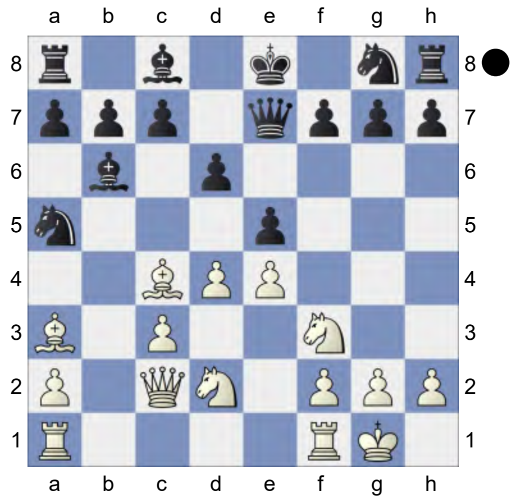
146 **C52**
☐ **RemstalBot** **3036**
■ **yobot_v2** **3007**
Blitz 05.08.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7**

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3



f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...Bd7 13.Rfb1 a6 14.Bxd7+ Qxd7 15.d5 Bc5 16.Bxc5

[16.Bb4!? b6□ 17.Bxa5 bxa5 18.Rb7=]

16...dxc5 17.Nb3! Nxb3 18.Qxb3 b6 19.a4 White has compensation. **19...Ne7 20.a5 Nc8 21.c4 0-0 22.Qc2 Qd8! 23.Qb2 Qd7 24.Qc1 Qd8 25.Qb2 Rb8 26.Qc2 Ra8 27.h3 Nd6 28.Nh4 Re8** 0.37/20

[28...g6= -0.07/22]

29.Ra3⩲ Kh8 30.Kh2 Kg8 31.Kg1 Kh8! 32.Kh2 -0.01/21

[32.Nf5⩲ 0.38/22 might be stronger.]

32...Kg8= 33.Rb2 g6 34.Nf3 Qb8 35.Rba2 Qb7 36.Nd2 Kg7 37.Qd3 Reb8 38.Qe3 Qc8 39.Ra1 Ra7 40.Kg1 Rba8 41.Qe2! Rb8 42.Kh2 Raa8 43.Qe3 Ra7 The position is equal. **44.Qb3 Nf7 45.Qc3 b5** Threatens to win with ...b4. **46.cxb5 Rxb5 47.Rd1 Nd6 48.Qe3 c6! 49.Rd3 cxd5**

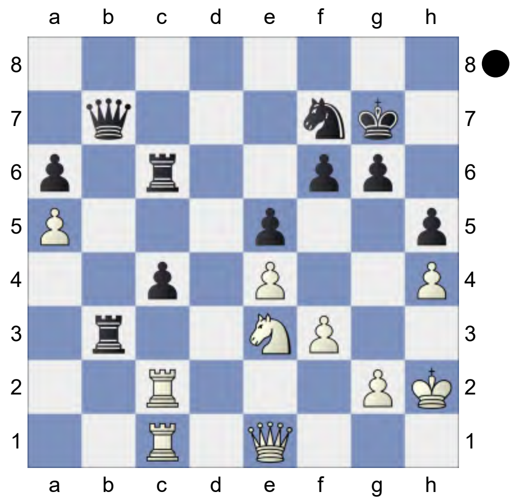
[49...Rxa5? 50.Nb3 Nc4 51.Qc1 cxd5 52.Nxa5 *(52.Rxd5 Rb5+-)* 52...Nxa5 53.Rxd5+- *(53.exd5 c4±)*]

50.Rxd5 Qc6 51.Qd3 Nf7 52.Nc4 Rb4 53.f3 Qb5 54.Rc1 h5 55.Qc2 Rc7 56.h4 Qe8 57.Qc3 Qe7 58.Ne3 c4 59.Qe1

[59.Rdd1!? Rb3□ 60.Qe1=]

59...Rc6 60.Rdd1 and Nd5 should not be overlooked **60...Qb7 61.Rd2 Ra4 62.Rb1 Rb4! 63.Rc1 Rb3 64.Rdc2**

[64.Rxc4? Rxe3 65.Qxe3 Rxc4-+]



64...c3! 65.Nd5 Prevents Qc7.

[65.Rxc3 Rcxc3]

65...Qb5 66.Qg3! Qb7 67.Qe1 Qb5 68.Qg3!

[But not 68.Rxc3 Rbxc3 69.Rxc3 Qxa5∓]

68...Qb7 Against Ne7

[68...Qxa5? loses. 69.Ne7

A) 69...Qc7 70.Qxg6+ *(70.Nxc6 Qxc6 71.Qe1 g5+-)* 70...Kf8 71.Nf5+- *(71.Nxc6 Qxc6 72.Qxh5 Qc5+-)*;

B) 69...Rbb6 70.Qxg6+ *(70.Nxc6 Rxc6 71.Qe1 g5+-)* 70...Kf8 71.Nf5+- *(71.Nxc6 Rxc6 72.Qxh5 Qc7+-)*]

A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **69.Qe1 ½-½**

148 **C54**

□ Mamedov,Rauf **2657**

■ Kasimdzhanov,Rustam **2678**

Baku Rapid m (2) 28.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.h3 h6 7.Nbd2 Bb6! 7...Bb6 is a critical line.7...Lb6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **8.a4 a5 9.Bb3N**

The position is equal.

[9.Qe2 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nf1 -0.28/20 (*11.Nc4* 0.08/22) 11...0-0 12.Ng3 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 Ng6 15.0-0 1-0 (39) Florescu,C (2250)-Zenelaj,S (2290) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Apr Early blitz 2023 (11)]

9...Ne7 10.Nc4 Ba7 11.Be3 0.08/21

[11.Nxa5⩲ 0.48/21 Bxf2+ 12.Kxf2 Rxa5 13.Rf1]

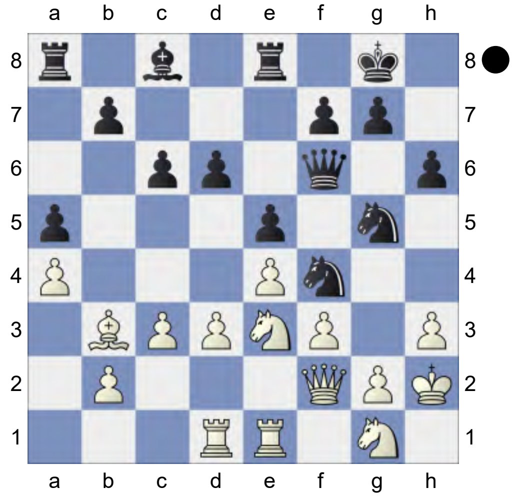
11...Ng6 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Ne3 -0.07/22

[13.d4⩲ 0.31/20]

13...0-0= 14.0-0 Ra8 15.Re1 Re8 16.Qc2

[16.Bc2 simplifies b6 17.d4 exd4 18.Nxd4 Bb7 19.f3]

16...Nf4 17.Kh2 Nh7 18.Rad1 Qf6 19.Ng1 Ng5 20.f3 c6 21.Qf2

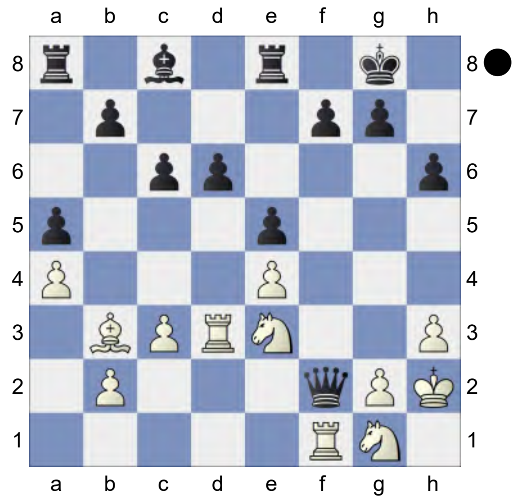


Nxd3! 22.Rxd3 Nxe4 23.fxe4

[23.Qc2? Qf4+ 24.g3 (*24.Kh1? Ng3+ 25.Kh2 Nf1+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *26.Kh1 Qh2#*) 24...Qxg3+ 25.Kh1 Nf2+-+ (*25...Qxe1 26.fxe4 d5 27.Qg2⩱*)]

23...Qxf2 24.Rf1

(Diagram)



Really sharp! **24...Qf4+ 25.Rxf4 exf4 26.Nc2** -1.72/24

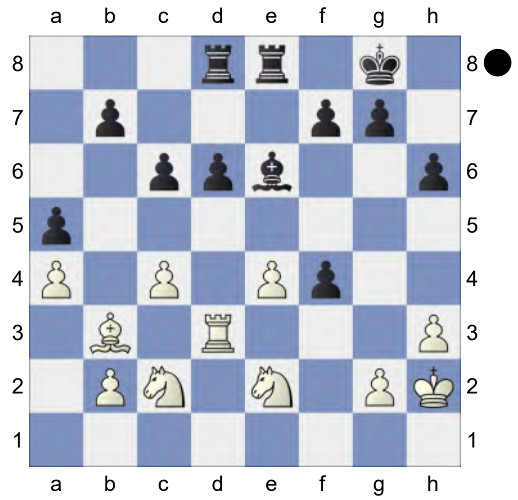
[26.Nf5!= -0.01/23 d5 27.Rf3]

26...Be6 -0.86/23

[26...Rxe4-+ -1.72/24 27.Rxd6 Kf8]

27.c4⩱ Rad8 28.Ne2 -1.06/26

[28.Rd2⩱ -0.68/24]



28...Bf5! 29.Nxf4 -1.79/24

[29.exf5⩱ -0.96/25 Rxe2 30.h4]

[29.Rd2 Rxe4]

29...Bxe4 -0.55/21

[29...Rxe4-+ -1.79/24 30.Rf3 Bh7]

30.Rd2!⩱ Bxc2 31.Bxc2 g6 -0.01/22

[Black should try 31...Kf8⩱ -0.62/21]

32.h4= h5 33.Kg3 Kg7 34.Kf3 -0.41/24

[34.Kf2= -0.01/23]

34...Re5 -0.01/25

[34...Kf8∓ -0.41/24 is superior.]

35.Kf2 b5 36.cxb5 cxb5 37.g3 bxa4 38.Bxa4 d5 39.Rd4 -1.37/24

[39.Kf3= -0.26/23 remains equal.]

39...Re4∓ 40.Rxe4 -3.04/20

[40.Ne2∓ -1.60/26]

40...dxe4-+ 41.Ke3 Inhibits Rd2. **41...Rc8 42.Ne2 f5 43.Nc3** -5.42/25

[43.Kf4 -3.52/27 was worth a try.]

43...Rc4 44.Bd1 Kf6 45.Nd5+ Ke5? -0.01/28

[45...Kf7-+ -2.19/29 46.b4 axb4]

46.Nf4? -3.37/25

[46.Ne7= -0.01/28]

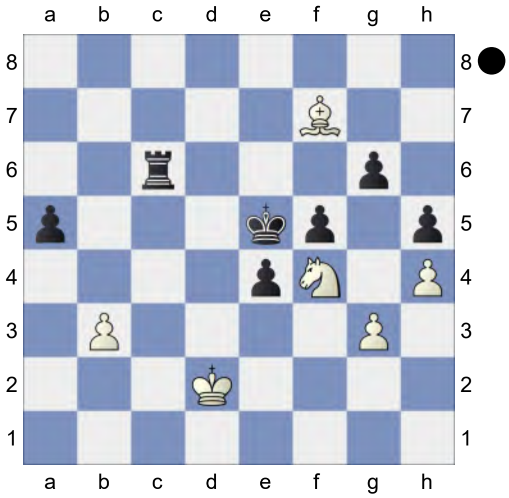
46...Rc6 47.Ba4 Rb6 -0.25/27

[47...Rd6-+ -3.48/27 Strongly threatening ...Kf6. 48.b3 *(48.Be8 Rd8∓)* 48...Kf6]

48.b3= Rd6 49.Be8 Rb6 50.Ba4 Rd6 51.Be8 Rb6 52.Bf7 -3.25/28

[52.Ba4= -0.01/28 and White has nothing to worry.]

52...Rc6-+ 53.Kd2

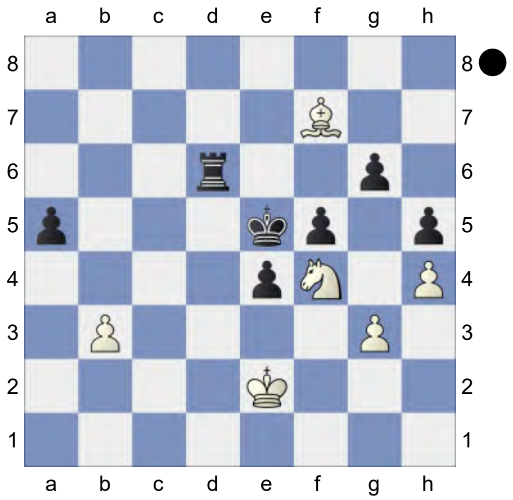


Rd6+ 54.Ke2 Rc6 0.01/24

[54...Rd7-+ -2.88/29 55.Be8 Rg7]

55.Kd2!= Rd6+ 56.Ke2!

(Diagram)



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56...Rc6? 0.01/45

[56...Rd7!-+ -2.57/29 57.Be8 Rg7]

½-½

147 **C54**

☐ **Mamedov,Rauf** **2657**

■ **Kasimdzhanov,Rustam** **2678**

Baku Rapid m (2) 28.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1

Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.h3 h6 7.Nbd2 Bb6! 7...Bb6 is a critical line.7...Lb6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **8.a4 a5 9.Bb3N** The position is equal.

[9.Qe2 -0.08/21 9.Bb5 0.41 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nf1 0-0 12.Ng3 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 Ng6 0.26/20 (*⌓14...d5* -0.14/22) 15.0-0 1-0 (39) Florescu,C (2250)-Zenelaj,S (2290) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Apr Early blitz 2023 (11)]

9...Ne7 0.50/22

[9...Ba7= 0.10/21]

10.Nc4± Ba7 11.Be3 0.05/22

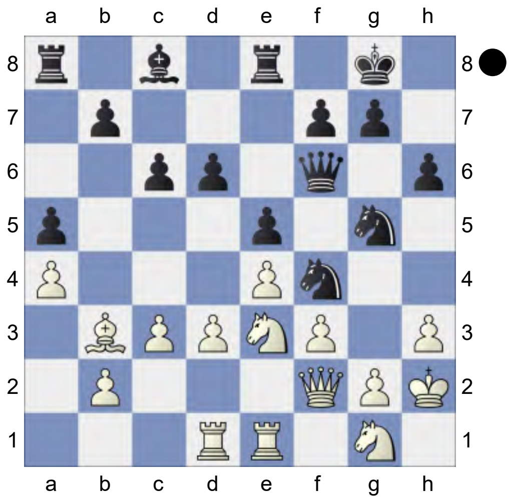
[11.Nxa5± 0.56/21 Bxf2+ 12.Kxf2 Rxa5 13.Bd2]

11...Ng6 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Ne3 -0.01/20

[13.d4± 0.35/20]

13...0-0= 14.0-0 Ra8 15.Re1 Re8 16.Qc2 Nf4 17.Kh2 Nh7 18.Rad1 Qf6 19.Ng1 Ng5 20.f3 c6 21.Qf2

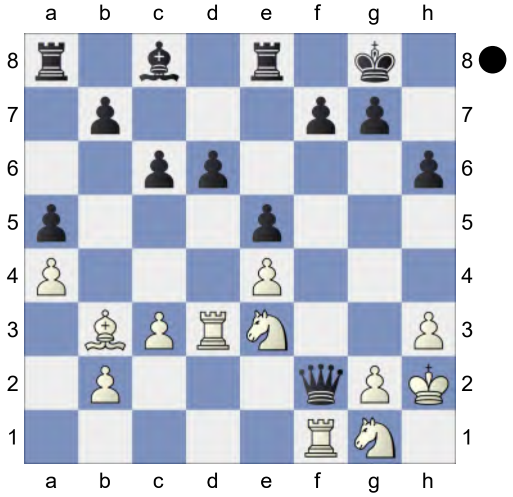
(Diagram)



Nxd3! 22.Rxd3 Nxe4 23.fxe4

[23.Qc2? Qf4+ 24.g3 (*24.Kh1? Ng3+ 25.Kh2 Nf1+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *26.Kh1 Qh2#*) 24...Qxg3+ 25.Kh1 Nf2+-+ (*25...Qxe1? 26.fxe4 d5 27.Qg2∓*)]

23...Qxf2 24.Rf1



Dancing on a razor blade. **24...Qf4+ 25.Rxf4 exf4 26.Nc2** -1.47/23

[26.Nf5!= -0.12/24 Bxf5 (*26...d5 27.Nd6=*) 27.exf5]

26...Be6 -0.89/23

[⌓26...Rxe4 -1.47/23 27.Rxd6 Kf8]

27.c4∓ Rad8 28.Ne2 -1.19/25

[White should try 28.Rd2 -0.81/24]

28...Bf5 29.Nxf4 -1.90/24

[29.Rd2∓ -0.96/23 Rxe4 30.Ncd4]

29...Bxe4 -0.80/21

[29...Rxe4-+ -1.90/24 has better winning chances. 30.Rf3 Rde8]

30.Rd2 Bxc2 31.Bxc2 g6 32.h4 h5 33.Kg3 Kg7 34.Kf3 Re5 35.Kf2 b5 36.cxb5 cxb5 37.g3 bxa4 38.Bxa4 d5 39.Rd4 -1.33/25

[39.Bc2= -0.21/24 remains equal.]

39...Re4 40.Rxe4 -3.22/19

[40.Ne2∓ -1.40/28]

40...dxe4-+ 41.Ke3 Repels Rd2 **41...Rc8 42.Ne2 f5 43.Nc3** -5.15/25

[43.Bb5 -3.43/28 was necessary. Rc2 44.b3]

43...Rc4 44.Bd1 Kf6 -2.24/27

[⌓44...Rb4 -3.76/28 45.b3 Rb7]

45.Nd5+ Ke5 -0.01/26

[45...Kf7!∓ -1.37/29 46.b4 axb4]

46.Nf4? -3.79/27

[46.Ne7= -0.01/26]

46...Rc6 47.Ba4 Rb6 -0.23/27

[47...Rd6-+ -3.51/27 and ...Kf6 should not be overlooked 48.Bb3 *(48.Be8 Rb6∓)* 48...Rb6]

48.b3= Rd6 49.Be8 Rb6 50.Ba4 Rd6 51.Be8 Rb6 0.01/29

[51...Rd8∓ -0.38/27 feels stronger. 52.Bxg6 Rg8]

52.Bf7? -3.23/28

[52.Ba4= 0.01/29]

52...Rc6-+ 53.Kd2

[Don't play 53.Nxg6+ Kf6 54.Kf4 Rc1 *(54...Kxf7? loses. 55.Ne5+ Ke7 56.Nxc6++-)*]

53...Rd6+ 54.Ke2

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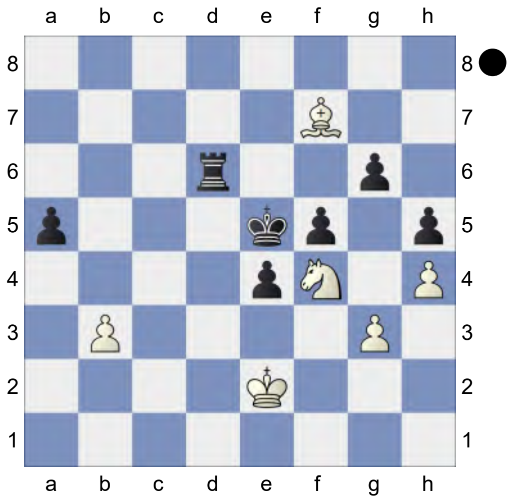
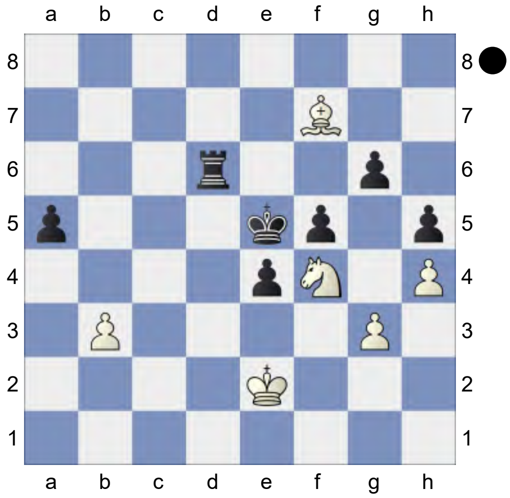


Rc6 0.01/24

[54...Rd7!-+ -3.23/28 55.Be8 Rg7]

55.Kd2!= Rd6+ 56.Ke2!



Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.39

56...Rc6? -0.01/45

[56...Rd7!-+ -3.09/30 57.Be8 Rb7]

½-½

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□ **AKS-Mantissa** **2814**
■ **ArasanX** **3020**
Rapid 31.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 5min+5sec C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N**

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

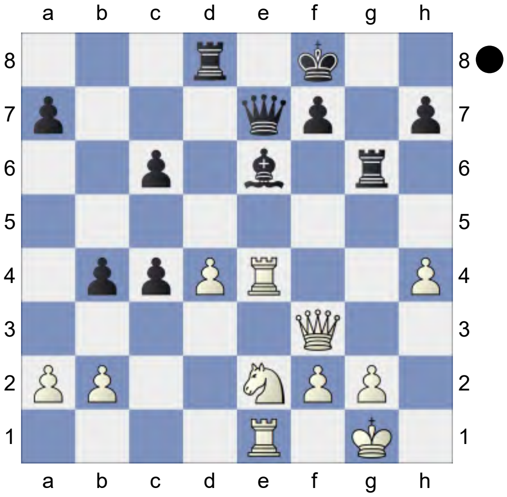
A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Re1+ Be6 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Nxd4 Rd8 13.c3 White is slightly better. **13...Nxd4 14.cxd4 Rxg7 15.Nc3 Kf8 16.Qf3 c6 17.Re4** next Rae1 is good for White. **17...Rg6 18.Rae1** 0.01/20

[Better is 18.g3± 0.70/18]

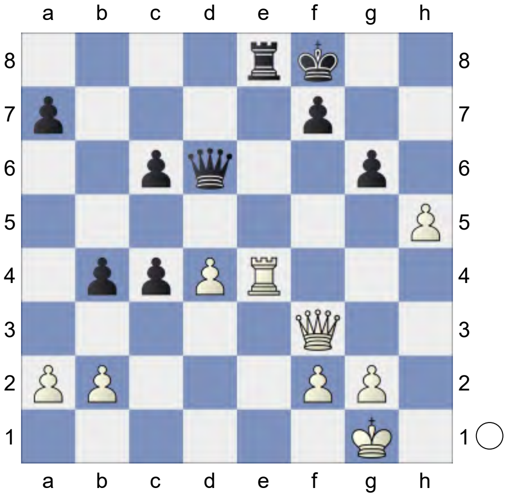
18...b5!= The position is equal. **19.h4 b4 20.Ne2**



Bd5 21.Nf4 Bxe4 22.Rxe4 Qd6

[22...Qxh4? loses. 23.Nxg6+ hxg6 24.Rxh4+-]

23.Nxg6+ hxg6 Endgame KQR-KQR **24.h5 Re8**



25.Rxe8+ Kxe8 KQ-KQ **26.h6 Kf8!**

27.Qe3 Qe6 28.Qf4 Kg8! 29.Qb8+ Kh7 30.Qxb4 Kxh6 31.Qd2+ Kg7 32.Qc3 Black must now prevent d5+. **32...Kf8 33.f3 Ke8 34.Kf2 Qd5 35.Ke3 Qg5+ 36.Kf2 Qd5 37.g3 Kd7 38.Ke2 Qb5 39.Ke3 Qg5+ 40.Kf2 Qb5 41.Ke3 Qg5+ 42.Kf2 Qd5 43.g4 g5 44.Ke2 a5 45.Kf2 Qb5 46.Ke3 Qb4 47.Kd2 Qa4 48.a3 Qb5 49.Kc2 a4 50.Qe3 f6 51.Qc3 f5 52.gxf5 Qxf5+ 53.Kd2 Qf4+ 54.Ke1 Kd6 55.Qb4+ Kc7** Hoping for ...Qe3+. **56.Qa5+ Kd7 57.Qc3** Prevents Qe3+. **57...Qh4+ 58.Ke2 Qh2+ 59.Kf1 Qg3 60.Ke2 Qh2+ 61.Kf1 Qg3 62.Ke2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) **62...Qh2+**

½-½

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■ Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2739

Tata Steel India Rapid (1.3) 13.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 ½-½ Sevian,S (2698)-Lazavik,D (2553) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W Chess.com INT 2023 (6.2)]

[6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Nh4 Be6 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Rxa8 Rxa8 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxf6 Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 exf4 ½-½ Causil Pastrana,X (1564)-Martinez Serna,M (1621) Juegos Univers 31st (Women) op Pereira 2024 (4)]

[6.Nc3 a6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.Bxd5 0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Bg5 Qe8 12.c3 Ba7 13.Re1 Bd7 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Qe7 16.Qd2 Bc6 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Qc2 Rfe8 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 e4 0-1 Orfila,A (1890)-Sprott,G (2110) 145/77 Biel 2020 (3)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 9 Part Chapter-Games Part 5 Chapter 2 Game]

6...0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.h3 Prevents Nf6-g4 **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7** White has an edge. **10.a4 a5 11.Ba2 c6 12.d4 Ng6 13.Qc2 Re8 14.Nf1 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Ng3 Qc7 17.Be3 Rae8 18.Rad1 d5 19.dxe5 Nxe4 20.Bxb6 Qxb6 21.Nxe4 dxe4 22.Rxe4 Qc7 23.Rde1** With the idea Re1-e3. **23...Nxe5 24.Nd4 R6e7 25.Nf5 Re6 26.Qd1 Qd7 27.Nd4** 0.00/26

[27.b3± 0.36/22]

27...R6e7= 28.Nb3 Hoping for Qd1xd7. **28...Qc7 29.R1e3 b6 30.Nd4 Ng6 31.Qf3** Re4xe7 would now be deadly. **31...Rxe4 32.Rxe4 Rxe4 33.Qxe4** Endgame. KQN-KQN **33...Ne7 34.b4 Qd6 35.bxa5 bxa5 36.g3 g6 37.Kg2 Nd5 38.c4 Nf6 39.Qe3 Qc5 40.Qd3 Qd6** And now ...c6-c5 would win. **41.Qc3 Ne4 42.Qe3 f5 43.Nb3 Qb4 44.Qd3 Qxa4 45.Qd8+ Kf7 46.Qc7+ Kf8 47.Nxa5 Qc2?** 1.79/28

[47...c5= 0.00/30]

48.Qb8++-

[48.Qxc6? Qxf2+ 49.Kh1 Nxg3#]

48...Kf7 49.Qa7+

[49.Nxc6 Qxf2+ 50.Kh1 Nxg3+]

49...Ke6 50.Nxc6 Qxc4 51.Qe7+ Kd5 52.Qd7+ Kc5 ...Qc4-e2 is the strong threat. **53.Ne5** 0.16/27

[White should play 53.Ne7± 1.13/21]

53...Qe2? 4.10/21 Black is on the road to losing.

[53...Qd5= 0.16/27 54.Qxd5+ Kxd5 55.Nxg6 Ke6 56.Nf4+ Kf6]

54.Qc6+

[54.Nxg6? Qxf2+ 55.Kh1 Nxg3#]

54...Kb4 55.Qb6+

[55.Qxg6 Qxf2+ *(55...Nxf2 56.Qd6+ Kb3 57.Qb6+ Kc3 58.Qc5+ Kb3 59.Qd5+ Kc3 60.Qf3+ Qxf3+ 61.Nxf3±)* 56.Kh1 Nxg3+]

55...Kc3 56.Nxg6 Nd2 57.Qa5+ Kc2 (→ ...Qe2-f1+) **58.Qxf5+ Kd1 59.Ne5 h5** 5.17/19

[⌓59...Qf1+ 3.59/18 60.Kh2 Qb5 61.Qg4+ Kc1]

60.h4 Qf1+ 61.Kh2 Qe2 62.Nd3? 0.08/31

[Only move: 62.g4!+- 6.34/24]

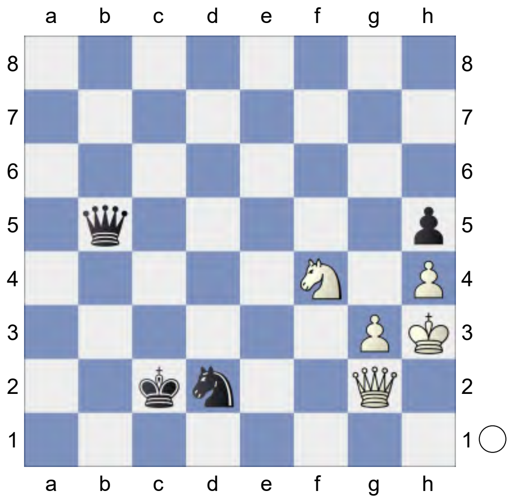
62...Nf1+? 5.24/25 **63.Kg1 Nd2 64.Kh2?** 0.09/27 **Nf1+?** 5.10/24

[64...Nf3+= 0.09/27 and Black has nothing to worry. and Black stays safe. 65.Kg2 Nd4 66.Nb2+ Deflection Qxb2 67.Qxh5+ Kc1 *(67...Kd2)*]

65.Kh3 Black must now prevent Nd3-f4. **65...Nd2 66.Qd5 Qf1+ 67.Kh2 Qe2 68.Kg1 Qf1+**

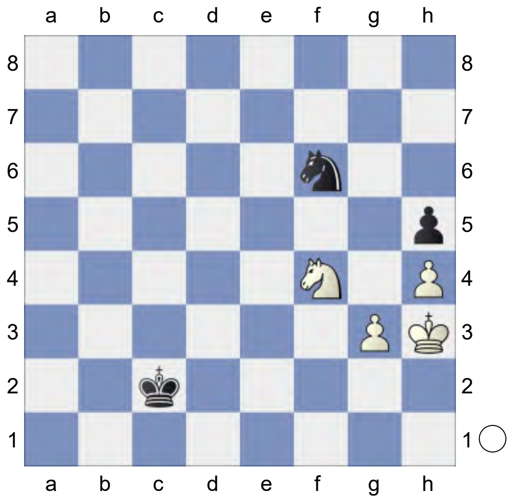
[68...Kc2 69.Nf4 *(69.Nb4+ Kc3=)* 69...Nf3+ 70.Kg2 Ne1+ 71.Kh1 Qf1+ 72.Kh2 Qxf2+ 73.Ng2]

69.Kh2 Qe2 70.Nf4 Qxf2+ 71.Kh3 Qf1+ 72.Qg2 Qb5 73.Qh1+ Kc2 74.Qd5 Repels Qb5-d7+ **74...Qf1+ 75.Qg2** aiming for Qg2xf1! **75...Qb5**



76.Qe2! Qxe2 77.Nxe2 KN-KN **77...Ne4 78.Nf4 Nf6** 9.79/29

[⌓78...Kc3 5.19/23 79.Nxh5 Kd4]



79.Nxh5! Deflection **79...Nxh5** KN-KPP

[79...Ne8 80.Kg4]

80.g4 Nf4+ 81.Kg3 Ne6

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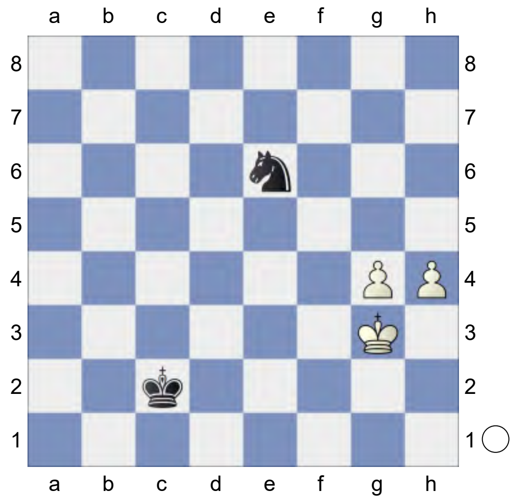

82.h5! Kd3 83.h6 Nf8 84.Kf4 Threatening mate with g4-g5. **84...Kd4 85.g5** 22.99/22

[⌓85.Kf5 #51/26 Kc4 86.g5 Nd7 87.g6 (*87.h7 Nb6 88.g6 Nd5 89.g7 Kd4 90.h8Q Ne7+ 91.Kf6 Nd5+ 92.Kg5 Ke5*) 87...Kc5 88.g7 (*88.h7 Nf8 89.h8Q Nxg6 90.Qc3+ Kd5 91.Kxg6 Ke4 92.Kf6 Kd5*) 88...Nb8 89.h7 (*89.g8R Nc6 90.Rc8 Kd5 91.Rxc6 Kxc6 92.h7 Kd6 93.h8Q Kc5*) 89...Nc6 90.h8Q (*90.g8N Nd4+ 91.Kg6 Nf3+-*)]

85...Kd5 86.Kf5 White mates. **86...Kd6 87.g6 Ke7 88.h7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.31

1-0

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☐ **xshashx** **3001**

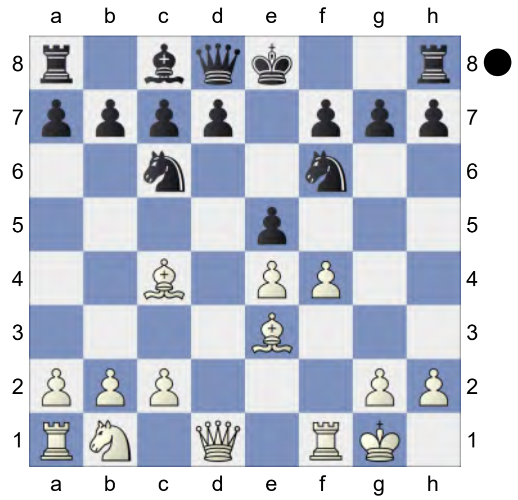
■ **Nikitosik-ai** **3011**

Blitz 26.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3 Nc6 8.f4**

(Diagram)



Qe7 Black is slightly better.

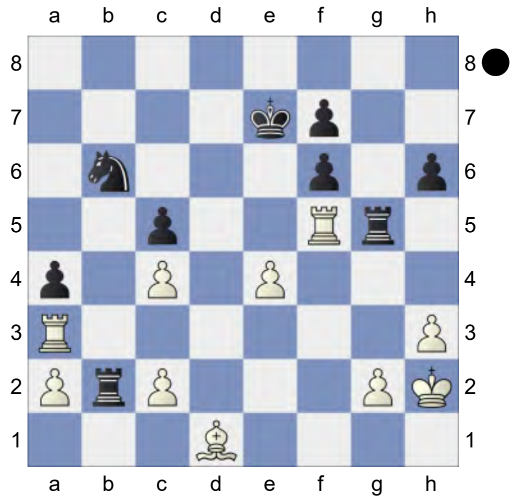
[8...exf4 9.Bxf4 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 Rg6 23.Rd2 1-0 Predke,A (2673)-Eljanov,P (2706) ITA-chT GpA 55th 2024 (6.1)]

9.Bd5N

[9.Nc3 d6 10.f5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Qf8 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nd5 0-0-0 14.b4 Qh6 15.a4 Rde8 16.Rf3 Ne7 17.Nxe7+ Rxe7 18.b5 Kb8 19.a5 Bc8 20.b6 Rd8 21.bxc7+ Rxc7 22.Bd5 Qf8 23.Rb3 Rc5 1-0 Maldonado Gonzales,S (1638)-Ramirez Pereales,J (1514) ch M/ME-63 corr 1963 (3) 24.a6 Rd7 25.axb7 Bxb7 26.Qb1 Qc8 27.Qa2 a5 28.Rab1 Rcc7 29.c4 Qe8 30.Qxa5 Qe7 31.Ra3 Rc8 32.Rxb7+ Rxb7 33.Qa8+ Kc7 34.Qxb7+ Kd8 35.Qxc8+ Kxc8 36.Ra8+ Kc7 37.Ra7+ Kd8 38.Rxe7 Kxe7 1-0 David,S (1638)-Pilonieta Forero,A (1514) COL-ch U18 Bogota 2023 (3)]

9...exf4 10.Bxf4 d6 11.Nc3 Ne5 12.Qd4 a5 13.Bg5 c6 next ...b5! is good for Black. **14.Rad1 h6 15.Bxf6**

gxf6 16.Kh1 Rg8 17.Bb3 Bg4 18.Rd2 Rg5 19.h3 Bh5 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Nd7 22.Bc4 Ke7 23.Rd4 b5 24.Be2 b4 25.Bxh5 bxc3 26.Bg4 Ne5 27.bxc3 Rb8 The position is equal. **28.Ra4 Rb2 29.Bd1 Nd7 30.Kh2 Nb6 31.Ra3 a4 32.Rf5 c5 33.c4**



Deflection **33...Nxc4 34.Rxa4 Ne3 35.Ra7+ Ke6 36.Ra6+ Ke7 37.Ra7+ Kd6 38.Ra6+ Kc7 39.Rxg5 fxg5=** Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **40.Bf3 Rxc2 41.e5 Kd7 42.a4 c4 43.Rxh6 Ra2 44.Rc6 Rxa4 45.Rc5** Black must now prevent Bc6+. **45...Ra3 46.Bg4+ Nxg4+ 47.hxg4** KR-KR **47...Ra4 48.Kg1 Ke6 49.Kf2 Ra2+ 50.Kf3 Ra4 51.Ke4 c3+ 52.Kf3 Ra3 53.Ke4 Ra4+ 54.Kf3 Ra3 55.Kg3 Rb3 56.Kf2 Rb2+ 57.Kg3 Rc2 58.Kf3 Rc1 59.Kg3 Kd7 60.Kh3 Rh1+ 61.Kg3 Rc1 62.Kf3 Ke7 63.Rc7+ Kd8 64.Rc4 Kd7 65.Ke2 c2 66.Kf2** Dodges Rg1 **66...Ke6 67.Rc5 f6 68.exf6 Kxf6 69.Ke3 Re1+ 70.Kd2 Rg1 71.Kxc2 Rxg2+ 72.Kd1 Rxg4 73.Rc6+ Ke5** and ...Re4 should not be overlooked **74.Rc8 Rg1+ 75.Ke2 g4 76.Rh8 g3 77.Rh5+ Kd4**

[77...Kf4!? 78.Rh4+□ Kg5=]

78.Rh3 g2 79.Rd3+ Kc4 (→ ...Re1+!) **80.Kf2 Kxd3**

[80...Rb1!? 81.Rg3□ g1R 82.Rxg1 Rxg1 83.Kxg1=]

81.Kxg1 Kc2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless) **82.Kxg2**

½-½

151 **C52**

☐ **RemstalBot** **3040**

■ **Mr-Chess-Berserk** **2991**

Blitz 26.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5

Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Dodges Bb4 **15.d5 0-0 16.Bb2** White has compensation. **16...Bd7 17.h3 Rae8 18.Bc3 Bd8 19.Rae1 g6 20.Nh2 b6 21.Kh1 Nf7 22.Ng4 h5** 0.37/21

[22...Kh8= -0.08/20]

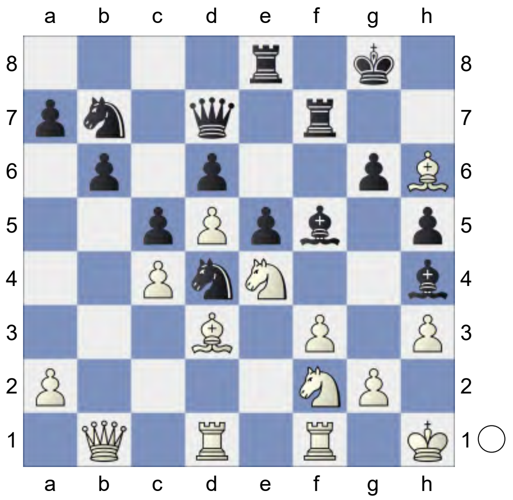
23.Ne3± Nh6 24.Qb1 Qh7 25.f3 f5 26.exf5 Nxf5 27.Ne4 Repels Ng3+ **27...Nb7 28.Bd2 Nd4 29.Nd1 Bh4 30.Ndf2**

[30.Bg5 Bxe1 31.Rxe1 Kg7∓]

30...Bf5 31.Rd1 Qd7 0.98/22

[31...Qg7= 0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

32.Bh6!± Rf7



33.g3! Rh7 34.gxh4 Bxe4 35.Bxe4 Rxh6 36.Bxg6 Rf8 37.Rg1 Kh8!

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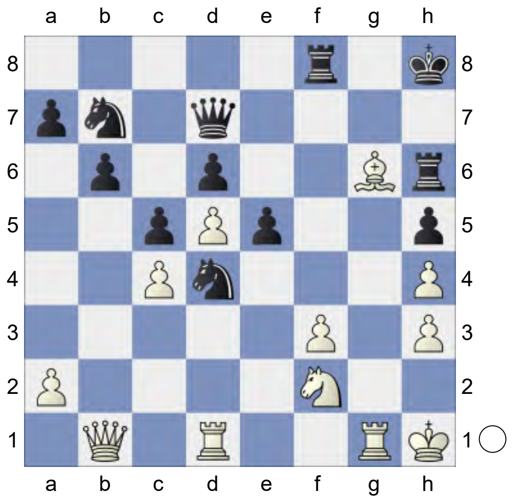


38.Qc1 0.01/20

[38.Rg2!± 0.90/26]

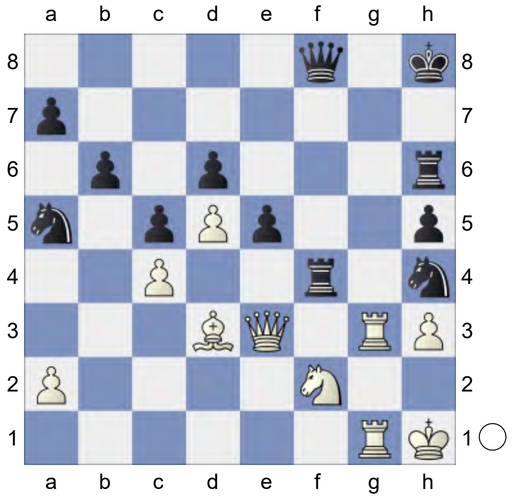
38...Rf4!= 39.Qe3 Na5⇄ Black is not keeping still **40.Bd3 Qd8**

[40...Rxf3 41.Qxh6+]

41.Rg2 Nxf3 Excellent horsemanship.

[41...Qxh4? 42.Rdg1 Qd8 43.Be4 Nxc4 44.Qc1+-]

42.Rg3 Nxh4 43.Rdg1 Qf8



44.Be4! Nxc4!

[44...Rxf2 45.Qxh6+ Qxh6 46.Rg8#]

45.Qd3 0.01/28

[45.Qe2± 0.49/27 should be considered.]

45...Rxf2 46.Rg8+ Decoy **46...Qxg8 47.Rxg8+ Kxg8 48.Qg3+** The position is equal.

[48.Qxc4? is the wrong capture. Rf4 49.Qd3 Rhf6-+]

48...Ng6! 49.Qxf2 Nf4 50.Qh4 Kf7! 51.Qd8 Prevents Rh8. Threatens to win with Qc7+. **51...Rf6! 52.Qd7+ Kf8 53.Qd8+ Kf7 54.Qd7+ Kf8 55.Qd8+**

[55.Qxa7 Nxh3 56.Kh2 Ng5∓]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

55...Kf7

½-½

153 **C49**
☐ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2741**
■ **Liang,Awonder** **2687**
Wch Blitz New York (7) 30.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C49: Four Knights: 4 Bb5 Bb4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 **15.a4!?** A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

15...a5 **16.b3N**

[16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 0.36/26 (*17.Nxe5± 0.73/25 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Nxe4 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Bd4*) 17...Bxd5⩲ 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 -0.01/24 (*21.Qc2⩲* 0.41/23 feels stronger.) 21...Rxe1+= 22.Qxe1 ½-½ (32) Karjakin,S (2785)-Anand,V (2779) Wch Blitz Doha 2016 (8)]

16...d5 17.exd5 White is slightly better.

17...Nxd5 0.88/23

[17...Bxd5⩲ 0.34/25 18.Bxg6 Bxf3 19.Bxf7+ (*19.Qxf3 fxg6 20.dxe5 Bxe5=*) 19...Kxf7 20.Qxf3 (*20.gxf3 exd4 21.Rxe8 Qxe8∓*) 20...exd4 21.Rxe8 Qxe8]

18.Bxg6± fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 1.35/21

[19...Nxc3?! 20.Qc2+-]

[19...g5⩲ 0.60/20]

20.Bd2 0.58/21

[20.Ne4± 1.35/21]

20...Qe8 1.09/21

[20...Qe7⩲ 0.58/21]

21.Ne4 Rd8 22.Qe2 g5

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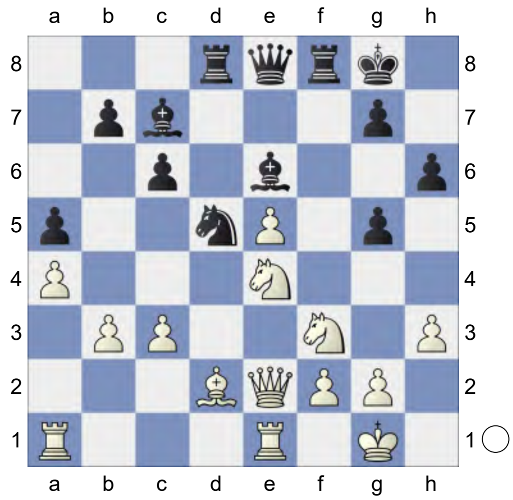


23.Nd6! A dynamic duo of knights. **23...Qe7 24.Nd4 Bb6 25.f3** 0.83/22

[⌓25.Qd3! 1.38/21]

25...Nf4 26.Bxf4 Rxf4 27.Rad1 Bxb3 1.38/23

[⌓27...Rdf8 0.77/22]

28.Rb1! Bxd4+? 2.78/25

[28...Qe6± 1.15/24]

29.cxd4+- Bd5 30.Rxb7 Qe6 31.Kh2? 0.41/20

[31.Qa6+- 3.24/23]

31...Rxd4? 2.01/23

[31...Rdf8!⩲ 0.41/20]

32.Qf2 0.72/24

[32.Qe3+- 2.01/23 c5 33.Ra7]

32...Rxa4 1.98/26

[32...c5± 0.72/24]

33.Qa7↑ 0.55/23 White has the initiative.

[33.Qb6+- 1.98/26 Rd7 *(33...Rxd6? 34.Qc7+-)* 34.Rb8+ Kh7 35.Qb1+ g6 *(35...Qg6? 36.Rh8+* Deflection *Kxh8 37.Qxg6+-)* 36.Ne8]

33...Qg6⩲ 34.e6 Rxd6?? 8.21/27

[34...Bxe6= 0.17/22 35.Rxe6 Qxe6 36.Rxg7+ Kf8 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+]

35.Qb8+ Kh7 36.Qxd6 Ra2 37.Qg3 Bxe6 38.Re5? 1.73/24

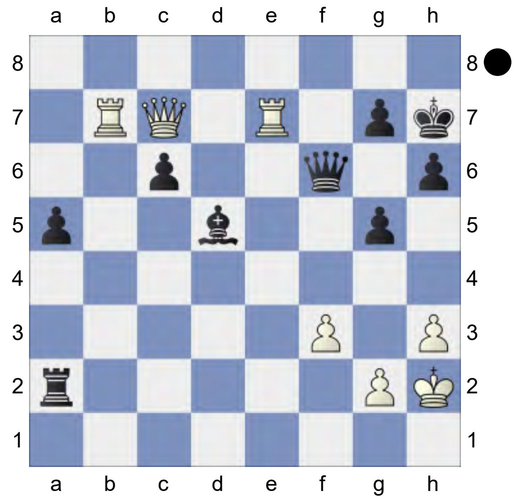
[38.Qc7 8.13/26 White threatens Rxe6! and mate. g4 39.Rxe6 Double Attack *(39.hxg4 Qg5+-; 39.fxg4 Bd5±; 39.Qxc6? gxh3 40.Qe4 Rxg2+ 41.Kh1 Bd5-+)*]

38...Bd5 6.45/27

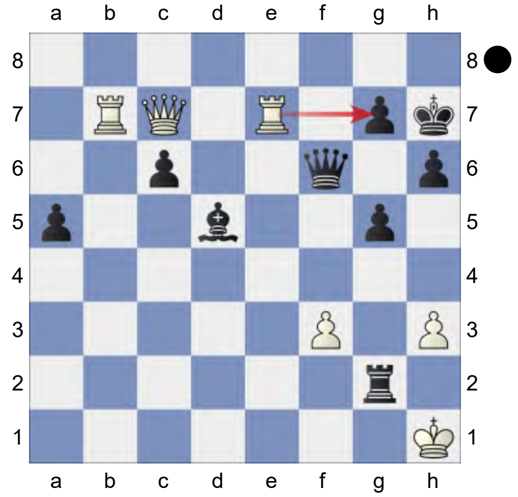
[38...Qf6 1.73/24 39.Rc7 Bd5]

39.Ree7+- Qf6 40.Qc7? -0.81/29

[White should try 40.Rbd7+- 6.80/23 Qf8 41.h4]



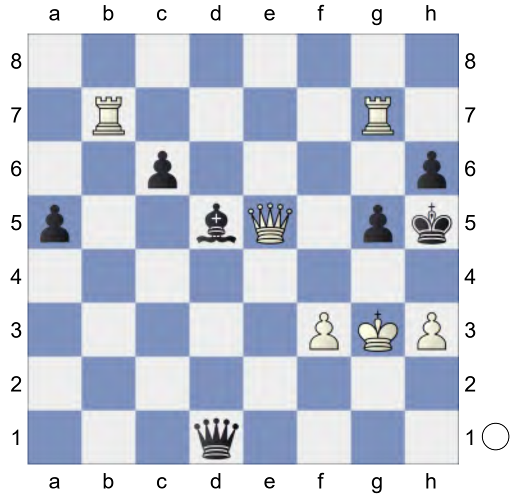
40...Rxg2+! -0.13/5 **41.Kh1=**



Rg1+! 6.55/5 **42.Kxg1+- Qd4+ 43.Kg2 Qd2+ 44.Kg3 Kg6 45.Qe5** 8.61/28

[⌓45.Rxg7+ #21/28 Kh5 46.Qe5 Bf7 47.Rgxf7 Qc1 48.Rb2 *(48.Qxa5? Qg1#)* 48...Qg1+ 49.Rg2 Qd1 50.Rg7 *(50.Qxa5 Qd6+ 51.f4 Qd3+ 52.Kh2 Kg6+-)*]

45...Qd1 46.Rxg7+ Kh5



Weighted Error Value: White=0.87/ Black=1.19

47.Rxg5+!!

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154 **C50**

☐ **TorомBot** **3084**

■ **InanisBot** **2596**

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Report in the Manchester Guardian of 29 March 1856, reprinted in ILN 5 April 1856 and also in Era 6 Apr. Game lasted 8 hours (5pm on the 28th to 1am on the 29th). Some notes in the Berliner Schachzeitung xi pp307-8 (Sept 1856) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Re1 d6**

[5...0-0 6.c3 Qe7 7.d4 exd4 8.e5 Ng4 9.cxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qh4 11.Be3 Qxh2+ 12.Kf1 Qh1+ 13.Ke2 Qxg2 14.Rg1 Nxe3 15.Kxe3 Bxd4+ 16.Kxd4 Qxf2+ 17.Kc3 Qe3+ 18.Bd3 Qxe5+ 0-1 (18) Osmel Garcia-Tudela Gonzalez,V Belgium 2012 CBM 91-B47 [Sale,Srdjan]]

6.c3 Bb6 7.d3N

[7.d4 0-0 8.Bg5 exd4 9.cxd4 Bg4 10.d5 Ne5 11.Nbd2 h6 12.Bh4 Ba5 13.Be2 Ng6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.Rb1 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Ne5 17.Be2 Qf4 18.b4 Bb6 19.Rf1 f5 20.g3 Qg5 21.Kg2 f4 Liverpool,C-Manchester corr 1856 UltraCorrX [Manchester Guardian; ILN; Schz] ½-½ 22.Nf3 Nxf3 23.Bxf3 Rf6 24.h4 Qe5 25.g4 a5 26.b5 Bc5 27.a4 Kf7 28.Qe2 Ke7 ½-½ (28) MainSlav/12 5...Bf5-Meran/2 8. Bd3 Bd6 Griechenland 1856 ZUS D57 [Kirjeshakki etc.]]

7...0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7 The position is equal. **10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Nc4 Be6 12.d4 c6 13.dxe5 Bxc4 14.Bxc4 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Qe2 a5 17.a4 Qe7 18.Bd2 Rfd8 19.Rad1 Rd6 20.Bc1 Rad8 21.Rxd6 Rxd6 22.g3 Nd7 23.Kg2 Bc5 24.Rf1 Rf6 25.Bd3 Qd8 26.f4** -0.25/19

[26.Bc2⩲ 0.38/18]

26...exf4= 27.gxf4 Rg6+ 28.Kh2! Qh4 (→ ...Qg3+) **29.Qe1** Prevents Qg3+. **29...Qxe1 30.Rxe1 Bf2 31.Rd1** Black must now prevent e5. **31...Nc5 32.Bb1 Bg3+**

[32...Nxa4? 33.e5+-]

33.Kh1 And now e5 would win. **33...Bh4! 34.Be3! Nxa4** 0.62/23

[34...Ne6!= 0.14/25]

35.e5!⩲ Rg3

[Reject 35...Nxb2 36.Rd7 Rg3 37.Rxb7=]

36.Bf2 Nxb2 37.Bxg3 Nxd1 38.Bxh4 Nxc3 39.Bc2 a4 40.Be1 Nd5 1.04/22

[⌓40...Ne2 0.73/22]

41.f5± Bf2 is the strong threat. **41...b5**

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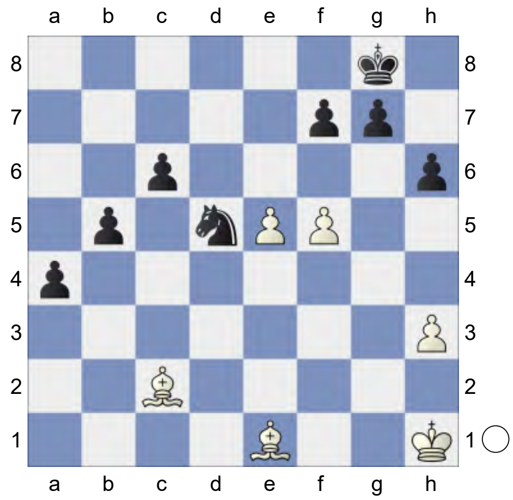
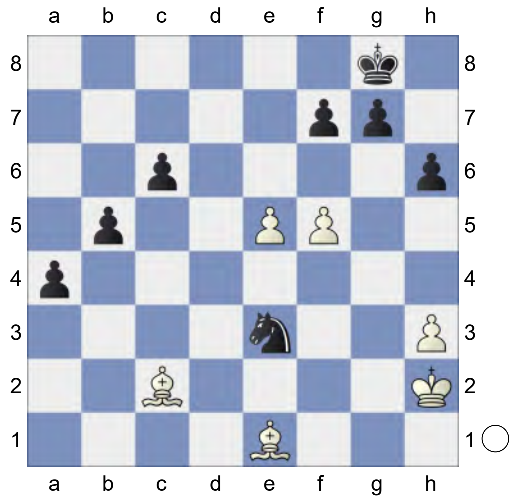


42.Kh2! Ne3 1.69/21

[42...g5± 0.64/19]



43.Bb1!+- aiming for Bb4. **43...Nd5** Prevents Bb4. **44.Ba2 Kf8?** 3.66/24

[44...h5 1.63/22 45.Bxd5 cxd5]

45.Kg3 2.18/23

[⌓45.Bxd5 3.66/24 cxd5 46.Bb4+ Ke8 47.Kg3]

45...Ne3 46.Bb4+ Ke8 47.Kf4 Nc2 4.24/23

[⌓47...Nd1 3.02/22 48.e6 fxe6]

48.Bc5 b4? 5.44/22

[48...Na1 2.68/21 might work better. 49.e6 Nb3]

49.Bc4 Threatens to win with e6. **49...b3 50.e6 fxe6 51.fxe6** White threatens Bd3 and mate. **51...Ne1** Prevents Bd3. Strongly threatening ...b2. **52.Kf5 b2 53.Ba2 Nf3 54.Ba3 Nd4+ 55.Ke5 Nb5 56.Bxb2 a3 57.Bc1 Nc3 58.Bb3 Nb5 59.Bc4** White wants to mate with Bxb5. **59...g5 60.Bxb5 cxb5 61.Bxa3** KB-K3P **61...h5 62.Bb4 g4 63.hxg4** KB-KPP **63...h4 64.g5 h3 65.g6 Kd8 66.g7 Kc7 67.g8Q** Qa8 would kill now. **67...Kb7 68.e7** White mates. **68...h2 69.e8Q h1Q 70.Qb8+ Ka6 71.Qa2#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.39

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156	**C52**
☐ **RaspFish**	**3044**
■ **Nikitosik-ai**	**3027**
Rapid	16.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7 The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

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25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

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12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Repels Bb4 **15.d5 g6 16.Bb2 Bd7 17.Bc3 Bc7 18.g3 b6 19.Nh4 0-0-0 20.Qb2** White has compensation. **20...Nb7 21.a4 a5 22.Nb1 g5** 0.39/22

[22...Kb8= -0.01/19 was preferable.]

23.Ng2± Rdf8 24.Na3 Qe8 0.85/20

[24...Kb8= 0.10/19 keeps the balance.]

25.Ne3± Bd8 26.Nb5 Bxb5 27.Qxb5 Qxb5 28.cxb5 Black is weak on the light squares **28...Kb8 29.Kh1 Nf7 30.Be2 h5 31.Bd2 Rh7 32.Kg2 Nh8 33.Rh1 Ng6 34.Rag1 h4** 1.60/21

[⌓34...Rg8 0.93/17]

35.Bg4 Ne7 36.Rf1 Bc7 37.Kf3 Nd8 38.Ke2 Rfh8 39.Rhg1 Kb7 40.h3 Nf7 41.Kd1 Rg7 42.Be6 Nd8 43.Bg4? -0.01/20

[43.Bf5+- 1.62/20]

43...Nf7!= 44.Bd7 Ng6 45.Nc4 Nf8 46.Bg4 Ng6 47.Kc2 Nh6!= -0.01/19 **48.Be6 Nf7 49.Bd7** 1.25/19 **Ka7± 50.Be6?** -0.01/20

[White should try 50.Rb1+- 1.73/21]

50...Kb7!= 51.Bg4? -0.01/19 White has more active pieces.

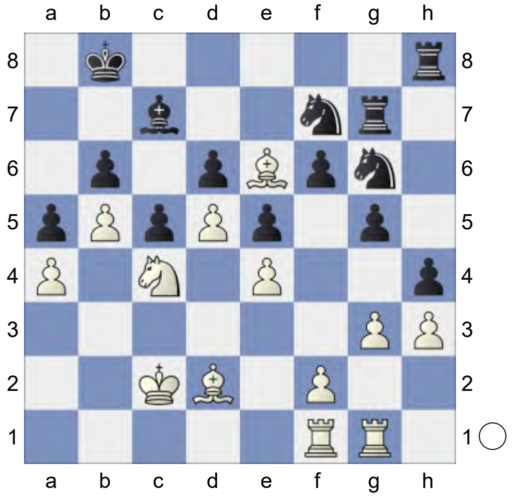
[51.Bf5± 1.55/20]

51...Kb8? 2.03/21 **52.Bf5+- Ne7** 1.86/23

[52...Kb7± 1.23/18]

53.Be6 This pair of bishops is nice. **53...Ng6** 2.58/22

[53...Nd8 1.78/19]



54.Bxa5! bxa5 55.b6 Nf8? 4.09/22

[55...Nd8 1.83/20 might work better.]

56.Bg4 Bd8 57.Nxa5 Bxb6 58.Rb1 Kc7 59.Nc4 Ba7 60.Rb5 Ng6 61.Rgb1 Rb8 Against Rb7+

[61...Nd8? 62.Ra5 Nb7 63.Rxa7+-]

62.Rxb8 Bxb8 63.Nb6 Kb7? 7.59/22 Against Na8+

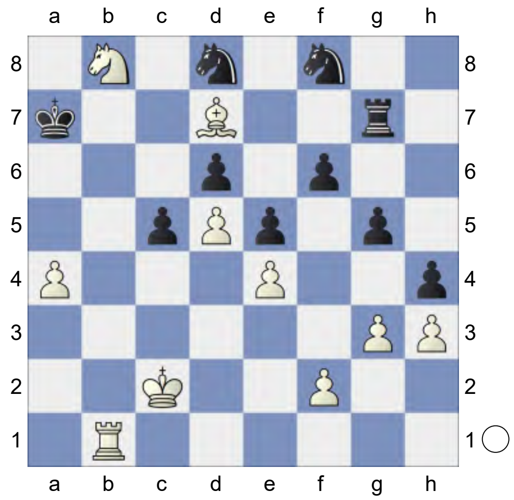
[63...Kd8 3.07/23]

64.Nd7+ Discovered Attack (Check), Double Attack **64...Ka7 65.Nxb8**

[65.Rxb8 Nh6 66.Rc8 (*66.Be6? Rxd7 67.Rc8 Re7-+*) 66...Kb7 67.Rb8+ (*67.Nxf6?* loses. *Nxg4 68.Ne8 Kxc8-+*) 67...Kc7-+]

65...Nd8 66.Bd7 Nf8

(Diagram)



67.Nc6+! Nxc6 68.dxc6 Black must now prevent c7.

[68.Bxc6 g4 69.hxg4 (*69.gxh4 gxh3 70.Rh1 Rh7±*) 69...h3±]

68...Nxd7 Endgame KRN-KR **69.Rb7+** Pin, Zwischenzug, Double Attack **69...Ka6 70.Rxd7** KR-KR

[70.cxd7 Rg8 71.Rc7 Rd8±]

70...Rg8 71.gxh4

[71.Rxd6 Ka5 72.Kc3 (*72.Rxf6 Kxa4 73.c7 Rc8+-*) 72...Kb6 73.Rxf6 Ra8±]

71...gxh4 72.c7

[72.Rxd6 Ra8±]

72...Rc8 73.Rxd6+ Kb7 74.Rd7

[Less strong is 74.Rxf6 Rxc7 75.Kc3 Rd7+-]

74...c4 75.Kc3 Kc6 76.Rh7 Rg8 77.Kxc4 Rc8 78.a5 Rg8 79.a6 Rc8 80.a7 Rg8 81.Kb4 Re8 82.Ka5 Rc8 83.Ka6 Ra8 84.Rg7 Rh8 85.Rg1 15.66/26

[⌓85.c8R+ 33.97/33 Rxc8 86.Rb7]

85...Kxc7 86.Rg7+ Kd6 87.Kb7 Kc5 88.a8Q 34.40/32

[⌓88.Rd7 #19/30 Rf8 89.a8Q (*89.a8B Kb4+-*) 89...Rxa8 90.Kxa8 Kc4 91.Kb7 Kc5 92.Rd5+ Kb4 93.Kc7 (*93.Rd6 Kc3+-*)]

88...Rxa8 89.Kxa8 KR-K3P **89...Kb6 90.Rg6 Kc5 91.Rg4 Kd6 92.Rxh4** KR-KPP **92...Ke7 93.Kb7 f5 94.exf5** KR-KP **94...Kd6 95.Rh8 Ke7 96.Rh6 Kf7 97.Kc7 Ke8 98.Kd6 Kf7 99.Rg6 e4 100.h4** White threatens h5 and mate. **100...Ke8 101.Rf6 e3 102.fxe3 Kd8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.22 (precise)

103.Rf8#

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155 **C50**

☐ **torombot** **3077**

■ **ChessDotCpp** **2793**

Rapid 16.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Re1 0-0 6.d3 d6**

[6...Ng4 7.Re2 Kh8 8.h3 f5 9.Bg5 Nf6 10.Nc3 d6 11.Nd5 fxe4 12.dxe4 Be6 13.Nxf6 gxf6 14.Bxe6 fxg5 15.c3 Qf6 16.Bg4 Ne7 17.Qd2 Rg8 18.b4 Bb6 19.a4 a5 20.Qa2 Qg6 21.Qe6 Lozon Urena,X (2847)-Giorgadze,T (2736) Bled 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] 0-1 (57)]

7.c3N

[7.h3 Na5 8.Bb3 Nxb3 9.axb3 h6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Rxe3 Re8 12.Nc3 c6 13.d4 Qc7 14.Qd2 Be6 15.d5 cxd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.Rc3 Qb6 19.Nh4 Bd7 20.Rg3 Kh8 21.Rf3 Kg8 Mrittika,M (1845)-Alexandri,V (1606) Mamaia 2022 ½-½]

[7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Nc3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qf3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.h4 gxh4 16.Bh2 Qg5 17.Re3 Kh8 18.Qe2 Rg8 19.g3 hxg3 20.Rxg3 Qh4 21.Rb1 Nc5 Zeydan,S (2060)-Khamdamova,A (2139) Chess.com INT 2022 0-1]

7...a5

[7...Ng4 seems wilder. 8.Re2 Na5 9.Nbd2 Nxc4 10.Nxc4 b5]

8.h3 Ba7 9.Bb5 Ne7 The position is equal. **10.d4 Ng6 11.Bd3 Nh5 12.Bf1 c6 13.Bg5 f6 14.Be3 Nhf4 15.Nbd2 Be6 16.a4 Kh8 17.c4 Bd7 18.Ra3 Ne6 19.Nb3 Bc8 20.h4 Ne7 21.Qd2 b6 22.h5 c5! 23.d5 Nd4 24.Nh2 Qe8** 0.08/18

[⌓24...f5 -0.27/19 25.Nxd4 cxd4]

25.Qd1 f5 26.exf5 Nxb3 27.Rxb3 Nxf5 28.g4 Nd4 29.Ra3 Bb8

[29...Rb8 looks sharper. 30.h6 Qg6 31.Bd3 Qf7]

30.f4 Bc7 0.43/20

[30...Bd7= 0.00/16]

31.Bxd4± cxd4 32.Rf3 Bd7 33.Bd3! Bxa4 34.b3 Bd7 35.Bb1 Rf6 36.Qc2

[36.g5!? Rf8 37.fxe5 dxe5 38.Rxf8+ Qxf8 39.Qc2∓]

36...Qg8 37.g5! Rff8⇄ Black has counterplay

[37...Rxf4? 38.Rxf4 exf4 39.Re7+-]

38.fxe5 dxe5 39.g6 Rf6 0.65/18

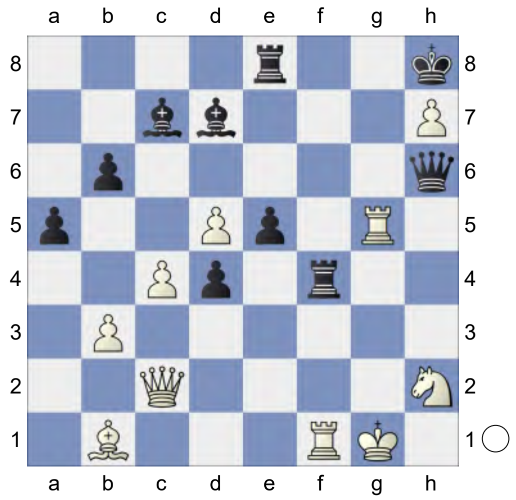
[39...Rf4= 0.01/18]

40.Ref1! Rf4 41.gxh7 Qf8 42.h6! Re8 1.49/19

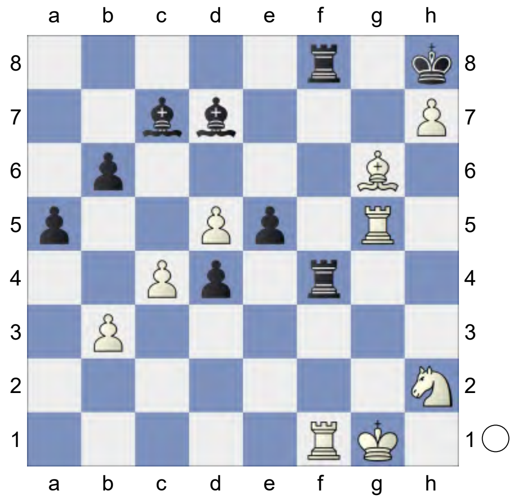
[⌓42...gxh6 0.88/19 43.Kh1 Qf7]

43.Rg3!± g5 44.Rxg5 Qxh6

(Diagram)



45.Qg6! The board is on fire. **45...Qxg6 46.Bxg6 Ref8**



47.Be4! 0.71/19 **Rxf1+**

[47...b5 48.Rxf4]

48.Nxf1 Bd8 1.20/20

[⌓48...Bd6 0.85/21]

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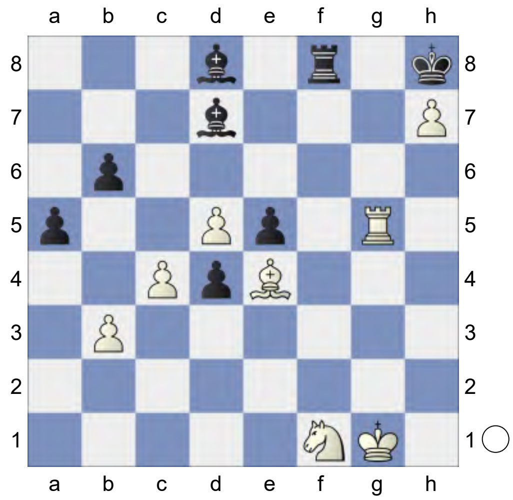

49.Rg6! Be8 1.86/21

[49...Be7± 1.36/18]

50.Rg2+- Bf6 51.d6 d3 2.45/22

[51...a4 1.75/20 was worth a try.]

52.Ne3

[Not 52.Bxd3 Bc6 53.Rg4 Bf3=]

52...d2 53.Rxd2 aiming for d7. **53...Bg5 54.Re2 Bh5** Prevents Ng4. **55.Re1 Rd8 56.c5**

[Less strong is 56.Nf5 Bd2 57.Rf1 Bb4±]

56...Bxe3+ 3.14/20

[56...bxc5 2.13/21 keeps fighting. 57.Nc4 Bf6]

57.Rxe3 bxc5 Endgame KRB-KRB **58.Rg3 Bf7** Prevents Rg8+. **59.Rf3 Bh5** 3.95/24

[⌓59...Be6 2.51/22 60.Kf2 Kg7]

60.Rf6 Bd1 61.d7 Strongly threatening Bf5. **61...Bg4 62.Kh2 Bxd7 63.Rd6 Kg7 64.Kg3** 3.03/22

[⌓64.Rd1 6.82/29 Kh8 65.Kg3]

64...Kh8 65.Rd5 0.03/21 &Bianco is more active.

[White should play 65.Bd3± 1.09/22]

65...Rb8? 12.82/24 Loses the game. **66.Rxd7 Rxb3+** KRB-KR **67.Kg4** White mates. **67...Rb8 68.Kg5 a4 69.Kh6 a3 70.Ra7 c4 71.Rxa3 Rb6+ 72.Bg6 Rb8 73.Ra6 c3 74.Bc2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.16 (very precise)

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157 **C52**
☐ **RaspFish** **3050**
■ **expositor** **2853**
Rapid 13.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 openings101.org

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6 9.Nbd2! exd4N 0.42/20

[9...Na5= -0.18/18 10.Qc2

A) 10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 ½-½ Goldenberg,R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New York Fall IM-D 2022 (5) Bxf3 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 Qd6 28.Qf5 Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5);

B) 10...f6 11.a4 *(11.Re1 Ne7 12.a4 Ng6 13.Ba2 Nf4 14.g3 Qg4 15.Kh1 Nh3 16.Re2 h5 17.Qd3 h4 18.Nf1 hxg3 19.fxg3 Bd7 20.Bd5 0-0-0 21.Bb2 c6 22.Ba2 f5 23.N3d2 f4* Chapter-Evans Gambit) 11...Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0

0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7);

C) 10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6

1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3);

D) 10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Qc6 12.Nxb6 axb6]

10.cxd4± Na5! White has an edge. **11.Qc3** White has compensation. **11...Ne7 12.a4 0-0 13.Re1 Ng6 14.Bb2 Re8** 0.59/19

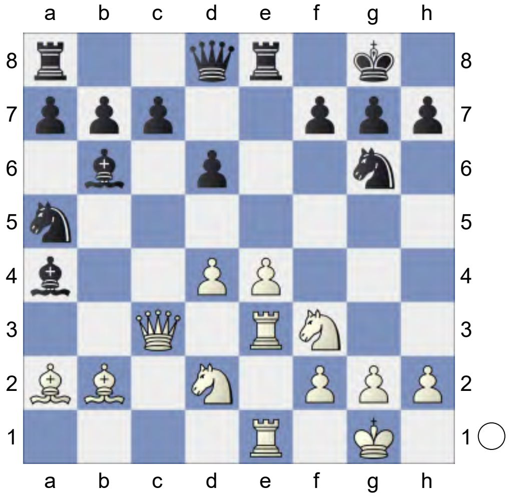
[14...Qg4= 0.19/19]

15.Ba2! Qd8 16.Re3 Bd7 0.85/20

[16...a6= 0.24/19 remains equal.]

17.Rae1± Bxa4 1.22/19

[17...Rc8± 0.47/18]



18.h4! h6 Prevents Ng5

[18...Nxh4 19.Nxh4 Qxh4 20.Rf3=]

19.h5↑ Keeping Black busy. **19...Nf4 20.g3! Nxh5 21.e5 d5**

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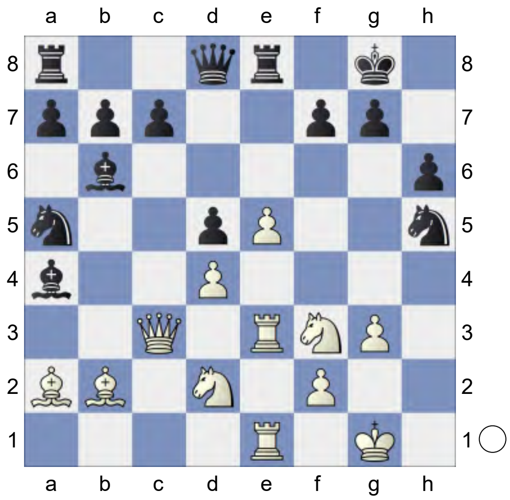
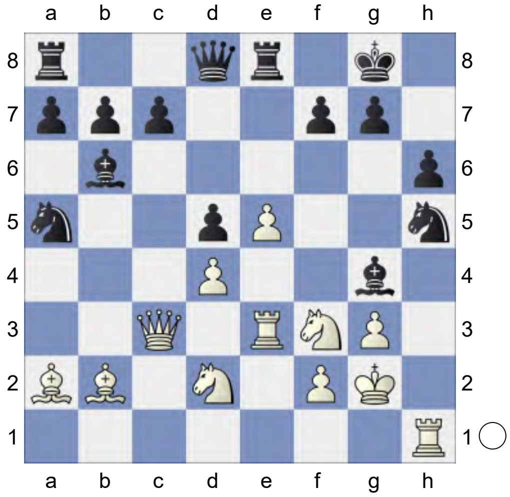


22.Kg2! Bd7 23.Rh1 White is more active. **23...Bg4** 1.58/19

[Black should play 23...g6 0.87/22]



24.Rh4! This move loses the game for Black. **24...f5** 2.59/19

[24...Qd7± 1.00/19]

25.Re1+- Nc6 3.11/19

[25...Qd7 1.87/18 was worth a try.]

26.Reh1 g6 27.Nf1 Qd7 28.Bb1 Qg7? 4.27/18

[28...Kf7 2.50/18 29.Qd3 Ng7]

29.Qd3 Bxf3+ 30.Qxf3 Ne7 6.15/21

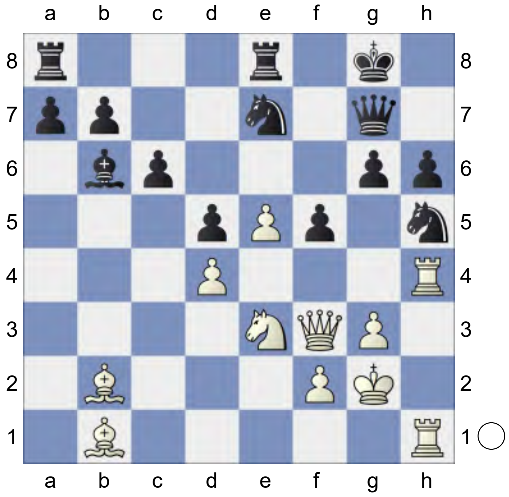
[⌓30...Nxd4 3.86/19 31.Rxd4 *(31.Bxd4 Bxd4 32.Qxd5+ Kf8±)* 31...Bxd4 32.Qxd5+ *(32.Bxd4 c5+-)* 32...Kh7 33.Qxd4 *(33.Bxd4 Rad8±)*

33...Rad8 34.Qxa7 Qf7]

31.Ne3

[31.Rxh5 gxh5 32.Rxh5 *(32.Bxf5 Nxf5 33.Qxf5 Qf7∓)* 32...Qg4±]

31...c6



32.Bxf5! Rf8

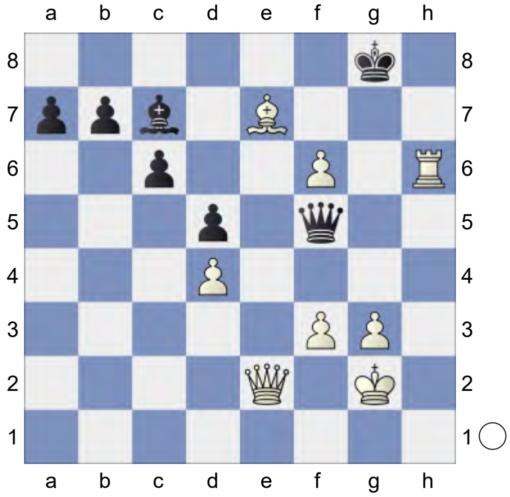
[32...Nxf5 33.Nxf5]

33.Be6+ Kh8 34.Qd1 Rae8 35.Bg4 Qh7 36.Bxh5 gxh5 37.Bc1 Ng8 38.Rxh5

[Weaker is 38.Qxh5 Bd8±]

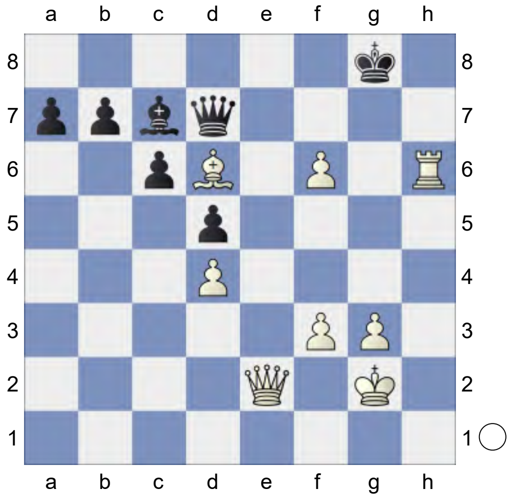
38...Qe4+ 39.f3 Qg6 40.Ng4 Rxh6+ is the strong threat. **40...Re6 41.Bxh6 Rf5 42.Rxf5** Threatening mate with Bf8+. Remove Defender **42...Qxf5 43.Bf8+ Nh6 44.Nf6 Rxf6 45.exf6 Bd8 46.Qe2 Kh7 47.Rxh6+ Kg8 48.Be7 Bc7**

(Diagram)



49.Bd6! Qd7

[49...Bxd6 50.Qe8+]



50.Qe5! White mates. **50...Bxd6 51.Qh5 Qg7 52.Qe8+ Bf8 53.fxg7** Pin **53...c5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.61 **54.gxf8Q#**

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158 **C51**
☐ **Karthikeyan,Murali** **2658**
■ **Dardha,Daniel** **2651**
FRA-chT Top 16 GpA (3.1) 24.05.2025
[Kitty Kat]

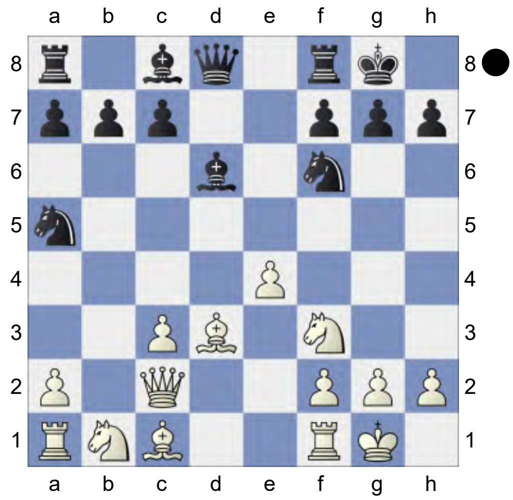
C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 now supersedes 7.Nxe5.löst 7.Sxe5 inzwischen ab. **7...d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Bd6**

[11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½ (60) Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

[11...c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 Evans Gambit-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Survey 2018]

12.Nf3 **Nc6N**



[12...Bg4 13.Nbd2 (*13.e5 Bxf3 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.gxf3 Qh4 16.f4 Qg4+ 17.Kh1 Qf3+* Italian,S-Evans Gambit,4) 13...Re8 14.h3 Bh5 15.Re1 Nd7 Quickstarter-Italian Sidelines,E]

13.Nbd2 Bg4 14.h3 Be6N 0.93/20

[14...Bh5 15.Nd4 aiming for Nxc6. Ne5 Hoping for ...c5. 16.Be2 -0.34/22 (*16.f4=* 0.20/23 *Nxd3 17.Qxd3*) 16...Bxe2∓ 17.Nxe2 Re8 18.c4 -0.64/19 (*18.Nd4=* -0.19/18 was preferable.) 18...Bc5 0.09/21 (*18...Nd3∓* -0.64/19) 19.Nb3= Qd3 20.Qxd3 Nxd3 21.Nxc5 Nxc5 ½-½ (76) Abdusattorov,N (2627)-Svidler,P (2714) Titled Tuesday intern op 19th Jan blitz 2021 (9)]

[14...Bh5= 0.27/20 remains equal.]

15.Nd4± Loses the game. **15...Bd7** 2.08/19

[15...Re8± 0.86/21]

16.f4+- Bc5 2.10/19

[⌓16...Nh5 1.67/18]

17.N2b3 Bb6 18.Kh2 Be6 3.30/23

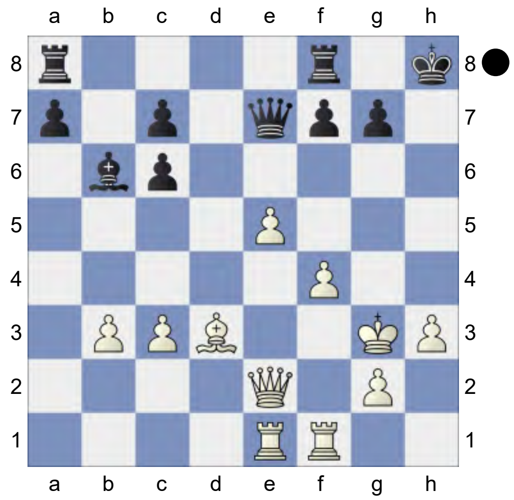
[⌓18...g6 2.06/18 19.Bb2 Qe7]

19.Nxc6 Bxb3 4.50/23

[19...bxc6 2.90/22 was worth a try. 20.Nd4 g6 21.Nxe6 (*21.Nxc6 Ng4+ 22.Kg3 Qd6±*) 21...fxe6]

20.axb3 White is clearly winning. **20...bxc6 21.e5 Ng4+ 22.Kg3 Ne3 23.Bxe3 Bxe3** Black is weak on the light squares **24.Rae1 Bb6 25.Bxh7+ Kh8 26.Bd3 Qe7 27.Qe2**

(Diagram)



White wants to mate with Qh5+. **27...Kg8 28.Qh5 g6 29.Qh6 Rfd8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.74

30.Bc4

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160 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2733**

■ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2796**

ch-USA 2024 Saint Louis USA (1.3)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.d3 h6 7.Re1** 7.b4 gains popularity.7.b4 wird beliebter.

[7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 0-1 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) Internet 2000 (1)]

7...Qf6N

[7...Nge7 8.b4 *(8.d4 Ng6 9.Be3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 exd4 11.cxd4 Bxd4 12.Qb3 Bxe3 13.Bxf7+ Kd7 14.Rxe3 Qf6 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Rxf3 Nf4 17.Rxf4 Qxf4 18.Be6+ Ke7 19.Nf3 Ne5 20.Nd4 Rhe8 21.Bf5 Kf8 22.Ne6+ Rxe6* 1-0 Tabatabaei,M (2718)-Radjabov,T (2700) Moscow Stars Blitz 2024 (9)*)* 8...Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.g3 1-0 McNutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo,N (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2) Qg5 23.Kh1 Nh5 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 b6 26.Qf2 Nc8 27.Rd1 Ra8 28.axb6 cxb6 29.Nd2 Nf6 30.Nc4 Nd7 31.f4 exf4 32.Nxf4 Nf8 33.Qf3 Ra7 34.e5 Rf7 35.Qe4 b5 36.Nd6 Nxd6 37.exd6 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2)]

8.b4 White has an edge. **8...Nge7 9.a4** And now a5 would win. **9...a5N**

[9...a6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.fxe3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.d4 Nb8 15.Qb3 Qxb3 16.Nxb3 exd4 17.exd4 1-0 Haldorsen,B (2426)-Stenersen,G (2144) NOR-chT Elite 2324 2023 (8.56)]

10.b5 Nd8 11.Be3 Ne6 12.Nbd2 Nf4 13.d4 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.Bf1 0-0 1.02/21

[15...0-0-0= 0.29/24]

16.Rc1 0.58/20

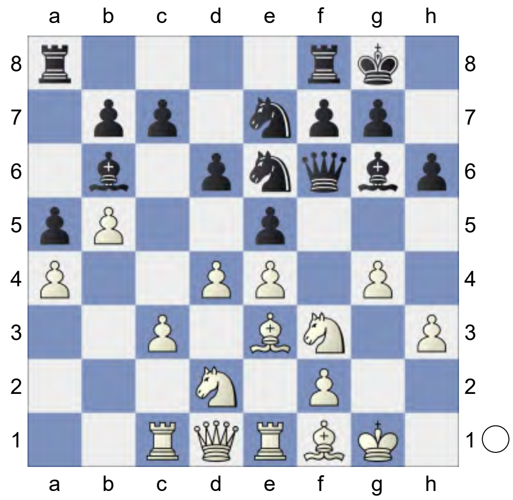
[16.g3± 1.02/21]

16...Ne6 1.58/18

[Black should try 16...g5± 0.58/20]

17.g4± Bg6

(Diagram)



18.Nxe5 0.06/19 **dxe5=** The position is equal. **19.dxe5 Qxe5** aiming for ...Bxe3. **20.Nf3! Qxe4** ...Rad8 would now be deadly.

[20...Qf6? 21.e5+-]

21.Bxb6 Rad8! 22.Nd4 Qf4⇄ Black is not holding back **23.Bxa5 b6! 24.Bb4 Nxd4 25.cxd4**

[25.Rxe7? Nf3+-+]

25...Rxd4 26.Qe2 Rxb4 27.Qxe7 Rxa4 28.Qxc7 h5 29.Qxf4 Rxf4 30.gxh5 Bxh5 31.Rc6 Rb8 32.Re7 Kf8 33.Ra7 Re4 34.Kg2 Re7 35.Ra6 Reb7 36.Kg3 f6 37.Bg2 Be8 38.Re6 Bd7

[38...Re7 39.Rexb6 (*39.Raxb6 Rc8±*) 39...Rc8 40.Ra8 Rc3+ 41.f3]

39.Bxb7 Bxe6 Endgame. KRB-KRB **40.Bc6**

[Of course not 40.Rxb6 Bd7 41.Bc6 Rxb6-+]

40...Kf7 41.Ra7+ Kg6 42.Re7 Bc4 43.h4 Kh6 44.f3 Bd3 45.Rd7 Bf5 46.Rd6 Bc2 47.Bd5 Bd3 48.Bf7 Bf1 49.Kf2 Rf8

[49...Bxb5? loses. 50.Rd5 g5 51.Rxb5+-]

50.Kxf1 Rxf7 KR-KR **51.Kf2 Kh5 52.Kg3 Rb7 53.Rd5+ Kh6 54.Kg4 Rc7 55.Rd6 Rc4+ 56.f4 Rb4 57.Rxb6 g6 58.Rxf6 Rxb5 59.Re6 Ra5 60.Re5 Ra1 61.f5 gxf5+ 62.Rxf5 Ra4+ 63.Rf4 Rxf4+ 64.Kxf4** KP-K **64...Kh5 65.Kg3 Kh6 66.Kg4 Kh7 67.Kg5 Kh8 68.Kg6 Kg8 69.h5 Kh8 70.h6 Kg8 71.h7+ Kh8 72.Kh6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

159 **C50**

□ **Kitty Kat,Hans Moke** **2733**

■ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2796**

USA-ch Saint Louis (1) 11.10.2024

[Naruemon]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 d6 5.c3 Bb6**

[5...Nf6 6.d3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.b4 Nh7 11.Kh1 0-0 12.Rf1 Kh8 13.d4 Qf6 14.b5 Ne7 15.Bd3 Ng6 16.Nc4 Bg4 17.Ne3 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Nf4 19.Nf5 Rad8 20.Rb1 0-1 5.♗e2 0-0-0 6.♗e3_46143 (2674)-Semi-Slav 5.cxd5 (2604) D0033 www.desc-online.de 1999 (6.1)]

6.d3 h6N

[6...Nf6 7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 Ne7 9.Nf1 Ng6 10.a4 c6 11.b4 a5 12.d4 Bg4 13.Qd3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 exd4 15.b5 Ne5 16.Qe2 Nxc4 17.Qxc4 Nxe4 18.bxc6 d5 19.Qd3 Qf6 20.Ra2 bxc6 21.c4 0-1 Karacic,N (1801)-5. ♗c4 e6 6.h3 ♗h5_43844 (2123) Buenos Aires 1989 (3)]

7.Re1 7.b4 gains popularity. 7.b4 wird beliebter. **7...Qf6 8.b4** White has an edge. **8...Nge7 9.a4 a5N**

[9...a6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.fxe3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.d4

Hoping for d5. Nb8 15.Qb3 -0.09/22 (*⌓15.a5* 0.27/20) 15...Qxb3= 16.Nxb3 exd4 17.exd4 1-0 Haldorsen, B (2426)-Stenersen,G (2144) NOR-chT Elite 2324 2023 (8.56)]

10.b5 Nd8 11.Be3 Ne6 12.Nbd2 Nf4 13.d4 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.Bf1 0-0 1.00/20

[15...0-0-0= 0.22/21]

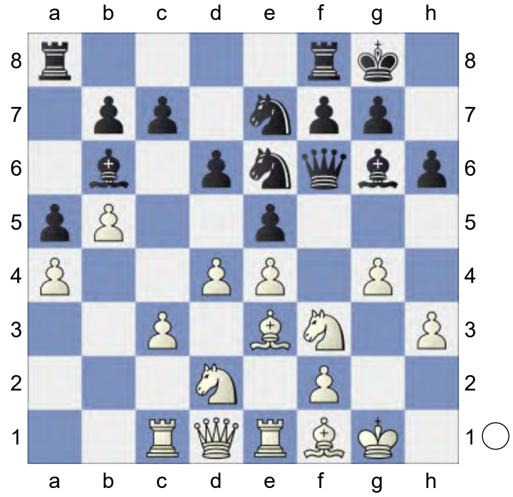
16.Rc1 0.59/21

[16.d5± 1.00/20]

16...Ne6 1.53/20

[16...g5⩲ 0.59/21]

17.g4± Bg6



18.Nxe5 0.10/18 **dxe5= 19.dxe5 Qxe5 20.Nf3! Qxe4** And now ...Rad8 would win.

[20...Qf6? 21.e5+-]

21.Bxb6 Rad8! 22.Nd4 Qf4⇄ Black is fighting back **23.Bxa5** Qe2 would now be deadly. **23...b6 24.Bb4 Nxd4 25.cxd4**

[25.Rxe7? Nf3+-+]

25...Rxd4 26.Qe2 Rxb4 27.Qxe7 Rxa4 28.Qxc7 h5 29.Qxf4 Rxf4 30.gxh5 Bxh5 31.Rc6 Rb8 32.Re7 Kf8 33.Ra7 Re4 34.Kg2 Re7 35.Ra6 Reb7 36.Kg3 f6 37.Bg2 Be8 38.Re6 Bd7

[38...Re7?! 39.Rexb6 (*39.Raxb6 Rc8±*) 39...Rd8 40.Ra4±]

39.Bxb7 Bxe6 Endgame. KRB-KRB **40.Bc6**

[Much worse is 40.Rxb6 Bf5 41.h4 Ke7∓]

40...Kf7 41.Ra7+ Kg6 42.Re7 Bc4 43.h4 Kh6 44.f3 Bd3 45.Rd7 Bf5 46.Rd6 Bc2 47.Bd5 Bd3 48.Bf7 Bf1 The position is equal. **49.Kf2 Rf8**

[49...Bxb5? loses. 50.Rd5 g5 51.Rxb5+-]

50.Kxf1 Rxf7 KR-KR **51.Kf2 Kh5 52.Kg3 Rb7 53.Rd5+ Kh6 54.Kg4 Rc7 55.Rd6 Rc4+ 56.f4 Rb4 57.Rxb6 g6 58.Rxf6 Rxb5 59.Re6 Ra5 60.Re5 Ra1 61.f5 gxf5+ 62.Rxf5 Ra4+ 63.Rf4 Rxf4+ 64.Kxf4** KP-K **64...Kh5 65.Kg3 Kh6 66.Kg4 Kh7 67.Kg5 Kh8 68.Kg6 Kg8 69.h5 Kh8 70.h6 Kg8 71.h7+ Kh8 72.Kh6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

161 **C54**

☐ **Schnabulator3000** **2706**

■ **supermanA** **2659**

Blitz 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

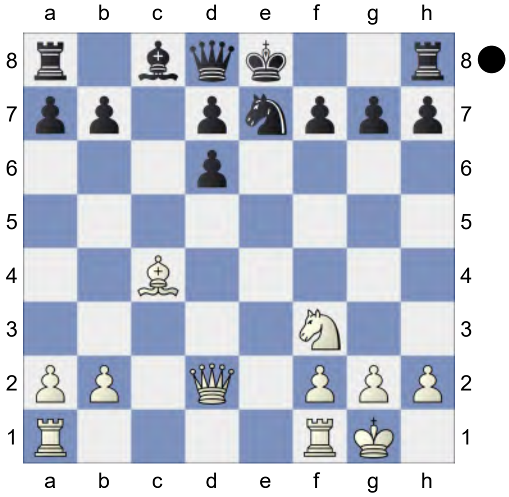
7...Nxe4 8.d5 Ne7

[8...Nxd2 9.Bxd2 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 Ne7]

9.0-0 The position is equal. **9...Nxd2 10.Bxd2**

[10.Nxd2 0-0 11.a3 Ba5 12.d6]

10...Bxd2 11.d6 cxd6 12.Qxd2



d5! 13.Bxd5

[13.Rfe1 dxc4]

13...Nxd5? 1.93/24

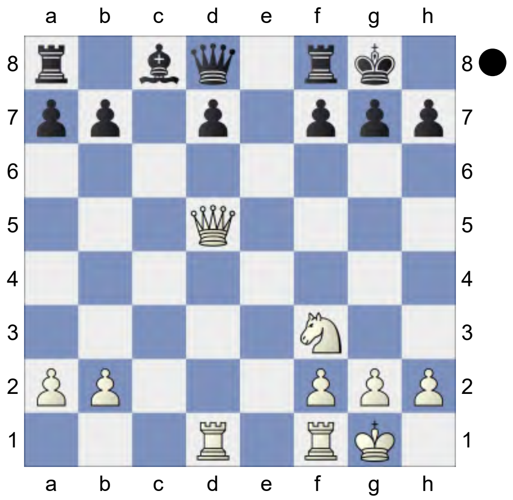
[13...0-0= -0.06/19]

14.Qxd5? -0.01/22

[14.Rfe1+!+- 1.93/24 Ne7 15.Qd6]

14...0-0= 15.Rad1

(Diagram)



d6! 16.Qxd6

[16.b3 Qb6]

16...Be6 Black is weak on the dark squares **17.a3 Qf6 18.Qd4 Qf5**

[18...Qxd4 simplifies 19.Rxd4 Rac8 20.h4 Rc2]

19.Qb4 b6 20.Nd4 Qf6 21.Nxe6 Qxe6 22.Rfe1 Qf6 23.h3 Rad8 24.Qa4 Qxb2? 10.06/24

[24...Rxd1= -0.01/23 25.Rxd1 Qxb2]

25.Qxa7? -0.01/24

[Only move: 25.Rxd8+- 10.06/24 g5 26.Rxf8+ Kxf8 27.Qb4+ *(27.Qxa7 Kg7+-)* 27...Qxb4 28.axb4]

25...Rd2 26.Qe7 g6

[26...Rxf2 27.Qxf8+ Kxf8 28.Rd8#]

27.Rxd2 Qxd2 28.Qb4 Qxb4 29.axb4 Endgame KR-KR **29...Rc8 30.Re5 Kf8 31.g3 Rc4 32.Rb5 Rc6 33.Re5 Rc4 34.Rb5 Rc6 35.Kg2 Ke7 36.h4 Kd7 37.h5?** -4.33/28

[37.Kf3!= -0.03/22]

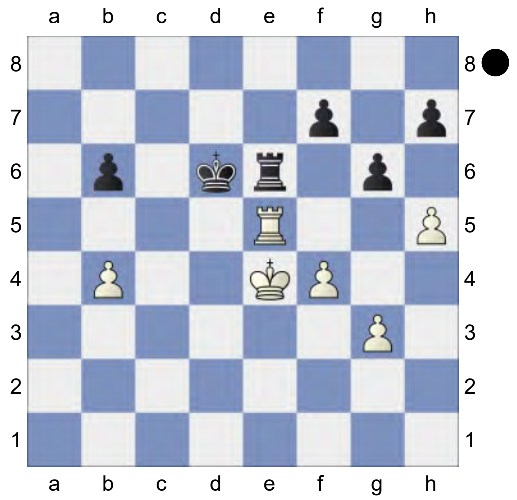
37...Kc7? -0.01/25

[37...f6-+ -4.33/28 aiming for ...Rd6. 38.Rd5+ Ke6]

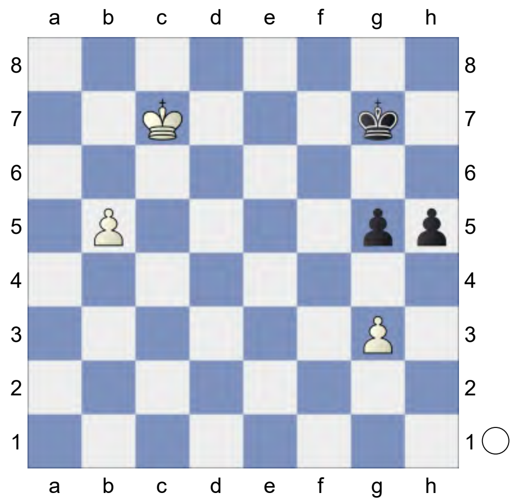
38.Kf3 Rf6+ 39.Ke3 Kc6 40.Re5 Kd6 41.f4 Re6 42.Ke4 -8.61/25

[42.Kd4= 0.01/28]

(Diagram)



42...Rxe5+? 0.32/22
[Less strong is 42...gxh5 43.Kf5∓]
[42...f5+!-+ -8.61/25 43.Kd4 Rxe5 44.fxe5+ Ke6]
43.fxe5+-+ KP-KP **43...Ke6?** 8.87/25
[43...Kd7= 0.24/25]
44.h6+- f6 45.exf6 Threatens to win with f7!. **45...Kxf6** K3P-K3P **46.Kd5 Kg5 47.Kc6 Kxh6 48.Kxb6** KPP-KPP **48...Kg7 49.Kc7 g5 50.b5 h5**

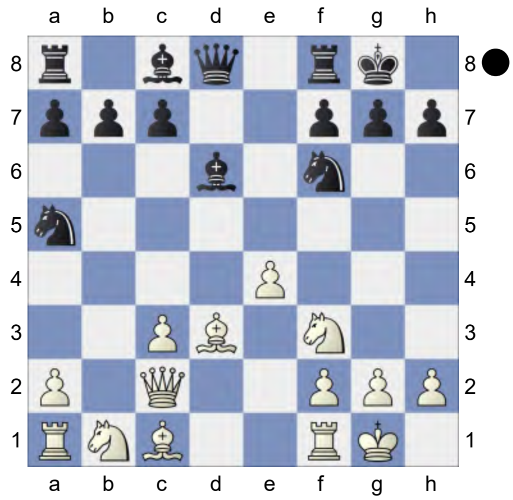


51.b6! White mates. **51...h4 52.gxh4 gxh4 53.b7 h3** Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.61/ Black=1.10
54.b8Q
[54.b8B? loses. h2 55.Kb6 h1Q-+ (55...h1R 56.Kc6=)]
1-0

162 **C51**
□ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2695**
■ **Le Tuan Minh** **2598**
Abu Dhabi Masters Online blitz (4)
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Bd6**
[11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½ (60) Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]
[11...c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024]
12.Nf3

(Diagram)



Nc6N 0.47/19

[12...Re8= 0.09/19]

[12...Bg4 13.e5 *(13.Nbd2 Re8 14.h3 Bh5 15.Re1 Nd7 Italian,S-Evans Gambit,4)* 13...Bxf3 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.gxf3 Qh4 16.f4 Qg4+ 17.Kh1 Qf3+ Italian,S-Evans Gambit, 4]

13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Re8 15.Nbd2 g5 16.Bg3 Nh5 17.Bb5 Nxg3

[17...g4 is more complex. 18.Bh4 Qd7 19.Bxc6 Qxc6 20.Nd4 Qa6]

18.hxg3 Bd7 19.Bxc6 Bxc6 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Nc4 Bc5 0.05/21

[21...Qg6∓ -0.31/18]

22.Na5= Rad8 23.e5 Qe6 24.Nxc6 Qxc6 25.g4 Qd7 26.Qe4 -0.18/20

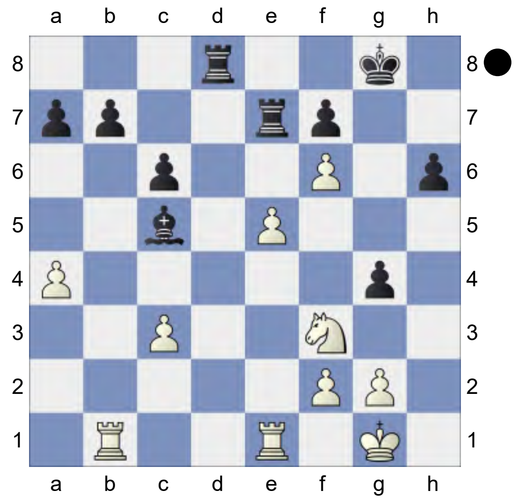
[26.Rad1! 0.24/19 Qxg4 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.e6]

26...c6 27.Rab1 Re7 28.a4 -0.25/22

[28.Rb2 0.21/21 was preferable.]

28...Qd3 29.Qf5 Qxf5 30.gxf5 g4! 31.f6

(Diagram)



Re6 0.54/21

[31...Rc7!∓ -0.76/21 32.Nd4 Bxd4 33.cxd4 Rxd4]

32.Nd4± Bxd4 33.cxd4 Rxd4 ...b6 is the strong threat. **34.Rxb7 Rd5 35.Rxa7** 0.00/26 White is more active.

[35.Re7!± 0.83/21]

35...Rdxe5= 36.Rxe5 Rxe5± Endgame KR-KR **37.a5 Rf5 38.a6** Threatens to win with Ra8+. **38...Ra5 39.Kh2 Ra3 40.Ra8+ Kh7 41.a7 h5 42.f3 gxf3 43.gxf3 c5 44.Kg3 c4 45.Kh4 Ra5 46.f4 c3 47.f5 c2**

[47...Rxf5? loses. 48.Rc8 Ra5 49.a8Q+- *(49.a8B Ra4+ 50.Kg5 Ra5+ 51.Kf4 Kg6±; 49.a8R Rxa8 50.Rxa8 Kg6+-)*]

48.Rc8 Rxa7

[48...Rxf5 49.a8Q *(49.a8B Rf4+ 50.Kg5 Rg4+ 51.Kxh5 Ra4±)* 49...Rxf6 50.Qe4+ *(50.Rxc2 Rf4+ 51.Kg5 Rg4+ 52.Kxh5 Rg8 53.Qd5 Rg6 54.Qxf7+ Rg7 55.Qf5+ Kh8 56.Rc8+ Rg8 57.Qf6+ Kh7 58.Qh6#; 50.Rh8+ Kg6 51.Rg8+ Kh7 52.Qf8 Rf4+ 53.Kh3 Rf3+ 54.Kg2 Rg3+ 55.Rxg3 c1Q 56.Qg7#)* 50...Kg7 51.Qe5 *(51.Kxh5 Rh6+ 52.Kg5 c1R+-)* 51...c1B 52.Rxc1 Kg6 53.Qg5+ *(53.Qxh5+ Kg7*

54.Qe5 Kg6 55.Qg5+ Deflection *Kh7 56.Qxf6 Kg8 57.Rc8+ Kh7 58.Rh8#)* 53...Kh7 54.Qxf6 Kg8 55.Rg1+ Kh7 56.Qg7#]

49.Kxh5 Ra2 50.Kg5 Rb2 51.Rc7 c1Q+ 52.Rxc1 Rg2+ 53.Kf4 Rf2+ 54.Ke5 Re2+ 55.Kd6 Kh6 56.Rg1 Ra2 57.Ke7 Ra7+ 58.Kf8 Kh5? 5.74/29

[58...Ra8+= 0.00/30 and Black has nothing to worry. 59.Kxf7 Ra7+ 60.Ke6 Ra6+ 61.Ke7 Ra7+ 62.Ke6]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.24 (precise)

59.Kg7

1-0

163 **C54**

☐ **Dardha,Daniel** **2627**

■ **Navara,David** **2662**

Biel Challengers (1) 15.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.a4 a6 7.b4

[7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

[7.h3 h6 8.0-0 Ba7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16)]

7...Ba7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7N

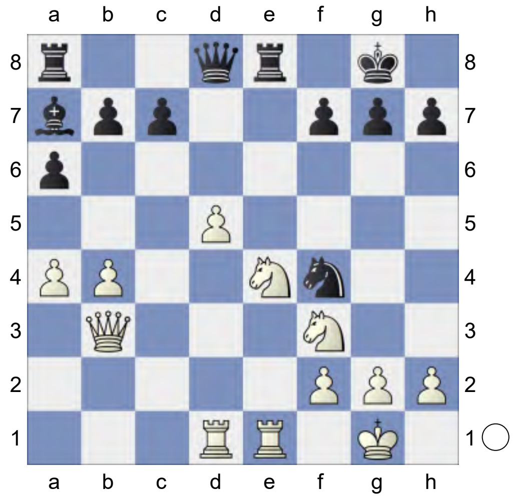
[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 0-1 (52) Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

10.Re1 Ng6 11.d4 **exd4!?** Exploring less charted territory.Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **12.cxd4** White is slightly better. **12...d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Qb3 Be6 15.Ne4 Ndf4** **16.Bxe6N**

[16.Bxf4 Bxc4 17.Qxc4 Nxf4 18.b5 Bb6 19.Nc5 axb5 20.axb5 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 Qd5 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Nxb7 ½-½ (30) Amin,B (2649)-Ahmed,A (2223) Africa-ch Cairo 2025 (7)]

16...Nxe6 17.d5 Nef4 18.Bxf4 Nxf4 19.Rad1 Re8 1.00/21

[Black should try 19...Qc8± 0.40/25]

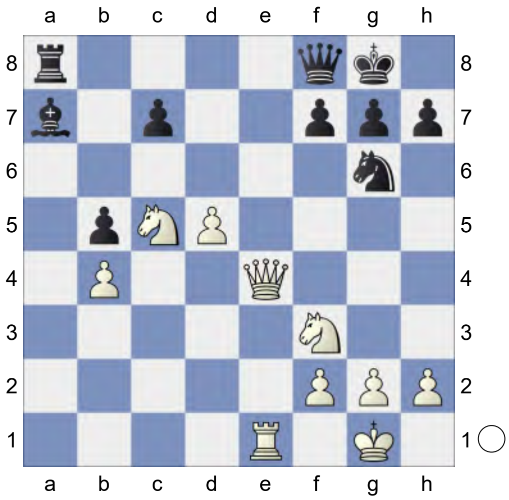


20.Qc4 0.42/22

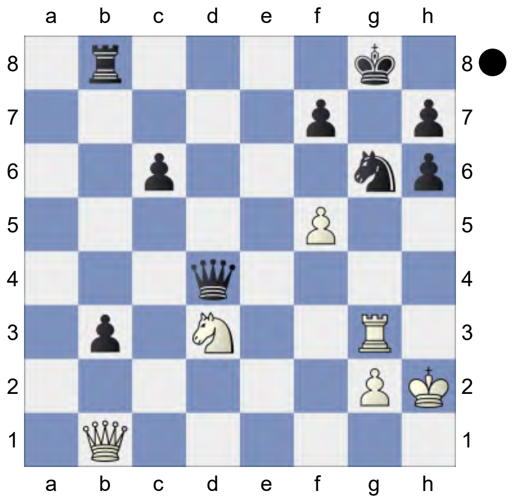
[20.Nfg5!± 1.00/21]

20...Ng6 21.Nc5 A dynamic duo of knights. **21...Rxe1+ 22.Rxe1 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Qe4** Threatens to win

with h4. **24...Qf8** 0.74/23
[24...Qd6= 0.15/22]



25.h4 -0.01/20
[25.Nb7!± 0.74/23]
25...Bxc5= 26.bxc5 Qxc5 27.h5
[27.Nd4!? Ra2 28.h5=]
27...Nf8→ Black attacks. **28.h6 gxh6 29.Ne5?** -1.54/26
[Better is 29.Nd4= -0.01/24]
29...Re8∓ 30.Re3? -5.43/25
[30.Qf3 -1.65/26 is more resistant. Re7 31.Re3]
30...Ng6-+ 31.Rg3 c6 32.Qf5 -4.68/27
[⌓32.Nd3 -3.17/25 Rxe4 33.Nxc5]
32...Qxd5
[Stronger than 32...cxd5 33.Qxf7+ Kh8 34.Qxe8+ (*34.Nxg6+ hxg6 35.Qf6+ Kg8 36.Rxg6+ Kh7 37.Qg7#*) 34...Kg7 35.Rxg6+ (*35.Qf7+ Kh8 36.Qf6+ Kg8 37.Rxg6+ hxg6 38.Qxg6+ Kh8 39.Nf7#*) 35...hxg6 36.Qxg6+ Kh8 37.Nf7#]
33.f4 b4 34.Kh2 b3 35.Qb1 Qd4? -0.40/22
[35...h5-+ -5.60/23 36.Qxb3 Qxb3 37.Rxb3 Nxe5 (*37...Nxf4 38.Nxc6 Re4 39.Rb5∓*) 38.fxe5 Rxe5]
White does not recover from this.
36.Nd3 -6.82/23
[36.Qf5∓ -0.40/22 Qd5 37.Rd3 Qxg2+ Decoy (*37...Qe6? 38.Qxe6 Rxe6 39.Nc4-+*) 38.Kxg2 Nh4+ 39.Kh3 Nxf5 40.Rxb3]
36...Rb8 Black is clearly winning. **37.f5**



b2! 38.fxg6 hxg6 39.Rf3 c5 Hoping for ...c4. **40.Rf1 c4 41.Ne1 c3 42.Nc2 Qd6+ 43.Kg1**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.92/Black=0.48
43...Rb5
0-1

164 **C53**
☐ **Aronian,Levon** **2729**
■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2832**
Julius Baer Gen Cup D1 W (2.4) 28.9.24
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 h6N**
[5...d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7 10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 (*11...h5 12.h4 g4 13.Ne1 0-0 14.Nc2 Kg7 15.Re1 Ng8 16.Nf1 f5 17.exf5 Nh6 18.Nfe3 Nxf5 19.Nxf5+ Bxf5 20.d4 Bxc2 21.Qxc2 Qf6*

22.Re4 exd4 23.Rae1 dxc3 24.bxc3 Qf5 25.Bd3 Qd5 26.Re6 1-0 Wei Yi (2755)-Navara,D (2677) 7th Prague Masters 2025 (4)*)* 12.Bb5 h5 13.h4 g4 14.Ne1 Nf8 15.Nc4 Ng6 16.d4 0-0 17.dxe5 Ncxe5 18.Qd2 Nxh4 19.Nxe5 dxe5 20.Qh6 ½-½ Zhu,J (2514)-Goryachkina,A (2548) Nikosia WGP 2025 (5.3)]

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6.h3 d6! 6...d6 is better than 6...0-0. 6...d6 ist besser als 6...0-0. **7.Nbd2 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Bb3** -0.04/18 White has an edge.

[9.Nf1⩲ 0.34/20]

9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 0-0 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Re1 c6 15.d4

[15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Qf6+ 18.Qf3 Qxe5∓]

15...exd4 16.Nxd4 Re8N

[Vorgänger: 16...Qf6 0.64/21 16...Re8 0.24 17.Bxd5 cxd5 18.Be3 Ne5 1.48/18 *(18...Bb8⩲* 0.41/19 *)* 19.b3 0.37/20 *(19.Nc2±* 1.48/18 Black must now prevent Bxa7. *Nc6 20.Bxa7 Rxa7 21.Nh5)* 19...Bd7 1.20/18 *(19...Ng6⩲* 0.37/20 *)* 20.Qh5 0.24/23 *(20.Nc2±* 1.20/18 Bxa7 is the strong threat. *Nc6 21.Bxa7 Rxa7 22.Nh5)* 20...Rfe8= 21.Nc2 Nd3 22.Bxa7!

A) 22...Rxe1+!= 0.25/17 and Black has nothing to worry. and Black is okay. 23.Nxe1 Qxc3 *(23...Nf4)*;

B) 22...Rxa7? 3.67/21 23.Rxe8++- Bxe8 1-0 Nestorovic,N (2470)-Vokhidov,S (2512) Titled Tuesday intern op 7th April blitz 2020 (2)]

[16...Be6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Rxe6 Rxf2 19.Kh1 Nh4 20.Qg4 Rxg2 21.Rxh6 Rg1+ 22.Kh2 Rg2+ 23.Kh1 Rg1+ 24.Kh2 Rg2+ ½-½ 5.♕b3 c5 6. a3 (2544)-16. ♘a4 ♕b5 17.a3 ♘b8 (2630) Neiva Ascun Nodo op 2023]

17.Rxe8+ Qxe8 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Be3 Bd7 20.Qb3 Bc6 21.Ngf5 A dynamic duo of knights. Excellent horsemanship. **21...Qd7 22.Qc2 Re8 23.Nf3?** -2.13/23

[23.Nxc6= 0.09/20 bxc6 24.Bxa7 Qxa7 25.Rd1]

[23.b4= 0.06/25 and White has nothing to worry. Qc7 24.Nxc6 Bxe3 25.Nxe3 bxc6 26.Re1]

23...Bxe3? 0.00/23

[Black should try Black should play 23...d4!-+ -2.13/23 24.N3xd4 Bxd4 25.Bxd4 Be4 26.Nxh6+ gxh6? *(26...Kh7)* 27.Qd2-+]

24.Nxe3= Nf4 25.Nd4 Re4 26.Qd1

[26.Nef5!?]

26...Qe7 27.Qf3 Bd7 28.Kh1 Qe5 29.b3 -0.38/21

[29.a5= 0.00/23]

29...Nd3 0.00/22

[29...Ne6∓ -0.38/21 feels stronger. 30.Nec2 Ng5 *(30...Nxd4 31.Nxd4 Qb8)*]

30.Ng4 -0.75/20

[30.Nec2= 0.00/22 remains equal. Nf4 31.Qg3]

[30.Rf1= 0.00/25]

30...Re1+∓ 31.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 32.Kh2 Qxc3 33.Qe3 -1.72/24

[33.Ne5 Qc7 *(33...Qxd4 34.Qxf7+ Kh7 35.Nxd7=)* 34.Qxd3 *(34.Qxf7+ Kh8∓)* 34...Qxe5+ 35.g3 Qe1]

[33.Qxd5∓ -0.52/22 is a better defense. Bxg4 34.Qd8+ *(34.hxg4)* 34...Kh7 35.hxg4]

33...Bxg4-+ 34.hxg4 Endgame KQN-KQN. Black is a pawn up. Endgame. KQN-KQN **34...Qc7+ 35.g3 Ne5 36.Kh3 Nc6?** -0.02/20

[36...Qe7!-+ -1.71/22 37.Qe2 *(37.Kg2 Qf6)* 37...g6]

37.Qe8+= Kh7 38.Nf5 d4 39.Nxd4 Decoy **39...Nxd4 40.Qe4+ g6 41.Qxd4** KQ-KQ **41...Qc6 42.Kh2** Repels Qh1+ Wards off Qh1+ **42...Qf3 43.b4 Qc6 44.a5 Qf3 45.Kg1 Kg8 46.Kf1 Qc6 47.Ke2 Qc2+ 48.Ke3 Qb3+ 49.Kd2 Kh7 50.Qe4 Qb2+ 51.Ke1 Qc1+ 52.Ke2 Qc7 53.Kd3 b6 54.Qc4 Qd7+ 55.Kc3**

[55.Ke2 bxa5 56.bxa5=]

55...bxa5 56.bxa5 Qb7 57.Kc2 Kg8 58.Qc5 Qe4+ 59.Kc3 Qe1+ 60.Kc4 Qe4+ 61.Kb3 -1.30/26

[61.Qd4= 0.00/26 Qc6+ *(61...Qe2+ 62.Kc3)* 62.Qc5]

61...Qd3+ -0.04/24

[61...Qxg4∓ -1.30/26 aiming for ...Qd1+. 62.Kc3 *(62.Kc2 Qe2+ 63.Kc3 h5)* 62...Qe2]

62.Qc3 -1.50/27

[62.Kb4= -0.04/24 remains equal.]

62...Qb5+ -0.04/23

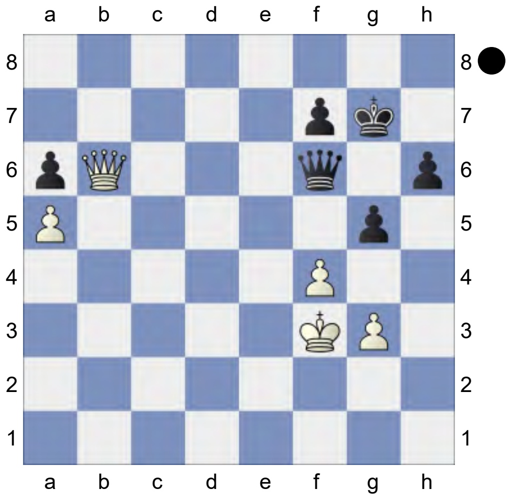
[Black should try 62...Qd1+!∓ -1.50/27 63.Kb4 *(63.Ka3 Qxg4)* 63...Qxg4+ 64.Qc4 Qxc4+ 65.Kxc4 g5]

63.Ka3 Kh7 64.f4 Kg8 65.Qd2 Qc5+ 66.Kb3 Qb5+ 67.Kc2 Qc6+ 68.Qc3 Qb5 69.Qe5 Against Qe2+ Qxb5 would now be deadly. **69...Qc4+ 70.Kd2 Qb4+ 71.Ke2 Qc4+ 72.Kf3 Qf1+ 73.Ke4 Qc4+**

[73...Qg2+ 74.Kd4∓]

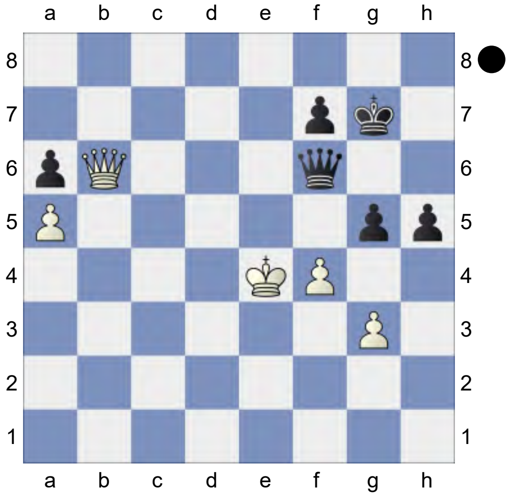
74.Ke3 Qb3+ 75.Kd4 Qb4+ 76.Kd3 Qb3+ 77.Qc3 Qd5+ 78.Ke3 Qe6+ 79.Kf3 Qd5+ 80.Kf2 Qa2+ 81.Ke3 Qe6+ 82.Qe5 Hoping for Qxe6. **82...Qxg4 83.Kf2 Qe6** Threatens to win with ...Qxe5. **84.Qb8+ Kg7 85.Qb2+ Qf6 86.Qb6 g5 87.Kf3** -1.05/23

[87.Kg2∓ -0.33/25]



87...h5!∓ And now ...Qc3+ would win. **88.Ke4?** -3.10/19

[White should try 88.Qc5!∓ -0.64/20]



88...gxf4!-+ 89.gxf4

[Avoid the trap 89.Qxf6+? Kxf6 90.Kxf4 Kg6-+ 91.Ke4 Kg5 92.Kf3 Kf5 93.Kf2 Kg4 94.Kg2 f6 95.Kf2 Kh3 96.Kf3 f5 97.Kf2 Kh2 98.Kf3 Kg1 99.Ke3 Kg2 100.Kf4 Kf2 101.Kxf5 Kxg3 102.Kg5 h4 103.Kf6 h3 104.Ke7 h2 105.Kd6 h1Q *(105...h1R* leads to mate. *106.Ke5 Rh5+ 107.Ke4 Rxa5 108.Kd4 Kf4 109.Kc4 Ke3 110.Kb4 Rb5+ 111.Kc4 Rf5 112.Kc3 Rc5+ 113.Kb4 Kd4 114.Kb3 Kd3 115.Kb4 Rb5+ 116.Ka3 Kc2 117.Ka4 Kc3 118.Ka3 Ra5#)* 106.Kc5 Qe4 107.Kd6 Kf4 108.Kd7 Ke5 109.Kc7 Qd5 110.Kc8 Qf7 *(110...Qxa5 111.Kd7 Qb5+ 112.Kd8 Kd6 113.Kc8 a5 114.Kd8 Qd7#)* 111.Kb8 Kd5 112.Ka8 Kc6 113.Kb8 Qb7#]

89...Qe6+? -2.25/19

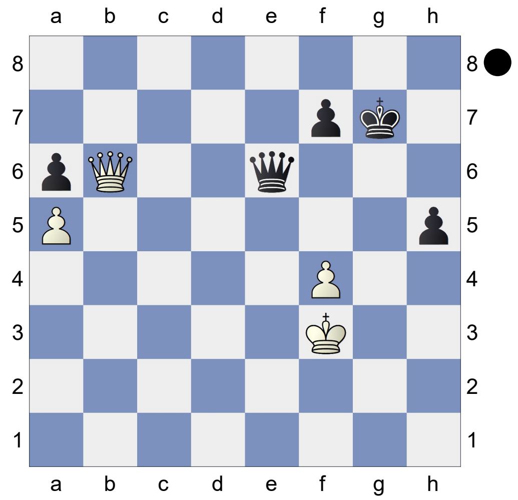
[⌓89...h4-+ -3.90/22 and Black stays clearly on top.

A) 90.Kf3 Qc3+ 91.Kg2 Qg3+ 92.Kh1 Qh3+ *(92...Qxf4? 93.Qg1+ Kh7 94.Qf2-+)* 93.Kg1 Qg3+ 94.Kh1 Qf3+ *(94...Qxf4? 95.Qb2+ Qf6 96.Qg2+ Qg6 97.Qb2+ Kh7 98.Qb4-+)* 95.Kg1 Qxf4 96.Qb2+ Kg8;

B) 90.Qf2 Qc6+ 91.Kd4 Qd7+ 92.Kc3 h3 93.Qg1+ Kh8]

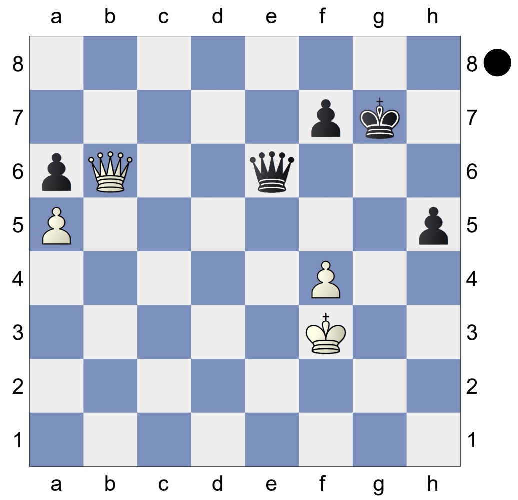
90.Kf3∓

(Diagram)



Qg4+? -0.61/20 **91.Ke3∓ Qe6+ 92.Kf3** -2.01/24

[92.Kf2!∓ -0.57/22 deserves consideration. Qa2+ 93.Ke3 h4]



92...Qg4+ -1.00/17 **93.Ke3∓ Qe6+** -1.87/21 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise) **94.Kf3!** Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.17 (very precise) **94...Qd5+!-+** -2.01/24 is more deadly. **95.Kg3 Qd3+ 96.Kf2 Qd2+ 97.Kf3 Qd3+ 98.Kf2**

½-½

165 **C54**
☐ **Duda,Jan Krzysztof** **2740**
■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**
London TechM GCL rapid (8.3) 09.10.24
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.a4 Ba7 7.0-0 d6 8.h3 The position is equal. **8...h6!** 8...h6 is better than 8...0-0.8...h6 ist besser als 8...0-0. **9.Na3N** -0.13/20

[9.Be3⩲ 0.32/19 g5 10.Nh2 Rg8 11.Ng4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qf6 13.Nd2 h5 14.gxh5 g4 15.Bxa7 Nxa7 16.g3 Bd7 17.f4 0-0-0 18.Kg2 Be6 19.Qe2 Qh6 20.Qf2 Nc6 21.Bd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 Ne7 23.c4 Qxh5 24.Rh1 1-0 (56) Oksalahti,P (2213)-Atis,H (2268) Magyarorszag 73/389 1998 (3) Qg6 25.Ne4 exf4 26.Qxf4 f5 27.Rh6 Qg7 28.Nc3 Ng6 29.Qxf5+ Kb8 30.Qg5 Rdf8 31.Re1 Qf7 32.Qe3 Ne5 33.Ne4 Qf3+ 34.Qxf3 gxf3+ 35.Kf1 Nxd3 36.Re3 Ne5 37.Nf6 Rg7 38.Re4 Ka7 39.g4 1-0 (56) Mueer,S (2213)-Knuedel,T (2268) Niedersachsen-ch 2023 (3)]

[9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6 23.axb6 cxb6 1-0 (50) Quinn,R (2133)-Keller,P (2358) Dublin Irish New Year IM 2023 (6)]

[9.Re1 g5 10.Nh2 g4 11.hxg4 h5 12.g5 Ng4 13.Rf1 Qe7 14.Nf3 Rg8 15.b4 Be6 16.Na3 f6 17.Qb3 Nd8 18.d4 fxg5 19.b5 Qf6 20.a5 axb5 21.Nxb5 Bb8 22.dxe5 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 Qxe5 1-0 (64) Salinas Cardenas,R (2524)-5.dc5 ♗c5 6.♗f4 52057 (2609) corr 82/(210) 2001]

9...g5= 10.Nh2 Rg8 11.Be3N

[11.Ng4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Rg6 0.90/21 (*12...Rh8=* -0.01/21) 13.Nc2 0.01/23 (*13.Be3!±* 0.90/21) 13...Qe7? 1.53/19 (Black should try *13...Qd7=* 0.01/23) 14.Be3± Be6 15.Ba2 1.15/23 (*15.b4* 1.53/20) 15...Bxa2± 16.Rxa2 Qe6 17.Ra3 1-0 (66) Foinikianaki,S (1474)-Koutsouraki,A (1420) GRE-ch U18 Girls 2019 (5)]

11...g4 12.Bxa7

[12.Bxh6? gxh3 13.g3 Rxg3+ 14.Kh1 Rg2-+]

12...Nxa7 0.79/22

[12...gxh3!⩱ -0.36/21 stays ahead. 13.Be3 Rxg2+ 14.Kh1 Ng4 15.Nxg4 Bxg4]

13.h4± Nc6 14.b4 0.38/21

[14.Qd2± 0.75/19]

14...Be6 0.78/21

[14...Ne7⩲ 0.38/21]

15.Qd2 h5 16.f4 0.64/20

[White should try 16.g3± 1.17/20]

16...Qe7⩲ 17.Rae1 0.21/21

[17.Bxe6⩲ 0.64/21 fxe6 18.b5]

17...Nd7 1.15/24

[17...0-0-0= 0.21/21]

18.g3 -0.01/22

[18.d4± 1.15/24]

18...exf4= 19.Rxf4 Nce5 20.Bd5 -1.17/20

[20.Bxe6= 0.17/21 keeps the balance. fxe6 21.d4]

20...0-0-0∓ 21.Nc2 -2.00/23

[21.d4∓ -0.75/21 Nf3+ 22.Nxf3 gxf3 23.Qf2]

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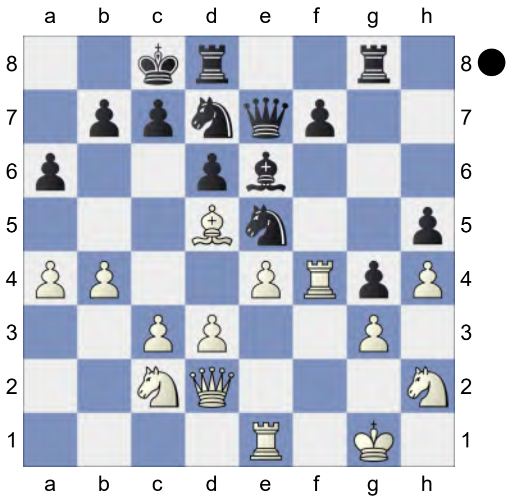


21...Nf3+! -1.00/22 **22.Nxf3 gxf3** Black converts the advantage convincingly. **23.Kf2** -2.18/23

[23.Kh2!∓ -0.62/23]

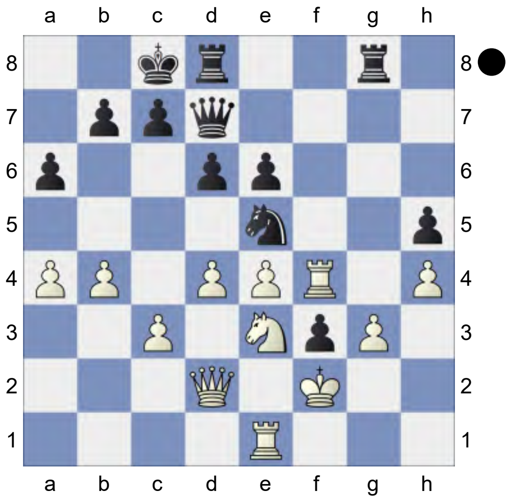
23...Ne5-+ 24.Ne3 d4 would now be deadly. **24...Qd7**

[24...c6 25.Bc4∓]

25.Bxe6 -3.82/24

[25.Rg1∓ -1.40/21]

25...fxe6 26.d4



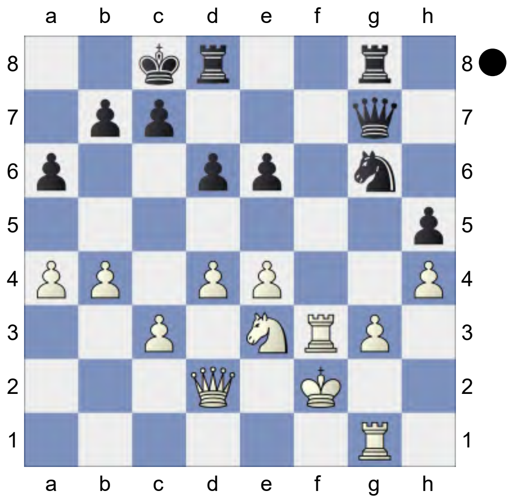
Qg7 27.Rg1

[27.Nf1 Ng6]

27...Ng6 28.Rxf3 -7.28/22

[28.Qe1 -3.77/22 Nxf4 29.gxf4]

(Diagram)



28...Nxh4! Pin **29.Rf4**

[29.b5 axb5]

29...Rdf8 30.Qd1 Qg5 31.Rxf8+ Rxf8+ 32.Ke2 Rf3

[32...Nf3 33.Rg2∓]

33.Qc1 Rxg3 34.Rxg3 Qxg3 Endgame KQN-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **35.Qf1 Ng6** Inhibits Qf8+. **36.Kd2** -8.32/23

[⌓36.Qf2 -4.33/22 Qg5 (*36...Nf4+ 37.Kf1∓*) 37.Qf3]

36...Nf4 37.b5 axb5 38.axb5 h4 39.b6 h3 40.d5 h2

[40...cxb6? 41.dxe6 Qh2+ (*41...Nxe6 42.Qf5∓*) 42.Ke1-+]

41.dxe6 h1Q Deflection

[41...cxb6 42.e7 Kd7 43.Qb5+ Kc7 (*43...Kxe7?* too greedy. *44.Nf5+ Kd8 45.Nxg3+-*) 44.Qc4+ Kd7 45.Qa4+ (*45.Qb5+ Kc7=*) 45...Kc7 (*45...Kxe7? 46.Nf5+ Kd8 47.Nxg3+-*) 46.Qc4+ Kd7 47.Qa4+ Kc7 48.Qc4+=]

42.Qxh1 Qf2+

[And not 42...cxb6 43.Qh8+ Kc7 44.Nd5+ Nxd5 45.exd5=]

43.Kc1 Qxe3+ 44.Kc2 Nxe6

[44...cxb6 45.Qh8+ Kc7 46.Qh7+ Kb8 47.e7 Qe2+ 48.Kb3 Qb5+ 49.Kc2=]

45.Qh8+ Kd7 46.Qh7+ Kc6 47.bxc7 Nxc7 48.Qf5 Qe2+ 49.Kc1 Qc4 50.Kd2 Qc5 51.Qg6 Nb5 52.Qe8+ Kb6 53.Qd8+ Qc7 54.Qf8 Qxc3+ 55.Kd1 Qd3+ 56.Kc1 Qc4+ 57.Kd1 Qc6 Threatens to win with ...Nc3+. **58.Qd8+ Qc7 59.Qg8 Nc3+ 60.Kc2 Nxe4+ 61.Kb1 Nc5 62.Qc4 Qc6** (-> ...Qb5+) **63.Qh4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=0.31

63...Qe4+

0-1

167 C54

☐ So,Wesley 2752

■ Erigaisi Arjun 2778

Julius Baer Gen Cup P/I m D1 (2.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.Bg5N**

[8.h3 h6 *(8...Ne7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.d4 c6 11.Bf1 Re8 12.Qc2 Bc7 13.b4 a5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.a4* 7) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Tre-Italian 4...Bc5 - Trendy Bb6*)* 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.a4 a5 11.Bb3 c6 12.Nf1 Ng6 13.Ng3 d5 *(13...Re8 14.d4 Be6 15.Bc2 Qc7 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1* 7) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Tre-Italian 4...Bc5 - Trendy Bb6*)* 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Re8 17.Rxe8+ Qxe8 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Be3 Bc7 20.Qd3 Bd7 *(20...Bxg3 21.fxg3 Bd7 22.b3 Qe5 23.Bf2 Re8 24.Re1 Qb8 25.Rxe8+ Qxe8 26.Nb5 Qe5 27.Kh2 Ne7 28.Bd4 Qe6 29.g4 f5 30.gxf5 Nxf5 31.Bf2 Qe5+ 32.Kg1 Kh8 33.Nd4 Kg8 34.Qe2 Qf4 35.Qf3* 5.Be2 0-0-0 6.Be3_46143 (2665)-Ellithorpe,G (2687) London FIDE GP 1st 2012 (3) ½-½ *)* 21.b3 7) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Tre-Italian 4...Bc5 - Trendy Bb6]

8...Ne7 0.43/24

[8...h6= 0.04/22 is superior. 9.Bh4 Kh8]

9.Bxf6± gxf6 White is slightly better. **10.d4 c6 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.Bb3 Kh8 13.Nc4 Bg4 14.Ne3 Be6 15.d5 Bc8 16.Qd2 Bxe3 17.fxe3 f5 18.exf5 Bxf5 19.e4 Bg4** ...Bg4xf3 would now be deadly. **20.dxc6 Bxf3 21.cxb7**

[Of course not 21.gxf3 bxc6 22.Kh1 Qf6∓]

21...Rb8 aiming for ...Ng6-h4! **22.gxf3** With the idea Bb3-d5. **22...f5** 1.51/23

[22...Rxb7= 0.09/24 remains equal. 23.Rad1 a5]

23.Kh1 0.63/25

[23.exf5± 1.51/23 Rxf5 24.Bd5]

23...Rxb7 1.29/26

[Black should try 23...fxe4!± 0.63/25 24.Rxe4 Qf6]

24.exf5± Rxf5 25.Rad1 0.86/23

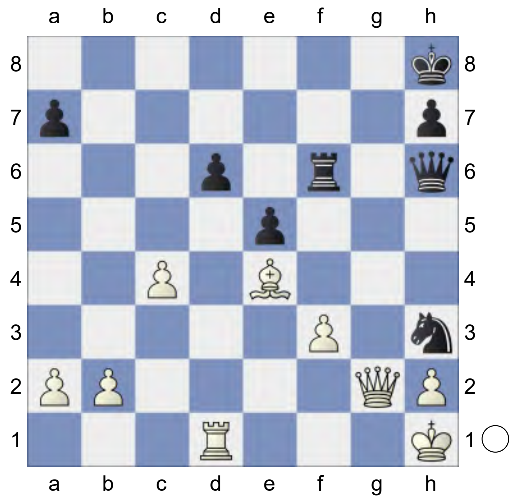
[⌓25.Rg1 1.23/23]

25...Rf6 1.31/27

[Better is 25...Qb8 0.86/23]

26.Bd5 Rg7 Black is weak on the light squares **27.Rg1 Qf8 28.c4 Nf4 29.Be4 Nh3 30.Rxg7 Qxg7 31.Qg2 Qh6**

(Diagram)

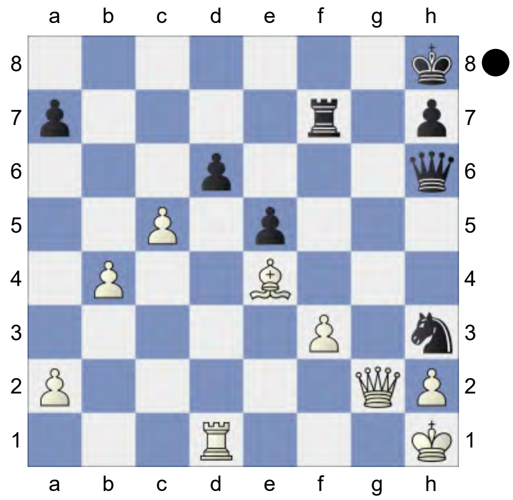


32.b4 0.00/26

[32.Qd2!± 1.04/23]

32...Rf7→ White must now prevent ... Rf7-g7. Black is up to no good. **33.c5?** -5.94/28

[33.Qd2= 0.00/26 and White is okay. Rg7 34.f4 *(34.Qxh6? Nf2#)*]



33...Rg7!-+ 34.Qf1 Qh4 35.Rd2 Against Nh3-f2+. And now c5-c6 would win. **35...Rg1+ 36.Qxg1 Nxg1 37.Rd1 Nh3** (→ ...Nh3-f2+) **38.c6 Nf2+** Black mates. **39.Kg2 Nxd1 40.c7 Ne3+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/Black=0.15 (very precise)

0-1

166 C54

☐ So,Wesley 2752

■ Erigaisi Arjun 2778

Julius Baer Gen Cup P/I m D1 (2.4)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6** White has an edge. **9.Bg3** -0.19/19

[9.a4± 0.34/21 Nh5 10.Bg3 Nxg3 11.hxg3 Nb8 12.Ba2 Nd7 13.d4 c6 14.Qc2 Qc7 15.g4 c5 16.g5 hxg5 17.0-0-0 Bf6 18.Rh2 g6 19.Rdh1 cxd4 20.Rh6 Kg7 21.Nb1 Nc5 22.Nxd4 Bd7 23.Rh7+ Kg8 24.Nb5 6.Nc6 bc6 7.e5 Nd5_52674 (2738)-2.c4 e5 3.Nf3 d6 4.d4_19526 (2600) Masters KO Bastia FRA 2004 (9.7) 1-0]

9...Na5N

[9...g6 10.a3 Nh5 11.Nf1 Kh7 12.Ne3 f5 13.exf5 gxf5 14.d4 f4 15.Nh4 Nxg3 16.Qc2+ Kh8 17.Ng6+ Kg7 18.Nxf8 Qxf8 19.fxg3 fxe3 20.Rf1 Bf6 21.Qe4 exd4 22.Bd3 Qf7 23.0-0-0 e2 24.Qh7+ 4.Bc6 bc6 5.b3 d6_35647 (2633)-Jimenez Fraga,P (2727) Karlovac 27/195 1979 (8.9) ½-½]

10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 Nh5!N A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

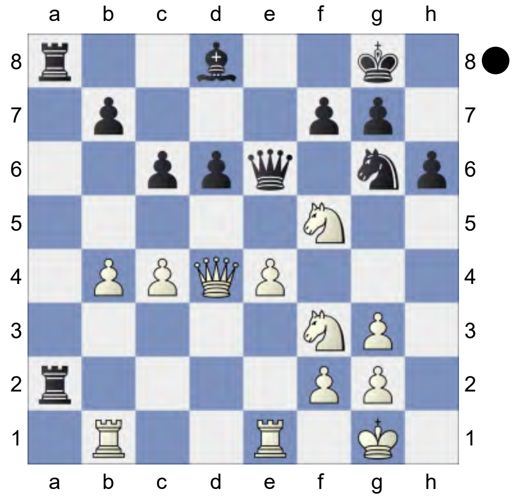
[Vorgänger: 11...b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.0-0 Nh5 14.Re1 g6 15.Nf1 Nxg3 16.hxg3 Bf6 17.Ne3 Bg7 Vidit,S (2720)-Lazavik,D (2578) Crunchlab PlayIn Match D2 rapid 2024 (2.2) ½-½]

12.b4 Nxg3 13.hxg3 Nc6 14.Bb3 a5 15.a3 Bg4 16.Rb1 -0.08/24

[16.b5± 0.31/21 Na7 17.a4]

16...axb4= 17.axb4 Qd7 18.Nf1 Ra3

19.Ne3 Be6 20.Bxe6 Qxe6 21.Qc1 Ra2 22.0-0 Rfa8 23.Re1 Bd8 24.Qd1 Ne7 25.d4 c6 26.c4 exd4 27.Qxd4 Ng6 28.Nf5



Ne5 29.c5 Bf6 aiming for ...Ne5xf3+. **30.Qxd6**

[30.cxd6? Nxf3+ 31.gxf3 Bxd4-+]

30...Ng4 31.Qf4 -0.79/20

[31.Qxe6= 0.17/23 keeps the balance. fxe6 32.e5]

31...Nxf2∓ 32.Re3 -2.05/26 Prevents Nf2-d3

[32.Qd6∓ -0.84/24]

32...Qc4 33.Kh2 -2.46/23 Prevents Nf2-h3.

[33.Ne1∓ -1.40/25]

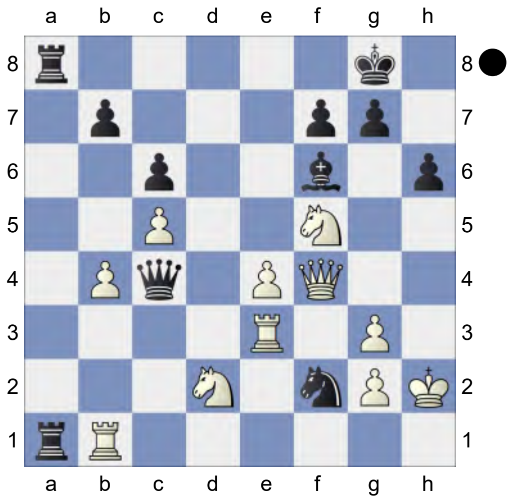
33...Ra1 -1.39/25

[33...h5-+ -2.46/23 ...Nf2-g4+ would now be deadly. 34.e5 Ng4+ 35.Kh3 Qxf4 36.gxf4 Nxe3 37.Nxe3 Be7]

34.Nd2? -4.12/28

[34.Ree1∓ -1.39/25 was worth a try. Rxb1 35.Rxb1]

(Diagram)



This costs White the game. **34...Rxb1!-+ 35.Qxf2**

[35.Nxh6+ gxh6 36.Qxf2 Qxb4 37.Nxb1 Bd4 (*37...Qxc5? 38.Qf3-+*)]

35...Qc2

[35...Qxb4 36.Nxb1 Qxb1 37.Re1= (*37.Nxh6+ gxh6 38.Qxf6 Ra1∓*)]

36.Re2 -6.14/23

[⌓36.Nxh6+ -4.33/22 gxh6 37.Qxf6 Qxd2 38.Rf3]

36...Rc1 37.Nxh6+ -6.39/22

[⌓37.Nf3 -4.17/19 Qb1 38.g4]

37...gxh6 38.Qxf6 Qd1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/ Black=0.25 (precise)

0-1

168 C50

□ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2733**

■ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier 2741**

ch-USA 2024 Saint Louis USA (3.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7

17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 Sevian,S (2698) - Lazavik,D (2553) Chess.com INT 2023 ½-½]

[6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Nh4 Be6 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Rxa8 Rxa8 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxf6 Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 exf4 Causil Pastrana,X (1564)-Martinez Serna,M (1621) Pereira 2024 ½-½ (48)]

[6.Nc3 a6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.Bxd5 0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Bg5 Qe8 12.c3 Ba7 13.Re1 Bd7 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Qe7 16.Qd2 Bc6 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Qc2 Rfe8 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 e4 Orfila,A (1890)-Sprott,G (2110) Biel 2023 The Week in Chess 509 [John Watson] 0-1 (39)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 Part Chapter-Games Game 9 (39)]

6...0-0

[6...a5 7.Re1 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Ne7 10.h3 Ng6 11.Bb3 c6 12.Ng3 h6 13.d4 Re8 14.Be3 Qc7 15.Qd2 Kh7 16.Rad1 Be6 17.Bxe6 Rxe6 18.Qc1 d5 19.dxe5 Nxe4 20.Bxa7 Nxg3 ½-½ (75) Niemann,H (2689)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) Chess.com Classic Play In rapid 2024 (4)]

7.Re1 a5 The modern move. Der moderne Zug. **8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6** The position is equal. **10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ba4 Bxc4 13.dxc4 Nh5 14.g4** 'N'

[14.a3 Bb6 15.Bc2 Qf6 16.b3 Nf4 17.Ra2 Qe6 18.a4 Rae8 19.Bb1 g5 20.Nh2 ½-½ (46) Hagelstein,D (2320)-Mihai,P (2339) ROM-ch62 email 2023]

14...Nf6 15.g5 hxg5 16.Bxg5 Qc8 17.Kh2 aiming for Bxf6. **17...Nh7**

[17...Bxf2? 18.Re2 Nxe4 19.Rxe4+-]

18.Rg1 Qe6 Against Bh6

[18...Bxf2 19.Rg2 Bc5 20.Bh6⩲]

19.Rg2 Ne7

[19...Qxc4 20.Bh6 Bxf2 21.Bxg7+-]

20.Bd2 Ng6

[20...Qxc4 21.Bh6 g6 22.Bxf8 Kxf8 23.Qc2⩲]

21.Qe2 Qf6 0.83/25

[21...Nf4⩲ 0.49/23 was preferrable. 22.Bxf4 exf4]

22.Rg4± c6 23.Rag1 Kh8 24.Bc2 Bb6 1.21/22

[Better is 24...Rg8 0.79/22]

25.R1g2 Bd8 1.83/23

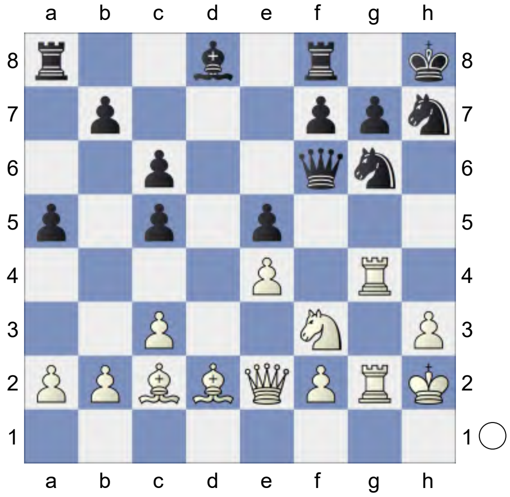
[25...Rae8± 1.03/21]

26.c5 0.98/21

[White should try 26.h4+- 1.83/23]

26...dxc5 1.68/23

[26...Qe6± 0.98/21]



27.h4!+- c4 28.h5 Ne7 29.Rxg7 Rg8

30.R7g3 b5 2.54/22

[⌓30...Rxg3 1.97/22 31.fxg3 (*31.Rxg3 Bb6±*) 31...Bb6]

31.Ng5 Nxg5 32.Bxg5

[Resist 32.Rxg5?! Bb6 33.Qg4 Raf8]

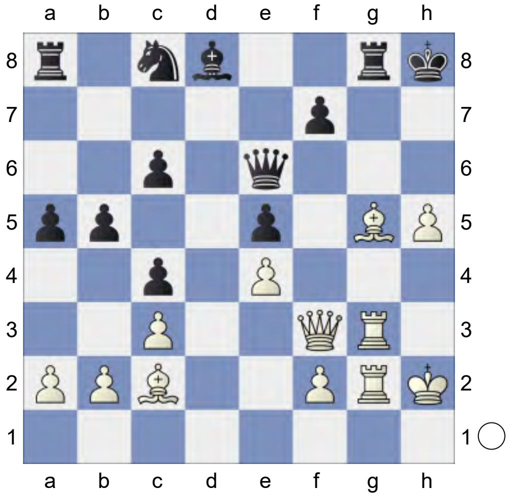
32...Qe6 4.72/25

[32...Rxg5 2.37/25 keeps fighting. 33.Rxg5 Bb6]

33.Qf3 And now Bf6+ would win.

33...Nc8? 10.17/26

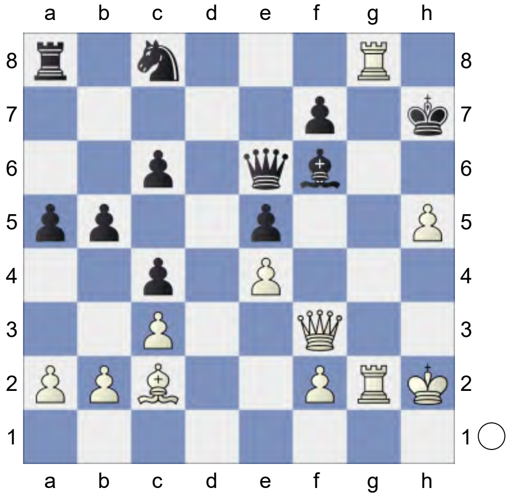
[33...Kh7 2.87/23 34.Qe3 c5 35.Qxc5 Nc6]



34.Bf6+! Bxf6

[34...Qxf6 35.Rxg8+]

35.Rxg8+ Kh7



36.Re8!! 15.23/25 Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.49

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169 **C54**

☐ **GeNer4tion_KiLL** **2782**

■ **Rizzfork** **2616**

Blitz 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat,TA]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

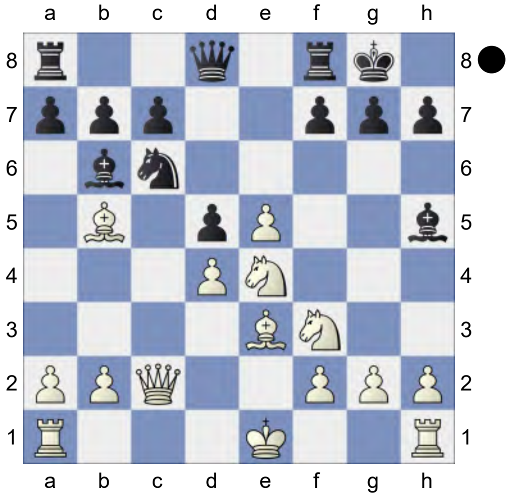
5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5

46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders, P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.Qc2 Bh5 12.Nxe4 -0.74/21

[12.Bxc6= 0.10/20 bxc6 13.Nxe4 dxe4 14.Qxe4]



12...Bg6 0.67/21

[12...Nb4!∓ -0.74/21 13.Nf6+ gxf6 *(13...Qxf6 14.Qd2∓)*]

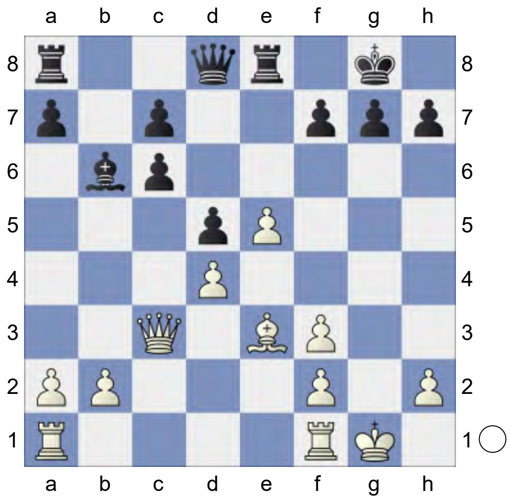
13.Bxc6± Bxe4 14.Qc3 bxc6 15.0-0 -0.09/22

[15.a4± 0.58/21]

15...Bxf3= 16.gxf3 Re8? 1.50/20

[16...Qh4= -0.11/22]

(Diagram)



17.f4 1.00/22

[17.Qxc6?! Qh4=]

[⌓17.Kh1! 1.50/20]

17...Qh4 18.Kh1 Qh3 19.Rg1 Re6 1.68/20

[19...Qf3+± 1.26/21 20.Rg2 Re6]

20.Rg3+- Qf5 21.Rag1 Rg6 22.Rxg6 0.83/21

[22.Rc1+- 1.64/22]

22...hxg6± 23.Rg5 0.24/22

[23.Rg3± 0.96/20]

23...Qe4+= 24.Kg1 Qb1+ 0.92/21

[24...Rb8± 0.42/20]

25.Kg2± Hoping for f5. **25...Qxa2?** 4.80/24

[25...Rd8!± 0.67/19]

26.Qxc6+- Rd8 10.35/24

[⌓26...Rf8 4.19/21 27.e6 Qb1]

27.e6 Qb1 28.exf7+ Kxf7 29.Re5

[29.Rxd5? Qe4+ 30.Kg3 Qxd5-+ *(30...Rxd5? 31.Qc1-+)*]

29...Kg8 30.Qe6+

[30.Rxd5? Qe4+ 31.f3 Qxd5-+]

30...Kh7 31.f5? 1.93/25

[31.Rxd5 Rxd5 32.Qxd5 Qxb2=]

[31.Qe7 10.01/23 Intending Qh4+ and mate. Rb8 32.Rxd5]

31...gxf5? 10.01/25

[31...Rd6 1.93/25]

32.Qf7

[32.Rxd5 Rxd5 33.Qxd5 Qc2=]
[32.Rxf5 Qe4+ 33.Qxe4 dxe4=]
[32.Qxf5+ Qxf5 33.Rxf5 Kg6 34.Rg5+ Kf7=]

32...Rd6 33.Qxf5+? -0.01/25

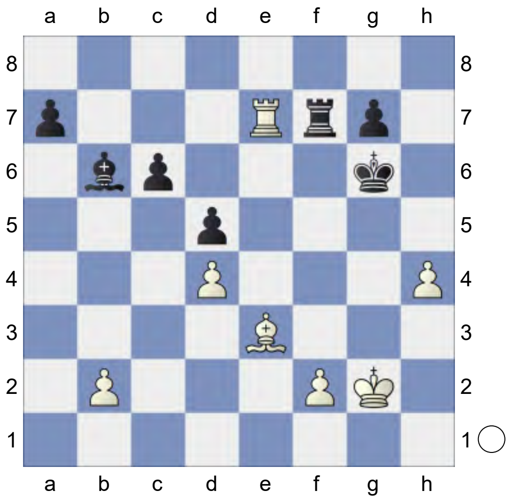
[33.Rxf5 Rg6+ *(33...Qxb2 34.Rh5+)* 34.Rg5 Qe4+ 35.f3 Qe6= *(35...Qxe3 36.Qxg6+ Kh8 37.Qxg7#)*]
[33.Qh5++- 31.45/30 Rh6 34.Bxh6 Qe4+ 35.Rxe4 dxe4 36.Bf4+ *(36.Qxf5+ Kxh6 37.h4 g6+-)* 36...Kg8 37.Qe8+ *(37.Qxf5 a6+-)* 37...Kh7 38.Qd7 *(38.Qh5+ Kg8+-)*]

33...Qxf5=

[33...Rg6+ is more complex. 34.Kf3 Qxf5+ 35.Rxf5 c6]

34.Rxf5+- Endgame KRB-KRB **34...c6 35.Rf7 Kg6 36.Rb7 Rf6 37.h4 Rf7 38.Rb8 Kf5** ...Ke4 is the strong threat. **39.Re8 Rf6 40.Re5+ Kg6 41.Re7 Rf7** 1.47/29

[41...Bd8= 0.01/24 42.Rxa7 Re6]

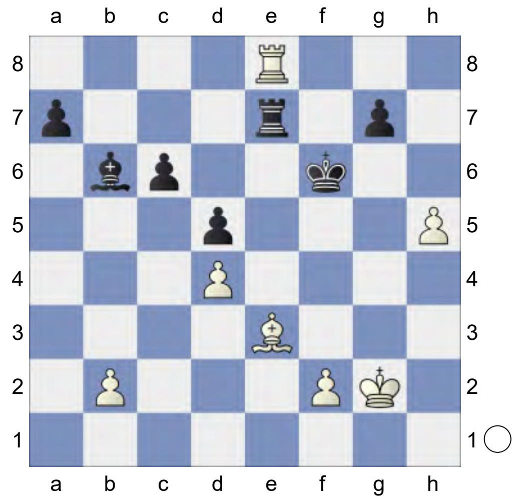


42.h5+!± Kf6 43.Re8 0.30/26 White is more active.

[43.Bg5+!± 1.60/28 Kxg5 44.Rxf7]

43...Re7 1.45/30

[43...Rd7= 0.30/26 remains equal.]



44.Bg5+! Deflection **44...Kxg5 45.Rxe7 Bxd4** KR-KB **46.b3 Kxh5 47.Re6 c5** 2.92/32

[47...Kg4 1.69/29 48.Rxc6 Kf4]

48.Rd6+- Kg4 49.Rxd5 Kf4 50.Rd7 Ke4? 5.20/28

[50...a5 2.50/28 was called for. 51.Kf1 g5]

51.Rxa7 Kd3 52.Rb7 Kc3 53.f4 Be3 54.Kf3

[Stronger than 54.Rxg7 Bxf4 55.Kf3 Bd6=]

54...Bc1 55.Ke4 Ba3 56.f5 Bb4 57.Rxg7 Kxb3 58.Rg2 15.93/25

[⌓58.f6 #19/26 Kc3 59.Rg3+ Kc2 60.Kd5 *(60.f7 c4+-)* 60...c4 61.Kxc4 Bd6 62.f7 Bf8 63.Rg8]

58...c4 59.f6 c3 60.Kd3 Bf8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/ Black=1.19

61.f7

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170 **C54**
☐ **So,Wesley** **2714**
■ **Martirosyan,Haik M** **2610**
WchT Rapid London (4.4) 11.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...0-0 6.0-0N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.Nbd2 Nb6 11.Bb3 The position is equal. **11...Qxd3 12.Nxe5 Qf5 13.Nef3!** g4 is in the air. Chess con chili. **13...Rad8! 14.Qe2**

[14.g4!? Bxg4 15.hxg4 Qxg4+ 16.Kh1=]

14...Nd5 14...Nd5 is better than 14...Qc8. 14...Sd5 ist besser als 14...Dc8. **15.Ne4 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Qxf3 17.gxf3 Bb6** **18.Rd1!?** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **18...Nde7 19.Bf4 h6 20.a4 a5** 0.65/27

[20...Rxd1+= 0.11/24 21.Rxd1 Rd8]

21.h4!?N White is more active. New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[21.Bg3 0.02/26 21.Nd2 0.70 Nf5 22.Kf1 Nxg3+ 23.fxg3 Ne7 24.Ke2 Rfe8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rd1 Rxd1 27.Bxd1 ½-½ (40) So,W (2753)-Xiong, J (2693) USA-ch Saint Louis 2023 (7)]

21...Nf5 22.h5

[22.Rxd8 simplifies Rxd8 23.h5 Nh4 24.Bd1]

22...Nh4 0.92/28

[22...Rxd1+⩲ 0.47/26 is more appropriate. 23.Rxd1 Rc8]

23.Nd2!± Ne5 And now ...Nd3 would win. **24.Kf1!**

[24.Bxe5 Rxd2 25.Rxd2 Nxf3+ 26.Kg2 Nxd2∓]

24...Nd3 1.31/26

[24...Nexf3 25.Nc4±]

[24...Rde8!⩲ 0.53/28]

25.Bg3 This pair of bishops is nice. **25...Nf5 26.Nc4 Nc5 27.Bc2 Nxg3+ 28.fxg3 Ne6** 2.41/27

[28...Nd7± 1.43/25 29.Rd5 c6 30.Rxd7 Remove Defender Rxd7]

29.f4 1.31/26

[29.Be4+- 2.41/27]

29...Rxd1+? 3.72/28

[29...Rfe8± 1.31/26 30.Rab1 Kf8]

30.Rxd1+-

[30.Bxd1 Ra8 31.Bf3 Nc5⩲]

30...Rd8? 5.55/34

[30...Re8 3.29/29 31.Rd5 Ra8]

31.Rxd8+ Nxd8 Endgame KBN-KBN **32.Be4 Kf8 33.Ke2 Ke7 34.Bd5** Hoping for Nxb6. **34...g6 35.hxg6 fxg6 36.Kf3 Kf6 37.Ne5?** 0.46/30

[White should play 37.Nxb6+- 3.89/29 cxb6 38.Be4]

37...Bg1 38.Kg2 Ba7 39.Nc4 c6 40.Be4 b5? 3.58/29

[40...g5± 0.83/24 is a better defense.]

41.Nxa5

[41.axb5 cxb5 42.Nxa5 g5±]

41...bxa4 42.Bc2? 0.43/28

[42.Bxc6 Nxc6 43.Nxc6 Be3⩲]

[42.Nxc6+- 3.61/28 Nxc6 43.Bxc6]

42...Bb6 1.56/28

[42...Be3⩲ 0.43/28]

43.Nc4± Bc7 1.22/26

[Black should play 43...a3+- 1.70/25 44.Nxa3 *(44.Nxb6? loses. a2-+)* 44...Bc5]

44.Bxa4 0.60/26

[44.Nd2± 1.22/26]

44...g5⩲ 45.fxg5+ Kxg5 46.Nd2 Kf6 47.Kh3 Ke5 0.95/24

[47...Bb6⩲ 0.50/23]

48.Kg4 c5? 2.58/25

[48...Ke6± 1.01/23 49.Nb3 Ke5]

49.Kh5!+- Nf7 50.Bc2? 0.66/26

[50.Kg6+- 2.78/25 Ng5 51.Bc2 *(51.Kxh6 Kf6±)*]

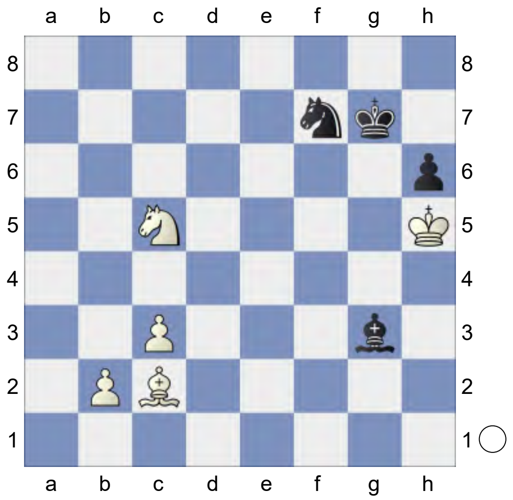
50...Kf6⩲ 51.Ne4+ 0.47/26

[51.Bg6!± 1.09/25]

51...Kg7 1.19/24

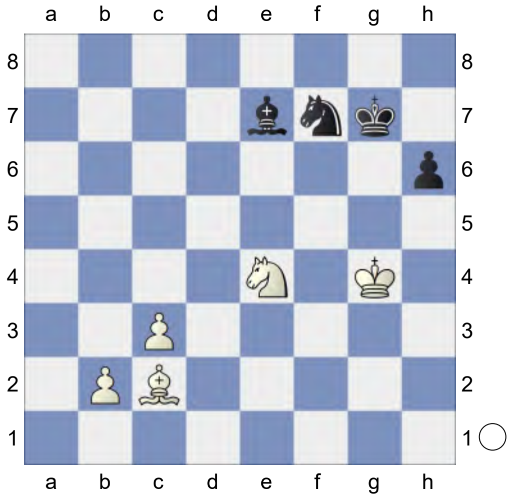
[51...Ke7!⩲ 0.47/26]

52.Nxc5± Bxg3



53.Kg4! Bd6 54.Ne4 Be7 2.00/23

[54...Bb8± 0.95/25]



55.Kf5!+- h5? 3.48/26

[55...Ng5± 1.47/24]

56.Ke6 Bd8 5.05/24

[⌓56...Kf8 3.53/24 57.Nf6 Ng5+ 58.Kf5 h4]

57.b4 h4 58.c4 h3 59.Bd1? 0.92/25

[59.c5+- 3.93/26 and White stays clearly on top. Bg5 60.Nd6

(60.Nxg5? Nxg5+ 61.Kf5 h2-+) 60...Nxd6 61.cxd6 *(61.Kxd6 Kf6+-)*]

59...h2? 6.21/23

[59...Bc7± 0.92/25]

60.Bf3 White is clearly winning. **60...Bc7 61.c5 Ne5 62.Bh1 Nd3 63.b5 Kg6 64.c6 Ba5 65.Kd6 Bb4+ 66.Kd7 Ba5 67.c7 Ne5+ 68.Kd6 Nc4+ 69.Kc6 Bxc7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.55

70.Kxc7

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171 **C54**

☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2767**

■ **Carlsen,Magnus** **2832**

Chess.com SpeedChess Final blitz (2.6)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7** 9...Qe7 is better than 9...g5. 9...De7 ist besser als 9...g5.

[9...a5 10.Qe2 Bd7 11.Bb3 Be6 12.Nc4 Rg8 13.0-0-0 g5 14.Bg3 g4 15.Nh4 Nh5 16.Kb1 Qf6 17.Qc2 0-0-0 18.Ne3 Ne7 19.Rhe1 Kb8 20.Rd2 Rg5 21.Qd1 Nxg3 22.hxg3 h5 23.Bc4 d5 24.exd5 4.e5 Ng8 5. Nf3_34629 (2608)-8… Nbd7 (2698) 2009 (6.2) 0-1]

10.b4 -0.14/19

[Better is 10.0-0!⩲ 0.36/21]

10...Be6N 0.28/21

[10...g5 -0.14/19 is more appropriate. 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Nxe5 Nxg3 13.Nxc6 Bxf2+ 14.Kxf2 Nxh1+ Italian 5. Nc3 & 5. Bg5-Bg5]

[10...Bd7 11.Rb1 g5 12.Bg3 Nh5 13.b5 axb5 14.axb5 Na5 15.Bd5 Nxg3 16.hxg3 Qf6 17.Qe2 0-0 18.Nh2 c6 19.bxc6 bxc6 20.Ba2 Kg7 21.Ndf1 Rfb8 22.Ne3 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Be6 24.Qe2 Bxa2 25.Rxb8 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Be3 b6_59305 (2638)-Grube,J (2775) TCh-Superliga 2007 (2) 0-1]

[10...Nd8]

11.0-0= Bxc4!? Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[11...0-0 12.Rb1 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qe6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.b5 axb5 16.Rxb5 Nd8 17.d4 c6 18.Rb1 exd4 19.cxd4 Ne6 20.Nb6 Bxb6 21.Rxb6 Firouzja,A (2737)-Carlsen,M (2830) Norway Chess 12th 2024 (9) ½-½]

12.Nxc4 Qe6 13.b5 Ne7 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.Rb1N

[Vorgänger: 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 aiming for b5-b6! 0-0 17.bxa6 bxa6 18.Ne3 0.00/25 *(18.Rc1⩲ 0.42/20)* 18...Qe6 19.Qc2 c6 20.Rfe1 Rfe8 21.Rab1 Yu,Y (2729)-Bachmann,A (2604) ChessKid Cup Div 3 L rapid 2023 (2.1) 1-0]

15...axb5 0.88/22

[15...0-0⩲ 0.41/22 should be considered.]

16.Rxb5± Rb8 17.Qb3 0-0 18.Rxb7 Ng6 19.Rxb8 Rxb8 20.Qd1 0.06/21

[20.Qc2⩲ 0.54/25 was preferrable.]

20...c6 0.65/21

[20...Nf4= 0.06/21]

21.Re1 0.00/24

[21.g3⩲ 0.65/21]

21...Nf4= 22.d4 -0.58/26

[22.Rf1= 0.00/24]

22...exd4 0.00/27

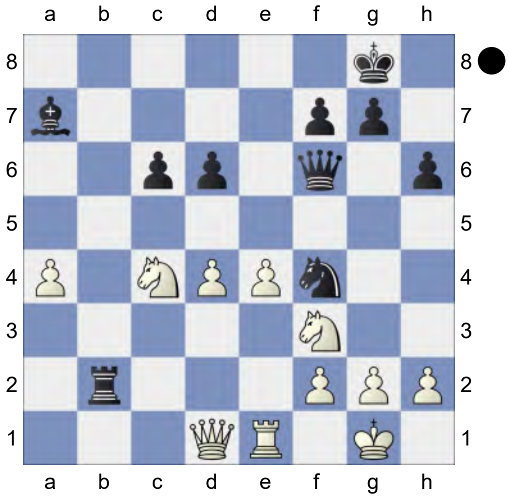
[22...Qe6⩱ -0.58/26 23.Ncd2 exd4 24.cxd4 *(24.Nxd4 Qa2⩱)* 24...Qa2]

23.cxd4 Rb4 24.Ne3 Rb2→ Against Qd1-d2. Black mounts an attack.

[24...Bxd4?! 25.Nc2 *(25.Ng4 Qg6∓)* 25...Bxf2+ *(25...Rxa4? 26.Ncxd4 Ra2 27.Nxc6+-; 25...Qg6? 26.g3+-)* 26.Kxf2±]

25.Nc4? -2.34/25

[25.Kf1= 0.00/24]



25...Qg6!-+ 26.g3 Nh3+ 27.Kg2 Rxf2+

[27...Nxf2? 28.Qa1 Nd3+ *(28...Nxe4+? 29.Qxb2 Kh8 30.Qb7+-; 28...Rc2? 29.Na3+-)* 29.Nxb2+-]

28.Kxh3 Black must now prevent g3-g4. **28...Qe6+ 29.g4 Qxc4 30.Kg3 Ra2 31.Qb1?** -4.24/20

[31.Re3 -2.10/20]

31...Ra3

[31...Rxa4? 32.Rc1 Qe6 33.h3-+]

[31...Qxa4 32.e5 dxe5 *(32...Bxd4 33.Nxd4 Qa3+ 34.Nf3±)* 33.Rxe5=]

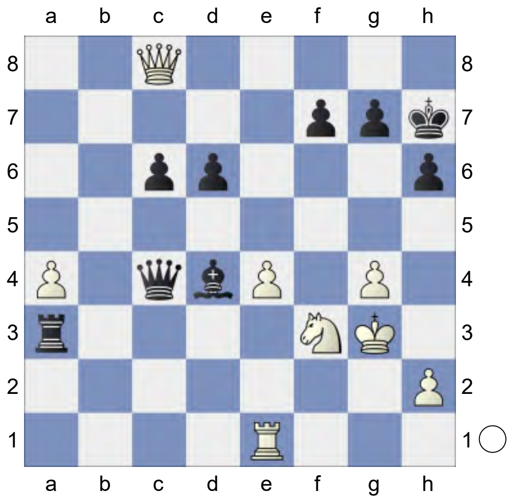
32.Qb7 -6.21/22

[⌓32.Qc1 -4.06/21 Rc3 *(32...Qxa4? 33.Re3∓; 32...Rxa4 33.Qxc4 Rxc4 34.Rd1∓)* 33.Qd1 Bxd4 34.a5]

32...Bxd4

[32...Qxd4 33.Qc8+ Kh7 34.Qf5+ Kg8 35.Qc8+ Kh7 36.Qf5+ g6 37.Qxf7+ Qg7 38.Qe6=]

33.Qc8+ White is weak on the dark squares **33...Kh7**



(→ ...Bd4-e5+) **34.g5 Be5+**

[Not 34...Rxa4 35.g6+ fxg6 36.Ng5+ hxg5 37.Qh3+ Kg8 38.Qc8+ Kf7 39.Qd7+ Kg8 40.Qc8+ Kf7 41.Qd7+ Kf6 42.Qd8+ Kf7 43.Qd7+=]

35.Kg4 h5+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.90/Black=0.11 (very precise)

[35...Rxa4 36.gxh6 gxh6 *(36...Kxh6 37.Qh8+ Kg6 38.Ng5=)* 37.Nxe5 dxe5 38.Kh5=]

0-1

172 **C52**

☐ **caissa-x** **3047**

■ **PetersBot** **3001**

Rapid 06.06.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 15min+3sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5

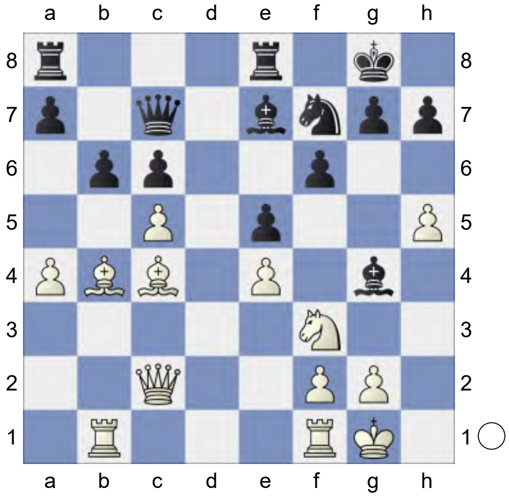
0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 0-0 15.c5 dxc5 16.dxc5 Bd8 17.Bb4 White has compensation. **17...Re8 18.a4 Qc7 19.Rab1 Nf7 20.h4 b6 21.Nc4 Nxc4 22.Bxc4 Be7 23.h5 Bg4**



The position is equal. **24.h6! Bxf3 25.Bxf7+ Kxf7 26.Qb3+ Kg6 27.Qxf3 Kxh6 28.Rfd1 Rad8**

[28...Bxc5? 29.Qh3+ Kg6 30.Qf5+ Kf7 31.Rd7++- *(31.Qxh7? Rh8-+)*]

29.Rxd8 Qxd8

[29...Bxd8? 30.Qh3+ Kg6 31.cxb6 axb6 32.Rd1+-]

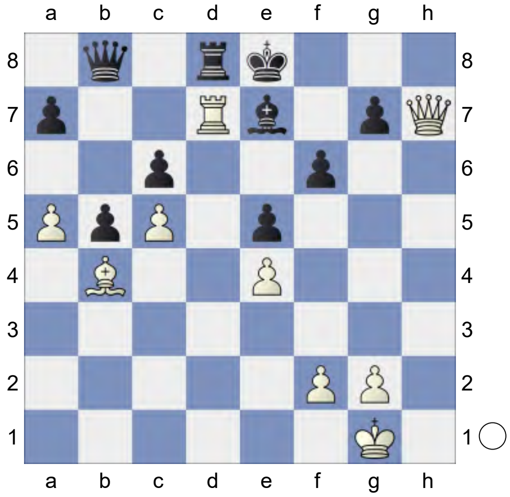
30.Qh3+ Kg6 31.Qg4+ Kf7!

[31...Kh6? 32.Rd1+-]

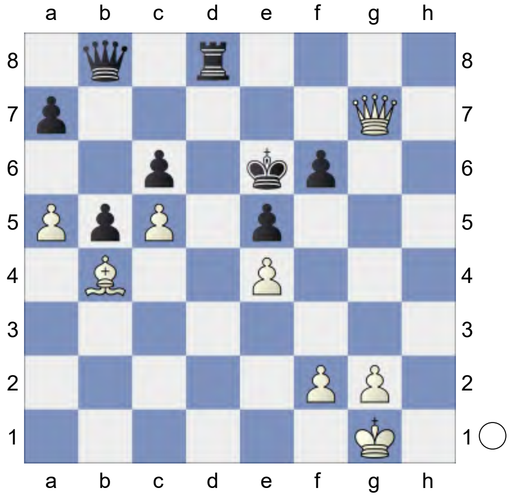
32.Rd1! Qb8 33.Rd7 b5 34.Qh5+

[34.axb5 Qxb5 35.Bd2 Rd8 *(35...Qxc5 36.Qh5+ Kf8 37.Qxh7=)* 36.Rxe7+ Kxe7]

34...Kf8! 35.a5⇄ a6! would now be deadly. White is not keeping still **35...Rd8 36.Qxh7! Ke8**



37.Rxe7+ Kxe7 38.Qxg7+= Endgame KQR-KQB **38...Ke6**



39.f4! exf4 40.Qg4+ Ke7 41.Qg7+

Ke6 42.Qg4+ Ke7 43.Qg7+ Ke8 feels hotter. **44.Bc3 Rd1+ 45.Kf2** The board is on fire. **45...Qd8 46.Qg6+ Kf8! 47.Qh6+ Kf7 48.Qh7+ Ke6 49.Qf5+ Kf7 50.Qh7+ Ke8 51.Qh5+ Ke7 52.Qh7+ Ke8 53.Qg6+ Kf8! 54.Qh6+**

[54.Qxf6+? is the wrong capture. Qxf6 55.Bxf6 Rd2+ 56.Kf3

A) 56...Kf7? 57.Ba1-+ (*57.Be5-+*);

B) 56...b4-+]

54...Kg8 55.Qg6+ A balanced but interesting game.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless)

55...Kf8

½-½

173 **C55**

☐ **DmDonCh** **2851**

■ **Ex-retired** **2618**

Blitz 08.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3**

[7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

7...Nc6 8.f4 d6 0.26/18

[8...Qe7!∓ -0.63/18]

[8...exf4 9.Bxf4 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 Rg6 23.Rd2 1-0 Predke,A (2673)-Eljanov,P (2706) ITA-chT GpA 55th 2024 (6.1)]

9.f5N White mounts an attack.

[9.Nc3 h6 10.f5 Bd7 11.a3 a6 12.b4 Na7 13.Qf3 Nb5 14.Qg3 Rg8 15.Nxb5 Bxb5 16.Bxb5+ axb5 17.Qf3 Qd7 18.Rfe1 Qc6 19.Bf2 Qxc2 20.Rac1 Qb2 21.Qd3 Qxa3 22.Qxb5+ Kd8 23.Qxb7 Ne8 1-0 Shedden,C-Mcowan,J BCM Tourney Final 1910-12]

9...Nxe4 1.23/20

[9...a5= 0.25/19]

10.Qd5!± Ng5 11.Bxg5 0.00/21

[11.Nc3± 1.23/19]

11...Qxg5= 12.Qxf7+ Kd8 13.f6 -0.44/20 Prevents Ne7

[13.Nc3= 0.00/21 might be stronger.]

13...gxf6∓ 14.Nc3 -1.91/25

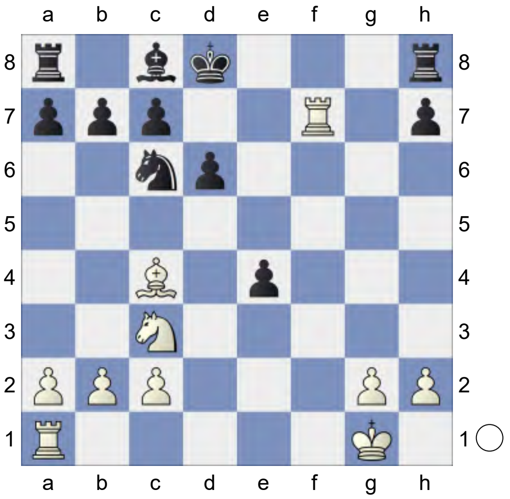
[14.Qxf6+ Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Nd4]

[White should try 14.h4∓ -0.50/22 Qxh4 15.Qxf6+ Qxf6 16.Rxf6]

14...Qg6? 0.54/24

[14...f5-+ -1.91/25 ...Qg6 is the strong threat. 15.Nd5 Ne7]

15.Rxf6± Qxf7 16.Rxf7 e4 1.59/21



17.Raf1? -2.45/19

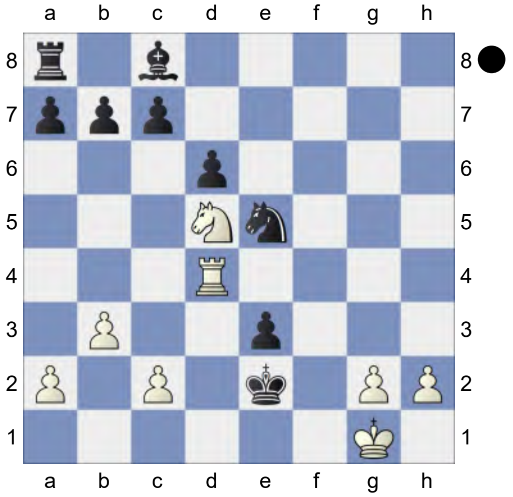
[17.Nxe4? Ne5 18.Rg7 Nxc4-+]

[17.Rg7!± 1.59/21 stays on course.]

17...Ne5!-+ 18.Rf8+ Rxf8 19.Rxf8+ Ke7 20.Rh8 And now Nd5+ would win. **20...Nxc4 21.Nd5+ Kd7 22.Rxh7+ Kc6 23.Ne7+ Kc5 24.Rh5+ Kd4 25.Rd5+ Ke3 26.b3** -6.67/17

[⌓26.Rd1 -4.56/16 Ke2 (*26...Nxb2 27.Nd5+ Ke2 28.Nc3+ Ke3 29.Nd5+ Ke2 30.Nc3+ Ke3 31.Nd5+=*) 27.Rd4]

26...Ne5 27.Rd1 Ke2 28.Rd4 e3 29.Nd5



Nc3+ would kill now. **29...Nf3+! 30.gxf3 Kxf3** 0.00/25 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up.

[30...Bf5-+ -3.54/22 31.Nc3+ Kxf3]

31.Rd3!= Ke4 32.Nxe3 Be6 33.Ng2 Rg8 34.Re3+ Kf5 35.Kf2 Bd5 36.Ne1 Rh8 37.h3 Rg8 38.Rg3 Rh8 39.Nd3 Be4 40.Ke3 c5 41.c4 a6 42.Nf4 b6 43.Nd5? -3.93/22

[43.Rg7= 0.00/22 and White is okay. Bb1 44.Rf7+ Ke5 45.Re7+ Kf6 (*45...Kf5 46.Rf7+ Kg5 47.Rg7+ Kf6 48.Rd7=*) 46.Nd5+ (*46.Re6+ Kf5∓*) 46...Kg5 47.Rg7+ (*47.Nxb6 Rxh3+ 48.Ke2 Bxa2=*) 47...Kf5 48.Rf7+ (*48.Nxb6 Rxh3+ 49.Kd2 Rd3+ 50.Ke2 Rd4∓*) 48...Ke6 49.Re7+ Kf5 50.Rf7+]

43...Bxd5-+ 44.cxd5 KR-KR **44...Rh5 45.Kf3 b5 46.Kg2?** -4.98/19

[46.Ke3 -3.05/18 was forced.]

46...c4 -2.62/17

[⌓46...Ke4 -4.98/19 47.Kf1 Rf5+ (*47...Rxd5 48.Ke2∓*) 48.Ke2 Kxd5 (*48...Rxd5 49.Re3+ Kf5 50.h4∓*) 49.Rd3+ Kc6]

47.bxc4 bxc4 48.Rg4 -4.27/26

[⌓48.Rc3 -2.83/19 Rh4 49.Kg3]

48...Ke5? 0.00/28

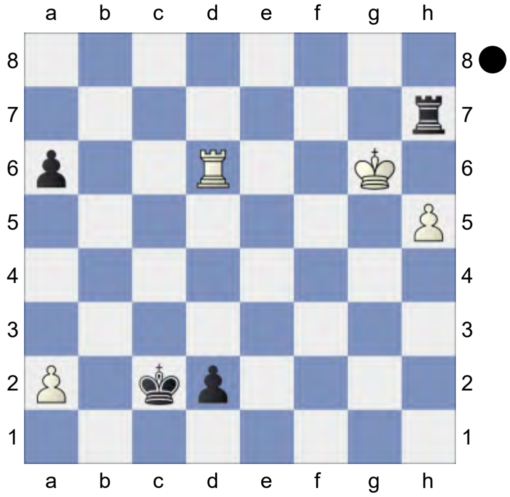
[48...Rg5-+ -4.27/26 49.Rxg5+ Kxg5]

49.Rxc4= Kxd5 50.Rg4 Kc5 51.h4 d5 52.Kg3 Rh7 53.Rg5 Kc4 54.h5 d4 55.Kg4? -6.63/18

[55.Kf2= -0.01/21]

55...d3-+ 56.Rg6 d2 57.Rd6 Kc3 58.Kg5 Kc2 59.Kg6 -7.84/21

[⌓59.Rc6+ -4.76/15 Kd1 60.Rd6]



59...Rxh5? 0.00/64 **60.Kxh5= d1Q+ 61.Rxd1 Kxd1** KP-KP **62.Kg5 Kc2 63.Kf5 Kb2 64.Ke5?** -#25/38

[64.a4= 0.00/30]

64...Kxa2 Black mates. **65.Kd4 Kb3 66.Kd3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.81 **66...a5**

0-1

174 C54
□ **Caruana,Fabiano 2796**
■ **Liang,Awonder 2677**
ch-2024 Saint Louis USA (9.4) 21.10.24
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Inf 67/(405) Current Reputation: Playable for both sides Kramnik,V: 'Inf 47/(394)' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 Bb6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Nc4 Ng6 10.Re1**

[10.h3 c6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Re1 b5 13.a4 h6 14.Be3 bxa4 15.Rxa4 Rxa4 16.Bxa4 d5 17.Bc2 Re8 18.Qb1 Be6 Italian Game,C-Giuoco Pianissimo,W 364 Linz 2014]

10...Re8N '!' outshines the older 10... Be6. erfolgreicher als das alte 10...Le6.

[10...c6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.d4 Qe7 13.h3 h6 14.a3 b5 C 54/07-N,N 2000 C 54/07-N,N 2000 15.c4 bxc4 16.Bxc4 b5 17.Bf1 Bd7 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.b4 c5 20.bxc5 Qxc5 Wolff,P (2565)-Sokolov,I (2665) 67/(405) New York 1996]

[10...Be6 11.h3 h6 12.d4 Bxc4 13.Bxc4 Re8 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.a4 a5 16.Be3 Nxe4 17.Bb5 c6 18.Bd3 exd4 19.Bxd4 Bxd4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Rxe4 Bf6 22.Rae1 d5 23.R4e3 Rd8 24.Qb6 Ra8 25.Rd1 Kramnik,V-Yakovich,Y (2455) 47/(394) Belgorod 1989 Ne7 26.Ne5 Qc8 27.Re2 h5 28.Rde1 Ra6 29.Qc5 Qc7 30.Nf3 Ng6 31.Re8+ Kh7 32.Qe3 Nf4 33.Ne5 Bg5 34.Qf3 Bh6 35.g3 Hantel,T-Robertson,D (2455) 88/348 Geneve 2003]

11.d4 -0.18/20

[White should play 11.Bc2± 0.37/24]

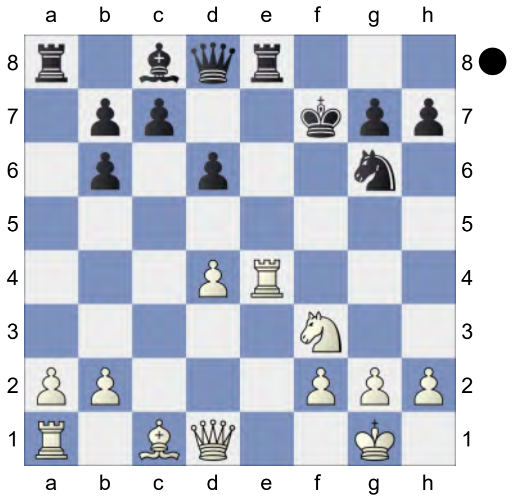
11...exd4= 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.cxd4

[13.Qxd4 feels hotter. Bg4 14.Ng5 d5 15.h3]

13...Nxe4

[13...Rxe4 14.Bxf7+ Kh8 15.Rxe4 Nxe4 16.Qe1=]

14.Bxf7+ Kxf7 15.Rxe4!



Remove Defender, Decoy **15...Rxe4 16.Ng5+ Kg8 17.Nxe4 Qe7** 'N'

[17...Bf5 18.Qb3+ d5 19.Ng3 Qd7 20.Be3 Be6 21.Rc1 b5 22.Bd2 c6 23.Bb4 Qf7 ½-½ (47) Gluma,C (2245)-Buchinger,A (1823) GER-chT U20 Magdeburg 2023 (2.2)]

18.Nc3 Qf7 19.d5 Bd7 20.Qd4 Qf5 21.Be3 Ne5 22.Qe4 -0.84/19

[22.b3= -0.15/22]

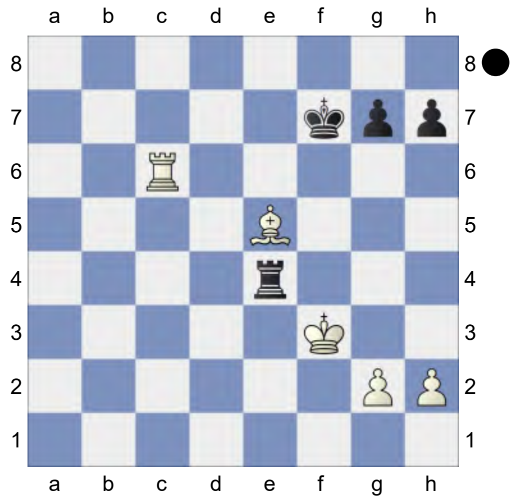
22...Qxe4∓ 23.Nxe4 Ra5 24.Nc3 b5 25.b4 Ra3 26.Bd2 c5 -0.04/20

[26...Kf7∓ -0.61/22]

27.dxc6!= The position is equal.

27...bxc6 28.Ne4! Nc4 Strongly threatening ...Nxd2. **29.Bf4 Rd3 30.f3 Bf5 31.Ng3 Bg6 32.a4 bxa4 33.Rxa4 Rd1+ 34.Kf2 Nb2 35.Ra8+ Kf7 36.Ne4 Bxe4 37.fxe4** Endgame. KRB-KRN **37...Rd4 38.Rc8 Rxb4 39.Bxd6 Rxe4 40.Rxc6 Nd3+ 41.Kf3 Ne5+ 42.Bxe5**

(Diagram)



Deflection **42...Rxe5 43.Kf4 Re2 44.Kf3 Re5 45.Kf4 Re2 46.Kf3 Re5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

175 **C50**

□ Niemann,Hans Moke **2733**

■ Nakamura,Hikaru **2802**

Paris blitz (2.18) 07.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo The Field 18 Feb 1882; Pagni Italian book p173. Pagni says this game was played in 1878. Apparently the old Italian rules were NOT used. **1.e4** Neishtadt,Yakov Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Harikrishna, Pentala Braun, Christian **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Bg5**

[RR 6.c3 a5 *(6...0-0 7.a4 a6)* 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3

A) RR 9...Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 *(RR 15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6)* 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A1) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 *(RR 21.Kh1)* 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 *(RR 22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5)* 23.Qxh5 Bf5 *(RR 23...Rfc8)* 24.Ng4 Nf4 *(RR 24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8)* 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

A2) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79) 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 24.a3;

B) 9...Bd7 10.Nf1 a4 11.d4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5 *(RR 14.Qxa4 Bxc3)* 14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Oparin,G (2662) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (65)]

[RR 6.a4 a6 *(RR 6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 a5 9.Re1 Qd7 10.Nbd2 g5 11.g4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qxg4+ 13.Kf1 Qh3+ 14.Ke2 g4 15.Ng5 Qh4 16.d4 exd4 17.f4 gxf3+ 18.Ndxf3 Ne5 19.Bxf7+ Nxf7 20.cxd4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5)* 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6]

[RR 6.Nc3]

6...h6 7.Bh4

[RR 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 exd4 10.e5 Qg6]

[RR 7.Be3]

7...a6N

[RR 7...g5 8.Bg3 h5

A) 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 *(RR 11.Nxh8 Qe7*

12.Nf7 Bxf2+ 13.Rxf2 gxf2+ 14.Kxf2 Ng4+ 15.Kg3 Qf6 16.Qf3 Qg7) 11...Bg4

A1) RR 12.Nf7 Rh5 13.Qxg4 *(*RR *13.Qd2 Nd4 14.Nxd6+ Kf8 15.Nxb7 Ne2+ 16.Qxe2 gxh2+ 17.Kh1 Bxe2)* 13...gxf2+ *(*RR *13...Nxg4 14.hxg3 Nd4 15.Nc3 c6 16.a3 d5)* 14.Kh1 Nxg4 15.h3 Ne3 16.Rxf2 Nxc4 17.Rf6 Ne3 18.Nc3 Nd4 19.Rc1 Ndxc2 20.Nd1 Ke7 21.Rh6 Rxh6 22.Nxh6;

A2) RR 12.Nxc6 Bxd1

A2a) RR 13.Rxd1 Ng4 14.hxg3 Nxf2 15.d4 Nxd1 16.dxc5 bxc6 17.b4 Ne3 18.Na3 d5 19.Bd3;

A2b) RR 13.Nc3 gxf2+ 14.Rxf2 *(*RR *14.Kh1 Ng4 15.h3 Rxh3+ 16.gxh3 Bf3#)* 14...bxc6 15.Nxd1 Ng4 16.h3 Nxf2 17.Nxf2 Rf8 18.Rf1 Ke7 19.d4 Bxd4 20.c3 Be3 21.Be2 d5 22.exd5;

A2c) 13.hxg3 bxc6 14.Rxd1 Ng4 15.Rf1 Rf8 16.b4 Bb6 17.a4 Nxf2 18.a5 Be3 19.Re1 Bd4 20.c3 Nxd3+ 21.cxd4;

A3) 12.Qd2 Nd4 RR 13.h3 *(*RR *13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3* 0-1 (14) Knorre,V-Chigorin,M pag. 164 1874 10000 Comentadas [Neishtadt,Yakov] RR *15.hxg3 Rh1#;* RR *13.Qe3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.hxg3 Kxd8)* 13...Ne2+ RR 14.Qxe2 *(14.Kh1 Rxh3+ 15.gxh3 Bf3#)* 14...Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 *(18...Ba5)* 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8 22.Nxc7 Kxc7 23.Bxg8 Rxg8 Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934_226900 Zürich (Switzerland);

B) RR 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.b4 *(11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 21.fxg4 Qe8 22.Qe1 Qe3+ 23.Qxe3 dxe3 24.g3 Rh1+ 25.Kg2 R8h2+* Chapter Italian Game-Games Chapter Italian Game *)* 11...Bb6 12.Nbd2 0-0-0 13.a4 a5 14.Bb5 Rdg8 15.bxa5 Ba7 16.Nb3 gxh4 17.Bxh4 Bh3 18.g3 Qg4 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Nbd2 Bxf1 21.Qxf1 Qg6 22.d4 Padua-Rome Rome-Padua match 1878-1882 (1) 1-0]

[RR 7...a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5

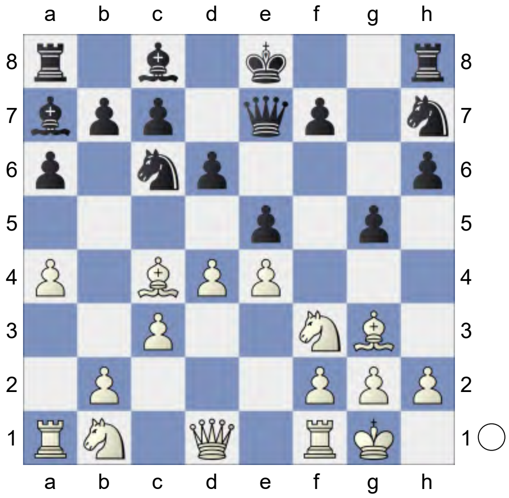
A) RR 14.Kh1 Qf6 *(*RR *14...g4 15.Ng1 exd4 16.cxd4 Bxd4 17.Ne2;* RR *14...g4 15.Ng1 exd4 16.cxd4 Bxd4 17.Ne2)* 15.Rad1 Kg7;

B) 14.dxe5 Nxg3 *(*RR *14...g4 15.Ne1 Nxg3 16.hxg3 dxe5 17.Rd1 h5)* 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 *(* RR *17...Qf6)* 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 *(*RR *21.gxh4 Qxh4 22.g3 Qg5)* 21...hxg3 22.Rxg3 Boskovic,M (2688)-Kennaugh,C (2720) 45: Lloyds Bank 1994 (6.1) 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com INT 2022 CBM 213 [Braun, Christian] 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Chennai 2022 CBM 210

[Harikrishna, Pentala] 0-1 (34) (*RR 22.Nxg3 Nf4*)]

8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 The position is equal. **10.Bg3 Nh7 11.d4 Qe7** 0.87/19

[11...h5= -0.01/19 12.h4 (*12.dxe5 h4∓*) 12...g4]



12.Bd5!± Hoping for Bd5xc6+. **12...f6**

13.Nbd2 0.48/20

[13.b4± 0.87/18]

13...h5 Threatens to win with ...h5-h4.

14.dxe5 -0.01/21

[14.h4!⩲ 0.44/19 is superior.]

14...dxe5 0.50/20

[14...fxe5= -0.01/21 15.Nc4 h4 16.Nxh4 gxh4 17.Qh5+ Kf8 18.Bxh4 Qg7 19.Qf3+ Ke8 20.Qh5+ Kf8 21.Qf3+ Ke8 22.Qh5+ Kf8]

15.Nc4? -1.33/20

[15.h4!⩲ 0.50/20 keeps the upper hand.]

15...Nf8? 0.38/20

[Black should play 15...h4∓ -1.33/20 16.Bxc6+ bxc6 17.Nfxe5 fxe5 (*17...hxg3? is the wrong capture. 18.Qh5+ Kf8 19.Ng6+ Kf7 20.Nxe7++-*) 18.Qh5+ Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.Bxe5 Nf6]

16.h4⩲ g4 17.Ne1 Qh7 0.79/20

[17...Nd8⩲ 0.34/19]

18.Ne3 0.23/21 White is more active.

[18.Bxc6+± 0.79/20 bxc6 19.Qe2]

18...Ne7!= 19.Nd3↑ White is pushing.

19...c6 1.69/21

[19...Nxd5= 0.22/19 20.Nxd5 Qg7]

20.Ba2 0.86/20

[20.Bc4+- 1.69/21]

20...Ne6? 2.73/21

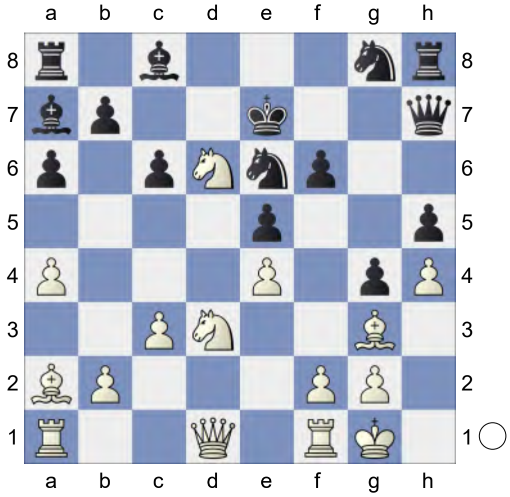
[20...Neg6± 0.86/20]

21.Nc4+- Ng8? 5.29/24

[21...Ng6 2.28/20 is tougher. 22.Nd6+ Ke7]

22.Nd6+ White is clearly winning.

22...Ke7



23.Nxe5! fxe5 24.Bxe5 Nh6 25.Nxc8+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.84

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176 **C54**

☐ **Navara,David** **2662**

■ **Hakobyan,Aram** **2621**

Biel GM2 Rapid 58th (3) 13.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

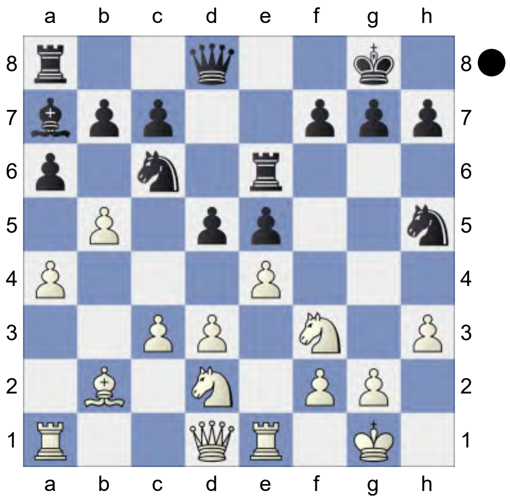
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is a

critical line.7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.Nbd2 d5 13.Bb2N**

[13.Qc2 simplifies h6 *(13...d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 c6 25.bxa6 bxa6 26.dxe5 Qxe5 27.Rad1 Rb8 28.Rhg1* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) *h6 29.Rd3 Rb4 30.Re3 Rxa4 31.Nc5 Ra5 32.Nd3 Qe6 33.e5 Ra2 34.Qd1 Rg5 35.Rg2 Qd5 36.Qb1 Rd2 37.Qf1 c5 38.f4 Rxg3 39.Rxd2 Rxe3 40.Qd1 Ng3* 0-1 Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda, J (2732) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11)*)* 14.Nb3 dxe4 15.dxe4 Qe8 16.a5]

13...Nh5 14.b5



Nf4! 15.d4

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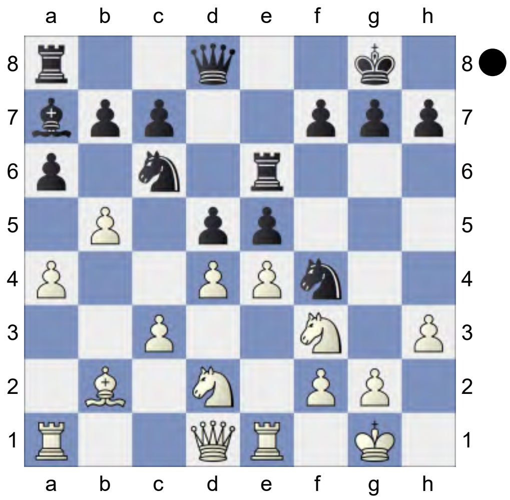


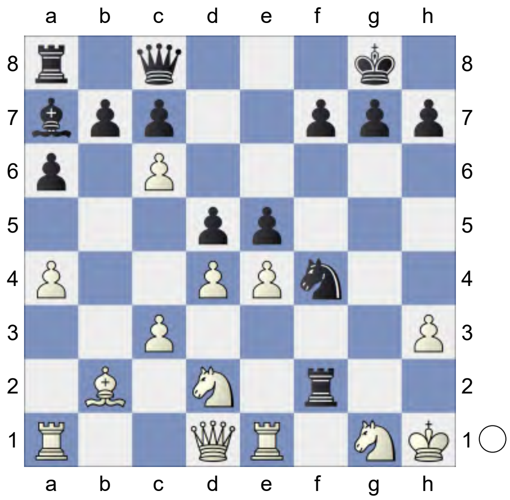
Rg6 16.bxc6 Rxg2+ 0.55/21

[16...Nxg2= 0.01/23 17.Kh2 Nxe1 *(17...bxc6? 18.Rg1+-)* 18.Qxe1 Qf6]

17.Kh1± Qc8

[17...Rxf2?! 18.Nxe5 *(18.cxb7 Rb8±)* 18...bxc6 *(18...Nxh3? 19.cxb7 Rb8 20.Qh5+-)* 19.Qg4+-]

18.Ng1 Rxf2



19.Rf1 -0.01/23

[19.Re3!± 0.73/22]

19...Nxh3 0.54/24

[19...Nd3!= -0.01/23]

20.Qh5

[20.cxb7 Qxb7 21.Nxh3 Rxf1+ 22.Qxf1 Qxb2=]

20...Nf4

[20...Rxd2? 21.Qxf7+ *(21.Nxh3*

Rxb2 22.Rxf7 Qe6+-) 21...Kh8 22.cxb7+-]

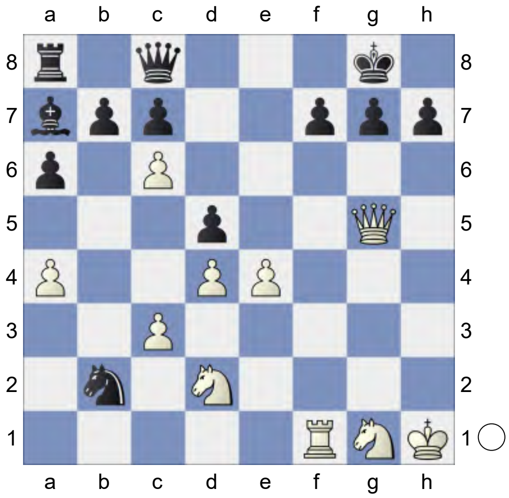
21.Qxe5 Nd3

[21...Rxd2? 22.cxb7 (*22.Qxf4 Rxb2 23.Qxf7+ Kh8±*) 22...Qxb7 23.Qxf4+-]

[21...f6 22.Qf5 Qxf5 (*22...Rxd2 23.Bc1±*) 23.exf5 Rxd2 24.Bc1+- (*24.cxb7 Rb8±*)]

22.Qh5N -0.01/20

[22.Qg5 Rxf1? 2.29/25 (*22...h6!⩲* 0.67/23 *23.Qe3 Rxf1 24.Rxf1 Nxb2*) 23.Rxf1+- Nxb2



24.Qxd5 1.05/21 (*24.Rb1!+-* 2.37/23 is the precise move to win.) 24...bxc6? 3.44/24 (*24...Qe6±* 1.05/21 was worth a try.) 25.Qxf7++- Kh8 26.Ndf3 1.50/22 (*26.e5+-* 3.63/22) 26...Nxa4? 9.01/25 (*26...Qe8±* 1.50/22 *27.Ne5 Nxa4*) 27.Ne5 Qe8 ...Qxf7 would now be deadly. 28.Qc4 Black must now prevent Nf7+. Nb6 29.Nf7+? 0.36/27 (*29.Qa2+-* 6.32/22) 29...Kg8⩲ 30.Nh6+ -0.01/5 (*30.Qe2!⩲* 0.53/26) 30...Kh8= 31.Nf7+ Kg8 ½-½ Anand,V (2757)-Giri,A (2776) Bucharest Superbet blitz 2019 (9)]

[22.Qg5± 0.81/24]

22...bxc6=

[22...Rxd2? 23.Qxf7+ Kh8 24.cxb7+- (*24.Bc1 Nf2+ 25.Rxf2 Rxf2+-*)]

23.Ngf3 -0.01/21

[23.e5⩲ 0.35/23]

23...Rxf1+ 1.36/24

[23...f6!= -0.01/21 remains equal.]

24.Rxf1± Nf4? 3.42/22

[24...h6± 1.46/22]

25.Qh2+- Ne6 3.87/22

[Don't go for 25...Qg4? 26.Ne5 Qe6 27.Rxf4+- (*27.Qxf4 Re8+-*)]

[⌓25...Nd3 2.44/19]

26.Ne5 f6 27.Nxc6 A dynamic duo of knights. **27...Qb7** 7.09/23

[⌓27...Qd7 4.32/22]

28.exd5 Ng5 29.Ba3 Re8 30.Qh5 Qa8 31.Nc4 Ne4 32.Qf3 Ng5 33.Qg3 Qc8 34.Nxa7 Qd7 35.Qg2 -0.01/19

[White should play 35.Ne3+- 6.59/22]

35...Re4!= 36.Qxg5 Qh3+ 37.Kg1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.49

37...Re2! Wards off Qd2. Loss on time!?

0-1

177 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Martinez Alcantara,Jose Eduardo**

Titled Tue 29th Apr Late blitz (7) 29.4.25

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.a4 a6 7.0-0 h6 8.b4 White is slightly better. **8...Nge7 9.Re1 Ng6 10.Nbd2N**

[10.a5!? Ba7□ 11.Be3= 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1

Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.g3 Qg5 23.Kh1 Nh5 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 b6 26.Qf2 1-0 (37) Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2) Nc8 27.Rd1 Ra8 28.axb6 cxb6 29.Nd2 Nf6 30.Nc4 Nd7 31.f4 exf4 32.Nxf4 Nf8 33.Qf3 Ra7 34.e5 Rf7 35.Qe4 b5 36.Nd6 Nxd6 37.exd6 Rd7 1-0 Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2)]

10...0-0 11.Bb3

[11.a5!? Ba7□ 12.Nf1=]

11...Ba7 12.Nf1 Be6 0.56/19

[12...Kh8= 0.12/20 might be stronger.]

13.Be3⩲ Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Qf6 15.Bc2 Nf4 16.g3 Ng6 1.18/20

[16...Nh3+⩲ 0.35/20 17.Kg2 Ne7]

17.Kg2 Rad8 18.b5 0.45/21

[18.h4± 1.18/19]

18...Na5 1.05/20

[18...Nce7⩲ 0.45/21]

19.h4 Rfe8 20.Nh2 0.78/18

[⌓20.Nd5 1.23/20 Bxd5 21.exd5]

20...Qe7± 21.d4 c6 22.Qf3 0.38/22

[22.Bd3± 0.83/18]

22...Nc4 23.Nf5 Qf8 24.Ng4 -0.37/21

[24.d5± 0.94/20 cxd5 25.exd5 Bxf5 26.Qxf5 *(26.Bxf5 Ne7=)*]

24...axb5 0.54/21

[24...d5!∓ -0.37/21 25.bxc6 dxe4 26.Nfxh6+ *(26.Rxe4? Nd2∓; 26.Qxe4? Bd5-+* Pin *)* 26...Kh8 *(26...gxh6 27.Nf6+ Kh8 28.Bxe4∓)* 27.Bxe4 *(27.Rxe4 Nd2∓; 27.Qxe4? Bd5-+* Pin, Double Attack *)* 27...Nd2]

25.axb5 -0.21/21

[25.d5!⩲ 0.54/21]

25...cxb5 0.62/21

[25...d5= -0.21/21 26.bxc6 bxc6]

26.d5⩲ Bd7 27.Bd3 Ne7 28.Ra7 -0.50/25 White is much more active.

[28.Bxc4⩲ 0.64/23 bxc4 *(28...Nxf5 29.exf5 bxc4 30.f6⩲)* 29.Ra7 *(29.Nxd6? Bxg4* Discovered Attack *30.Qxg4 Rxd6-+)*]

28...Nxf5∓ 29.exf5 f6? 1.55/24

[29...h5∓ -0.35/25 stays ahead. 30.Nh2 e4 31.Rxe4 *(31.Bxe4 Re5=)* 31...Ne5 32.Rxe5 Rxe5 33.Rxb7 Qe8]

30.Rxb7 0.23/25

[30.Bxc4!± 1.55/24 bxc4 31.Rxb7]

30...Re7? 2.25/24

[30...h5= 0.23/25 31.Nh2 *(31.Ne3? e4-+* Decoy *)* 31...e4 32.Bxe4 *(32.Qxh5? exd3 33.Rd1 Re5-+; 32.Rxe4 Ne5=)* 32...Re7]

31.Bxc4+- bxc4 32.Ne3 Rc8 33.Reb1 Be8 34.R7b6 Rec7 35.h5 Bf7 36.R1b5 0.86/22

[36.g4+- 1.92/22]

36...Rc5± 37.Qd1 0.55/26

[37.Rb4± 1.03/21]

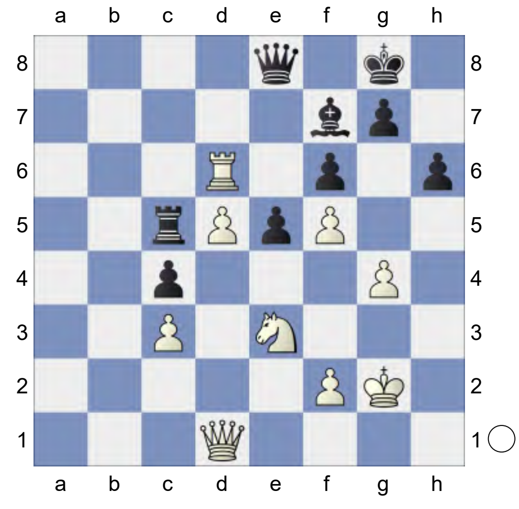
37...Qe8 1.90/23

[37...Rxb5⩲ 0.55/26 38.Rxb5 Qe8]

38.Rxc5+- Rxc5 39.Rxd6 Qa1 would now be deadly. **39...Bxh5?** 3.62/22

[39...Qa8 1.91/21 40.g4 Rc8]

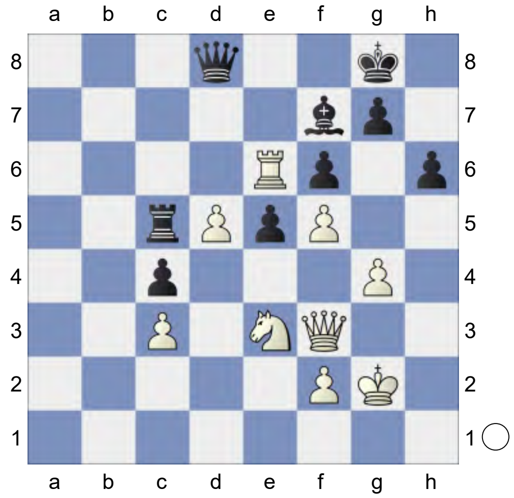
40.g4 Bf7



41.Re6? 0.81/23 **Qa8± 42.Qf3** 0.10/25

Qd8 0.87/24

[42...Rc8!= 0.10/25 keeps the balance.]

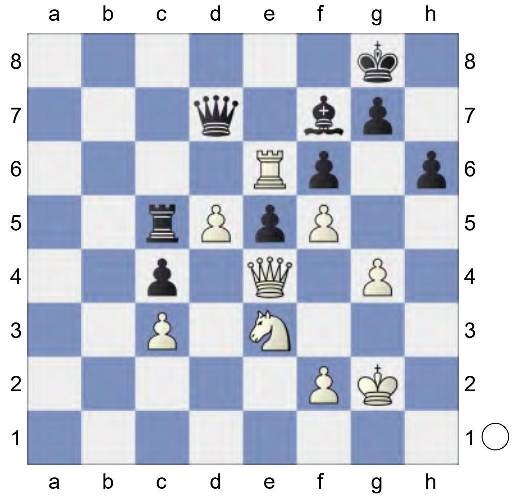


Wards off d6 **43.Qe4** 0.48/25

[43.Kg3!± 0.87/24]

43...Qd7 1.63/24

[43...Qa8⩲ 0.48/25]



44.Kg3!+- Qd8 1.74/21

[44...Qb7⩲ 0.64/21]

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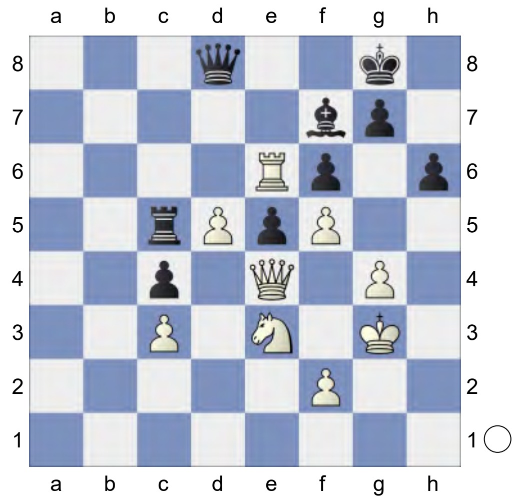


45.Qb1? 0.01/18 **Rxd5=**

[45...Bxe6? 46.fxe6 Rc8 47.Qb7+-]

46.Nxd5 Qxd5 Endgame KQR-KQB

[46...Bxe6 simplifies 47.fxe6 Qxd5 48.Qb8+ Kh7]

47.Re7 h5 0.57/26

[Black should play 47...Qd2= 0.01/29 48.Qb7 (*48.Qb8+ Kh7=*) 48...Qf4+ 49.Kh3 Qxf2]

48.gxh5 0.01/29

[White should play 48.Qb8+± 0.57/26 Kh7 49.Qb7 Qd3+ 50.Kh2]

48...Bxh5 1.20/34

[48...Qd2= 0.01/29 49.Qe4 (*49.Qb8+ Kh7=*) 49...Qxc3+ 50.Kg2 Qd2 51.Rxf7 (*51.Qa8+ Kh7=*) 51...Qg5+ (*51...Kxf7 52.Qxc4+ Kf8 53.Qc8+ Kf7 54.Qc4+ Kf8 55.Qc5+ Kg8 56.Qc4+ Kh7 57.Qg4=*) 52.Kf1 Qc1+ (*52...Kxf7 53.Qxc4+ Kf8 54.Qc8+ Kf7 55.h6=*) 53.Ke2 Kxf7]

49.Kh4? -#12/26

[49.Qb8+± 1.20/34 Kh7 50.Qb7 Qd3+ 51.f3 Qxf5 52.Rxg7+ Kh8 53.Rd7]

49...Qf3? 0.00/36

[49...Qg2 -#12/26 mates 50.Qb8+ Kh7 51.Rxg7+ Qxg7 52.f3 Bxf3 (*52...Qg5+? 53.Kh3-+*) 53.Qc7 Qxc7 54.Kg3 e4+ 55.Kf2 Qa7+ 56.Kg3

Qg1+ 57.Kh3 Qg4+ 58.Kh2 Qg2#]

50.Qg1 Qf4+

[50...Qxf5 51.Qxg7#]

51.Kh3!⇄ White is not holding back. Really sharp!

[51.Kxh5? Qh6+ *(51...Qxf5+ 52.Kh4=)* 52.Kg4 Qg5+ 53.Kf3 Qxg1-+]

51...Qxf5+

[51...Qh6!? 52.Qg3□ Bg6+ 53.Kg2 Bxf5=]

52.Kh2 Bg4 (-> ...Qh5+)

[52...Bf7 feels hotter. 53.Qg2 g5 54.Qa8+ Kg7]

53.Qg3 Qh5+ 54.Kg2 Kf8 55.Ra7

[55.Rc7!?]

55...g6 0.56/29

[55...Qg6= -0.01/22]

56.Qe3± Kg8 1.11/28

[56...Ke8± 0.42/30]

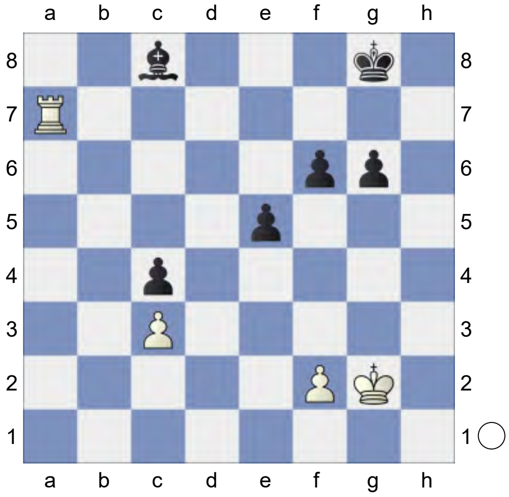
57.Qe4± White wants to mate with Qa8+. **57...Qf5?** #3/8

[57...Qg5± 1.07/24 58.f4 *(58.Qxc4+?* is the wrong capture. *Be6+ 59.Kh2 Bxc4-+)* 58...Bf5+ 59.fxg5 Bxe4+ 60.Kg3 fxg5]

58.Qa8+ 9.77/5

[⌓58.Qd5+ #3/8 Qe6 59.Qd8+ Qe8 60.Qxe8#]

58...Qc8+- 59.Qxc8+ Bxc8



KR-KB **60.Ra8! Kf7 61.Rxc8 Ke6 62.Rxc4** KR-K3P **62...Kd5 63.Rb4 Kc5 64.Kg3 e4 65.Kf4 Kd5 66.Ke3 g5 67.Rd4+** White mates. **67...Kc5 68.Rxe4** KR-KPP **68...f5 69.Rd4 g4 70.Kf4 g3 71.Kxg3 f4+ 72.Kxf4** KR-K **72...Kc6 73.Ke5 Kc7 74.f4 Kc8 75.f5 Kb8 76.f6 Ka8 77.Rd7 Kb8 78.Ke6 Kc8 79.f7 Kb8** What a fight! Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/Black=0.64

80.f8Q#

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178	**C52**
☐ **Godfroi**	**2645**
■ **Pyama_Ninja**	**2730**
Blitz	21.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.dxe5 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5 0.07/19

[9...dxe5∓ -0.37/19 10.Bb5 f6]

10.Qc2= Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Bc5

[11...dxe5 12.Nfxe5 Qe6 13.Ba3 Nf6 14.f4 Nd7 15.Rd1 Nxe5 16.Nxe5 c6 17.Rd6 Qe7 18.Nc4 Qh4+ 19.g3 Qh3 20.Rd2 Bc7 21.Qd3 Bd7 22.Bd6 0-0-0 23.Bxc7 Kxc7 24.Qd6+ 0-1 Cafolla,P-Williams,S Bunratty 2011]

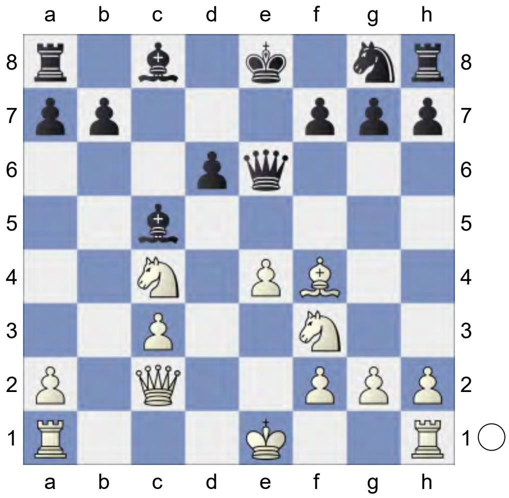
12.exd6 White is slightly better. **12...cxd6 13.Bf4N** 0.04/19

[13.Be3± 0.55/17]

[13.0-0 b5 14.Na5 Qc7 15.Nb3 Be6 16.Nfd4 Bc4 17.Rd1 Ne7 18.a4 Bxb3 19.Nxb3 bxa4 20.Nxc5 dxc5 21.Qxa4+ Qc6 22.Be3 0-0 23.Qxc6 Nxc6 24.Bxc5 Rfd8 25.Rd5 a5 26.f4 a4 27.Kf2 Rdb8 ½-½ (46) Wittram,T (2571)-Papa,S (2385) W-ch M130 corr 1984 (6) 28.Ke3 f6 29.Ra2 Rb3 30.Kd3 Ra5 31.Kc4 Rb1 32.Ba3 Ra8 33.Kc5 Rc8 34.Kd6 Rb6 35.Kd7 Na7 36.Rb2 Ra6 37.Rb7 Rxc3 38.Bb4 Rc4 39.e5 fxe5 40.fxe5 Nc6 41.Ba3 Re4 42.e6 Rxe6 ½-½ (46) Sveshnikov,E (2571)-Sharma,D (2385) Dubai op 2001 (6)]

13...Qe6 0.85/19

[13...b5!= 0.04/19 14.Ncd2 Nf6]



14.Qd3!± White is more active. **14...Nf6 15.Nxd6+** -0.16/16

[15.Ng5!± 1.06/20 Qg4 16.Nxd6+ Bxd6 17.Qxd6]

15...Bxd6= 16.Qxd6 Nxe4 17.Qxe6+ Bxe6 18.0-0 White is weak on the light squares **18...0-0 19.Be5 Rac8 20.Rfc1 Rfd8 21.Bd4 b6 22.Ne5 Nc5 23.Rd1** -0.96/18

[23.h3∓ -0.52/18]

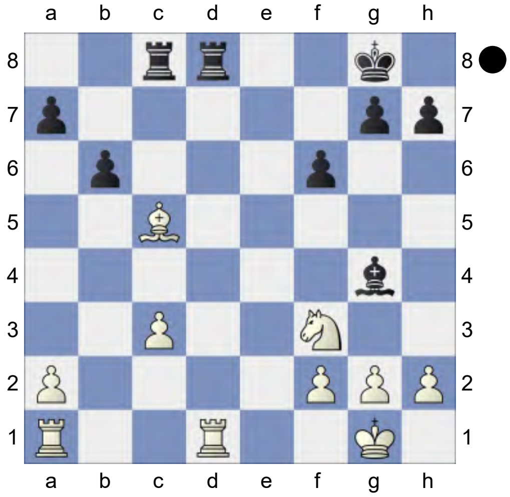
23...f6 -0.27/19

[23...Na4∓ -0.96/18 ...f6! is the strong threat. 24.Nf3 h6 (*24...Nxc3? 25.Bxc3 Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1+-*)]

24.Nf3 -0.94/19

[24.Bxc5= -0.27/19 remains equal. Rxd1+ (*24...bxc5? 25.Nd3∓; 24...fxe5 25.Bd6=*) 25.Rxd1]

24...Bg4∓ 25.Bxc5



Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1 Threatens to win with Bd4. **26...Bxf3** 0.00/28

[26...bxc5?! 27.Rd6=]

[Black should play 26...Rxc5∓ -1.02/25 27.Rd8+ Kf7]

27.gxf3= The position is equal.

27...Rxc5∓ Endgame KR-KR **28.Rd8+ Kf7 29.Rd7+ Kg6 30.Rxa7 Rxc3 31.Kg2 Rc5 32.f4 Ra5 33.Rb7 b5 34.Kg3 h5 35.h4 Ra3+ 36.f3 Ra5 37.Kh3 Kf5**

[37...Rxa2 38.Rxb5 Kh6 39.Kg3±]

38.Kg3 g6

[Much worse is 38...Rxa2?! 39.Rxb5+ Kg6 40.Rb1±]

39.Rb6 Rxa2 40.Rxb5+ Ke6 41.Rb6+

[Don't take 41.f5+ gxf5 42.Rb8 Ra4±]

41...Kf5 42.Rb5+ Ke6 43.Rb6+ Kf5 44.Rb5+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

44...Ke6

½-½

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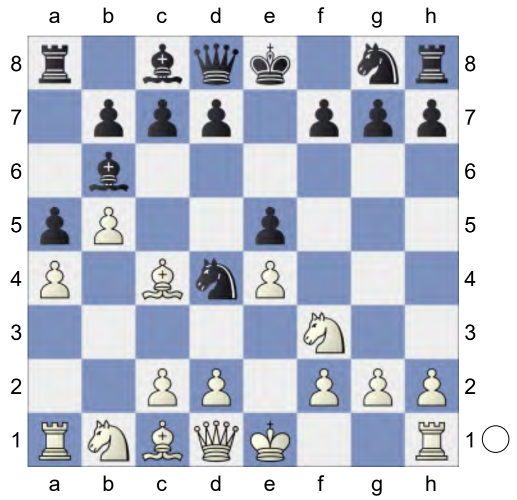
☐ **Stoofvleesii D2 3479**
■ **LCZero0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-61**
TCEC 26 Premier 2024 (27.2) 01.05.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
Inf 73/(362) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a5** 0.70/20

[5...a6!= 0.20/21]

6.b5⩲ Nd4



7.Nxd4!

[7.Nxe5 Qg5 8.Bxf7+ (*8.Nxf7? Qxg2-+*) 8...Kf8∓]

7...Bxd4 8.c3 White is better. **8...Bb6 9.d4 exd4** 1.02/21

[9...Qe7⩲ 0.64/20 is more appropriate. 10.Qg4 Nf6 11.Qxg7 Rg8 12.Qh6 Rg6 Kantsler,B (2535)-Mikhalevski,V (2545) Ramat Aviv 1998]

10.0-0± White is much more active.

[10.cxd4 d5 11.exd5 (*11.Bxd5 Ne7⩲*) 11...Ne7⩲]

10...d6

[10...Ne7 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.cxd4 Qd6 14.Nc3 Bxd4 15.Nd5 Bxa1 16.Qxa1 0-0 17.e5 Qc5 18.Rc1 c6 19.Ba2 Qa3 20.Nb6 d5 21.Nxa8 Kh8 22.Nb6 Be6 23.h3 Rd8 24.bxc6 bxc6 25.Rc3 1-0 (29) 10. ♔ b1 b5 11. c5_13795_15163 (2805)-Rakhmatullin, K (2670) EU/M/GT/312 corr ICCF 1989]

11.cxd4 Nf6N

[11...Ne7 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Nc3 Kh8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Rb8 16.Ra3 Be6 17.Qh5 Bxd5 18.Qxd5 Qe8 19.Rg3 f6 20.Qf5 Qf7 21.Rh3 h6 22.d5 Rbe8 23.Kh1 Qg8 24.f3 Qh7 25.Qh5 Re7 26.Rg3 1-0 (34) Anderssen,A (2600)-Steinitz,W (2590) Int. 1866 Be3 27.Rg6 b6 28.Re1 Bf4 29.g3 Be5 30.Bc1 Bc3 31.Re3 Re5 32.Qg4 h5 33.Qd7 Bd4 34.Rd3 Bc5 0-1 2.c4 e5-Shevchenko,M Match Nimzowitsch-Stoltz +2-1=3 1934 (2)]

12.Bb3 0-0 13.Bc2 c5 14.d5 Bg4 15.f3 c4+ 16.Kh1 Bh5 17.Ba3 Bg6 18.Qd2 Qc7 19.Nc3 Rae8 20.Rac1 Nd7 21.g4 Ne5 22.h3 f6 23.f4 Nd7 24.Qg2 Bc5! 25.Bxc5 Nxc5 26.Qf3 Qe7 27.Kg2 Rc8

[27...Nxe4? 28.Rfe1+- (*28.Nxe4 Bxe4 29.Bxe4 Qxe4⩱*)]

[27...Bxe4? 28.Nxe4 Nxe4 29.Rce1+-]

28.Rce1 h6 29.Qd1 Nd3 30.Re3 Rc5 31.Qd2 b6 32.Rff3 Rfc8 33.h4 Bf7 34.Kg1 R5c7 35.Rf1 Re8 36.Qh2 h5! 37.Bd1 hxg4 1.10/23

[37...Kh8!= 0.26/22]

38.Bxg4 g6! 39.Rg3 And now f5 would win. **39...Kh8**

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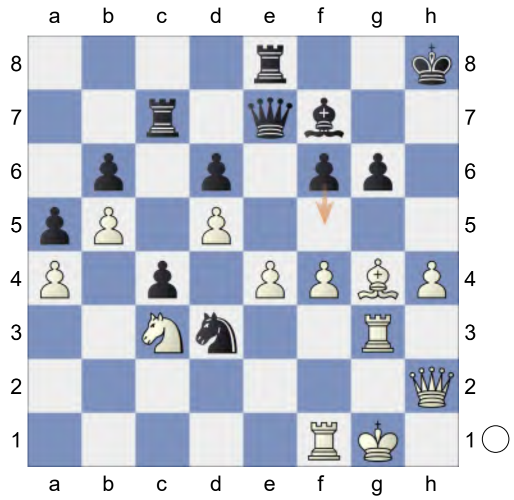
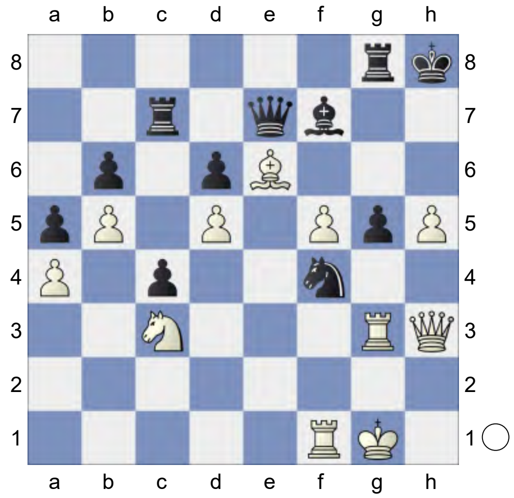


40.Be6 0.01/22 **Rg8!=** The position is equal. **41.Qh3** Kh2 poses a challenge **41...f5 42.h5 g5**

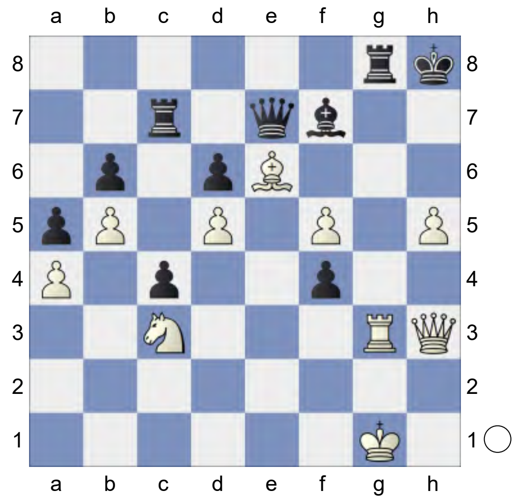
[42...gxh5 looks sharper. 43.Rxg8+ Kxg8 44.exf5 Qf6]

43.exf5 Nxf4



44.Rxf4 gxf4

(Diagram)



Pin **45.Rg6 Bxe6**

[Don't go for 45...Qf6? 46.Kf1 Qd4 47.f6+-]

[45...Bxg6 46.hxg6+]

46.dxe6 Qf6 Strongly threatening ...Rh7. **47.Kf1 Rxg6 48.hxg6+ Kg8 49.Nd5! Qa1+ 50.Kg2** The board is on fire. **50...Qe5 51.Nxc7** Qh7+ would kill now.

[51.Qf3!? Rc5□ 52.Nxf4 (*52.e7 Rxd5 53.e8Q+ Qxe8=*) 52...Qxf5 53.Qa8+ Kg7 54.Qb7+ Kh6 55.Kf3=]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

51...Qe2+

½-½

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☐ **LCZero0.31-dag-5350a2e-BT4-61**

■ **Stoofvleesii D2** **3479**

TCEC 26 Premier 2024 (20.2) 28.04.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

Inf 73/(362) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a5 6.b5 Nd4 7.Nxd4**

[7.Nxe5 Qg5 8.Bxf7+ *(8.Nxf7? Qxg2-+)* 8...Kf8∓]

7...Bxd4 8.c3 White is slightly better. **8...Bb6 9.d4 exd4**

[9...Qe7 10.Qg4 Nf6 11.Qxg7 Rg8 12.Qh6 Rg6 Kantsler,B (2535)-Mikhalevski,V (2545) Ramat Aviv 1998]

10.0-0 White is much more active. **10...d6N**

[10...Ne7 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.cxd4 Qb4 *(13...Qd6 14.Nc3 Bxd4 15.Nd5 Bxa1 16.Qxa1 0-0 17.e5 Qc5 18.Rc1 c6 19.Ba2 Qa3 20.Nb6 d5 21.Nxa8 Kh8 22.Nb6 Be6 23.h3 Rd8 24.bxc6 bxc6 25.Rc3 Qb4 26.Rxc6 Rb8 27.Nxd5 Qxa4 28.Rc1* 1-0 (29) Kasparov,G (2805)-Piket,J (2670) 63/275 Amsterdam 1995 *Qa3 29.Bc4* 1.1) Evans Gambit - Model Gam-G. Kasparov - J. Piket,A*)* 14.Na3 0-0 15.Qd3 d5 16.exd5 Bd7 17.Nc2 Qd6 18.Ne3 C 51/01 1997]

11.cxd4 Nf6 12.Bb3 Be6 13.Bc2 Qe7 14.Qd3 0-0-0 1.20/18

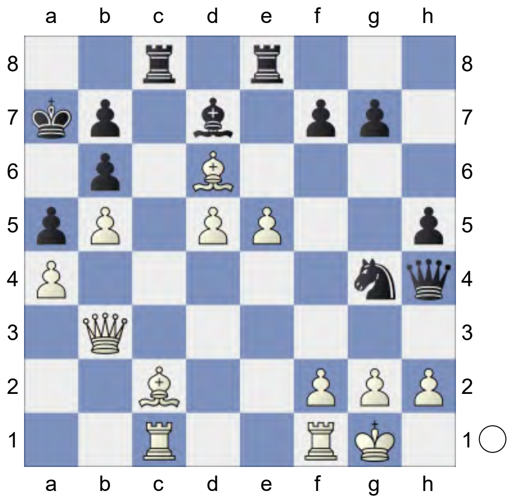
[14...d5 0.80/19]

15.d5± Bd7 16.Nd2 Rhe8 17.Ba3! Kb8 18.Qb3! Rc8 19.Nc4 Ka7 20.Rac1 h5

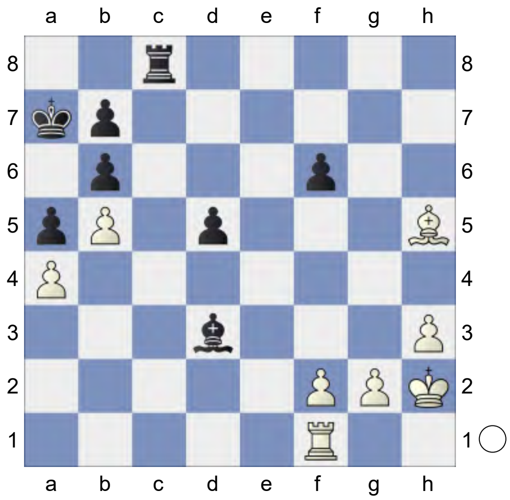
[20...Nxe4? 21.Rce1 f5 22.Nxb6 cxb6 23.f3+-]

21.e5 Ng4 22.Nxb6 cxb6 23.Bxd6 Qh4

(Diagram)



24.e6! The board is on fire. **24...fxe6 25.Qg3 Qxg3 26.Bxg3 exd5 27.Bg6 Rh8 28.h3** White has strong compensation. **28...Nf6 29.Be5 Rc5 30.Rcd1 Rc4 31.Rd4 Rxd4 32.Bxd4** A strong pair of Bishops. **32...Rc8 33.Bxf6! gxf6 34.Bxh5** Endgame KRB-KRB **34...Bf5 35.Kh2! Bd3**



36.Re1 Rc2 1.45/21

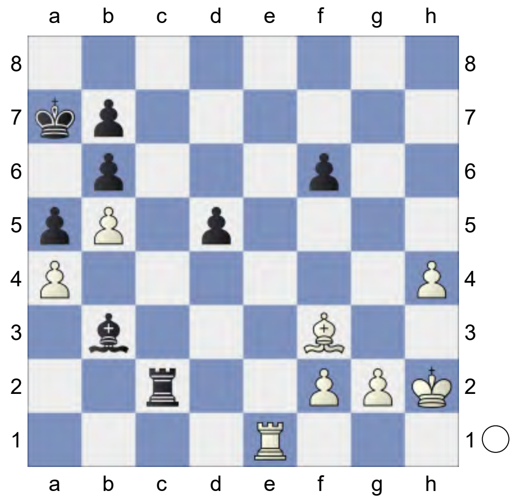
[Better is 36...Kb8 0.85/20]

37.Bf3 Bc4 2.15/20

[37...Ra2± 1.41/20]

38.h4+- Bb3

(Diagram)

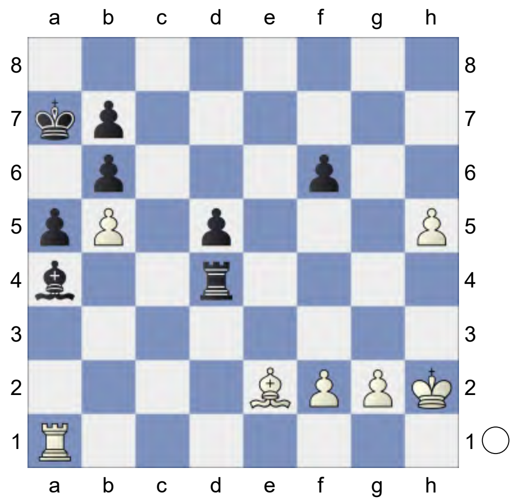


39.Ra1 Rc4 40.h5

[40.Bxd5 Rxh4+ (*40...Rxa4? 41.Rxa4 Bxa4 42.h5+-*) 41.Kg3 Rxa4 (*41...Bxd5? 42.Kxh4 Bxg2 43.Kh5+-*) 42.Rxa4 Bxa4∓]

40...Bxa4 41.Be2 A mistake that costs the game. **41...Rd4** 3.01/21

[41...Rb4± 1.02/18 might work better.]



42.Bd3! Deflection **42...Bb3 43.Bg6 Rc4 44.Kh3 Rc8**

[Reject 44...Rc3+?! 45.Kh4+-]

45.h6 Bc4 46.h7 Bxb5 47.Kg4 Rf8 4.19/18

[⌓47...Bd7+ 2.64/19 48.Bf5 Rh8]

48.Kh5 d4 49.Kh6 Be2 50.Kg7 Rd8 51.h8Q

[Resist 51.h8R Rd6 52.Bf5 d3+-]

51...Rxh8 52.Kxh8 d3 53.Kg7 f5 6.75/22

[⌓53...b5 4.03/20 54.Rxa5+ (*54.Kxf6 Kb6+-*) 54...Kb6]

54.Bxf5 b5 55.f4 Kb6 56.Be4 d2 57.Bc2 Kc5 58.f5 Bc4 59.f6 b4 60.Rd1 Kd4 61.Rxd2+ Kc3 62.Rf2 b5 63.g4 a4 64.g5 a3 65.Bb1 b3 66.g6 aiming for f7. **66...Bd3 67.f7 Bxb1 68.f8Q** Qc5+ would kill now.

[68.f8R b2 69.Ra8 b4 70.Rf3+ Bd3±]

68...a2 69.Qc5+ White mates. **69...Kd3 70.Rf3+ Ke2 71.Qe3+ Kd1 72.Rf1+ Kc2 73.Rf2+ Kd1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.36

74.Qd2#

1-0

181 C50
☐ **Carlsen,Magnus 2832**
■ **So,Wesley 2757**
CrunchLab Masters Div 1 L (2.3) 21.7.24
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 h6** White has an edge. 8...Be6 is more fashionable. 8...Le6 ist modischer. **9.Bb3N**

[9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3 c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 ½-½ Niemann,H

(2675)-Tari,A (2635) Titled Tuesday intern op 13th Feb Late blitz 2024 (5)]

9...Be6 10.Bc2 Ba7 0.66/19

[10...d5= 0.00/21]

11.Nbd2 0.17/20

[11.d4± 0.66/19]

11...d5= 12.exd5 Qxd5 13.Qe2 Rfe8 14.Nf1 -0.06/18

[⌓14.Ne4 0.30/19]

14...Rad8 15.Ng3 Prevents Bf5 **15...b5 16.Be3**

[16.Nxe5? Nxe5 (*16...Bxh3? 17.gxh3 Nxe5 18.Ne4-+*) 17.d4 (*17.Qxe5? Bd7-+*) 17...Ng6-+]

16...Bxe3 17.Qxe3N

[Vorgänger: 17.fxe3 Qd6 18.Qf2 Ne7 0.66/20 (*18...e4=* 0.26/21 feels stronger. *19.dxe4 Ne5*) 19.d4± exd4 20.cxd4 Nfd5 1.17/21 (*⌓20...Qb6* 0.73/19) 21.e4 0.68/18 (Better is *21.a3±* 1.17/21) 21...Nf4 22.Kh2 ½-½ Kadric,D (2579)-Donchenko,A (2676) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (3.1)]

17...Bc8 1.12/19

[17...Qd6= 0.00/21 remains equal.]

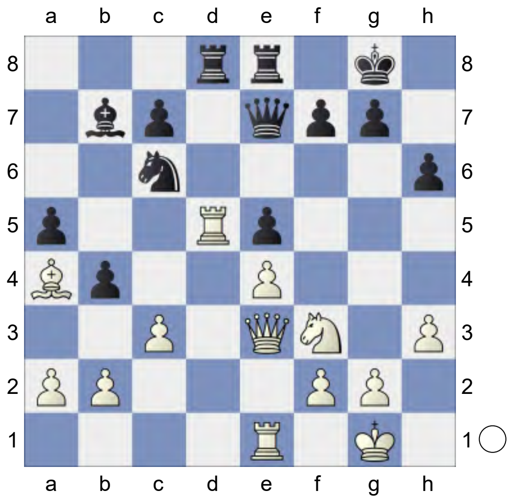
Black is on the road to losing. **18.Ne4± Nxe4 19.dxe4 Qd6 20.Rad1 Qe7** 1.49/20

[Black should try 20...Qg6 1.08/17 21.Qc5 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Re6 (*22...Bxh3 23.Nh4±*) 23.Qxb5 Kh7]

21.Rd5 b4 22.Ba4 Bb7 2.07/18

[22...Rd6 1.70/19 23.cxb4 axb4]

(Diagram)



23.Bxc6!+- Bxc6 24.Rxa5

[24.Rxe5 Qd6 25.Rxe8+ (*25.Rxa5 Rxe4 26.Qc5 Rxe1+ 27.Nxe1 Qf6∓*) 25...Rxe8±]

24...Qd6 25.Qc5 bxc3 26.Qxc3

[26.Nxe5 Rxe5 27.Qxe5 Qxe5 28.Rxe5 c2-+]

26...f6? 3.93/20

[26...Ba8 2.35/17 might work better. 27.Rc5 (*27.Rxe5 c5+-; 27.Nxe5 f6+-*) 27...f5 28.exf5 (*28.Nxe5 Bxe4 29.a4 Qd4+-*) 28...Bxf3]

27.Rc5 2.30/16

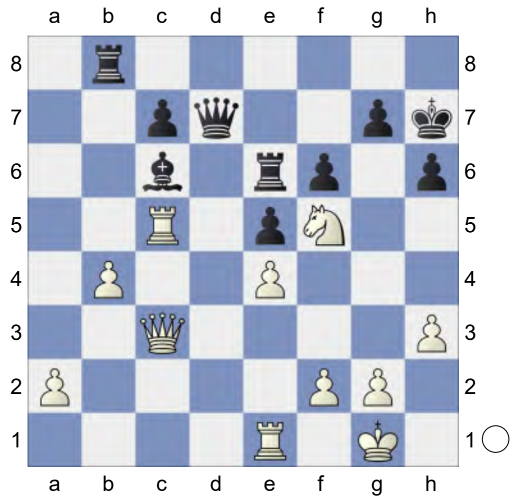
[⌓27.Ra6 3.93/20 Re6 28.Rc1]

27...Re6 28.b4 Rb8 4.14/20

[⌓28...Be8 2.61/18 29.Rxc7 Re7 30.Rxe7 Qxe7]

29.Nh4 Kh7 30.Nf5 Qd7

(Diagram)



31.a4! Rc8

[31...Bxa4 32.Rxc7]

32.b5 White is clearly winning. **32...Ba8 33.a5 Ree8 34.f3 c6 35.b6 Bb7 36.Qb3** Black must now prevent Rd1. **36...Red8 37.Rcc1 c5** 6.24/19

[⌓37...Qd3 4.45/19]

38.Red1 c4 39.Rxd7

[39.Rxc4? Qxd1+ 40.Qxd1 Rxd1+-+]

39...cxb3 40.Rxg7+

[40.Rxb7 Rxc1+ 41.Kh2 Rg8 42.Nxg7 b2 (*42...Rxg7? 43.Rxg7+ Kxg7 44.b7-+*) 43.Nf5+ Kh8 44.Nxh6 Rg6 (*44...b1B? 45.Nxg8 Ba2 46.Nxf6+-*) 45.Nf7+ Kg8-+]

40...Kh8 41.Rb1 Ba6 42.Rxb3 Rc2 43.Rc7 Ra2 44.b7

[44.Nxh6 Rdd2 45.Kh1 (*45.Nf7+ Kg8=*) 45...Rxg2=]

44...Rg8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.44 **45.Ne3**

[45.b8N? gets mated. Rgxg2+ 46.Kh1 Rh2+ 47.Kg1 Rag2#]

[Weaker is 45.b8Q Raxg2+ 46.Kh1 Rg1+ 47.Kh2 R1g2+ 48.Kh1 Rg1+ 49.Kh2 R1g2+ 50.Kh1=]

1-0

182 **C52**
☐ **RaspFish** **2997**
■ **YoBot_v2** **2982**
Rapid 12.04.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7**

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

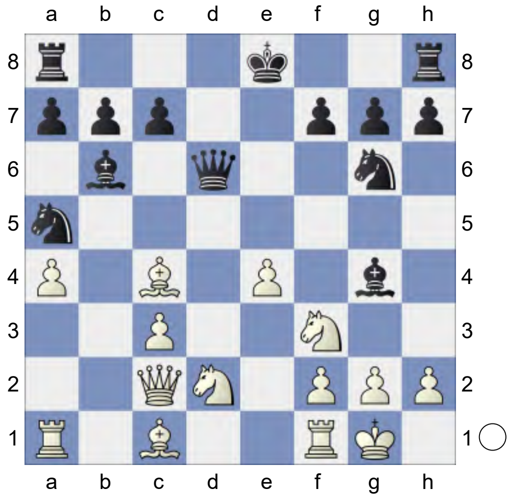
11.dxe5 Ng6

[11...0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 0-1 Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

12.exd6 Qxd6 13.a4N

[13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Nf4 15.Be4 Qxc3 16.Qb1 Bg4 17.Bb2 Qb4 18.Qc2 0-0-0 19.a3 Qe7 20.Bf5+ Bxf5 21.Qxf5+ Ne6 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Nc4 Nxc4 24.Rxc4 g6 25.Qh3 h5 26.Nd4 Bxd4 27.Bxd4 Kb8 0-1 Rangeet,M (1512)-Lalith,B (2544) New Delhi op 20th 2023 (2) 28.Bb2 Rhd8 29.Qb3 Rd3 30.Qc2 Qd7 31.h4 Qd5 32.Rc1 Rd2 33.Qb3 Nf4 0-1 Saleh,N (1512)-Sadvakasov,D (2544) Zalaegerszeg 2004 (2)]

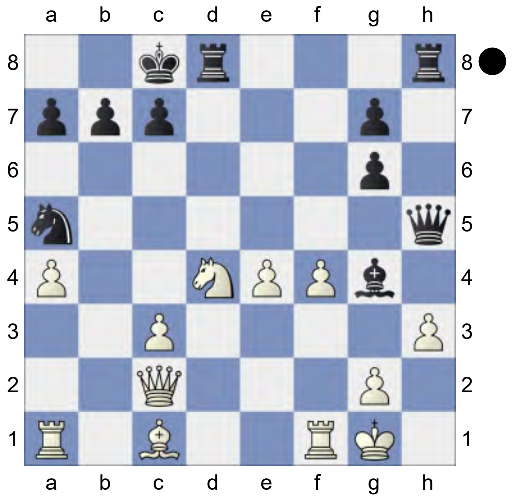
13...Bg4



...Bxf3 would now be deadly. **14.Nd4 0-0-0 15.Bxf7**

[15.h3 Bxd4 16.cxd4 Qxd4 17.Bd5]

15...Qf6 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.N2f3 Bxd4! 18.Nxd4 Hoping for Qd3. **18...Qe5! 19.f4!⇄** White puts up resistance **19...Qh5 20.h3**



Bxh3! Demolition **21.gxh3 Qxh3 22.Qg2 Qxc3 23.Bb2**

[23.Qg4+? Kb8 24.Ne6 Rd3-+ (*24...Qxa1? 25.f5-+*)]

23...Qe3+ 24.Qf2

[24.Rf2 Rxd4 25.Bxd4 Qxd4=]

24...Qxe4 25.Nf3! Qxf4 26.Be5! Really sharp! **26...Qb4 27.Bh2** White has compensation.

[27.Qxa7? Qg4+ 28.Kf2 Rd3-+]

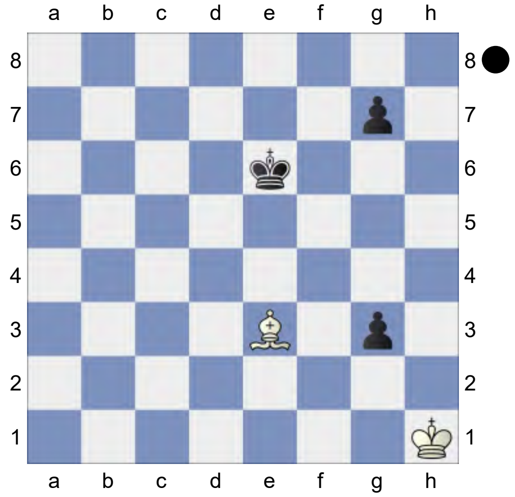
27...Nc6 28.Qg3 Rd7 29.Rfe1 Nd4 30.Rac1 Prevents Nc2 **30...Nxf3+ 31.Qxf3 Qd4+ 32.Qe3 Qxe3+**

[Not 32...Qxa4 33.Qe8+ Rd8 34.Rxc7+ (*34.Qxa4 Rxh2 35.Re7 Rh1+ 36.Kxh1 c6 37.Qa5 Rh8+ 38.Kg2 b6 39.Qe5 Rh2+ 40.Kxh2 Kd8 41.Qc7#*) 34...Kb8 35.Rd7+ (*35.Qxa4 Rxh2*)]

33.Rxe3 Rhd8 34.a5 Rd1+ 35.Re1 Rxc1 36.Rxc1= Endgame KRB-KR **36...Rd7 37.Rf1 g5 38.Rf8+ Rd8 39.Rf7 Rd1+ 40.Kg2 Rd2+ 41.Kh1 Rc2 42.Rf8+ Kd7 43.Rf7+ Ke6 44.Rxc7 Rxc7 45.Bxc7 b5 46.axb6 axb6 47.Bxb6** KB-KPP. The position is equal.

[47.Kg2!? b5□ 48.Kf3=]

47...g4 48.Bc5 g3 49.Be3



g2+! 50.Kxg2 KB-KP

[50.Kg1 feels hotter. g6 51.Bc5 Kd5 52.Be7]

50...g6 51.Bc1 g5 52.Kf1 g4 53.Bh6 g3 54.Bg7 g2+ 55.Kg1 Kd5 An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless) **56.Kxg2**
½-½

183 **C52**
□ **Intron014** **3004**
■ **Nikitosik-ai** **2984**
Rapid 11.04.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7**

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N -0.35/19

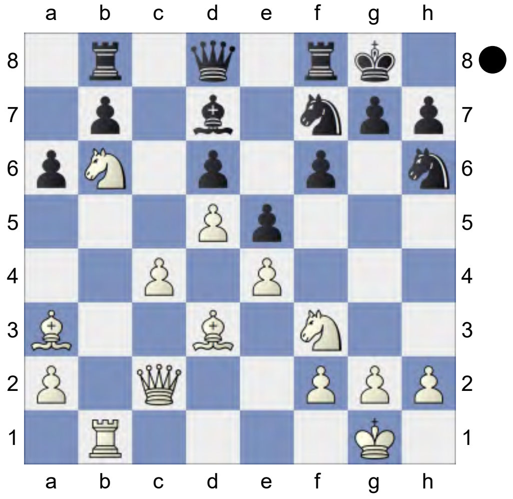
[12.Bd5= 0.01/17]

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

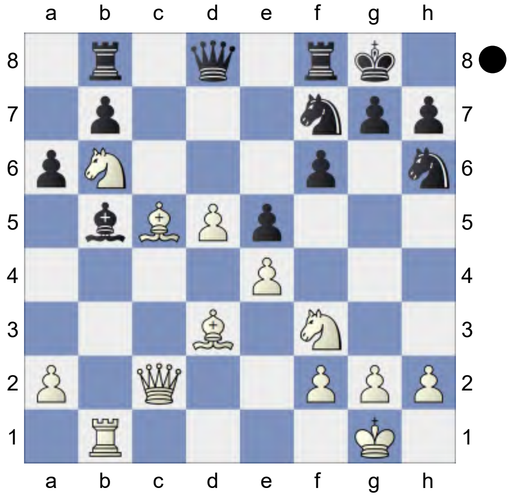
12...Bd7 0.33/19

[12...c6!⩱ -0.35/19 13.Bd3 Bg4]

13.Rfb1⩲ White has compensation. **13...a6 14.Bd3 Nh6! 15.Bb4 Nc6 16.Ba3 Rb8 17.d5 Nd8 18.Rxb6! cxb6 19.Nc4! Ndf7 20.Nxb6** The position is equal. **20...Qd8 21.Rb1 0-0! 22.c4**

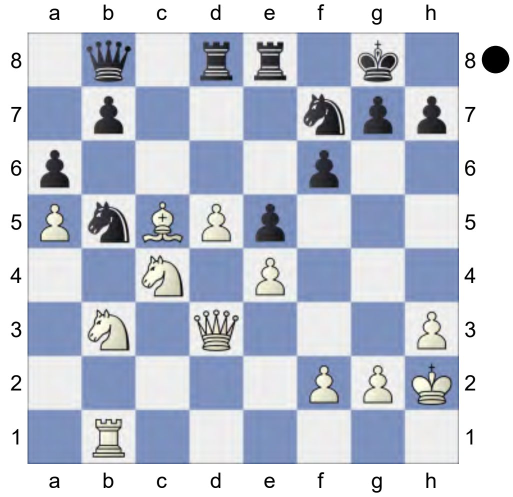


Wards off Bb5 **22...Bb5! 23.c5 dxc5 24.Bxc5**



Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Nd6! 26.Nd2⇄

White is fighting back **26...Nhf7 27.a4 Re8 28.h3! Qc7 29.Nb3 Rbd8 30.a5 Nb5 31.Nc4 Qb8 32.Kh2**



f5! 33.f3 h6 34.Bb6 Rc8 35.Nc5

[35.exf5? e4+-+]

35...Re7 Dodges d6. Hoping for ...Rec7!.

36.Rc1

[36.exf5? e4+-+]

36...Nfd6 37.Nxd6

[37.exf5? e4 38.Nxe4 Nxc4+-+ *(38...Rxc4? 39.Rxc4 Nxc4+ 40.Kg1-+)*]

37...Nxd6

[37...Qxd6?! 38.Nxb7 *(38.exf5? e4+* Discovered Attack (Check) *39.Kg1 exd3-+)* 38...Qd7 39.Rxc8+ *(39.Nc5 fxe4 40.Qxe4 Qe8⩲)* 39...Qxc8 40.Nc5 fxe4 41.fxe4⩲ *(41.Nxe4 Rf7±)*]

38.Rd1

[38.exf5? e4 39.fxe4 Nxe4+ 40.g3 Qe5-+]

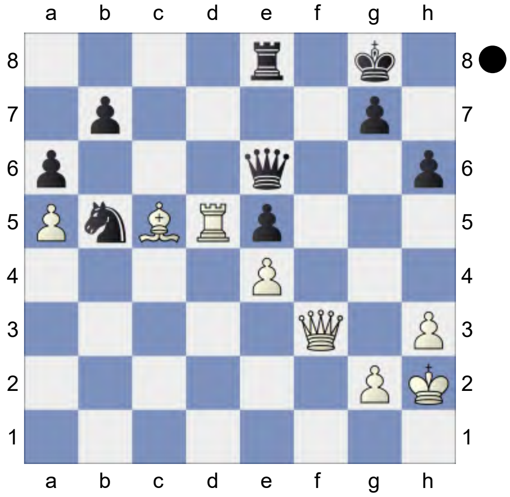
38...fxe4 39.fxe4 Rce8 40.Ne6 Rf7 41.Bc5 Nb5 42.Qg3 Hoping for Rf1!.

42...Qc8! 43.Be3

[43.Qxe5? loses. Qxc5-+]

43...Rxe6 44.dxe6 Qxe6 45.Rd5 Re7 46.Bc5 Re8 47.Qf3

(Diagram)



Nd4! 48.Bxd4 exd4= Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **49.e5 b5 50.axb6 Qxb6 51.Qf4 a5 52.Rxd4 Qb5 53.Re4 Re6 54.Re3 Qd5 55.Re1 Kh7 56.Qe3 a4 57.Qe4+ Qxe4 58.Rxe4** KR-KR **58...a3 59.Ra4**

[59.h4 looks sharper. Ra6 60.e6 a2 61.e7]

59...Rxe5 60.Rxa3 Rb5 61.Ra8 h5 62.Kg3 Rb3+ 63.Kh4 g6 64.Ra7+ Kh6 65.Ra6 Rb4+ 66.g4 Re4 67.Rb6 Rd4 68.Kg3 Rd5 69.gxh5 Rxh5 70.h4 Ra5 71.h5 Rxh5 72.Rb1 g5 73.Rb7 g4 74.Rd7 Rh1 75.Rd4 Ra1 76.Rd7 Rb1 77.Rd2 Ra1 78.Re2 Rb1 79.Re3 Ra1 80.Kh2 g3+ 81.Kh3 g2 82.Re6+ Kg5 83.Kxg2 Rb1 84.Kh3 Ra1 85.Re2 Rb1 86.Rc2 Ra1 87.Re2 Rb1 88.Kg2 Ra1 89.Kf3 Rb1 90.Rd2 Ra1 91.Kf2 Rb1 92.Rc2 Ra1 93.Rc4 Rb1 94.Ra4 Rc1 95.Ra5+ Kf4 96.Ra4+ Ke5 97.Ra2 Rb1 98.Ra8 Rc1 99.Ra5+ Kd4 100.Kg2 Rb1 101.Ra2 Rc1 102.Kh3 Rb1 103.Ra7 Rc1 104.Rg7 Ra1 105.Rg8 Rb1 106.Kg2 Ra1 107.Rg7 Rb1 108.Rd7+ Kc3 109.Kf2 Ra1 110.Ke3 Rb1 111.Rd2 Ra1 112.Rd4 Rb1 113.Re4 Ra1 114.Rd4 Rb1 115.Rd5 Ra1

An even fight not without its subleties.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

116.Rd4

½-½

184 **C50**

☐ **Duda,J** **2739**

■ **Bok,B** **2591**

Chess.com Classic Pl/In m blitz (1.3)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Re1 d6

[5...0-0 6.c3 Qe7 7.d4 exd4 8.e5 Ng4 9.cxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qh4 11.Be3 Qxh2+ 12.Kf1 Qh1+ 13.Ke2 Qxg2 14.Rg1 Nxe3 15.Kxe3 Bxd4+ 16.Kxd4 Qxf2+ 17.Kc3 Qe3+ 18.Bd3 Qxe5+ 0-1 Osmel Garcia-Tudela Gonzalez,V BEL-ch55 corr8891 1988]

6.c3 0-0 7.Bb3N

[7.d4 Bb6 8.dxe5 Ng4 9.Re2 Ngxe5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Qb3 Qh4 12.Be3 Bg4 13.Re1 Nf3+ 0-1 Dessauer,D-Aguirre,J Santiago (Chili) 1999]

7...a6 8.d4 Ba7 9.h3 The position is equal. **9...h6** 0.61/20 Repels Bg5

[9...Re8= 0.11/22]

10.Be3± Re8 11.Nbd2 exd4 12.Bxd4 0.21/23

[12.cxd4± 0.78/22 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Rxe4 14.Bc2]

12...Nxd4= 13.cxd4 b5 14.Qc2! Bb7 15.Rad1 0.01/21

[White should play 15.e5!± 0.78/24 dxe5 16.dxe5]

15...c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 0.50/22

[Black should try 16...Rc8= -0.07/24]

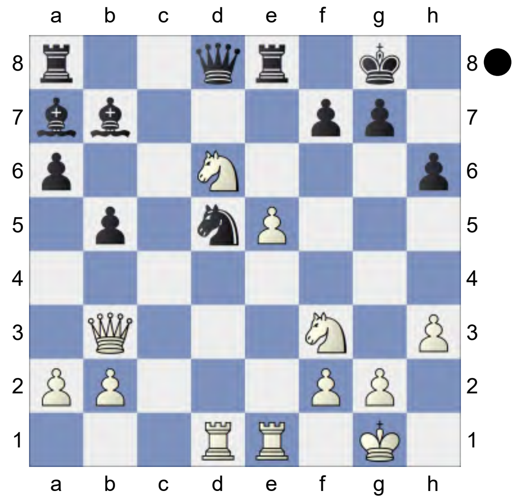
17.e5!± Nd5 18.Ne4 -0.78/21

[18.Qe4± 0.51/23 keeps the upper hand.]

18...c4∓ and ...Qe7! should not be overlooked **19.Nd6 cxb3** -0.10/21

[19...Qd7∓ -0.85/24 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Nxe8 Rxe8 22.Qxc4 Qc8 23.Qxc8 Rxc8]

20.Qxb3=



Qb6 1.60/27 **21.Rxd5±** Active counter play! This costs Black the game.

21...Qxf2+ 2.57/27

[21...Bxd5± 1.15/23 22.Qxd5 Qxf2+ 23.Kh1 Rf8]

22.Kh1+- Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Rf8 24.Nxf7 Deflection. Excellent horsemanship. **24...Kh7** 9.36/23

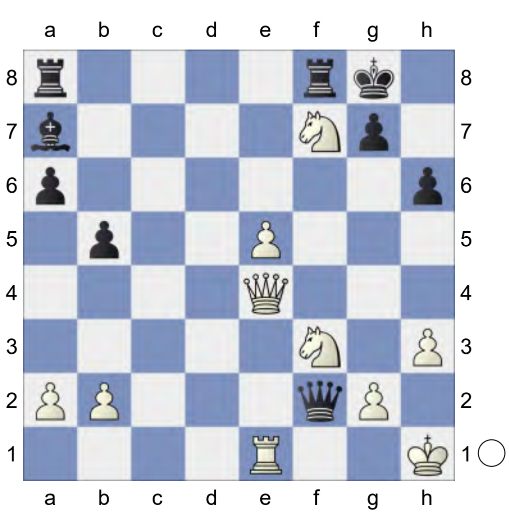
[24...Rxf7 2.34/22 25.Qxa8+ Rf8]

25.Qe4+

[25.e6 Bc5±]

25...Kg8

(Diagram)



26.Nxh6+! gxh6

[26...Kh8 27.Nf7+]

27.Qg6+ Kh8 28.Qxh6+

[28.Qxa6? Qxe1+ *(28...Qxb2? 29.Qxh6+ Kg8 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Ng5+-)* 29.Nxe1 Rf1+ 30.Kh2 Bg1+ *(30...Rxe1? 31.Qxh6+ Kg8 32.Qg6+ Kf8 33.Qf5+ Ke8 34.Qh5+ Kd7 35.Qf7+ Kc8 36.Qe6+ Kb7 37.Qd5+* Deflection *Kc7 38.Qxa8+-)* 31.Kg3 Rxa6-+]

28...Kg8 29.Re4

[29.Qxa6? Qxe1+ *(29...Qxb2 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Ng5)* 30.Nxe1 Rf1+ 31.Kh2 Bg1+ *(31...Rxe1? 32.Qg6+ Kf8 33.Qf5+ Ke8 34.Qh5+ Ke7 35.Qh4+ Ke6 36.Qxe1+-)* 32.Kg3 Rxa6-+]

29...Qg3 Wards off Qg6+ **30.Rg4+**

[30.Qxa6? Rxf3 31.Qe6+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Ke7 33.Qd6+ Kf7-+]

30...Qxg4 31.hxg4 Rf7 32.Qg6+

[32.Qxa6? Rh7+ 33.Nh2 Rxh2+ 34.Kxh2 Bg1+ 35.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

32...Rg7 33.Qe6+

[33.Qxa6? Rh7+ 34.Nh2 Rxh2+ 35.Kxh2 Bg1+ 36.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

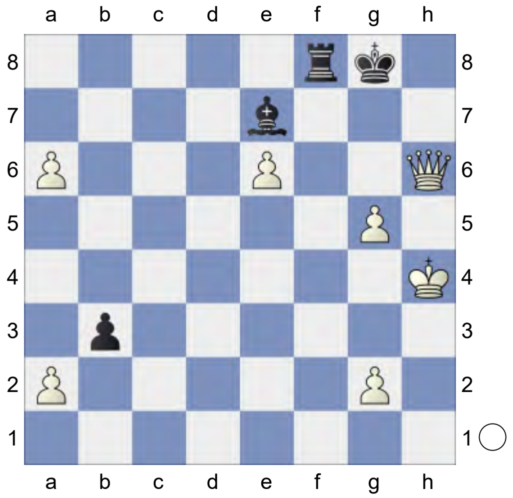
33...Kh8 34.Kh2

[34.Qxa6? is the wrong capture. Rh7+ 35.Nh2 Rxh2+ 36.Kxh2 Bg1+ 37.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

34...Rf8 35.Kg3 Be3 36.b4 Bf4+ 37.Kf2 Rc7 38.Qg6 Rc3 39.e6 Be3+ 40.Kg3 Bf4+ 41.Kh4 and e7 would now be decisive **41...Rc7 42.g5 Rg7 43.Qe4 Bd6 44.Ne5 Be7 45.Ng6+ Rxg6 46.Qxg6** KQ-KRB **46...a5 47.bxa5 b4 48.a6 b3 49.Qh6+** 35.23/5

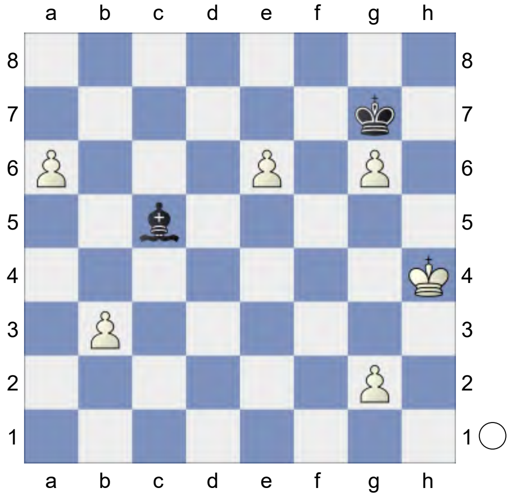
[⌓49.axb3 #11/24 Rc8 50.Qh5+ Kg8 51.Qf7+ Kh8 52.Qxe7 Rc6 53.g6 Rc4+ 54.bxc4 Kg8 55.Qh7+ Kf8 56.Qf7#]

49...Kg8



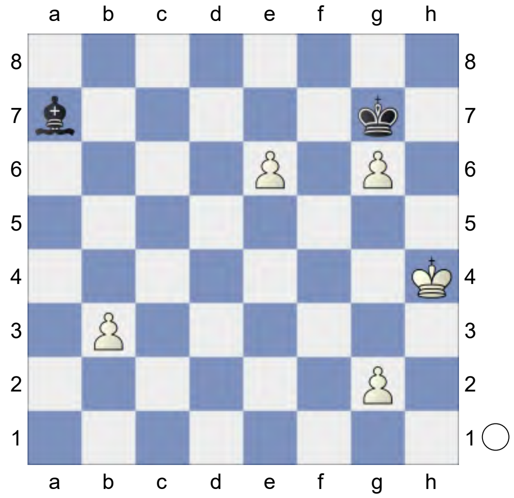
50.Qxf8+ 20.76/29 **Bxf8 51.axb3 Bc5 52.g6** White threatens a7! and mate.

52...Kg7



53.a7! Deflection **53...Bxa7**

[53...Kxg6 54.a8Q]



54.e7! Bf2+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/ Black=0.65

55.Kg4

1-0

185 **C52**

☐ **ToromBot** **2988**

■ **RaspFish** **2977**

Blitz 05.04.2024

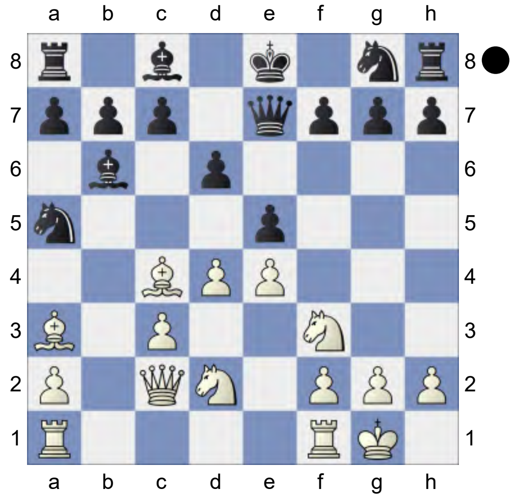
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7**

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3



f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 Prevents Bb4. **15.d5 Bd8 16.Bb2 Bd7 17.h3** White has compensation. **17...b6 18.Nh2 Bc7 19.Bc3 Nb7 20.a4 Nd8 21.Nb1 0-0 22.Bd2 Ndf7 23.Nc3 Kh8 24.f3 g6 25.Qc1 Ng8 26.Kh1 Bd8 27.Qc2 Qe8 28.Ng4 h5 29.Ne3 Ngh6 30.h4 Rg8 31.g3 Be7 32.Rf2 Rg7 33.Rg1 Qc8 34.Rh2 Qc7 35.g4 Rag8 36.Qd1 Qc8 37.Rgg2 a6 38.Bc2 Rh7 39.Kg1 hxg4 40.fxg4 Kg7 41.Kf1 Kf8 42.Qe2 Rgh8 43.Ke1 Ng8 44.Qf2**

Ke8 45.Bd1 Kd8 46.h5 gxh5 47.gxh5 Ngh6 Prevents Nf5. **48.Bc1 Ng5 49.Qb2 Ke8! 50.a5 bxa5 51.Na4 Bd8**

[51...Bxa4 is interesting. 52.Bxa4+ Kf7 53.Bd1 Qb8]

52.Nb6 Bxb6 53.Qxb6 Ke7!

[53...Nxe4?! 54.Bc2 f5 *(54...Bf5? 55.Nxf5* Remove Defender *Nxf5 56.Bxe4+-)* 55.Bxe4± *(55.Qxa5 Nf6∓)*]

54.Qb1 Nh3 0.70/23

[54...a4= -0.01/20]

55.Rb2 0.26/19 White is more active.

[55.Rxh3!± 0.70/23 Bxh3 56.Rb2]

55...Nf4!= 56.Kd2 Qg8! 57.Rh1 Inhibits Qg1. Rb7 poses a challenge **57...Qg3 58.Kc3 Rd8** 0.67/22

[58...f5= 0.01/20]

59.Rb7!± Kf8 60.Qb6 Nf7 61.Qxa5

[61.Qxa6 Bc8 62.Rxf7+ Kxf7∓]

61...Ke8

[61...Kg8!?]

62.h6 Qf2 63.Rf1!↑ White has some pressure.

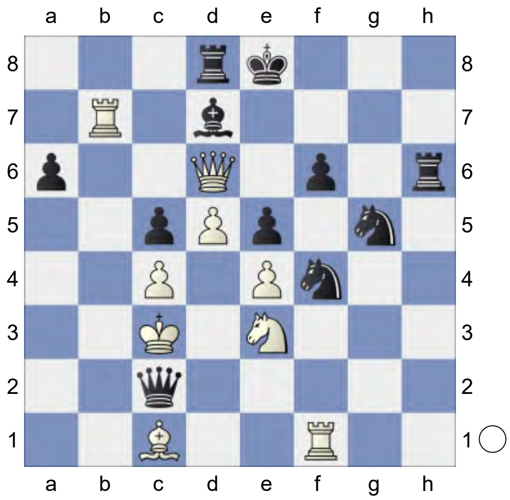
[Reject 63.Qxa6 Ng5 64.Kb3 *(64.Qxd6? Nxe4+ 65.Kb3 Nxd6-+)* 64...Nxe4∓]

63...Qh2! 64.Qc7 Some like it hot **64...Ng5!** A dynamic duo of knights. **65.Bc2!**

[65.Qxd6? Nxe4+ 66.Kb3 Nxd6-+]

65...Rxh6 66.Qxd6 Qxc2+!

(Diagram)



Remove Defender **67.Kxc2 Ba4+**

[67...Nxe4? is the wrong capture. 68.Qc7+- *(68.Qxa6 Rh2+ 69.Kb3 Nd6+-)*]

68.Kb1 Rxd6 69.Nf5! Bc2+! 70.Kxc2 Rh2+ 71.Kb3 Rd7 72.Rb8+ Kf7! 73.Bxf4 exf4 The position is equal. **74.Rxf4 Re2! 75.Rf1 Nxe4** Hoping for ...Nd2+. **76.Rg1 Ng5**

[76...Nd2+ 77.Ka4 Re8 78.Nh6+ Ke7 79.Re1+ Kf8 80.Rbxe8+ Kg7 81.Rg1+ Kh7 82.Ng8 *(82.Ng4 Rf7+-)*]

77.Rf1 Kg6 78.Nh4+ Kf7 79.Nf5 Kg6 80.Ka3 Rc2 81.Rf4 Nh3 82.Rg8+ Kh7 83.Rfg4 aiming for R8g6. **83...Ng5 84.Rf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless) **84...Kg6**

½-½

186 **C54**

☐ **saysomething12** **3073**

■ **OCChess** **2806**

Blitz 02.04.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5**

2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6

[4...d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.0-0 *(8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 22.Nxh6 Ne3* 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 U.S.A. 1993 200 Traps In The Opening [IainMackintosh] 1-0 (65)*)* 8...0-0 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nxe4 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Rxe4 Kf8 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Rxe8+ Qxe8 16.Qd3 h6 17.Re1 Qf7 18.Qh7 Bf5 19.Qh8+ 15.de6 ♗e6 16.♘d5_21371 (1454)-4. dxe5 dxe5 5. Qxd8+ (1039) W-ch M corr 2023 The Week in Chess 404 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)]

5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte 2022 0-1]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 -Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

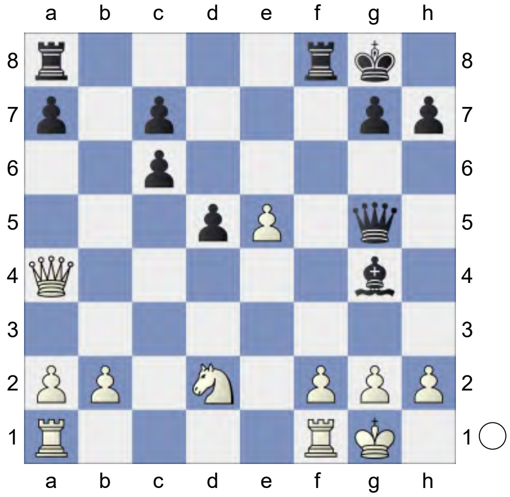
6...d5 7.Be2 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 f6 12.Bb5 Bg4 0.38/19

[12...Nxd4= 0.00/18 13.Nxd4 fxe5]

13.Bxc6⩲ bxc6 14.Qa4 Bxd2 0.63/18

[14...Rb8= 0.27/17]

15.Nxd2 fxe5 16.dxe5 Qg5



...Bh3 is the strong threat. **17.f4 Qg6 18.Rac1 Rab8 19.Nb3**

[Inferior is 19.Rxc6 Bd7 20.Rxg6 Bxa4∓]

19...Rb6 20.Rf2 h5 21.Qxa7 Rf7 2.00/19

[21...Rb4± 1.32/19]

22.Qa5+- Qe4 2.58/20

[⌓22...h4 1.74/17 23.Qd2 h3]

23.Qd2 h4 24.h3 Bc8 25.Nc5 Qg6 26.Rf3 Bf5 27.a4 Rf8 28.a5 Rb5 29.b4 Hoping for Ra3. **29...Rfb8** 4.05/19

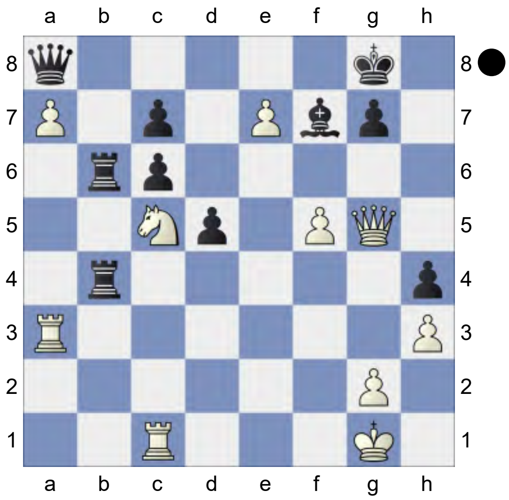
[29...Be4 2.63/18 was called for.]

30.a6 Qe8 31.a7 R8b6 8.31/19

[⌓31...Ra8 4.47/20 32.Ra3 Qg6]

32.Ra3 Qa8 33.e6 Rxb4 34.e7 Bg6 35.f5 Bf7 36.Qg5

(Diagram)



Threatening mate with f6. **36...Rb1 37.Rxb1** White mates. **37...Rxb1+ 38.Kh2 Rf1 39.Nd7 Kh8 40.Qxh4+ Kg8 41.Qg5 Kh8 42.f6 gxf6 43.Qh6+** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.49

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187 **C53**

☐ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek** **2750**

■ **Makhnev,Denis** **2525**

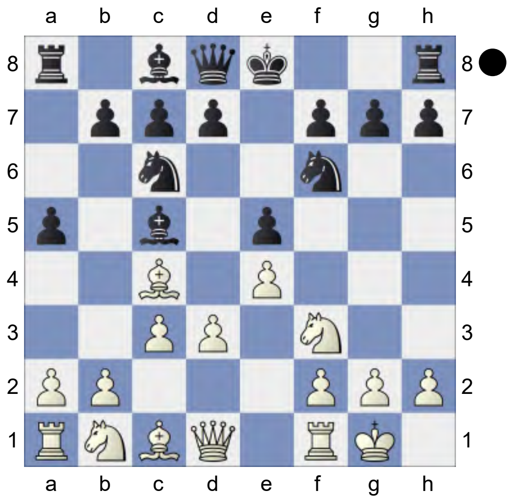
FIDE World Cup 2025 (2.2) 05.11.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a5 6.0-0

(Diagram)



d6 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **8...0-0 9.h3N**

[9.a4 Be6 10.Bb3 Re8 11.Bc2 Nd7 12.Nf1 d5 13.Ng3 d4 14.Qe2 f6 15.Nd2 Rf8 16.Qf3 Qe7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 Nd8 19.Bb3+ Kh8 20.Nf3 Nf7 21.Nh4 Qe8 22.Ng6+ Kg8 23.Qg4 Nb6 1-0 (44) Chmielowski,A-Klementys,J POL corr Poland 1993]

9...a4 10.Nf1 Bd7 11.Bb5 Ne7 12.Bxd7 Nxd7 13.d4 Bb6 14.Qe2 f5 15.dxe5! fxe4 16.exd6

[16.Qxe4?! Nxe5 17.N1h2 c6∓]

16...exf3 1.28/24

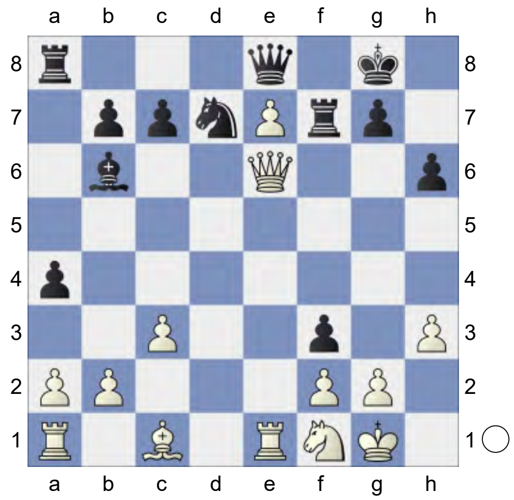
[16...cxd6 0.92/21 17.Qxe4 Ne5]

17.Qe6+±

[17.Qxe7 fxg2 18.Ne3 cxd6 19.Qxd6 Qe8-+]

17...Rf7 18.dxe7 Qe8

(Diagram)



And now ...fxg2 would win. **19.Ng3** White is much more active.

[19.gxf3 Bc5±]

19...fxg2 20.Re2 aiming for Bxh6!.

[20.Kxg2 Bxf2 21.Re2 Nc5∓]

20...Nf6? 3.37/21

[Black should try 20...Kh8!± 0.66/19]

21.Bf4? 1.00/22

[Weaker is 21.Kxg2 Bc5±]

[21.Bxh6+- 3.37/21 and the rest is easy. Bc5 *(21...gxh6? perishes. 22.Rd1+-)* 22.Nf5]

21...Qc6 22.Rd1 0.30/23 Chess con chili.

[22.Qxc6± 1.09/25 bxc6 23.Nh5 *(23.Kxg2 Re8=)*]

22...Re8!= 23.Qxc6! The position is equal. **23...bxc6 24.c4** Dodges Nd5. Nf5 is in the air

[24.Rd8!? Rfxe7 25.Rxe8+ *(25.Rxe7 Rxd8 26.c4 Kf8∓)* 25...Rxe8 26.Rxe8+ *(26.Kxg2 Kf7=)* 26...Nxe8 27.Kxg2∓]

24...Rfxe7

[24...Rexe7 simplifies 25.Rxe7 Rxe7 26.Kxg2 Kf7]

25.Rxe7 Rxe7 26.Kxg2 Kf7 27.Rd3 Rd7 28.Rf3 Ke6 29.Be3 Bd4 30.b3 axb3 31.axb3 Be5 32.Bc5 Bxg3 33.Rxg3 g5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.16 (very precise)

34.Re3+

½-½

188 C50

☐ Firouzja,Alireza 2744

■ Caruana,Fabiano 2796

SuperUnited CRO Blitz 2024 (15.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.a4

[6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 0-1 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) 2000 (1) 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 Re7 0-1 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6...a6N

[6...Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1]

7.b4 h6 8.h3!? The position is equal. Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

8...Nge7N

[Vorgänger: 8...Nf6 9.g4 -0.61/18 *(9.Nbd2= 0.20/20)* 9...0-0 0.74/22 *(9...d5∓ -0.61/18* stays ahead.

10.exd5 Nxd5) 10.g5± hxg5 11.Bxg5 Na7? 3.77/20 *(11...a5± 0.95/19* was called for.*)* 12.a5+- Bxf2+ 13.Kxf2 b6 14.Qg1 bxa5 1-0 Engels, J-Sluga,A Nova Gorica op 05th 2000 (2)]

9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.Nf1

[10.0-0 is more complex. Nf4 11.a5 Ba7 12.Nb3]

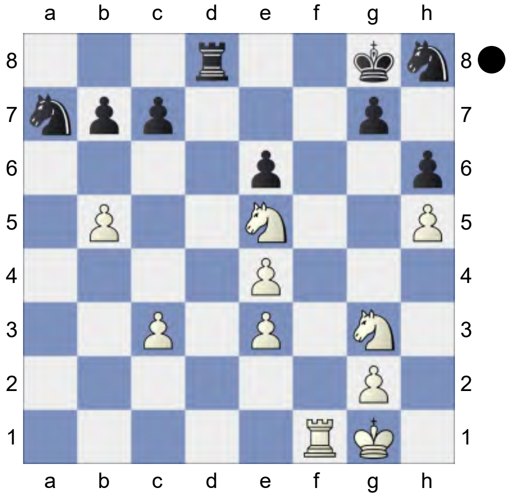
10...0-0 11.Ng3 Be6 12.Qb3 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 Nce7 14.0-0 Qd7 15.Be3 d5 16.Qb3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 Rad8 18.Rad1 dxe4 19.dxe4 Qe6 0.84/21

[19...Qc6= 0.24/22]

20.Qxe6± fxe6 21.h4 Nc6 22.h5 Nh8 23.b5 axb5 24.axb5 Na7 25.Nxe5 -0.06/23

[25.Rxd8± 0.76/22 Rxd8 26.Rb1 *(26.Nxe5 Nxb5 27.Rb1 Nd6=)*]

25...Rxf1+= 26.Rxf1



Black must now prevent c3-c4.

26...Nxb5 27.c4 Nd6 28.c5 Ndf7 29.Nf3 Ng5 0.54/24

[Black should try 29...Ra8= 0.01/23]

30.Rb1⩲ Rb8 31.Ne5 Threatens to win with Ne5-c6. **31...b6** 0.97/24

[31...Nhf7⩲ 0.55/24 feels stronger. 32.Nc6 Ra8 33.Rxb7 Kh7]

32.Nc6± Rb7 33.Rb4 0.26/25

[33.e5?! Nhf7⩲]

[33.Ne2± 1.10/24]

33...Nhf7= 34.Ne2 e5 35.Nc1 Strongly threatening Nc1-b3. **35...Ne6 36.Nd3 Kf8?** 5.76/24

[36...Nfd8⩲ 0.33/24 37.Nxd8 *(37.Ncxe5 bxc5 38.Ra4 Kf8⩲)* 37...Nxd8]

37.Rb5? 0.32/25

[37.Ndxe5 Nxe5 *(37...Nxc5? 38.Nxf7* Remove Defender *Kxf7 39.Nd8+ Kg8 40.Nxb7+-)* 38.Nxe5 Nxc5⩱]

[White should play 37.Ra4+- 5.76/24 g6 38.hxg6 bxc5 39.gxf7 Kxf7 40.Ncxe5+ *(40.Ndxe5+ Kg7+-)* 40...Ke8 41.Kh2]

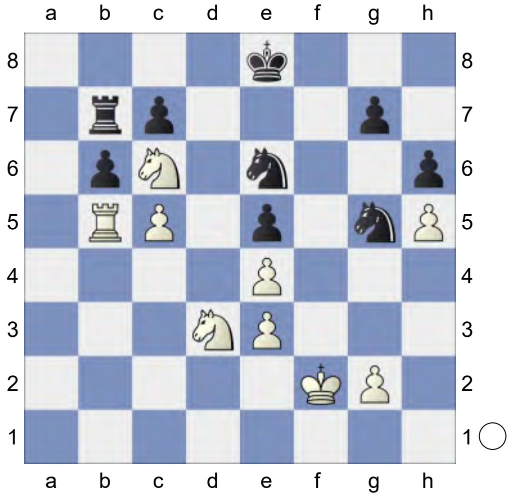
37...Ke8 0.84/25

[37...Neg5!⩲ 0.32/25]

38.Kf2± White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.

[38.Ndxe5? Nxe5 *(38...Nxc5? 39.Nxf7* Remove Defender *Kxf7 40.Rxc5+-)* 39.Nxe5 Nxc5⩱]

38...Nfg5



39.Rb4

[39.Ncxe5 Nxe4+ 40.Kf3 N4xc5= *(40...N6xc5 41.Rb2∓)*]

39...Nf7 40.Kf3

[40.Ncxe5 Nxe5 *(40...Nxc5 41.Nxc5* Pin *Nxe5 42.Rb1=)* 41.Nxe5 Nxc5⩱]

40...Ned8 1.19/26 **41.Nxd8**

[41.Ndxe5?! bxc5 42.Rxb7 *(42.Nxf7? cxb4 43.Nfxd8 b3-+)* 42...Nxe5+ 43.Nxe5 Nxb7=]

41...Nxd8 42.cxb6

[42.Nxe5?! bxc5+- 43.Rc4 Ne6⩲]

42...cxb6 43.Nxe5 Endgame. KRN-KRN **43...b5** Dodges Ne5-c4 **44.Kg4 Nf7** 1.65/25

[44...Ke7± 0.74/23 is a better defense.]

45.Nf3+- e4-e5 would now be deadly. **45...Ke7?** 3.24/24

[45...Nd6± 1.34/23 was necessary. 46.Nh4 Rb6]

46.Nd4? 0.41/26

[46.e5+- 3.24/24]

46...Nd6 4.86/26

[46...Kf6⩲ 0.41/26]

47.e5 White is clearly winning.

[47.Kf4 Kf8 48.g4 Nc4+-]

47...Nc4 48.Kf4

[And not 48.Rxb5 Nxe3+ 49.Kf3 Rxb5 50.Nxb5 Nxg2=]

[48.Nxb5 Na3= *(48...Nxe3+ 49.Kg3⩱)*]

48...Na3 49.Rb3 b4 50.Nc6+ Ke6 13.17/26

[⌓50...Kd7 4.54/24]

51.Rxb4 4.37/24

[⌓51.Nd8+ 13.17/26 Kd5 52.Nxb7]

51...Rxb4+ 52.Nxb4 KN-KN **52...Nc4 53.Nd3 Kd5 54.e4+ Kd4** 11.76/27

[⌓54...Ke6 4.51/26 55.g3 *(55.Nc5+ Kf7+-)* 55...Nd2]

55.Ne1 Kc5 56.Nf3 Kc6 57.Nd4+ Kd7 58.Nf5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.49

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189 **C50**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2736**

■ **Lysyj,I** **2582**

Titled Tue 17th Jun Late blitz (3) 17.6.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

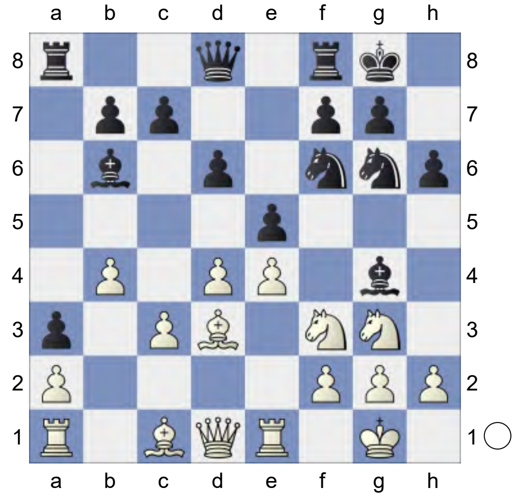
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.Re1

[7.b4!? Bb6□ 8.a4=]

7...a5 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1N

[9.a4 Be6 10.Bb3 Re8 11.Bc2 Nd7 12.Nf1 d5 13.Ng3 d4 14.Qe2 f6 15.Nd2 Rf8 16.Qf3 Qe7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 Nd8 19.Bb3+ Kh8 20.Nf3 Nf7 21.Nh4 Qe8 22.Ng6+ Kg8 23.Qg4 Nb6 1-0 (44) Chmielowski,A-Klementys,J POL corr Poland 1993]

9...a4 The position is equal. **10.Bb5 a3 11.b4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Ne7 13.d4 Ng6 14.Bd3 Bg4**



Hoping for ...exd4. **15.d5 c6** 0.44/23

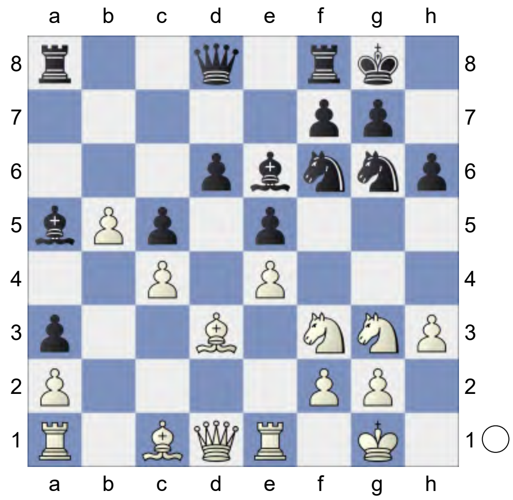
[15...Nh4= 0.08/22 is superior.]

16.dxc6!⩲ bxc6 17.h3 Be6 18.c4 c5 1.26/21

[18...Qd7= 0.30/19 remains equal.]

19.b5± Ba5

(Diagram)



20.Bd2 Nf4 21.Bf1 Qc7 1.74/21
[21...Bxd2± 0.97/21 22.Qxd2 *(22.Nxd2 Bc8±)* 22...Qe7]

22.Re3+- Bb4 1.71/19
[22...Bxd2± 1.35/21 23.Nxd2 *(23.Qxd2 Rfb8±)* 23...Qe7]

23.Rb1 Bxd2 24.Qxd2 1.35/21
[24.Nxd2+- 1.87/23 Nd7 25.Nf5]

24...Nd7 1.76/22
[24...Rfb8± 1.35/21 was necessary. 25.Rbb3 Qe7 26.Rxa3 g6]

25.Qc1 1.25/23
[Better is 25.Nf5+- 1.76/22]

25...Nb6 26.Nd2
[26.Rxa3 Rxa3 27.Qxa3 Bxc4 28.Bxc4 Nxc4∓]

26...Qa7 2.30/21
[26...Bc8± 1.25/21 27.Rbb3 *(27.Rxa3 Rxa3 28.Qxa3 Bb7±)* 27...Bd7 28.Rxa3 g6]

27.Rbb3 Qe7 2.46/21
[⌓27...Qb7 1.63/20 28.Rxa3 h5]

28.Rxa3 h5 3.56/21
[⌓28...g6 2.16/21 29.Ne2 h5 30.Nxf4 exf4 31.Rxa8 fxe3 32.Rxf8+ Qxf8]

29.Rxa8 Rxa8 30.Ra3 Ra7 4.44/22
[30...Rxa3 2.59/19 31.Qxa3 g6]

31.Rxa7 Qxa7 32.Qb2? 1.09/21
[32.Nf5+- 3.55/20]

32...Qa4? 3.41/24
[32...g6± 1.09/21 33.Qc2 Qa8]

33.Qb3 1.59/25
[33.Nf5+- 3.41/24 is the precise move to win.]

33...Qa5± 34.Qc2 1.01/22
[34.Nf3+- 1.92/22]

34...Bd7 4.67/21
[34...g6± 1.01/22]

35.Nf5+- Nc8 36.Nb3 White is clearly winning. **36...Qa3 37.Qd2 Bxf5 38.exf5 d5** 9.41/21
[⌓38...h4 4.38/18 39.Qc2 *(39.Qa5 Qxa5 40.Nxa5 Nb6+-)* 39...Qa4]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.82

39.g3

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190 **C55**

☐ **PatriciaBot** **2871**

■ **Euwe-chess-engine** **2575**

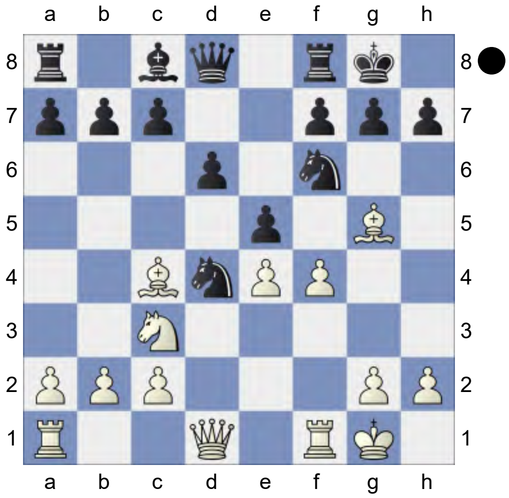
Rapid 22.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min+2sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 0-0** 0.10/22
[7...h6∓ -0.57/18 8.Be3 Nc6]
[7...d6 8.f4 Be6 9.Nd2 h6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c3 Qd6 13.Kh1 Nc6 14.Rxf6 0-0-0 15.Bxe6+ fxe6 16.Rf2 Ne7 17.Qh5 Qb6 18.Raf1 Qxb2 19.Qxe5 Qxa2 20.Nf3 Qc4 21.Nd4 Nc6 22.Qxe6+ 0-1 8.♗d3 ♗b7 9.e4 b4_77255 (2476)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2548) Paris 1965 (4)]

8.f4= d6 9.Nc3
[9.f5 h6 10.Bh4 Bd7 11.c3 Nc6 12.Qd2 Nxe4 13.Qe1 Nf6 14.Nd2

Kh7 15.Ne4 Na5 16.Nxf6+ gxf6 17.Be2 Bc6 18.b4 Rg8 19.Rf2 e4 20.Bg3 e3 21.Rf1 Bxg2 22.Kxg2 Nc6 23.Kh1 Qe7 1-0 Li,Y (1546)-Radenkovic,L (1675) Wch U12 Girls 2024 (2)]

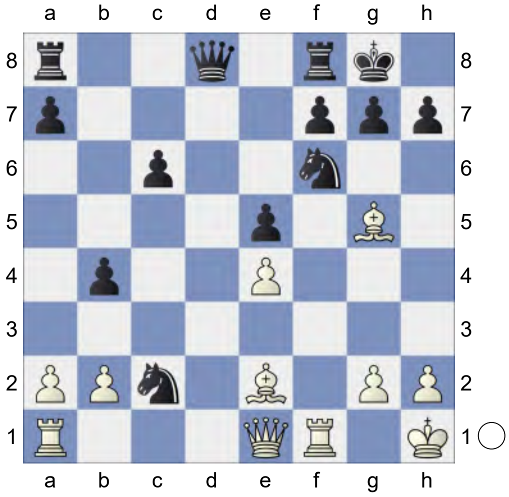


9...c6! 10.Kh1N The position is equal.

[10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Kh1 b5 12.Bd3 Qd6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Qe1 Kh8 15.Nd1 #6 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3... Bc5 7. Bg5]

10...b5 11.Bd3 b4 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Ne2 Bg4 14.Qe1 Bxe2 15.Bxe2 Nxc2? 2.25/21

[15...Qe7!± 0.32/19]



16.Qh4!+- Nxa1 17.Bxf6! Qd2 1.89/22

[17...gxf6-+ -2.18/20 and all is fine. 18.Rf3 Qd2]

White leaves nothing to chance now. **18.Qg4**

[18.Bxe5? is the wrong capture. Qxe2 19.Re1 Qd2 20.Rxa1 f6-+]

18...Qh6 2.19/22

[18...g6± 0.96/20]

19.Bg5! This pair of bishops is nice. **19...Qg6 20.Rxa1 f6 21.Be3 Qxg4 22.Bxg4 Rfd8 23.Kg1** White has strong compensation. **23...a5 24.Kf2 Kf7 25.Rc1 Rd6 26.h4 g6 27.h5 Rb8 28.h6 b3 29.a3 Ra8 30.Ke1 Rb8 31.Rc3 Rb7 32.Be2 g5 33.Bh5+ Kg8** 6.01/19

[⌓33...Ke6 4.06/18 34.Bg4+ (*34.Bc5 Rd8+-*) 34...Kf7]

34.Bc5 Rd8 35.Rf3 Rf7 36.a4 Rb8 37.Rd3 Re8 38.Rd6 Ra8 39.Ke2 Rff8 40.Rd7

[Not 40.Rxc6 Rac8 41.Rxc8 Rxc8±]

40...Rab8 41.Kf3 g4+ 42.Kxg4 And now Kf5! would win. **42...Rbc8 43.Kf5 Ra8 44.Bxf8 Rxf8** Endgame KRB-KR **45.Ke6** White mates. **45...Rb8 46.Ke7 Kh8 47.Be8 Kg8 48.Rd3 Kh8 49.Kf7 Rb7+ 50.Kf8 Rb8 51.Rg3 Rxe8+ 52.Kxe8 f5 53.Kf7 fxe4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) / Black=0.80 **54.Rg8#**

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191 **C50**
☐ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2763**
■ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2805**
Bucharest Superbet Classic 4th (7)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat John Watson Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6**

[RR 4...Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.Re1 a6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.b3 Re8 12.Bb2 d5 13.Bb5 dxe4 14.dxe4 Nh5 15.Nc4 Qf6 16.Bxc6 bxc6 17.Ncxe5 Bxh3 18.Nd3 Qg6 19.Nh4]

5.a4N

[5.Be3 Bb6 *(5...Bxe3 6.fxe3 Nh6 7.0-0 Na5 8.Nbd2 Nxc4 9.Nxc4 0-0 10.d4 b5 11.Ncd2 Re8 12.d5 g5 13.Qe1 Kh8 14.Qg3 Rg8 15.Rae1 Ng4 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nh2 f5 18.exf5 Nxf5 19.Qf2 Bd7 20.e4* Loyd, S-Arnous de Riviere,J Paris Congres International 1867 0-1 0-1 Loyd,S-Arnous de Riviere,J Paris Congres International 1867 0-1 Loyd, S-Arnous de Riviere,J Paris Congres International 1867 Loyd, S-Arnous de Riviere,J Paris Congres International 1867 0-1 0-1 Loyd,S-Arnous de Riviere,J Paris Congres International 1867*)* 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Qd2 Bg4 8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.Bxd5 0-0 10.c3 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Qf6 12.f4 Bxe3 13.fxe3 Ne7 14.Bb3 a5 15.0-0 a4 16.Bc2 a3 17.b4 c5 18.fxe5 Qxe5 19.bxc5 Qxc5 Machate,G-Bogoljubow, E Bad Elster Olympia Trainingsturnier 1936 (1) 0-1 0-1 Machate,G-Bogoljubow,E Bad Elster Olympia Trainingsturnier 1936 (1) 0-1 Machate, G-Bogoljubow,E Bad Elster Olympia Trainingsturnier 1936 (1) Machate,G-Bogoljubow,E Bad Elster Olympia Trainingsturnier 1936 (1) 0-1 0-1 Machate,G-Bogoljubow,E Bad Elster Olympia Trainingsturnier 1936 (1)]

[5.h3 h6 6.c3 Qf6 7.Nbd2 a6 8.Bb3 Be6 9.0-0 Nge7 10.Re1 0-0 11.Nf1 Bb6 12.Be3 d5 13.Bxb6 cxb6 14.Ng3 Rfd8 15.Qc2 Rac8 16.Qb1 Bxh3 17.Nxe5 Nxe5 18.d4 N5g6 19.gxh3 Qh4 76: Black]

[RR 5.c3 Bb6 6.0-0 *(RR 6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4)* 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 *(RR 13.a4 Rf7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Qd7 16.Nh4 Rd8 17.Ng6 b6 18.Nd2 Qe8 19.Rg3)* 13...Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Internet 2023 CHECK99 [John Watson] 0-1 (72)]

[RR 5.c3 Bb6 6.a4 a6 *(RR 6...Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3)* 7.b4 h6 8.h3

A) RR 8...Nf6 9.g4 *(RR 9.Nbd2)* 9...0-0 *(RR 9...d5 10.exd5 Nxd5)* 10.g5 hxg5 11.Bxg5 Na7 *(RR 11...a5)* 12.a5 Bxf2+ 13.Kxf2 b6 14.Qg1 bxa5;

B) 8...Nge7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.Nf1 *(RR 10.0-0 Nf4 11.a5 Ba7 12.Nb3)* 10...0-0 11.Ng3 Be6 12.Qb3 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 Nce7 14.0-0 Qd7 15.Be3 d5 16.Qb3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 Rad8 18.Rad1 dxe4 19.dxe4 Qe6 Firouzja,A (2744)-

Caruana,F (2796) Zagreb 2024 Mega2024 Update 37 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (58) *(RR 19...Qc6)*]

5...a5N

[RR 5...Nf6 6.a5 a6 7.c3 h6 8.0-0 0-0 9.b4 *(RR 9.h3 Ba7 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2)* 9...Ba7 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.fxe3 Be6 *(RR 11...b5 12.axb6 cxb6)* 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Nbd2 *(RR 13.h3)* 13...d5 14.Qb3

A) RR 14...dxe4 15.dxe4 *(RR 15.Qxe6+ Kh7; RR 15.Nxe4 Qxd3 16.Nc5 Qd5)* 15...Qd3;

B) 14...Kh8 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Qb1 dxe4

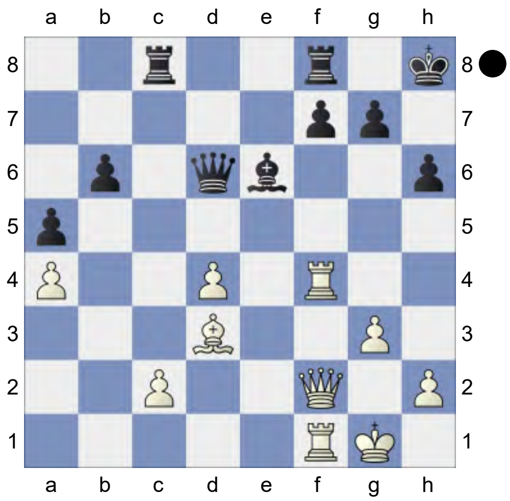
B1) RR 17.Nh4 Qe8 18.Nxe4 *(RR 18.dxe4 Ne7)*;

B2) 17.dxe4 b5 *(RR 17...b6)* 18.Nb3 Nd7 19.Rd2 *(RR 19.Qc2)* 19...Rae8 *(RR 19...Rac8)* 20.Qe1 Wei,Y (2762)-Yakubboev,N (2655) Almaty KAZ 2024 Mega2024 Update 40 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (43) RR Kh7]

6.Nc3 h6 7.Be3 Bb4 8.0-0 White is slightly better. **8...Bxc3 9.bxc3 Nf6 10.Nd2 0-0 11.f4 Be6 12.Bb5** next f4-f5 is good for White. **12...Ng4 13.Qe1 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 exf4 15.Rxf4 Ne5 16.d4 Ng6 17.Rf2 Qg5 18.Nf1 Rad8 19.Rb1 b6 20.g3 Ne7 21.Qe2 Bg4 22.Qd3 Kh8 23.Ne3 Bh3 24.Qd2 d5 25.exd5** -0.29/23

[White should try 25.Nxd5 0.30/21 Nxd5 26.Qxg5 hxg5 27.exd5 Rxd5 28.Re1]

25...Nxd5= 26.Re1 c5 27.Nxd5 Qxd5 28.Rf4 Qd6 29.Qf2 Be6 30.Bd3 Rfe8 31.Rfe4 Rf8 32.Rf4 Rde8 33.Rb1 Rc8 34.Rf1 cxd4 35.cxd4



Bc4! 36.Qe3 -0.98/22

[36.Qf3∓ -0.58/21 is more appropriate.]

36...f6 -0.52/22

[36...Rfe8∓ -0.98/22 37.Qd2 Re7]

37.Rb1∓ Bxd3 -0.04/22

[37...Rfd8∓ -0.48/21 should be considered.]

38.Qxd3= Qc6 39.d5 Qc5+ 40.Rf2 Rfe8 41.Rb5 Qd6 42.Qd4

[42.c4 feels hotter. Re1+ 43.Kg2 Rce8 44.Qd4]

42...Rc5

[42...Re1+ is interesting. 43.Kg2 Rc5 44.c4 Rxb5 45.cxb5 Kg8]

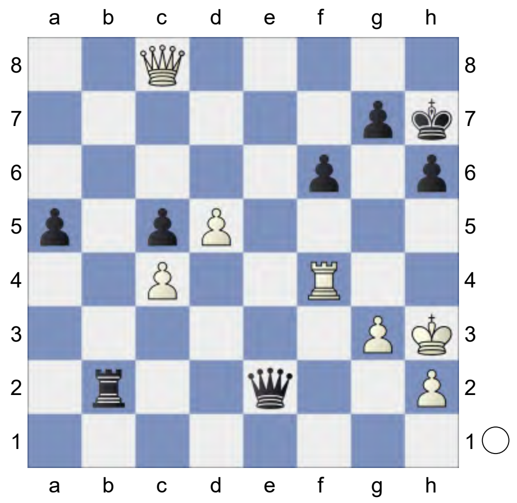
43.Rxc5 bxc5 Endgame. KQR-KQR **44.Qd3 Qd7 45.Rf4 Re5 46.c4 Qxa4 47.Rf1 Qd7 48.Rb1 Re8 49.Qa3** -0.98/23

[49.Rb6∓ -0.45/21]

49...Qe7 Threatens to win with ... Qe7-e4. Threatens to win with ...Qe7-e4. Threatens to win with ...Qe7-e4. Threatens to win with ... Qe7-e4. Threatens to win with ...Qe7-e4. **50.Rf1 Ra8 51.Qa4** -1.91/24

[51.Qd3∓ -0.74/22 might work better.]

51...Qe3+ 52.Kg2 -2.03/25
[52.Rf2∓ -1.53/26 was called for.]
52...Rb8 53.Rf2 Prevents Rb8-b2
53...Qe4+ 54.Kh3 Rb4 -0.59/25
[54...Kg8∓ -1.37/22 55.Qc6 h5 *(55...Qxc4 56.Qe6+ Kh8 57.Rxf6=)*]
55.Rf4 -1.05/25
[55.Qc6∓ -0.59/25]
55...Qe2 -0.64/25
[55...Qe5∓ -1.05/25 56.Qd7 Rb2]
56.Qd7 Rb2 0.01/23
[Of course not 56...Rxc4 57.Qc8+ Kh7 58.Qf5+ Kh8 59.Qc8+ Kh7 60.Qf5+ Kh8 61.Qc8+=]
[56...Rb8!∓ -0.50/25 57.d6 a4]
57.Qc8+ The position is equal. **57...Kh7 58.Qf5+ Kg8 59.Qc8+ Kh7⇄**
[59...Kf7!? 60.Qc7+□ Kg8 61.Qc8+ Kf7 62.Qc7+ Ke8 63.Qc8+ *(63.Qxc5* is a self mate. *Qh5+* Skewer *64.Rh4 Qf5+ 65.Rg4 Qf1+* Deflection *66.Kh4 Rxh2#)* 63...Kf7=]

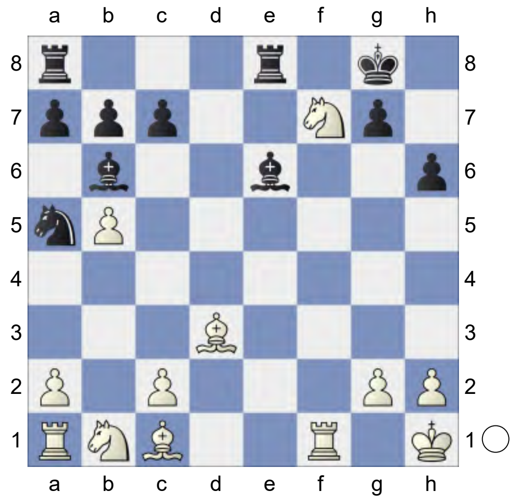


(→ ...h6-h5). Black is not holding back
60.Qf5+ Kg8
[60...Kh8!? 61.Qc8+□ Kh7=]
61.Qc8+ Kh7= 62.Qf5+ Kg8
Weighted Error Value: White=0. 15 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0. 15 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise)
[62...Kh8!? 63.Qc8+□ Kh7=]
½-½

192 **C51**
☐ **evilhamburger** **2686**
■ **Sportik_Shark** **2838**
Blitz 26.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bd6 5.b5N
[5.0-0 Nf6 6.Re1 0-0 7.Bb2 h6 8.b5 Na5 9.Bf1 Re8 10.d4 exd4 11.Qd2 Qe7 12.a3 Nxe4 13.Qxa5 c5 14.bxc6 dxc6 15.Nbd2 f5 16.Bd3 1-0 Negi,P (2590)-Lund,E (2412) Politiken Cup 2009 (4)]
5...Na5 6.Be2 White is more active. **6...Nf6 7.d4 Nxe4** and ...Bb4+ should not be overlooked **8.0-0** White is slightly better. **8...0-0** 0.99/21
[8...Be7!± 0.45/20]
9.dxe5 0.49/20
[9.Nxe5?! Re8=]
[9.Qd3± 0.99/21 f5 10.dxe5]
9...Bc5? 3.51/21
[9...Be7!± 0.49/20]
10.Qd5+- Bxf2+ Black is weak on the light squares **11.Kh1**
[11.Rxf2 Nxf2 12.Bg5 *(12.Kxf2 d6±)* 12...Qe8±]
11...Bb6 12.Qxe4 d5 13.exd6 Re8 14.Qd3 Qxd6 15.Ng5 Qxd3 16.Bxd3

h6 17.Nxf7 Be6



18.Nxh6+ gxh6 19.Nd2 Bd4 20.Rb1 Rf8 1.84/18

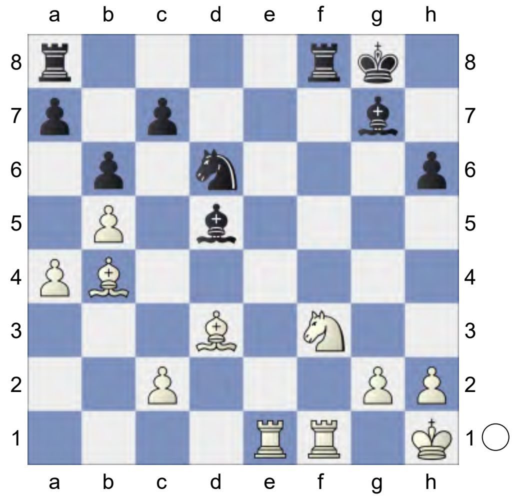
[20...b6± 1.44/19 21.Nf3 Bc5 22.Bxh6 Bxa2]

21.Nf3 Bg7 22.Bd2 0.81/20

[22.Rb4+- 1.84/19 and White stays clearly on top.]

22...Nc4± 23.Bb4 Nd6! 24.a4 b6 25.Rbe1 Bd5 1.99/21

[25...Bf5± 0.86/19 keeps fighting.]



26.Nh4 1.23/20

[26.c4!+- 1.99/21 Bxf3 27.gxf3 *(27.Rxf3 a5+-)*]

26...Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 Re8 28.Bxd6 1.03/16

[⌓28.Rf4 1.50/20]

28...cxd6 29.Nf5 Bf8 30.h3 Re5 31.Kg1 0.39/18

[White should try 31.Rf4± 1.21/20]

31...Bb7 1.83/18

[Better is 31...Be4!± 0.39/18]

32.Kf2 0.99/19

[32.Rf4+- 1.83/18]

32...Bc8 33.g4 d5 34.Re1 0.03/36

[34.Ng3± 0.96/20]

34...Bc5+= 35.Kf1 Rxe1+ 36.Kxe1 Bxf5 37.Bxf5 Endgame KB-KB. White is a pawn up. **37...Kf7 38.Ke2 Kf6 39.h4 Ke5 40.Kf3 Bb4 41.Bd3 Be1 42.g5 hxg5 43.hxg5 Bd2 44.Kg4 Bc1 45.Kh4 Bd2 46.Kg4 Bc1 47.Kh5 Bd2 48.Kg6 Bc1 49.Kh5 Bd2 50.g6 Kf6 51.Kg4 Bc1 52.Kf3 Bd2 53.Ke2 Bc1 54.c3 Bb2 55.Kd2 d4?** 3.16/28

[55...Ba3= 0.04/26 and Black is okay.]

56.c4+- Ba3 57.Ke2 Bd6 58.Kf3 Bc5 59.Kf4 Bb4 60.Ke4? 0.05/21

[60.Kg4+- 2.82/28 and Kh5 would now be decisive Bd6 61.Kh5]

60...Bc5? 8.17/28

[60...Kxg6= 0.05/21 61.Kxd4+ Discovered Attack (Check) Kf7]

61.Kd5 Bb4 62.Kc6 Ba5 63.Kb7 Kg7 64.Kxa7 Kf6 65.Kb7 Bb4 66.Ka6 Bc5 67.a5 bxa5 68.Kxa5 Ke7 69.b6 Kd7 70.Kb5 White mates. **70...Bf8 71.c5 Kc8 72.c6 Kd8 73.Be4 Bd6 74.c7+ Kd7 75.Bf5+ Ke7 76.c8Q Be5 77.Qe6+ Kd8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.39

78.Qd7#

1-0

193 C54

□ Firouzja,Alireza 2744

■ Duda,J 2733

CrunchLab Masters Div 1 W (2.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 GM Brandon Jacobson : 'Caruana showed once again that he's in good form as he pressed a meager advantage against Gukesh. Caruana was unable to extract any water from Gukesh's stone, though, and the pawn-up queen endgame that ensued was the furthest from winning as Caruana's extra pawn was doubled and on the kingside, where all the other pawns were. Caruana kept trying, but eventually agreed to a draw on move 74. GM Brandon Jacobson shows us how to play like Caruana: _____ This game illustrates Gukesh's incredible calculation ability yet again, neutralizing Caruana's active play with machine-like precision, and eventually saving the draw in incredible fashion. ______' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4** 7.Re1 is setting a new trend. 7.Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.Qc2 h6N**

[12...Re8 13.Re1 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.Ng3 b5 16.Nf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Ne7 18.Nxe5 Nxf5 19.exf5 c5 20.Bf4 bxa4 21.Nc6 Qd7 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Nxa7 cxb4 24.cxb4 Qd4 25.Qc1 Qxa7 26.Rxa4 Qb7 27.Qd2 Caruana,F (2803)-Gukesh D (2743) FIDE Candidates 2024 (4.3) ½-½]

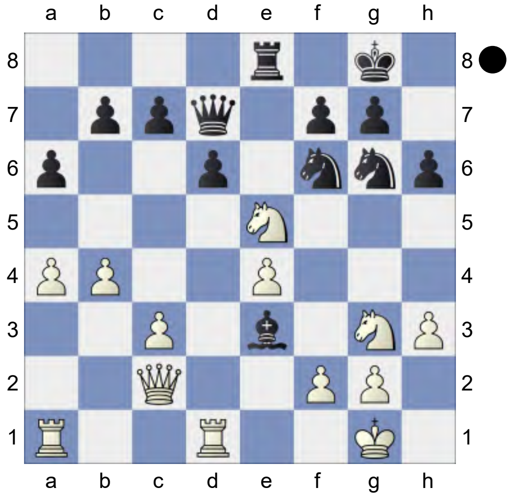
13.Rd1 Ne7N

[Vorgänger: 13...Qd7 14.Nf1 d5 15.Bd2 Rd8 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.b5 Nce7 18.c4 Nf6! 19.Bc3 Ng6 Predke,A (2682)-So,W (2778) Berlin FIDE GP 3 Pool-C 2022 (2) ½-½]

14.Nf1 Ng6 15.Ng3 Qd7 16.d4 0.00/25

[16.c4± 0.50/20]

16...exd4!= 17.Nxd4 Re5 18.Be3 Rae8 19.Nf3 Bxe3 20.Nxe5

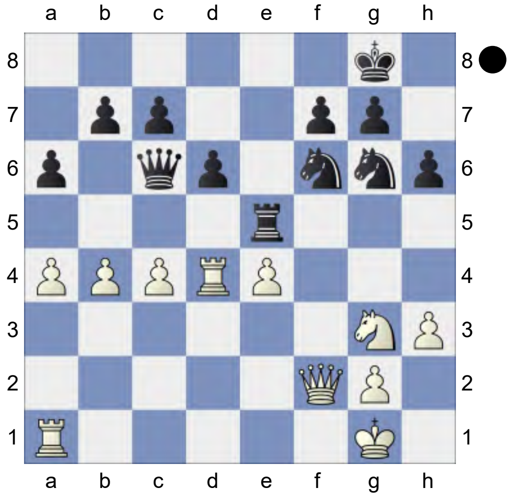


Bxf2+! 21.Qxf2 Rxe5 22.Rd4 Qc6 0.00/19

[22...h5∓ -0.40/19 was preferrable.]

23.c4 -0.74/20

[23.Qf3= 0.00/19]



23...Nxe4 0.40/23

[23...a5!∓ -0.74/20 24.b5 Qc5]

24.Nxe4 Rxe4 25.Rf1 Black must now

prevent b4-b5. **25...Re7 26.b5** -0.04/22

[26.a5± 0.38/23 is superior.]

26...Qc5 27.Rg4 Qxf2+ 28.Kxf2 Endgame. KRR-KRN **28...Re5** 0.23/26

[Black should try 28...a5!∓ -0.38/24]

29.Rb1 Rc5 The position is equal. **30.b6 Ne5 31.Rd4 Nxc4 32.bxc7 Rxc7 33.Rb4 b5 34.axb5 axb5 35.Rxb5 Rc6 36.Rb8+ Kh7 37.Rd8 g6 38.Ke2 Kg7 39.Kd3 Ne5+ 40.Ke4 Rc2** ...Ne5-c6 would now be deadly. **41.R8xd6 Re2+ 42.Kd5 f6 43.Ra4** aiming for Ra4-a7+. **43...g5 44.Raa6 Rd2+ 45.Ke4 Re2+ 46.Kd5 Rd2+ 47.Ke4 Re2+ 48.Kd5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) / Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

194 **C52**
☐ **neverinmyLIIFFEE** **2602**
■ **CarlsenNepo21** **2775**
Blitz 06.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Nxc4 Black has an edge. **11.Nxc4 Ne7** 0.72/22

[11...Qc6!∓ -0.43/19 stays ahead. 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Nxe5 Qa4 15.Qd3 Ne7 16.Qg3 0-0 17.Re1 Re8 *(17...c5 18.h4 Ng6 19.Nf3 h5 20.Ne5 Nxe5 21.Qxe5 Re8 22.Qxh5 Rxe4 23.Bf4 Rxf4 24.Re8+* 0-1 Posizione (2464)-Alster (2519) FECAP T-3418 thematic 1996 (2) *)* 18.Bf4 Ng6 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.Bxc7 Rxe4 21.h3 Qxa2 22.Rxe4 Qxa1+ 23.Kh2 Be6 24.Bxb6 Re8 25.Bd4 Qa5 26.h4 Bd7 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 ½-½ (39) Chernov,V (2609)-11.♕f2 ♗d4 12.♗d4 16296 (2615) Palace Hotel GM 2008 (6)]

12.a4!± White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive. **12...c6N** 2.29/19

[12...Qc6± 0.80/19 13.Nxb6 axb6]

[12...exd4 13.cxd4 c6 14.Ba3 Bc7 15.e5 d5 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Nf5 18.Rae1+ Kd8 19.Ne5 Qe8 20.Bc5 f6 21.Qc3 b6 22.Bxb6+ axb6 23.Nxc6+ Kd7 24.Nb8+ Kxd6 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 26.Qc6+ Ke7 27.Re1+ 1-0 (28) Rappazzo,J (1817)-Steinfeld,E (1579) Wohlen op 3rd 2022 (4)]

13.dxe5+- dxe5 3.48/20

[13...0-0 2.16/17 keeps fighting. 14.exd6 Ng6]

14.Rd1

[14.Ncxe5 Qe6±]

14...Qe6 15.Nd6+

[15.Ncxe5 Ng6 16.Nxg6 hxg6=]

[15.Nfxe5 Bc7±]

15...Kf8 16.Ba3 g6 4.89/18

[⌓16...Kg8 3.13/19 17.a5 *(17.Ng5 Qf6+-)* 17...Bxa5]

17.Ng5 Qf6 18.Ndxf7 Excellent horsemanship. **18...Kg7 19.a5 Bc7 20.Nxh8** 2.26/16

[⌓20.Rd6 4.92/20 Qxf7 21.Nxf7 Kxf7 22.Qb3+ Kg7 23.Re6 Bxe6 24.Qxe6]

20...Qxg5

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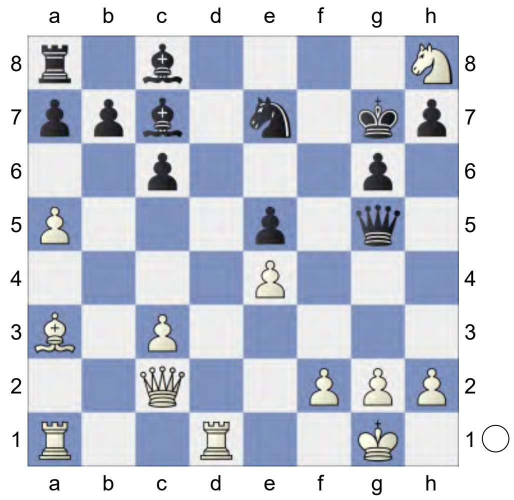
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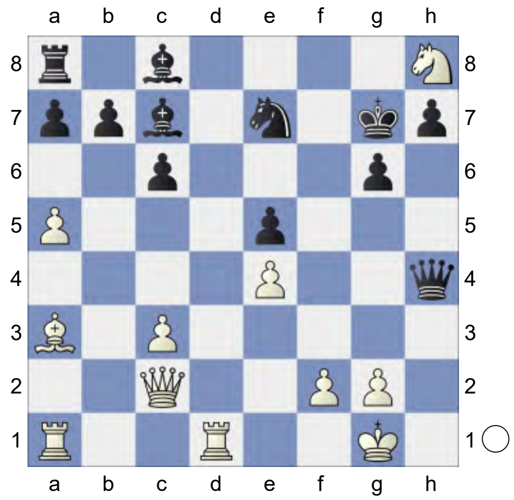
21.h4? 0.63/21 **Qxh4** 2.10/18
[21...Qf6!± 0.63/21]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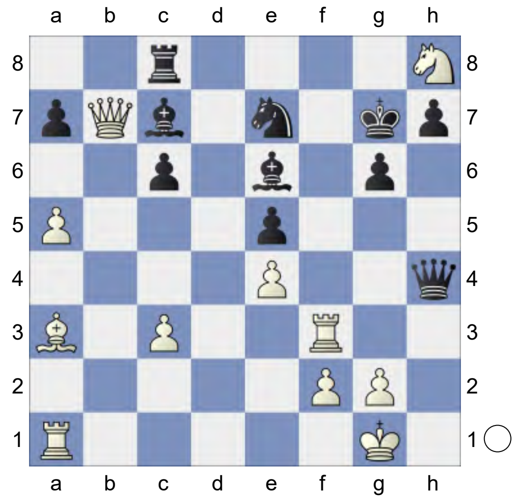
22.Qb3! Qf6 Prevents Qf7+
[22...Kxh8? 23.Qf7+-]
23.Rd3↑ White has strong initiative.
23...Bg4 4.20/19 Prevents Rf3
[23...Kxh8± 1.50/19 24.Rf3 Nf5 *(24...Qg7? 25.Rf7+-)* 25.exf5 gxf5]
24.Qxb7 Rc8 25.Rg3
[25.Qxa7 Kxh8 26.a6 *(26.Qb7 c5+-)* 26...c5+-]
25...Be6 26.Rf3
[26.Qxa7 Bg8 27.Rd1 *(27.Qc5 Re8+-)* 27...c5 28.Nxg6 *(28.Qxc5 Bd8+-; 28.Rd7 Kxh8 29.Rf3* Deflection *Qc6+-)* 28...hxg6]

26...Qh4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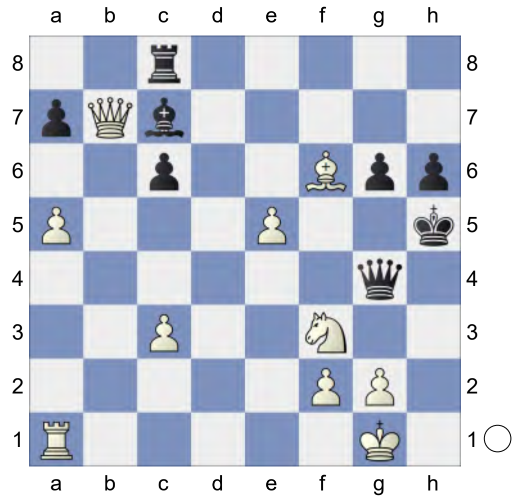
27.Nf7! Bg4 28.Nxe5 Bxf3 6.22/20
[28...Bxe5 3.65/17 29.g3 *(29.Qxe7+ Qxe7 30.Bxe7 Bxf3=)* 29...Qg5 *(29...Rc7? 30.Qb8+-)* 30.Bxe7 *(30.Qxe7+? Qxe7 31.Bxe7 Bxf3-+)* 30...Rc7]
29.Nxf3
[29.gxf3 Bxe5 30.Qxe7+ *(30.Bxe7?* loses. *Qh2+ 31.Kf1 Rc7-+)* 30...Qxe7 31.Bxe7 Bxc3=]
29...Qh5 30.Bxe7 Qg4 31.e5 Kh6 32.Bg5+ Kh5 33.Bf6 h6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34.Ra4!! Qxa4 Black is weak on the dark squares **35.Qxc8 Qa1+ 36.Kh2 g5 37.Qe8+ Kg4 38.Qd7+ Kf4 39.Qxc7** 20.07/18

[⌓39.Qd4+ #7/14 Kf5 40.Qd3+ *(40.Qxa7 Qxa5 41.Qe3 Ke6+-)* 40...Ke6 41.Nd4+ Kd7 42.Qf5+ Ke8 43.Qe6+ *(43.Nxc6 Qa3+-)* 43...Kf8 44.Qe7+ Kg8 45.Qg7#]

39...g4 40.e6+ White mates. **40...Kf5 41.Qe5+ Kg6 42.Nh4+ Kh7 43.Qf5+ Kg8 44.Qg6+ Kf8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/ Black=0.93

45.Qf7#

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195 **C50**
☐ **Aronian,Levon** **2729**
■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2763**
SuperUnited CRO Rapid 2024 (8.5)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson Perunovic, Milos Kitty Kat Sokolov,Ivan **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.h3 d6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 *(*RR *6...a6;* RR *6...a6)*

A) RR 7.Nxe5 Qe7 *(*RR *7...Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Re8+ 10.Ne3 Nxd5 11.Ncxd5 Qxd5 12.0-0;* RR *7...Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Re8+ 10.Ne3 Nxd5 11.Ncxd5 Qxd5 12.0-0)* 8.Bxf7+ Rxf7 *(*RR *8...Kh8 9.d4 Bb4 10.Ng6+ hxg6 11.Bxg6 d6 12.Bg5;* RR *8...Kh8 9.d4 Bb4 10.Ng6+ hxg6 11.Bxg6 d6 12.Bg5)* 9.Nxf7 Qxf7 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Be3 Bf8;

B) RR 7.Nxe5 Qe7 8.Bxf7+ Rxf7 9.Nxf7 Qxf7 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Be3 Bf8;

C) 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4

C1) RR 11...c6 12.0-0-0 (RR *12.Rd1 a6 13.b4 Bb6;* RR *12.g4 b5;* RR *12.Rd1 a6 13.b4 Bb6;* RR *12.g4 b5)* 12...b5 13.cxb5 cxb5 14.b4 *(*RR *14.Qxb5 Rc8;* RR *14.Qxb5 Rc8)* 14...Bb6 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Rfc8;

C2) RR 11...c6 12.0-0-0 b5 13.cxb5 cxb5 14.b4 Bb6 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Rfc8;

C3) 11...g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 (RR *14...Rg8 15.f5 Kh7 16.h4 Bd7 17.g4 c6 18.0-0-0;* RR *14...Rg8 15.f5 Kh7 16.h4 Bd7 17.g4 c6 18.0-0-0)*

C3a) RR 15.Rf1 Qe8 16.Rxf4 *(*RR *16.Bxf6+ Kxf6 17.Rxf4+ Ke7 18.b4 Bb6 19.0-0-0 Rg8;* RR *16.Bxf6+ Kxf6 17.Rxf4+ Ke7 18.b4 Bb6 19.0-0-0 Rg8)* 16...Nh5 (RR *16...Nh7 17.Bh6+ Kh8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.0-0-0;* RR *16...Nh7 17.Bh6+ Kh8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.0-0-0)* 17.Bf6+ Nxf6 18.Qg3+ Ng4 19.Rxg4+ Bxg4 20.Qxg4+ Kh8 21.Qh5+ Kg8;

C3b) RR 15.Rf1 Qe8 16.Rxf4 Nh5 17.Bf6+ Nxf6 18.Qg3+ Ng4 19.Rxg4+ Bxg4 20.Qxg4+ Kh8 21.Qh5+ Kg8;

C3c) 15.Ne2 c6 (RR *15...Qe7 16.Rf1 Kg6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Nxf4+ Kh6 19.Nxe6 Qxe6 20.0-0-0;* RR *15...Bf2+ 16.Kxf2 Nxe4+ 17.Qxe4 Qxg5 18.Qd4+ f6 19.Nxf4;* RR *15...Qe7 16.Rf1 Kg6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Nxf4+ Kh6 19.Nxe6 Qxe6 20.0-0-0;* RR *15...Bf2+ 16.Kxf2 Nxe4+*

17.Qxe4 Qxg5 18.Qd4+ f6 19.Nxf4) 16.b4 (RR *16.Nxf4 Qa5+ 17.Kd1 Bb6;* RR *16.Nxf4 Qa5+ 17.Kd1 Bb6*) 16...Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6

C3c1) RR 18.Bh4 Bxc4 (RR *18...Rh8 19.Rxf4 Bxf4 20.e5+ Kh6 21.Bxf6;* RR *18...Rh8 19.Rxf4 Bxf4 20.e5+ Kh6 21.Bxf6*) 19.Qxc4 d5 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Qxf4 Rae8+ 23.Kf2;

C3c2) RR 18.Bh4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Qxf4 Rae8+ 23.Kf2;

C3c3) 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 Firouzja,A (2793)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2766) Madrid 2022 Chess Informant 153 [Sokolov, Ivan] 0-1 (38) RR Firouzja,A (2778)-Aronian,L (2759) Saint Louis 154/106 2022 [Perunovic,Milos] 1-0 (38)

C3c31) RR 20...Qd6 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Bxf4 (RR *22.Rxf4 Nxe4*) 22...Qe7 23.Qg3+ Kh7 24.e5 Ne4 25.Qf3;

C3c32) RR 20...Qd6 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Bxf4 (RR *22.Rxf4 Nxe4*) 22...Qe7 23.Qg3+ Kh7 24.e5 Ne4 25.Qf3]

6.a4

[RR 6.Nc3 a6 (RR *6...Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.axb3 c6 9.Na4 Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Bxd2+ 11.Qxd2 0-0 12.Qg5 h6 13.Qh4 Qa5+ 14.Ke2 Qc7 15.g4 Nh7 16.Rhg1 f6 17.Qg3 Rf7 18.Nc3 d5 19.h4 d4 20.Nb1 g5 21.Nbd2*) 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5 1-0 Dardha, D (2609)-Yurasova,D (2048) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (2) Dardha,D (2609) - Yurasova,D (2048) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (2) 1-0]

[RR 6.a3 a5 7.Be3 0-0 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.Nc3 Be6 (RR *9...Qe7*) 10.Bb5 Nd4 11.Nxe5 Qd6 12.Nc4 Qf4 13.Ne3 Rad8 14.a4 c6 (RR *14...Qh4*) 15.Bc4 b5 16.axb5 (RR *16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.0-0*) 16...cxb5 (RR *16...Bxc4 17.Nxc4 cxb5 18.Nxa5*) 17.Bxb5 Nxb5 18.Nxb5 Qb8 19.Rxa5 Nxe4 (RR *19...c4*) 20.0-0 (RR *20.Qc1 Bd7 21.dxe4 Bxb5 22.c4*) 20...c4 Esipenko,A (2704)-Caruana,F (2805) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (34) RR 21.Nxc4 Bxc4 22.Na3 Be6]

[RR 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Nc3 Be6 8.Bb3 Qd7 9.Qd2 Ne7 10.Rd1 Ng6 11.Ne2 d5 12.exd5 Bxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.0-0 f5 15.Bxb6 axb6 16.d4 e4 17.Ne5 Qd6 18.c4 Nf6 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.a3 Kf7]

6...a6 7.c3 0-0N

[RR 7...h6 8.0-0 Ba7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 (RR *14...Bxb3 15.Qxb3 Ne7 16.Kh2 a5 17.g3 Ng6 18.Kg2 c6 19.Rad1 Qc7 20.Nh2 Rad8*) 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 ½-½ 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353

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8.Nbd2 The position is equal. **8...Re8 9.Nf1** -0.22/21

[9.0-0⩲ 0.33/19]

9...d5= 10.exd5 e4 11.dxe4 Nxe4 12.Be3 -0.81/22

[12.Ne3= -0.27/22 keeps the balance.]

12...Ne5!∓ 13.Nxe5 Rxe5 14.Qe2 Threatens to win with Be3xc5. **14...Nd6 15.Bxc5** -1.61/21

[15.0-0-0⩱ -0.50/20]

15...Rxe2+-+ 16.Bxe2 Ne4 17.Be3 Bf5

[17...Qxd5? 18.Rd1+-]

18.Rd1 Qd7 -1.14/21

[⌓18...Qe7 -1.57/21 19.Bd4 Bd7]

19.Bd4∓ Qxa4 20.Ne3 Bg6 21.0-0 Re8 22.Ra1 Qd7 23.Rfe1 h6 24.Rad1 Nd6 -0.89/19

[⌓24...a5 -1.32/19 25.Ra1 a4]

25.c4 a5 -0.67/20

[25...Qa4∓ -1.07/19 26.Bf1 Nf5]

26.Rc1 Nf5 27.Bg4 h5 28.Nxf5 Rxe1+ 29.Rxe1 Bxf5

[29...hxg4 30.Nxg7⩲ f6 *(30...gxh3 31.Ne8=)* 31.Ne6]

30.Bxh5 b5 -0.24/25

[30...Bd3∓ -1.40/20 31.b3 b5]

31.cxb5 -0.69/23

[31.Bc5= -0.24/25 g6 *(31...bxc4 32.Re7=)* 32.Re7]

31...Qxd5⩱

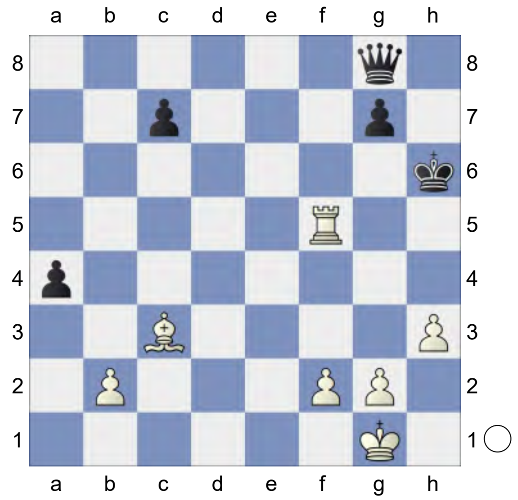
[31...Qxb5 32.Re7=]

32.Re8+ Kh7 33.Bc3 Qxb5 0.59/26

[33...Bxh3 34.Bf3 Qg5 *(34...Qxb5? 35.Re5+-)* 35.Re5⩱]

[33...Be6∓ -0.86/22 34.Bf3 Qc4 *(34...Qxb5 35.Be4+ f5 36.Rxe6⩲)*]

34.Bxf7⩲ Qd7 35.Bg8+ A strong pair of Bishops. **35...Kh6 36.Re5 a4 37.Rd5 Qe8 38.Rxf5 Qxg8±** Endgame.



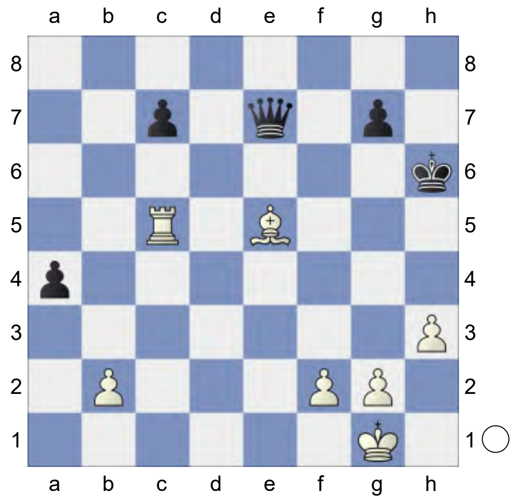
KQ-KRB **39.Rc5** 0.01/26

[Better is 39.Rf4!± 0.76/26]

39...Qd8 40.Be5 Qe7 1.44/27

[40...Qd2!= 0.16/25 remains equal.]

(Diagram)



41.Rc6+! Kg5 42.f4+ Kf5 43.Rxc7 White is much more active.

[Of course not 43.Bxc7?! Qb4=]

43...Qb4 44.Rxg7 Ke4 45.Kh2 Qe1 46.Rg3 Kf5 47.h4 1.16/30

[White should try 47.Rg8 1.52/25]

47...Qe2 48.Rg5+ Ke4 49.h5 Qe1? 4.16/29

[49...Qa6± 1.22/26 keeps fighting. 50.Rg4 Ke3]

50.Rg3+- White wants to mate with h5-h6. **50...Qd1?** 8.19/28

[50...Qb4 3.70/28 51.Ra3 Qb5]

51.h6 Threatening mate with h6-h7. **51...Qd7 52.Rh3** h6-h7 would kill now. **52...Qh7 53.Rh4**

[Stronger than 53.g4 Qd7=]

53...Kf5 54.Bg7 Ke4 55.Kg3 Kf5? 8.02/23

[55...Qg6+ 3.58/23 56.Kh2 Ke3]

56.Rh5+ Kg6 57.Kg4 Kf7 58.Rf5+ Ke6 59.Rf6+ Ke7 60.f5 Qg8 61.Kg5 Qd5 62.Kg6 And now g2-g4 would win. **62...Qxg2+ 63.Kh7 Qd5 64.Rf8 Kd7 65.Kh8 Qb3 66.h7 Qc4 67.f6** White threatens f6-f7 and mate. **67...Ke6 68.Kg8** White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.33 White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.33

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■ **Oparin,Grigoriy 2662**

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[Kitty Kat]

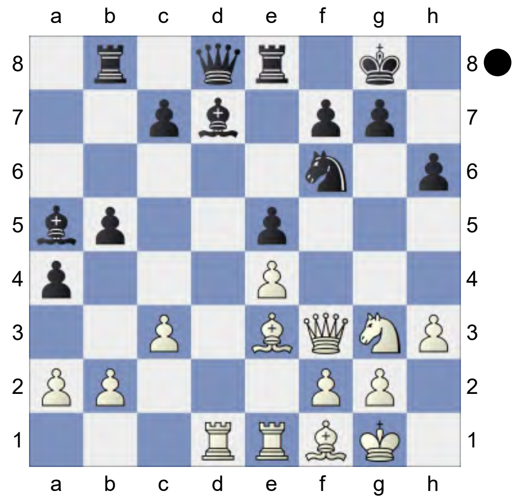
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0** White is slightly better. **9.h3 Bd7N**

[9...Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3 c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 24.a3 ½-½ Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Titled Tuesday intern op 13th Feb Late Chess.com INT blitz 2024 (5)]

10.Nf1 a4 11.d4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5

[14.Qxa4? loses. Bxc3-+]

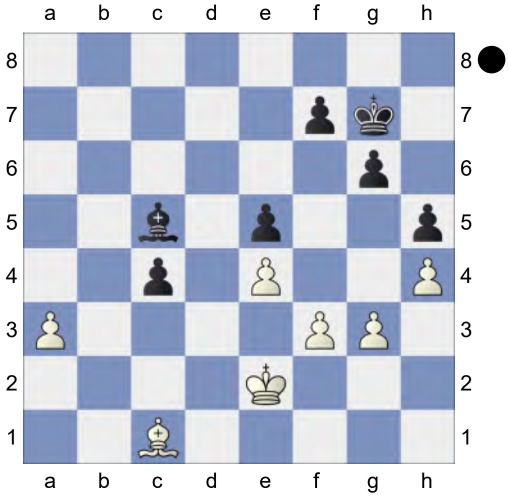
14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1



Hoping for Nf5. **18...Qe7!** The position is equal. **19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.Qxf5 c6**

[21...g6!? 22.Qf3□ Kg7=]

22.Rd3 g6 23.Qf3 Kg7 24.Red1 Red8 Repels Rd6 **25.g3 Rxd3 26.Bxd3 Bb6 27.Bc1 Rd8 28.Kg2 Ne8 29.h4 Qe6 30.Qe2 Nd6 31.Bc2 h5 32.Bg5 Rd7 33.Rd3 Ne8 34.Rxd7 Qxd7 35.b3 axb3 36.Bxb3 Bd8 37.Bc1 Nf6 38.f3 Bb6 39.Qd2 Qxd2+ 40.Bxd2=** Endgame. KBB-KBN **40...Ne8 41.c4 Bc5 42.cxb5 cxb5 43.Bc1 Nd6 44.Kf1 Nc4 45.Bxc4 bxc4** KB-KB **46.Ke2**



a4 would now be deadly. **46...Kf6 47.a4** Black must now prevent a5. **47...Ke6 48.a5** And now Be3 would win. **48...Kd7 49.Be3 Bb4 50.a6** Strongly threatening a7. **50...Kc6 51.f4 exf4 52.gxf4 Be7 53.Bf2**

[53.a7!? Kb7□ 54.Bf2±]

53...Bd6 54.f5

[54.a7!? Kb7□ 55.f5=]

54...gxf5 55.exf5 Be7 56.Kf3

[56.a7!? Kb7□ 57.Kd2=]

56...Bf6 57.Ke4

[57.a7!? Kb7□ 58.Ke2=]

57...Kc7 58.Kf3

[58.a7!? Kb7□ 59.Kf3=]

58...Kc6 59.Ke2

[59.a7!? Kb7□ 60.Ke2±]

59...Be7 60.Kd2 aiming for Kc3.

[60.a7!? Kb7□ 61.Kd2±]

60...Bf6 61.Kc2 Kc7 62.Kd2

[62.a7!? Kb7□ 63.Kd1=]

62...Kc6 63.Kc2 Kc7 64.Kd2

[64.a7!? Kb7□ 65.Kc1=]

64...Kc6 65.Kc2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.01 (flawless)

½-½

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[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min+1sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6**

[4...d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nxe4 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Rxe4 Kf8 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Rxe8+ Qxe8 16.Qd3 h6 17.Re1 Qf7 18.Qh7 Bf5 19.Qh8+ 15.de6 ♗e6 16.♘d5_21371 (1454)-4. dxe5 dxe5 5. Qxd8+ (1039) W-ch M corr 2023 The Week in Chess 404 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)]

5.d3 d6N

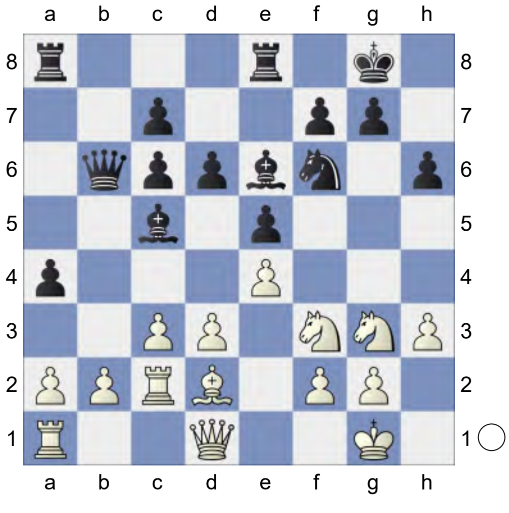
[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic, Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2

24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II]]

6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 h6 The position is equal. **9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Qb8 11.Nf1 Qa7 12.Re2** -0.21/18

[12.Be3 0.13/18 is superior. Qb6 13.a4 Bxe3 14.Nxe3]

12...a4= 13.Ng3 Qa5 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Rc2 Rfe8 16.Bd2 Qb6



17.Bxh6! gxh6 18.d4 exd4 19.cxd4 Bb4 20.Qc1 d5 21.e5 -0.19/20

[21.Rxc6± 0.31/20 Qb5 22.Qxh6 dxe4 23.Ne5]

21...Ne4 next ...Nxg3 is good for Black. **22.Qxh6 Bf8 23.Qf4 Nxg3 24.fxg3** -0.83/20

[24.Qxg3+= 0.01/21 Bg7 25.Rac1]

24...c5∓ 25.Ng5 -1.29/18

[⌓25.Kh2 -0.93/19]

25...cxd4 26.Rf2 d3 -0.53/19

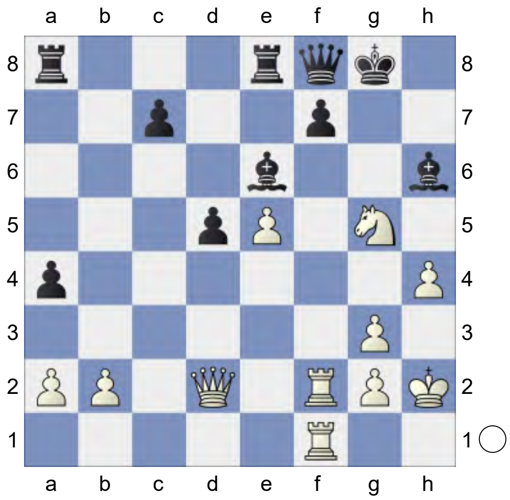
[26...Qa6∓ -0.85/19 27.Raf1 Be7]

27.Kh2!∓ Bh6 ...a3 is the strong threat. **28.Raf1 d2** -0.42/21

[28...a3? 29.Qh4 Bxg5 30.Qxg5+ Kf8 31.Rf6+-]

[Better is 28...Rab8!∓ -1.26/18 Strongly threatening ...Qb4. 29.Qf6 Bxg5 30.Qxg5+ Kf8]

29.Qxd2 Qc5 30.h4 Qf8



31.Nxe6! Rxe6 32.Qxd5 Rae8 33.Rxf7 Qxf7 34.Rxf7 Kxf7 35.Qd7+ R8e7 36.Qxa4 Bg7! 37.Qf4+ Ke8 38.Qa4+ c6 39.g4 Bxe5+ 40.g3 Bc7 41.g5 Re3 42.Qxc6+ Kf7 43.Kh1 R3e6 44.Qd5 Bxg3 aiming for ...Kg6. **45.h5**

[45.Qf3+? Kg7 46.h5 *(46.Qxg3 Re1+ 47.Kh2 R7e2+ 48.Qg2 Rxg2+ 49.Kxg2 Re2+ 50.Kg3 Rxb2-+)* 46...Bh4 47.Qc3+ Re5-+]

45...Bc7 46.b4 Kg7 47.Qd4+ Kh7 48.b5 -0.42/22

[48.g6+!= -0.01/17 Kh6 49.Qh8+ Kg5 50.g7 Re1+ 51.Kg2 R7e2+ 52.Kf3 Re3+ 53.Kg2 R3e2+ 54.Kf3 Re3+ 55.Kg2 R3e2+]

48...Re1+ 49.Kg2 R1e2+ 50.Kf3

R2e5! 51.Qd3+? -1.82/19

[51.Qf4= -0.21/21]

51...Kh8!-+ 52.Qc3 Kg8 53.Qc1 Bd8! 54.g6 Against Rf7+ **54...Kg7!**

[54...Rf5+?! 55.Kg4 Ree5 56.Qc4+ *(56.Qc8 Rf8=)* 56...Kg7 57.Qc8= *(57.Qd4 Rg5+ 58.Kf3 Bf6∓)*]

55.Qd2 Bb6 56.a4 -1.80/20

[56.Qd6∓ -0.72/18 Bc5 57.Qc6]

56...Bc5! 57.a5 -2.25/19

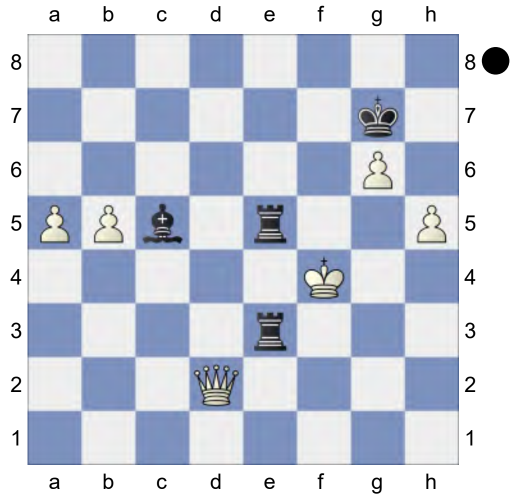
[⌓57.Qc1 -1.80/19]

57...Re3+!

[Inferior is 57...Rxh5 58.b6=]

58.Kg4 R7e4+ 59.Kf5 Threatening mate with h6+! **59...Re5+ 60.Kf4** -1.83/19

[60.Kg4∓ -0.76/24 was the only defense.]



60...R3e4+!

[Stronger than 60...Rxh5 61.Qd7+ Re7 62.Qc6∓]

61.Kf3 Rd4! The board is on fire. **62.Qc2** -1.49/21

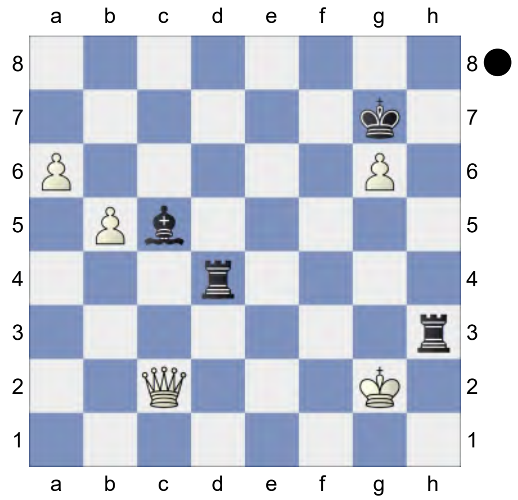
[White should try 62.Qb2 -0.75/19]

62...Rxh5∓ Threatens to win with ...Rh3+. &Nero is more active. **63.a6?** -5.47/20

[63.b6 -1.62/20 is more resistant.]

63...Rh3+-+ 64.Kg2

(Diagram)



Ra3! Hoping for ...Rg4+.

[And not 64...Rh5 65.a7 Bxa7 66.Qc7+ Kxg6 67.Qxa7 Rg5+ 68.Kf2=]

65.Qb2 Kxg6 66.Qe2 Inhibits Rg4+. **66...Kf6** And now ...Rdd3 would win. **67.b6 Rdd3 68.Qf1+ Kg7 69.b7 Ra2+ 70.Kh1 Rd8 71.Qg2+ Rxg2 72.Kxg2 Ba7 73.Kf3 Rd6 74.b8Q Bxb8 75.Kf4 Rxa6+ 76.Ke3 Rd6 77.Kf4 Ba7 78.Kf3 Be3 79.Kxe3** KR-K **79...Kf6 80.Ke4 Rd7 81.Kf4 Re7 82.Kg4 Re4+ 83.Kg3 Kg5 84.Kf3 Re5 85.Kg3 Rf5 86.Kh3 Kf4** (→ ...Kf3) **87.Kg2 Kg4** Black mates. **88.Kh2 Kf3 89.Kg1 Kg3 90.Kh1 Rf1#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.03 (flawless)

0-1

198 **C54**

□ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2733**

■ **Predke,Alexandr** **2671**

Julius Baer Gen Cup Pl/In (4) 25.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.0-0**

d6 7.Re1 7.Re1 is setting a new trend. 7. Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1** White has an edge. **9...Na5 10.Bb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 h6 12.h3** Wards off Ng4 **12...Re8 13.Ng3 d5** 0.81/21

[13...b5= 0.29/23]

14.exd5!± Qxd5 15.Be3N

[15.b4 b5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Bb7 18.Qe2 e4 19.dxe4 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.Rxe4 Qxe4 22.Qxe4 Bxe4 23.Nd4 Bd5 24.f3 Kf8 25.Kf2 Ke7 26.h4 g6 27.g4 Kd6 28.h5 c5 29.bxc5+ Kxc5 0-1 Tabatabaei,M (2712)-Duda,J (2733) FIDE World Bl Team Final blitz 2024 (2.2)]

15...Bxe3 1.17/25

[15...Bb8⩲ 0.65/22]

16.Rxe3 Bd7 17.c4!N

[Vorgänger: 17.Qc2 0.63/25 17.c4 1.21 Re6 1.56/25 (Better is *17...Nh7!⩲* 0.63/25) 18.c4± Qd6 19.Qc3 c5 20.Nxe5 Rae8 21.Rae1 1.32/24 (*21.Nf5+-* 1.78/24 *Qc7 22.Nxd7 Qxd7 23.Rg3*) 21...b5 2.30/23 (*21...Bc8±* 1.32/24 *22.Nf5 Qd8*) 22.Nf5+- Qc7 Strongly threatening ...b4. 23.Ng4 ½-½ Niemann,H (2692)-Malakhov,V (2648) Chessable Masters Play In rapid 2024 (3)]

17...Qd6 18.Qe2 Re7 19.Nxe5 Rae8 20.Re1 Bc8 21.Nf1 0.36/22

[21.Kh2± 0.88/23]

21...b6 1.02/22

[21...Bf5!⩲ 0.36/22]

22.Nf3 0.60/23

[22.Ng3± 1.02/22]

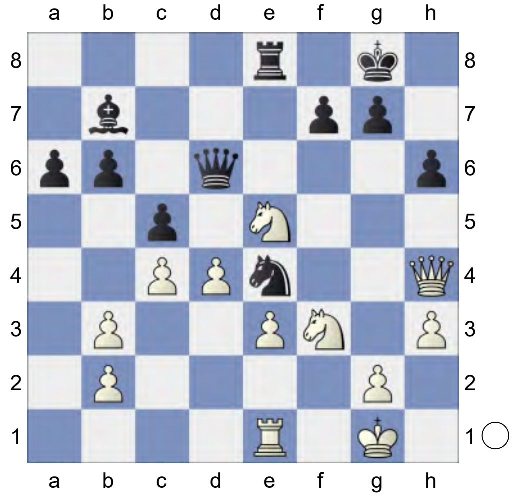
22...Rxe3⩲ 23.fxe3 Nd7 24.d4 Bb7 Dodges e4 **25.N1d2 Nf6** Prevents e4. **26.Ne5 c5 27.Qf2 Rd8 28.Ndf3 Ne4** 0.85/22

[Black should play 28...Bxf3⩲ 0.34/24 29.Nxf3 Re8]

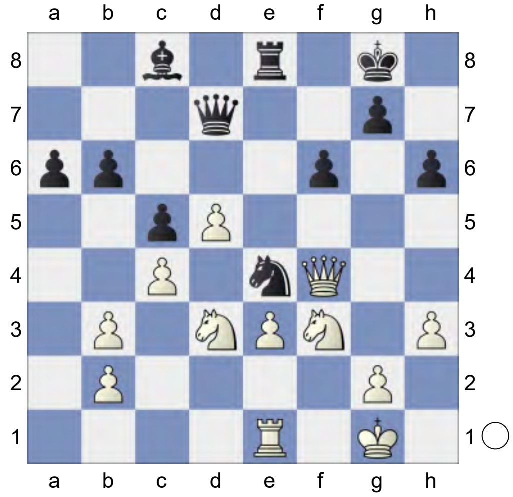
29.Qh4±

[29.Nxf7 Qf6 (*29...Kxf7 30.Ne5+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *Kg8 31.Qf7+ Kh7 32.Qxb7±*) 30.Qh4 Qxh4 (*30...Qxf7?* is the wrong capture. *31.Qxd8+ Qf8 32.Qxf8+ Kxf8 33.Nh4+-; 30...Kxf7? 31.Rf1-+*) 31.Nxh4 Kxf7∓]

29...Re8



30.Qf4! f6 31.Nd3 Threatens to win with Qxd6. A dynamic duo of knights. **31...Qd7 32.d5** Hoping for Nde5! **32...Bc8**



33.Nf2! Qf5 3.31/26 This costs Black the game.

[33...Nd6± 1.58/21 34.e4 Nf7]

34.Nxe4 Qxe4 35.Qxe4 Rxe4+- Endgame. KRB-KRN **36.Nd2 Re5 37.e4 Bf5 38.Kf2 Bg6 39.g4 a5 40.Kf3 h5 41.Kf4 Bh7 42.Rg1 g5+ 43.Ke3 h4** 4.24/23

[⌓43...hxg4 2.94/22 44.hxg4 Kg7]

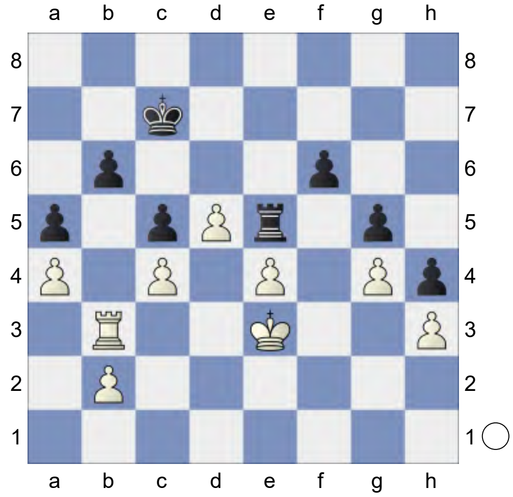
44.Kd3 Kf8 45.Re1 Ke8 46.Re2 Bg6 47.Nb1 Ke7 48.Nc3 Be8? 3.91/26

[48...Kd8 2.26/25 keeps fighting. 49.Rf2 Ke7]

49.Na4 Bxa4? 7.38/38

[49...Bg6 3.48/21 50.Nxb6 Kd6 51.Nc8+ Kc7]

50.bxa4 KR-KR. White is clearly winning. **50...Kd6 51.Rf2 Ke7 52.Rf3 Kf7 53.Ke3 Re8 54.Rf2 Re5 55.Rd2 Ke7 56.Rd3 Kd6 57.Rb3 Kc7**



58.d6+! Kc6

[58...Kxd6 59.Rxb6+]

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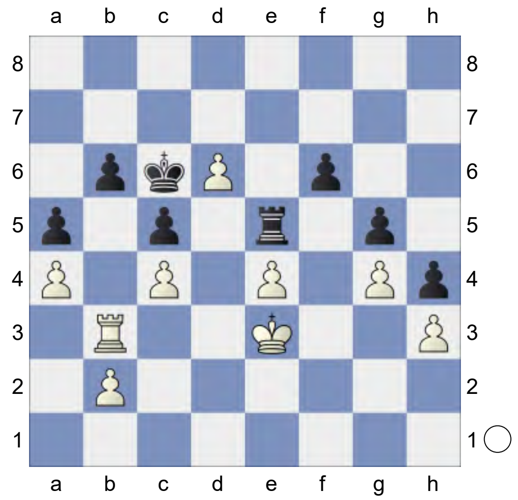


59.d7! Deflection **59...Kxd7 60.Rxb6 Re6 61.Rb5 Rc6 62.Rxa5 Kd6 63.Rb5 Ke5 64.b4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.32

1-0

199 C54

□ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2750**

■ **Leko,Peter 2666**

Olympiad-45 Budapest (6.2) 16.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3

[7.a3 a6 8.c3 Ba7 9.0-0 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.Bxe5 dxe5 13.Qxh5 Qe7 14.a4 Be6 15.Na3 0-0-0 16.Rad1 Kb8 17.Bxe6 Qxe6 18.Nc4 g4 19.Ne3 Rhg8 20.Qf5 Qxf5 21.Nxf5 h5 1-0 (40) Sinowjew,J (1784)-Power (1461) Simultaneous Display 11 (1)]

7...a5 8.0-0 g5N 8...Ba7 might become the main line .8...La7 könnte zur Hauptfortsetzung werden.

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4

Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

9.Bg3 0-0 10.Na3N

[Vorgänger: 10.Nbd2 Ba7 11.Kh1 Bg4 12.h3 Bh5 13.a3 Ne7 14.Bh2 -0.67/21 (*14.Qc2=* 0.01/20) 14...g4!∓ 15.hxg4 Nxg4 16.Bg3 -0.85/20 ½-½ Firouzja,A (2777)-So,W (2753) Chess.com Speed Chess blitz 2023 (2.31) (*16.d4∓* -0.33/20)]

10...Bxa3 11.bxa3 Bg4 12.Re1 Kg7 13.Rb1 Rb8 14.d4 -0.18/21

[Better is 14.a4⩲ 0.33/19]

14...Nh5= 15.Re3 Nf4! 16.h3 Bh5 17.Qd2 Qf6! 18.Kh2 b6 19.Bb5 Nd8 20.Ne1 Nde6 21.Nc2 Bg6 22.f3 h5! 23.Rf1 h4 24.Bf2 Nh5 -0.10/18

[24...c5∓ -0.50/20 feels stronger.]

25.Kg1 -0.52/19

[25.Rd1= -0.10/18]

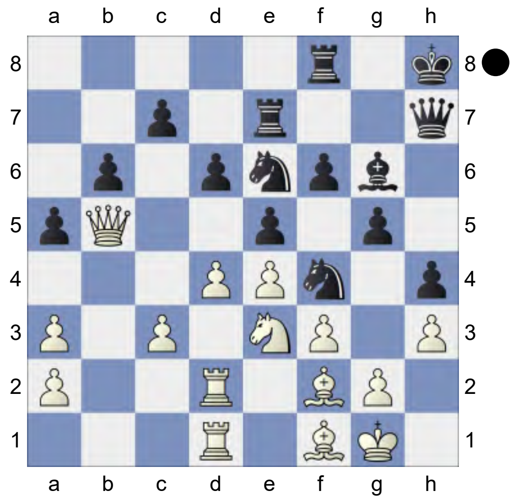
25...Kh7 0.06/19

[25...Nef4∓ -0.52/19]

26.Rd1 Rbd8 27.Ree1 Nhf4 28.Ne3 Qg7 29.Qb2 f6 30.Rd2 Qe7 31.Red1 Kh8 32.Qb3 Qh7 33.Bc4 Rde8 34.Qb5 Re7 35.Bf1 -0.79/21

[35.Kh2= 0.01/18]

(Diagram)



35...Be8 -0.07/20

[35...g4!∓ -0.79/21 36.Nxg4 (*36.fxg4 Bxe4 37.dxe5 fxe5∓; 36.hxg4 h3=*) 36...Be8]

36.Qb2 The position is equal. **36...Bg6 37.Re1 Ree8 38.Qc1 Re7 39.Qd1**

[39.Kh2 looks sharper. Be8 40.Nf5 Ref7 41.Bc4]

39...Ree8 40.Qa1 Re7 41.Qc1 Ree8 42.Qb2 Re7 43.Rdd1 Ree8 44.Rd2 Re7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

45.Rdd1

½-½

200 **C54**

☐ **Van Foreest,Jorden** **2697**

■ **Anton Guijarro,David** **2667**

EU-Cup 39th Vrnjacka Banja (7.5)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.Re1 Bb6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Bb3**

9.Bb3 is the recent fashion. 9.Lb3 ist aktuell in Mode.9.Bb3 is the recent fashion. 9.Lb3 ist aktuell in Mode.

[9.h3 Ne7 10.d4 (*10.Bb3 c6 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Ndf4 16.Qf3 Bc7 17.Bxf4 Bxf4 18.Rad1 Qc7 19.Nh5 Be5 20.Qe4 Kh8 21.Nf3 Re8 22.Nxe5 Rxe5 23.Qf3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Rxe6 ½-½* Turel,T (2033)-Rogic,D (2378) Split op 13th 2024 (2) *)* 10...Nc6 11.a4 a5 12.Ra3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Bxd4 15.Rd3 Be5 16.Nf3 Qe7 17.Nh4 Nd5 18.Qh5 Nf6 19.Ng6 Nxh5 20.Nxe7+ Kh7 21.g4 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Bxf4 23.Nd5 Be6 Aronian,L (2785)-Oparin,G (2674) 153/(126) Berlin 2022]

9...a5N

[9...Nh5 10.Nf1 Qf6 11.d4 Bg4 12.d5 Ne7 13.h3 Bd7 14.N1h2 Nf4 15.Bxf4 Qxf4 16.Qd2 Qf6 17.Rf1 Ng6 18.Bd1 Nf4 19.Ng4 Qg6 20.Nfh2 h5 21.Ne3 Bxh3 22.g3 h4 23.Bg4 hxg3 24.fxg3 0-1 59. Reversed Benoni Structure (2104)-Dr. C. Scholtens (2476) Enghien les Bains 2003 (2)]

10.h3 Be6 11.Nc4 Ba7 The position is equal. **12.a4 Re8 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Ne7 15.d4 Ng6 16.Ncd2N**

[16.dxe5 -0.17/23 16.Ncd2 0.25 dxe5 17.Nfd2 Qe7 18.Qf3 -0.90/19 (*18.Nf3∓* -0.40/21 *)* 18...Nh7 19.Qg3 -1.42/19 (*⌓19.Qd1* -0.72/21 *)* 19...Rad8!∓ 20.Kf1 -2.37/20 (*20.Bc2∓* -1.48/21 *)* 20...Qc5 -1.08/19 (*20...h5-+* -2.37/20 and Black stays clearly on top. Hoping for ...h4. *21.Kg1 h4)* 21.Ke1? -3.46/20 (*21.Rd3∓* -1.08/19 *)* 21...Nf4-+ 22.Ba2 0-1 Bianchi,A (2100)-Solomon,K (2369) Venice Autumn op 23rd 2016 (1)]

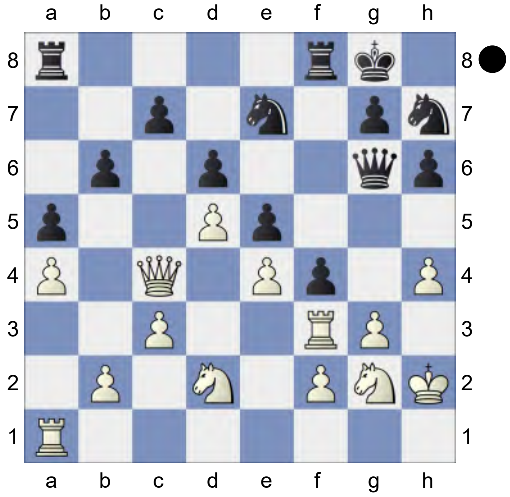
16...Qc8 17.Bxe6 Qxe6 18.Qf1 b6 19.Qb5 Nh5 20.Kh2 Nhf4 21.Qf1 Qf6 22.g3 Ne6 23.d5 Ng5 24.Ne1 Nh7 25.Nc2 -0.17/25

[Better is 25.Ng2⩲ 0.36/20]

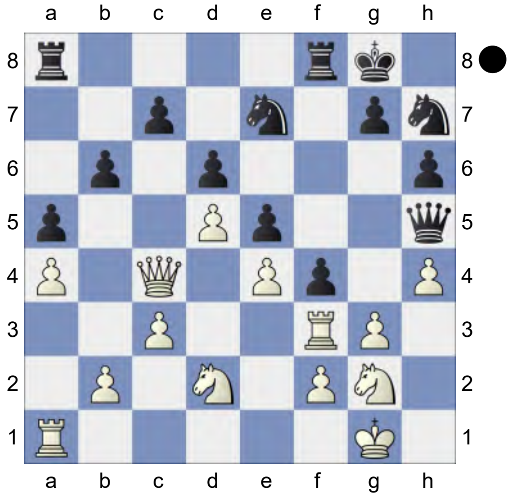
25...Rf8= 26.h4 Ne7 27.Rf3 Qg6 Strongly threatening ...f5. **28.Qc4** -1.00/21

[28.Ne3= 0.02/22 keeps the balance.]

28...f5∓ Black continues to play with concentration. **29.Ne3 f4 30.Ng2**



Qh5! 31.Kg1



Rac8 32.gxf4 -2.14/21

[32.Qe2 -1.75/18 is a better defense.]

32...exf4-+ 33.e5 Ng6

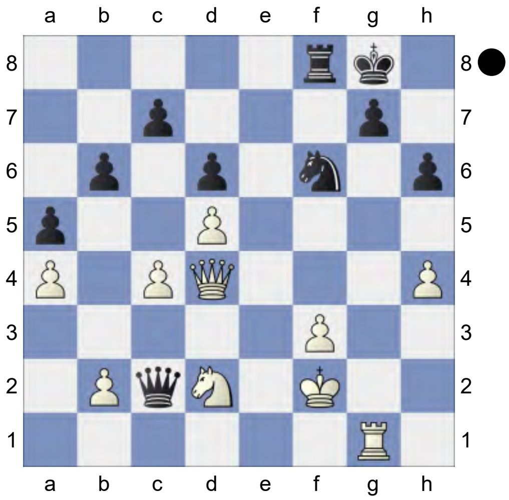
[33...Qxe5? 34.Re1 Qxd5

(34...Qf6? 35.Rxf4 Nf5 36.Re6+-)
35.Rxe7 Qxc4 36.Nxc4+-]

34.Nxf4 Nxf4
[34...Nxe5 35.Nxh5 Nxc4 36.Rxf8+ Rxf8 37.Nxc4+-]

35.Rxf4 Qxe5
[Not 35...dxe5 36.Rxf8+ Nxf8 37.d6+ Kh8 38.dxc7∓]

36.Re4 Qf5 37.Qd4 Rf6 And now ... Rg6+ would win. **38.f3 Rg6+ 39.Rg4 Nf6** Repels Qe4. Pin **40.Rxg6 Qxg6+ 41.Kf2 Rf8 42.Rg1 Qc2 43.c4?** -3.74/20
[43.b3 -2.08/17 only move.]



43...Qxd2+!! Remove Defender, Decoy **44.Qxd2 Ne4+ 45.Ke3 Nxd2 46.Kxd2 Rxf3** Endgame. KR-KR **47.Rg4 Kf7** White must now prevent ...h5. **48.h5 Rf5** Black is clearly winning. **49.Rh4 g6 50.hxg6+ Kxg6 51.Rg4+ Rg5 52.Re4 h5 53.Kd3 Rg3+ 54.Ke2 Rg4**
[54...Rg2+? 55.Kd3-+]

55.Re6+ Kf5 56.Kd3 Wards off Re4 **56...h4 57.Re7 h3** ...Rh4 would now be deadly. **58.Rh7 Rg3+ 59.Ke2 Rb3 60.Kf2 Rxb2+ 61.Kg1 Rb4 62.Rxc7 Rxa4 63.Kh2 Ke5 64.Kxh3 Rb4 65.Kg3 a4 66.Kf3** Weighted Error

Value: White=0.30/Black=0.07 (flawless)
0-1

201 C54
☐ Dardha,Daniel 2582
■ Duda,Jan Krzysztof 2718
WchT Rapid London (9.3) 13.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

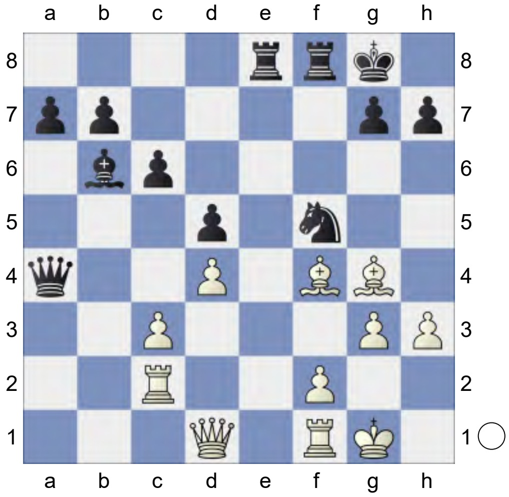
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N
[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,

P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Rc1 The position is equal. **12...Nxc3 13.bxc3 f6 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.Be2 Rae8 16.0-0 Qd6 17.Re1!?N** An interesting novelty.Eine interessante Neuerung.

[17.a4 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 Ne7 0.86/20 *(18...Na5⩲ 0.39/22)* 19.Rc2 0.36/23 *(19.Bg4± 0.86/20)* 19...c6 20.g3 Nf5 21.Bf4 Qa3 22.Bg4 Qxa4



23.Qd3 0.62/23 ½-½ (57) Asadli,V (2578)-Puranik,A (2568) Plovdiv Round Table U21 op 2021 (6) *(23.Qd2!± 1.10/21)*]

17...h6 18.Rc2 Ba5 0.57/21

[18...Bg6= 0.11/22]

19.Nd2 0.01/21

[White should try 19.Ne5!⩲ 0.57/21 Bxe2 20.Rexe2]

19...Bg6= 20.Rc1 Ne7 0.48/21

[20...Bb6= -0.01/20 feels stronger.]

21.Nf3 -0.25/20

[21.Qa4⩲ 0.48/21 Nc6 22.Bf3]

21...Be4 0.33/20

[21...Nf5= -0.25/20 22.Bd2 Bb6]

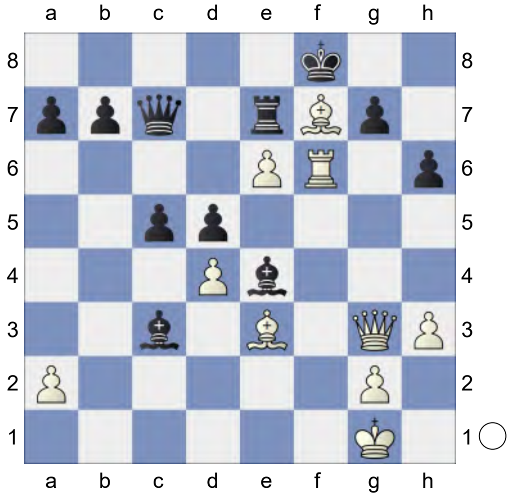
22.Ne5!⩲ Ng6 23.f3 Bf5 24.f4↑ Black is under pressure. **24...Be4 25.Bh5 Re7 26.Qg4 Nxe5 27.fxe5**

[Of course not 27.dxe5 Qa3=]

27...Qe6 28.Qg3 c5 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Rxf1 Black must now prevent Rf6. Black cannot hold the game after this. **30...Bxc3?** 7.64/26

[30...Kh7⩲ 0.60/21]

31.Rf6+- Qc8 32.e6 Qc7 33.Bf7+ Kf8



Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.45

34.Rxh6! Demolition

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203 **C51**
☐ **No-StockFish-Bots** **3079**
■ **ProteusSF-Aureo** **2966**
Rapid 12.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Na5 8.Bxf7+ Kf8 9.Qa4 Kxf7 10.Qxa5** White is slightly better. **10...b6 11.Qb5 Bf6N**

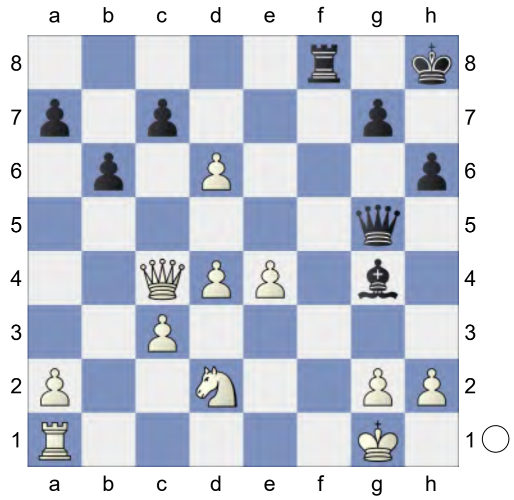
[11...Bd7 12.Qd3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nf6 14.Ng5+ Ke8 15.0-0 Ng4 16.f4 Bf6 17.e5 dxe5 18.Nc3 exd4 19.Nce4 Bf5 20.Qc4 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qd7

22.Re1+ Kf8 23.Ba3+ c5 24.Bxc5+ 1-0 (24) Doplmayr,F (2270)-Schild,R corr thematic, ICCF 1998]

12.0-0 Bd7 13.Qd3 Ne7 14.Ng5+ Bxg5 15.Bxg5 h6 16.Bxe7 Qxe7 17.f4 Rhf8 18.fxe5+ Kg8! 19.Rxf8+ Rxf8 20.exd6 Qg5 (→ ...Qc1+) **21.Nd2** Hoping for Nf3. **21...Bh3 22.Qe2** Threatens to win with Nf3.

[Much weaker is 22.Qxh3 Qxd2 23.Rf1 (*23.dxc7?* is a self mate. *Qf2+ 24.Kh1 Qf1+ 25.Rxf1 Rxf1#*) 23...Rxf1+ 24.Kxf1 cxd6=]

22...Bg4 Against Nf3 **23.Qc4+ Kh8**



24.Rf1! Rxf1+ 25.Nxf1 cxd6 26.a3 a5 27.d5 0.13/22

[27.Qa6± 0.68/20]

27...h5 0.79/20

[27...Bf3= 0.13/22 remains equal. 28.g3 (*28.Qc8+ Kh7=*) 28...Qg4]

28.Qa6 0.42/23

[28.Qd3!± 0.79/20]

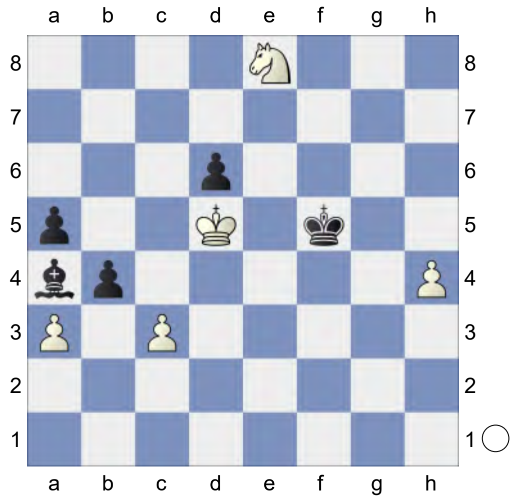
28...Bf3!± 29.Qc8+ Kh7 30.Qf5+ Qxf5 31.exf5 Bxd5 Endgame KB-KN **32.Ne3 Bb3 33.Kf2 Kh6 34.h4 g5 35.fxg6 Kxg6 36.Ke2** 0.34/26

[⌓36.Kf3 0.70/25]

36...Kf6 37.Kd3 Ke5 38.g4 hxg4 39.Nxg4+ Kf4 40.Nf6 Strongly threatening c4. **40...b5** Inhibits c4. **41.Kd4 Ba4** 0.35/27

[41...Kf5= 0.01/27 42.Ne8 Kg4]

42.Kd5 Kf5 43.Ne8 b4



44.axb4 axb4

[44...Bxe8? 45.bxa5 Bb5 46.Kxd6+-]

45.Nxd6+ Kg4 46.cxb4 Kxh4 47.Nf5+ Kh5 48.Ne3 Bb3+ 49.Ke4 Kh6 50.Kf5 Kh7 51.Ke5 Kh8 0.50/29

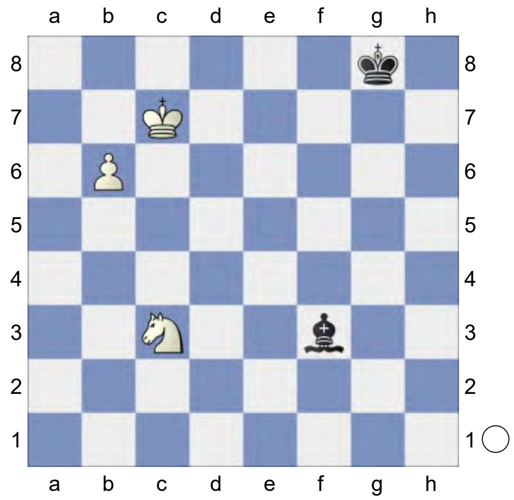
[51...Ba4= 0.00/28]

52.Nd5 Kh7 53.Nb6 aiming for b5. **53...Kg7 54.b5** 0.01/34

[Better is 54.Kd6± 0.65/28 Bd1 55.Ke7]

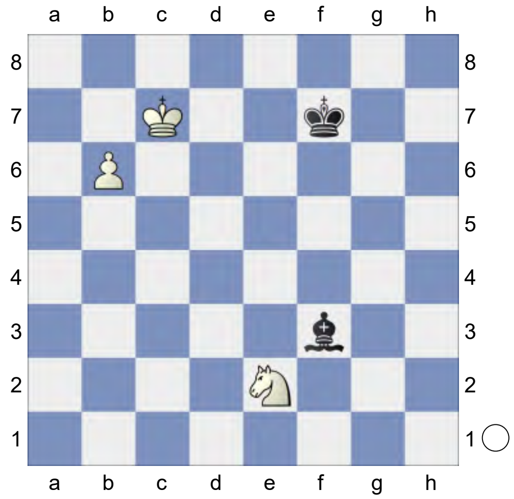
54...Bc2 55.Kd4 Kf8 56.Nd5 b6 would kill now. **56...Bf5 57.Ke5 Bd7 58.b6 Bc8 59.Kd6** Intending Kc7 and mate. **59...Bb7! 60.Nc3 Kg8!=** -0.01/32 **61.Kc7 Bf3!=** -0.01/30 keeps the balance.

(Diagram)



62.Kd6 -0.01/32

[62.Ne2!± 0.69/31 Kf7



63.Kd7!]

62...Ba8 0.75/31 **63.Kc7** -0.01/30

[63.Ke7± 0.75/31]

63...Kg7 0.75/30 **64.Ne4** 0.00/56 **Bxe4=** The position is equal. **65.Kd6 Kh8 66.Ke5 Ba8 67.b7 Bxb7** Normal Normal. Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

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[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6 Black is slightly better.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6 13.Re1N

[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ (36) Castro Salguero,R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11. ♘e2 13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7

Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...g5 0.19/18

[13...exd4∓ -0.41/18 14.Bb2 dxc3 15.Bxc3 Qe7]

14.Nf1= White has compensation. **14...h5 15.Ne3 h4 16.h3 Qg7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 0-0-0 19.Qe4** -0.37/22

[19.Be6+± 0.76/21 Kb8 20.d5]

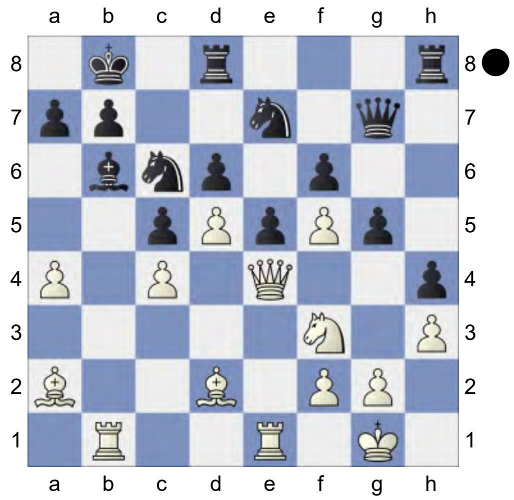
19...Kb8∓ 20.Bd2 Ne7 -0.07/19

[20...Rhe8∓ -0.67/19]

21.c4!= c5! 22.Rab1 Strongly threatening Bxa5. **22...Nac6**

[22...cxd4 23.c5 *(23.Bxa5 d5=)* 23...Bxc5 *(23...d5 24.Qd3±)* 24.Bxa5+-]

23.d5



Nb4 24.Rb2

[24.Rb3 Nxa2]

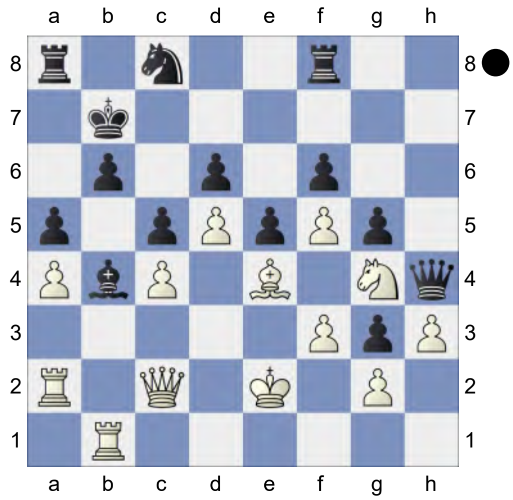
24...Ng8 25.Nh2 Nh6 26.Ra1 Ba5 27.Bb1 Rdg8 28.Rb3 Qc7 29.Bc1 Rg7 30.Nf1 Ka8 31.Qe2 Qc8 32.Ne3 Qg8 33.f3 b6 34.Be4 Qf8 35.Qb2 Nf7 36.Bd2 Qe7 37.Bc3 Rgg8 38.Be1 Rb8 39.Ng4 Nd8 40.Rb1 Nb7 41.Ra1 Na6 42.Bf2 Nc7 43.Qc2 Ne8 44.Be3 Rc8 45.Rb2 Kb8 46.Rab1 Kc7 47.Rb5 Kd8 48.R5b2 Bb4 49.Nf2 Ng7 50.Nd3 Ba5 51.Nf2 Qd7 52.Ng4 Nh5 53.Qb3 Bb4 54.Bf2 Kc7

[54...Ke7 is interesting. 55.Rd1 Ra8 56.Qc2 Nd8]

55.Ne3 Kd8 56.Qc2 Ke7 57.Kh2 Na5 58.Kh1 Rb8 59.Kh2 Nf4 60.Kg1 Nb7 61.Ra2 Qc8 62.Ng4 Nd8 63.Kh2 Qa6 64.Ne3 Rg8 65.Rb3 Re8 66.Qb2 Nb7 Strongly threatening ...Na5. **67.Qc1 Na5 68.Rbb2 Rec8 69.Qc2 Nb7 70.Rb3 Ra8 71.Kh1 Rcb8 72.Kh2 Nd8 73.Qb1 Qb7 74.Nc2 a5 75.Ne3 Nf7 76.Qd1 Rh8 77.Kh1 Nh5 78.Qc2 Qc8 79.Kh2 Kd7 80.Kg1 Kc7 81.Qb1 Qd8 82.Be1 Nh6 83.Bf2 Qe8 84.Nc2 Ng3** 0.00/19

[84...Nf4∓ -0.49/16]

85.Bxg3 hxg3 86.Ne3 Qh5 87.Re2 White is weak on the dark squares **87...Rhf8 88.Ra2 Ng8 89.Kf1 Ne7 90.Ke2 Kb7 91.Qc2 Qh4 92.Ng4 Nc8 93.Rb1**



b5! 94.cxb5

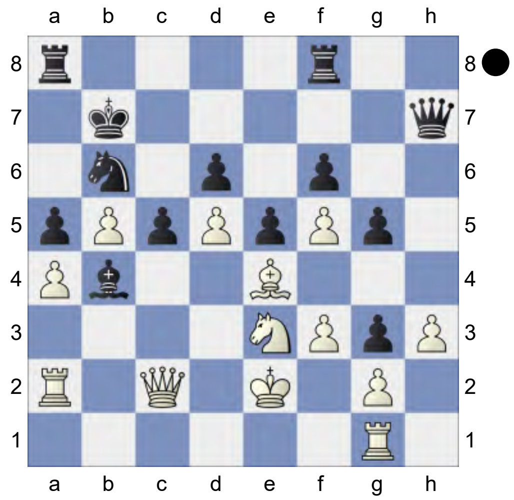
[94.axb5 Nb6]

94...Qh7 Now White is beyond hope. **95.Rg1?** -2.08/19

[95.Ne3∓ -0.36/19]

95...Nb6-+ 96.Ne3

(Diagram)



c4! 97.Rc1

[97.Qb1 Bc5]

97...Rac8 98.Rf1 -2.71/17

[98.Qb1 -1.95/16 might work better.]

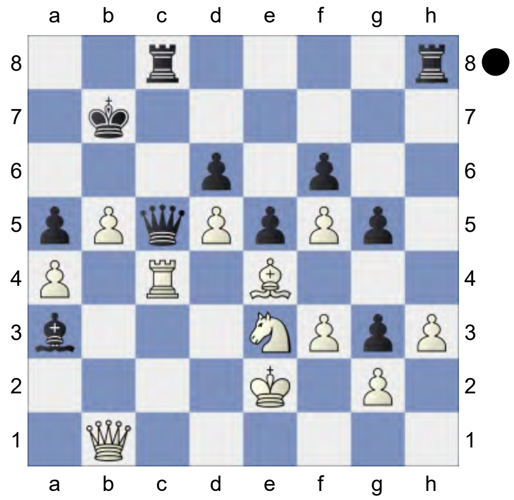
98...Qc7 99.Rc1 Qc5 100.Qb1 Rh8 101.Rac2 Ba3

[101...Nxa4 102.Ng4-+]

102.Rxc4? -5.09/19

[102.Rf1 -2.38/16]

102...Nxc4 103.Rxc4



Qxe3+!! Remove Defender **104.Kxe3 Rxc4 105.b6 Rb4 106.Qd3** -6.95/21

[⌓106.Qe1 -4.94/18 Rc8 *(106...Rxa4? 107.Bc2-+; 106...Kxb6 107.Qc3=)* 107.f4]

106...Bc1+

[106...Rxa4 107.Qb5 Bc5+ 108.Kd2 Ra2+ 109.Kc3

A) 109...Bxb6 110.Kb3= *(110.Qd7+ Ka8 111.Qxd6=);*

B) 109...Bd4+ 110.Kd3 Ra3+ *(110...Bxb6 111.Qc6+ Ka7 112.Qxd6=)* 111.Ke2 Ra2+ *(111...Bxb6 112.Qc6+ Ka7 113.Qd7+ Ka6 114.Bd3+ Rxd3 115.Kxd3±)* 112.Kd1 Ra1+ *(112...Bxb6 113.Qc6+ Ka7 114.Qd7+ Ka8 115.Qxd6=)* 113.Kd2 Ra2+ *(113...Bxb6? 114.Qc6+ Ka7 115.Qd7+ Kb8 116.Qxd6+ Bc7 117.Qxf6+-)* 114.Ke1 Bxb6 115.Qc6+ Ka7 116.Qd7+ *(116.Qxd6? Rh7-+)* 116...Ka8 117.Qxd6=]

107.Ke2 Rb2+

[107...Kxb6 108.Qc3 *(108.Qc2? Rb2-+)* 108...Bf4 *(108...Rb2+? 109.Kd1+-)* 109.Qc6+ Ka7 110.Bd3= *(110.Qxd6 Rc8-+; 110.Qc7+ Rb7∓)*]

[107...Rxa4? 108.Qb5 *(108.Qc2 Rxe4+ 109.fxe4 Rc8+-)* 108...Ra2+ 109.Kd1+-]

108.Ke1 Rc8 (-> ...Bf4!)

[108...Kxb6 109.Qc4 Bd2+ 110.Kd1=]

109.Qa3 Rf2 110.Qd3 Bf4

Black mates.

[110...Kxb6? 111.Qb5+ Kc7 112.Qc6+ *(112.Qxa5+? Kd7-+)* 112...Kd8 113.Qxd6+ Ke8 114.Qe6+ *(114.Qxf6? Bd2+ 115.Kd1 Rc1#)* 114...Kd8 115.Qxf6+ Kd7 116.Qe6+ *(116.Qxe5? Bd2+ 117.Kd1 Rc1#)* 116...Kd8+- 117.Qd6+ *(117.Qxe5? Bd2+ 118.Kd1 Rc1#)* 117...Ke8 118.Qxe5+ *(118.Qe6+ Kd8+-)* 118...Kd7 119.Qe6+ *(119.Qxg3? Ra2-+)* 119...Kd8 120.Qd6+ Ke8 121.Qxg3+-]

111.Qa3 Rxg2
[111...Kxb6 112.Qxd6+ Kb7 113.Qd7+ *(113.Qxf6? Rc1#)* 113...Kb8 114.Qb5+ Kc7 115.d6+ *(115.Qxa5+ Kd7=)* 115...Kxd6 116.Qb6+ *(116.Qxa5? Rc1#)* 116...Ke7 117.Qe6+ Kd8 118.Qxf6+ Kd7 119.Qe6+ Kd8 120.Qd6+ Ke8 121.Bc6+ Rxc6 122.Qxc6+ Ke7 123.Qe6+ Kd8 124.f6 Bd2+ 125.Kd1+-]

112.Bd3 Rg1+
[112...Kxb6 113.Qxd6+ Ka7 114.Qa6+ *(114.Qxf6? Rc1#)* 114...Kb8 115.Qb6+ *(115.Qxa5? Rc1#)* 115...Ka8 116.Qxa5+ *(116.Qxf6? Rc1#)* 116...Kb8 117.Qb6+ Ka8 118.Qa5+ *(118.Qxf6? Rc1#)* 118...Kb8 119.Qb6+ Ka8 120.Qa6+ Kb8 121.Qb5+ *(121.Qxf6? Rc1#)* 121...Ka7 122.Qa6+ Kb8 123.Qb5+ Ka7 124.Qa5+ Kb8=]

113.Ke2 Rcc1
[113...Kxb6? perishes. 114.Qxd6+ Kb7 115.Qa6+ *(115.Qxf6 gets mated. Rg2+ 116.Kf1 Rf2+ 117.Kg1 Rc1+)* 115...Kc7 116.Qa7+ *(116.Qxa5+ Kd7+-)* 116...Kd6 117.Qa6+ *(117.Qxg1 Rb8+-)* 117...Kc7 118.Qa7+ Kd6 119.Qxg1+-]

114.Ba6+ Kxa6 115.Qd3+ Kb7 116.Qe3 Rge1+ 117.Kd3 Rxe3+ 118.Kd2 Ree1+ 119.Kd3 Red1+ 120.Ke4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

120...Rc4# Normal

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■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2700**

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[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 h6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 Bb6** is recently more successful than 6...Nf6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6... Sf6. is recently more successful than 6...Nf6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6...Sf6. is recently more successful than 6...Nf6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6... Sf6.

7.Re1!? Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.
[7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) 0-1 0-1 Firouzja, A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) 0-1]
[RR 7.a4 Nge7 8.d4 *(RR 8.b4 a6 9.a5 Ba7 10.Be3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Kh8 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4)* 8...exd4 9.Nxd4 0-0 10.Be3 Bxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Be3 Kh8 14.Nd2 e5 15.Qg4 Qe8 16.Rfd1 Ng8 17.Nf1 Nf6 18.Qh4 Na5 19.f3 Ng8 20.b4 Nc4 21.Qf2 Qe6 Gkavardinas,A (2208)-Raczek,K (2443) Stockholm 2025 0-1 (91)]

7...Nge7 8.d4N The position is equal.
[Vorgänger: 8.a4 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ng6

10.Bb3 -0.19/19 *(⌓10.b4* 0.28/19 *a6 11.Bd5)* 10...Kh8= 11.Nc4 Na5 0.40/21 *(11...f5=* -0.08/21 *)* 12.Nxb6 -0.70/23 *(12.Nxa5±* 0.40/21 *Bxa5 13.d4)* 12...Nxb3∓ 13.Qxb3 axb6 14.Be3 Caruana,F (2805) -Hakobyan, A (2617) Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid 2024 (1.1) 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Caruana, F (2805)-Hakobyan,A (2617) Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid 2024 (1.1) Caruana,F (2805) -Hakobyan,A (2617) Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid 2024 (1.1) 1/2-1/2]

[RR 8.b4 Ng6 *(RR 8...a6 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.a4 f5 13.Ra2 b5 14.Ne3 f4; RR 8...a6 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.a4 f5 13.Ra2 b5 14.Ne3 f4)* 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.g3 Qg5 Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2) 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj 2023 1-0 (37) McNutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo,N (1921) corr BdF 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0 (37) 1-0 Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2) Mcnutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo Nicolas (1921) Cup-8 corr BdF 1974 (2) 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj 2023 1-0 (37) McNutt,W (2072)-Rossolimo,N (1921) corr BdF 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0 (37) 23.Kh1 Nh5 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 b6 26.Qf2 Nc8 27.Rd1 Ra8 28.axb6 cxb6 29.Nd2 Nf6 30.Nc4 Nd7 31.f4 exf4 32.Nxf4 Nf8 33.Qf3 Ra7 34.e5 Rf7 35.Qe4 b5 36.Nd6 Nxd6 37.exd6 Rd7 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2) 1-0 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2) Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2) 1-0]

8...Ng6 9.Be3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 exd4 11.cxd4 Bxd4? 3.27/22 **12.Qb3+- Bxe3 13.Bxf7+ Kd7 14.Rxe3**

[14.Bxg6 Bxd2 15.Nxd2 Qf6=]

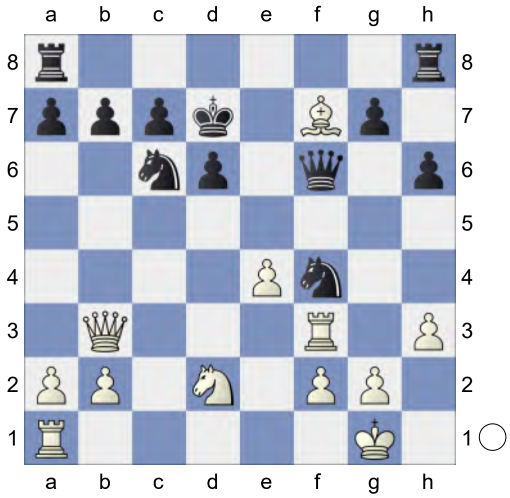
14...Qf6 15.h3 2.06/22

[⌓15.Bxg6 3.54/20 Qxg6 16.Qxb7]

15...Bxf3 16.Rxf3 0.91/23

[16.Nxf3+- 2.01/21 has better winning chances. Bf7xg6! would now be deadly. Rab8 17.Bxg6 Qxg6 18.Rd1]

16...Nf4±



17.Rxf4! 0.15/21 **Qxf4= 18.Be6+ Ke7 19.Nf3** Prevents Nc6-d4. aiming for Be6-f5. **19...Ne5** 0.78/21

[19...Na5= -0.01/21 20.Qd5 c6 21.Qxa5 Kxe6]

20.Nd4± The board is on fire. **20...Rhe8** 2.39/22

[20...Qxe4± 0.93/21 21.Rd1 Rab8]

21.Bf5+- Threatens to win with Nd4-e6!

[21.Qxb7 Kf6±]

21...Kf8 22.Ne6+? 0.14/20

[22.Qxb7+- 2.05/21 Qd2 23.Ne6+ Rxe6 24.Bxe6 *(24.Qxa8+ Re8±)*]

22...Rxe6!= 23.Qxe6 -0.42/20

[23.Bxe6= 0.11/21 Re8 24.Re1]

23...Re8∓ 24.Qb3 b6 -0.01/20

[24...g6∓ -0.52/19 25.Be6 b6 *(25...Qxe4 26.Bd5=)*]

25.g3 Qd2 26.f4 Nd3 27.Rf1 -1.84/24 Wards off Qd2-f2+. White is weak on the dark squares

[27.Bg6!= -0.01/26 Qf2+ 28.Kh1 Qf3+ *(28...Nxb2 29.Qf7#)* 29.Kh2 Qe2+ 30.Kg1 Qf2+ 31.Kh1 Qf3+ *(31...Nxb2 32.Qf7#)* 32.Kh2 Qf2+ 33.Kh1]

27...Qe3+ -1.38/27

[27...Nxb2 28.Bg6 Qd4+ 29.Rf2⩲]

[27...Nc5-+ -1.84/24 28.Qf3 Nxe4 Decoy *(28...Qxb2 29.Bg6∓)* 29.Bxe4 Qd4+ *(29...Qxb2? 30.Bg6+-)* 30.Rf2 Rxe4 *(30...Qxe4? 31.Kg2-+)*]

28.Kg2 Hoping for Bf5-g6. **28...Qe2+ 29.Kg1 Re7?** 1.16/25

[29...Nxb2 30.Bg4 Qd3 31.Qxb2⩲]

[29...Nc5!∓ -1.32/26 and life is bright. 30.Qf3 Qxf3 Remove Defender *(30...Qxb2 31.Bg6∓)* 31.Rxf3 Nxe4]

30.e5!± Qe3+!= 4.30/26

[30...Nc5± 0.91/23 is a better chance. 31.Qd5 Qh5]

31.Kg2? -0.68/26

[White must play 31.Kh1+- 4.30/26 Nf2+ 32.Kg2 Qxb3 Remove Defender 33.axb3 dxe5 34.fxe5 *(34.Kxf2 exf4 35.gxf4 Rf7+-; 34.Rxf2 exf4 35.gxf4 Re3+-)* 34...Rxe5]

31...Qd2+ -0.01/25

[Black should try 31...Ne1+!∓ -0.68/26 32.Rxe1 *(32.Kh1? Qe2-+)* 32...Qxe1]

32.Kg1 Nc5 1.90/24

[32...Nxb2 33.Bc2 Qd4+ 34.Kh1]

33.Qf3+- Qxb2? 3.48/25

[33...dxe5? 34.fxe5 Qd4+ *(34...Qxb2 35.Bg6+ Kg8 36.Qf8#)* 35.Kh1+-]

[33...Qd4+± 1.55/21 was necessary. 34.Kh1 Qc4 *(34...dxe5? 35.fxe5 Rf7 36.Rd1+-)*]

34.h4? -0.01/23

[34.Qa8++- 3.48/25 Re8 35.Qd5]

34...Qd4+ 0.91/22

[34...Qxa2 35.Bg6 d5 36.f5]

[34...dxe5= -0.01/23 35.fxe5 Rf7 *(35...Rxe5? 36.Be4+ Ke7 37.Qf7+ Kd6 38.Rd1++-)*]

35.Kh2 0.41/21

[White should play 35.Kg2± 0.91/22]

35...Re8? 1.92/21

[35...d5!⩲ 0.41/21]

36.Bg6 Rf1-d1 is the strong threat.

36...Rd8 37.Qg4? -0.01/23

[37.Kh3+- 1.72/21]

37...Kg8 38.exd6 -0.41/23

[38.Rd1= 0.01/22 deserves consideration. Qe3 39.exd6 cxd6 40.Rxd6 Qf2+ 41.Kh3 Qf1+ 42.Kh2]

38...cxd6 0.01/22

[38...Qxd6∓ -0.41/23 39.Re1 Nd7]

39.Re1? -8.89/20

[39.Rd1= 0.01/22 Qf6 40.Rd5]

39...Qf6? 0.01/24

[Better is 39...Qf2+-+ -8.89/20 40.Kh3 Qxe1]

40.h5→ White mounts an attack. **40...d5 41.Qe2 d4** next ...d4-d3 is good for Black.

[41...Ne4 simplifies 42.a4 Kh8 43.Bxe4 dxe4 44.Qxe4 Qf7]

42.Qc4+ Kf8? 7.69/23

[42...Kh8= -0.01/23]

43.Re5 d3 44.Rf5 Qxf5 45.Bxf5 d2 46.Bg4 d1Q 47.Bxd1 Rxd1+- Endgame. KQ-KRN **48.Kh3 Rd7 49.Qc3 Re7 50.Qd4 Rd7 51.Qe5 Re7**

52.Qf5+ Kg8 53.Qc8+ Kf7 54.Qc6 Nd7 55.Qc4+ Kf8+- 56.g4

[56.Qc8+ Kf7 57.g4 *(57.Qc4+ Kf8+-)* 57...Re3+ 58.Kh2 Nf6]

56...Nc5 57.Qd5 Rd7 58.Qf5+ Rf7 59.Qc8+ Ke7 60.g5 Ne6 5.41/23

[⌓60...hxg5 3.64/23 61.Qc7+ Skewer *(61.fxg5 Ne6+-)* 61...Nd7 62.fxg5 *(62.Qxa7 Rxf4 63.Qa3+ Kd8±)* 62...Rf5]

61.Qb7+ White is clearly winning. **61...Ke8 62.Qb8+ Ke7 63.Qxa7+ Ke8 64.Qb8+**

[64.Qxb6 Nxf4+ 65.Kg4 hxg5+-]

64...Ke7 65.Qb7+

[Not 65.Qxb6 hxg5 66.Qb4+ Kf6+-]

65...Ke8 66.Qc8+ Ke7 67.gxh6 gxh6 68.Qb7+ Kf8 69.Qxb6 Nxf4+ 70.Kg4 Nd5 71.Qd8+ Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0. 66/ Black=0.67 Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.66/ Black=0.67 Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0. 66/ Black=0.67

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205 **C55**
☐ **Lav_eli_mi_kri1920** **2788**
■ **jgeg** **2655**
Blitz 15.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6** -0.13/20

[8...Qe7!∓ -0.67/22]

9.f4= Bg4

[9...Be6 with more complications. 10.fxe5 Bxc4 11.Rxf6 gxf6 12.Bxf6 Ne2+]

10.Bxf6 Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Nc3

[13.Na3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6 15.Rf1 exf4 16.Rxf4 0-0 17.Kf2 Kh8 18.Ke3 d5 0-1 Tumukunde,T-Okurut,M (1493) UGA-ch U20 Kampala 2025 (4)]

13...Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6N

[14...exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7

A) 16.Nxf4 Rde8 *(16...Rhe8 17.Bd3 Re5* 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt*)* 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 Re4 24.h3 g5 25.Rf3 a5 26.Kf2 d5 27.Rf6 Rh8 28.a3 Rc4 29.Bg6 Rc1 30.Nf8 Rh1 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10);

B) 16.Be2 Rde8 17.Bf3 c6 18.Nxf4 Kc7 Chapter 10-Old Max Lange 2024]

15.Rf1 White has compensation. **15...f6** 0.84/20

[15...exf4= -0.19/20 16.Rxf4 0-0]

16.f5± Ke7 17.Rf3 Rhe8 1.27/19

[⌓17...d5 0.74/22 18.exd5 b5]

18.Be6 0.42/20

[18.Rg3± 1.27/19 Kf8 19.a4]

18...b5 0.86/21

[18...g6!⩲ 0.42/20]

19.b4 0.36/19

[19.Nd1± 0.86/21]

19...a5⩲ 20.a3 -0.16/20

[20.bxa5 0.27/22 is more appropriate. Ra8 21.Rg3]

20...Ra8 1.06/19

[20...axb4= -0.16/20 21.axb4 Ra8]

21.h4? -0.72/22 White is more active.

[21.Rg3± 1.06/19 g5 22.Na2]

21...axb4∓ 22.axb4 Ra1+ 23.Kh2 Rea8 24.Rg3 -1.80/26

[24.Rf2!∓ -0.69/19]

24...Kf8!-+ 25.Rd3 -2.74/23

[25.Nxb5 -1.80/21 cxb5 26.Rc3]

25...R1a3 26.h5? -3.76/27

[26.Rg3 -1.76/22]

26...R8a7? -0.96/25

[26...R8a4-+ -3.76/27 has better winning chances. 27.Bd7 Ra8]

27.Rg3 -1.80/24

[27.Rf3∓ -0.96/25]

27...Ra8 -0.84/20

[27...Ke8-+ -1.80/24 White must now prevent ...Kd8. 28.Rd3 Ke7 *(28...R7a4 29.Rf3∓)*]

28.Rd3? -3.54/25

[28.Rf3∓ -0.84/20]

28...c5 29.Rxd6 Rxc3 Endgame KRR-KRB **30.Rd7** -3.62/18

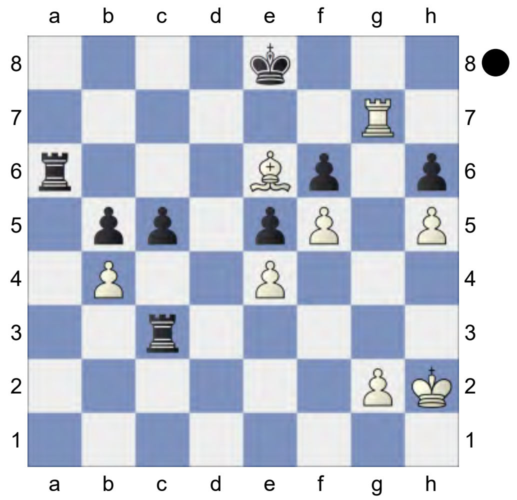
[30.bxc5 -2.19/22 was forced. Rxc5 31.Rd7]

30...Ra6? -0.34/23

[30...cxb4-+ -3.62/18 31.Rf7+ Ke8 32.Rxg7 Ra5]

31.Rf7+∓ Ke8! 32.Rxg7? -4.89/22

[32.bxc5∓ -0.37/23 Ra4 *(32...Rxc5? 33.Rxg7 Rxe6 34.fxe6∓)* 33.Rc7]



32...Rxe6!-+ 33.fxe6

[33.bxc5 Rc6]

33...cxb4∓ KR-KR. Black is a pawn up.

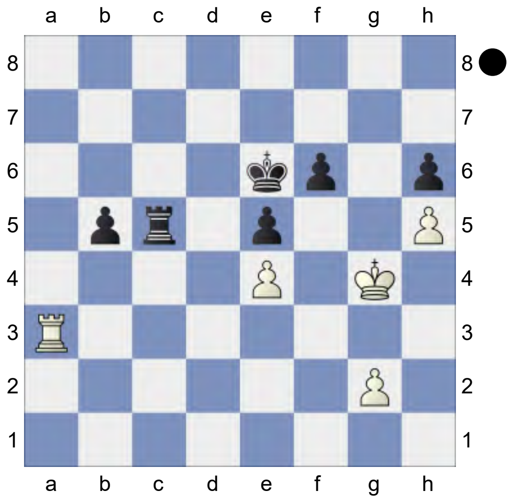
34.Rb7 Rc5 35.Rd7 b3 36.Rd3 Ke7? -0.64/19

[36...b2 37.Rb3∓]

[36...Rc4-+ -5.57/24 37.Rxb3 b4 *(37...Rxe4 38.Rxb5 Rh4+ 39.Kg3∓)*]

37.Rxb3 Kxe6 38.Kg3 Kd6 39.Kg4 Ke6 40.Ra3? -3.09/24

[40.Kf3= -0.06/22]



40...b4? 0.00/30

[40...Rc6!-+ -3.09/24 41.Rb3 Rb6]

41.Ra6+= Ke7 42.Rb6 Against Rb5

42...Rc2 43.g3 Rc4 44.Kf5 Rd4 45.g4

[45.Rxf6? Rd6 46.Rg6 Rxg6 47.hxg6 b3-+]

45...Rc4? 3.04/26

[45...Rd1= 0.01/29]

46.Re6+? 0.07/24

[46.Rxf6+- 3.04/26 Rxe4 47.Rxh6 Rf4+ 48.Kg5]

46...Kd7 47.Rb6

[47.Kxf6 b3 *(47...Rxe4 48.g5=)* 48.Kf7 Rb4 *(48...Rxe4? 49.Rb6-+)* 49.Rxe5 b2 50.Rd5+ Kc6-+]

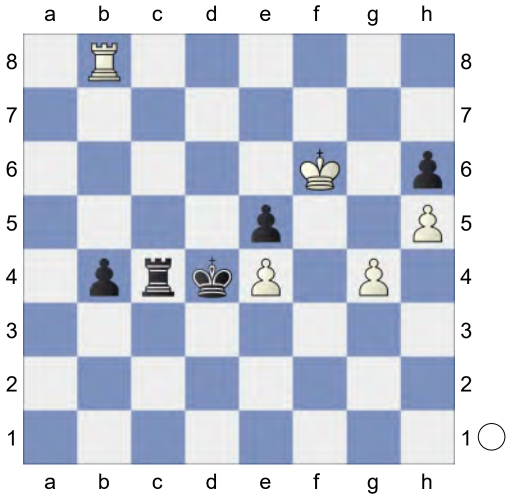
47...Kc7 48.Rb5

[48.Rxf6 b3 49.Rf7+ *(49.Rxh6? b2-+)* 49...Kc6 50.Rf6+ *(50.Kxe5? b2-+)* 50...Kb7 51.Rf7+ *(51.Rxh6? b2-+)* 51...Rc7 52.Rxc7+ Kxc7-+]

48...Kc6 49.Rb8 Kc5 50.Kxf6 Kd4

3.22/23

[50...Rxe4= -0.07/21 and Black is okay. 51.g5 hxg5]



51.Kf5? 0.04/17

[White has to play 51.g5!+- 3.22/23]

51...Kc3! 52.Kxe5 b3 53.Rf8 Rb4 54.Rf1 b2 55.Rf3+? -10.59/24

[55.Kf5= 0.00/31]

55...Kc2? 0.00/24

[Better is 55...Kc4-+ -10.59/24 56.Rf1 b1Q (*56...b1B 57.Rf6±; 56...b1R 57.Rf5-+*) 57.Rxb1 Rxb1]

56.Rf1 b1Q -0.58/12

[Much weaker is 56...b1B 57.Rf6±]

[56...Rb3= 0.00/24]

57.Rxb1∓ Rxb1 The position is equal.

[57...Kxb1 58.Kf5=]

58.Kf5

[58.Kf6∓]

58...Rg1 59.e5 Kd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=0.74 **60.e6** Loss on time!?

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206 **C50**

☐ **Duda,Jan-Krzysztof** **2718**

■ **Bok,Benjamin** **2583**

CCT Chess.com Classic 2025 | Play-in -
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 2 **e5** 1:36 **2.Nf3** 0 **Nc6** 1 **3.Bc4** 0 **Bc5** 1 **4.0-0** 1 **Nf6** 1 **5.Re1** 0 **d6** 1

[5...0-0 6.c3 Qe7 7.d4 exd4 8.e5 Ng4 9.cxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qh4 11.Be3 Qxh2+ 12.Kf1 Qh1+ 13.Ke2 Qxg2 14.Rg1 Nxe3 15.Kxe3 Bxd4+ 16.Kxd4 Qxf2+ 17.Kc3 Qe3+ 18.Bd3 Qxe5+ 0-1 Osmel Garcia-Tudela Gonzalez,V BEL-ch55 corr8891 1988]

6.c3 1 **0-0** 1 **7.Bb3N** 1

[7.d4 Bb6 8.dxe5 Ng4 9.Re2 Ngxe5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Qb3 Qh4 12.Be3 Bg4 13.Re1 Nf3+ 0-1 Dessauer,D-Aguirre,J Santiago (Chili) 1999]

7...a6 10 **8.d4** 2 **Ba7** 2 **9.h3** 2 The position is equal. **9...h6** 0.67/20 2

[9...Re8= 0.12/21]

10.Be3± 28 **Re8** 14 **11.Nbd2** 26 **exd4** 20 **12.Bxd4** 0.31/22 0

[12.cxd4± 0.78/22 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 Rxe4 14.Bc2]

12...Nxd4 31 **13.cxd4** 0 **b5** 7 **14.Qc2** 43 **Bb7** 4 **15.Rad1** 0.01/20 4

[15.e5!± 0.64/23 dxe5 16.dxe5]

15...c5= 30 **16.dxc5** 24 **dxc5** 0.41/21 0

[16...Rc8= -0.06/24]

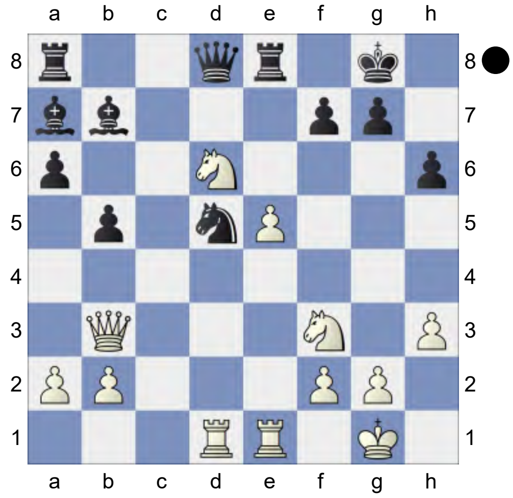
17.e5!↑ 2 White fights for an advantage. **17...Nd5** 4 **18.Ne4?** -0.74/21 13

[18.Qe4!± 0.86/23 and life is bright.]

18...c4∓ 11 aiming for ...Qe7!. **19.Nd6** 1 **cxb3** -0.11/19 40

[19...Qd7!∓ -0.74/22 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.Nxe8 Rxe8 22.Qxc4 Bb6]

20.Qxb3= 0



Qb6 1.55/25 8 **21.Rxd5±** 30 Active counter play! Black cannot hold the game after this. **21...Qxf2+** 2.58/25 27

[21...Bxd5± 1.10/22 is a better defense. 22.Qxd5 Qc7 (*22...Qxf2+ 23.Kh1=*)]

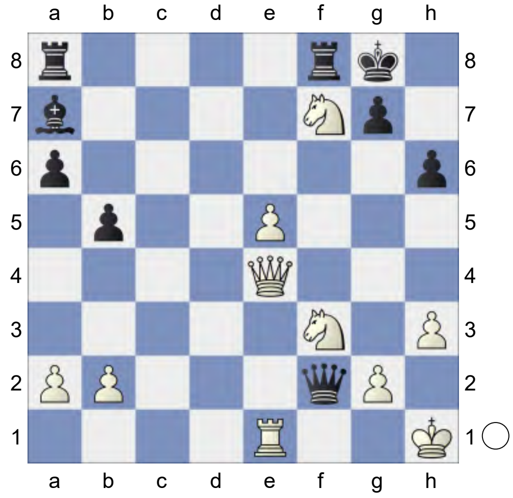
22.Kh1!+- 3 **Bxd5** 0 **23.Qxd5** 1 **Rf8** 10 **24.Nxf7** 7 Deflection. A dynamic duo of knights. **24...Kh7** 9.33/23 54

[24...Rxf7 2.49/22 25.Qxa8+ Rf8 26.Qd5+ Kh8]

25.Qe4+ 5

[Weaker is 25.e6 Rae8+-]

25...Kg8 1



26.Nxh6+! 26 **gxh6** 2

[26...Kh8 27.Nf7+]

27.Qg6+ 1 **Kh8** 1 **28.Qxh6+** 1

[28.Qxa6? Qxe1+ (*28...Qxb2? 29.Qxh6+ Kg8 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Ng5+-*) 29.Nxe1 Rf1+ 30.Kh2 Bg1+ (*30...Rxe1? 31.Qxh6+ Kg8 32.Qg5+ Kf8 33.Qh6+ Kg8 34.Qg6+ Kf8 35.Qf5+ Ke8 36.Qh5+ Kd7 37.Qf7+ Kc8 38.Qg8+ Kc7 39.Qxa8+-*) 31.Kg3 Rxa6-+]

28...Kg8 1 **29.Re4** 2

[29.Qxa6? Qxe1+ (*29...Qxb2? 30.Qg6+ Kh8 31.Ng5+-*) 30.Nxe1 Rf1+ 31.Kh2 Bg1+ (*31...Rxe1 32.Qg6+ Kf8 33.Qf5+ Ke8 34.Qh5+ Kd7 35.Qf7+ Kc8 36.Qg8+ Kc7 37.Qxa8+-*) 32.Kg3 Rxa6-+]

29...Qg3 1:13 Against Qg6+ **30.Rg4+** 8

[30.Qxa6 Rxf3 31.Qe6+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Ke7 33.Qd6+ Kf7 34.e6+ (*34.Qd5+? Kg7-+*) 34...Kf6-+]

30...Qxg4 0 **31.hxg4** 1 **Rf7** 35 **32.Qg6+** 13

[32.Qxa6? Rh7+ 33.Nh2 Rxh2+ 34.Kxh2 Bg1+ 35.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

32...Rg7 2 **33.Qe6+** 1

[33.Qxa6? Rh7+ 34.Nh2 Rxh2+ 35.Kxh2 Bg1+ 36.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

33...Kh8 1 **34.Kh2** 14

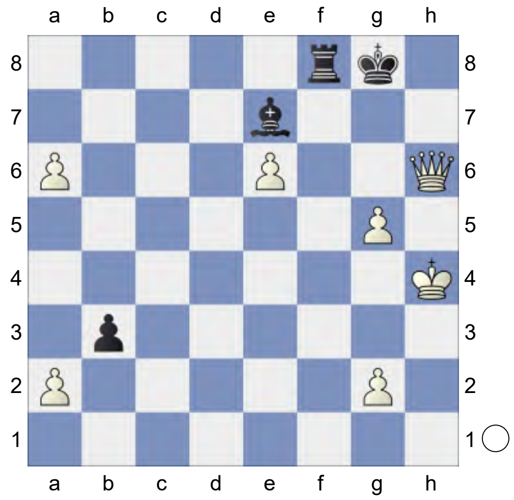
[34.Qxa6? perishes. Rh7+ 35.Nh2 Rxh2+ 36.Kxh2 Bg1+ 37.Kxg1 Rxa6-+]

34...Rf8 5 **35.Kg3** 16 **Be3** 2 **36.b4** 41 **Bf4+** 4 **37.Kf2** 1 **Rc7** 2 **38.Qg6** 12 **Rc3** 7 **39.e6** 7 Threatens to win with e7. **39...Be3+** 5 **40.Kg3** 17 **Bf4+** 2 **41.Kh4** 1 **Rc7** 8 **42.g5** 4 **Rg7** 1 **43.Qe4** 5 **Bd6** 2 **44.Ne5** 14 **Be7** 33 **45.Ng6+** 10 **Rxg6** 3 **46.Qxg6** 0 KQ-KRB **46...a5** 8 **47.bxa5** 3 **b4** 0 **48.a6** 14 **b3** 1 **49.Qh6+** 35.22/5 2

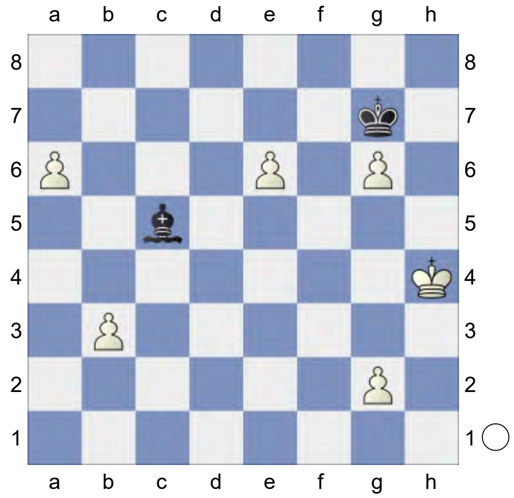
[⌓49.axb3 #11/24 Rd8 50.Qh5+ Kg8 51.Qf7+ Kh8 52.Qxe7 Kg8

53.Qxd8+ Kg7 54.e7 Kh7 55.Qd7 Kh8 56.e8Q#]

49...Kg8 1



50.Qxf8+ 24.10/31 4 **Bxf8** 0 **51.axb3** 1 **Bc5** 0 **52.g6** 1 White wants to mate with a7!. **52...Kg7** 3



53.a7! 5 Deflection, Promotion **53...Bxa7** 8

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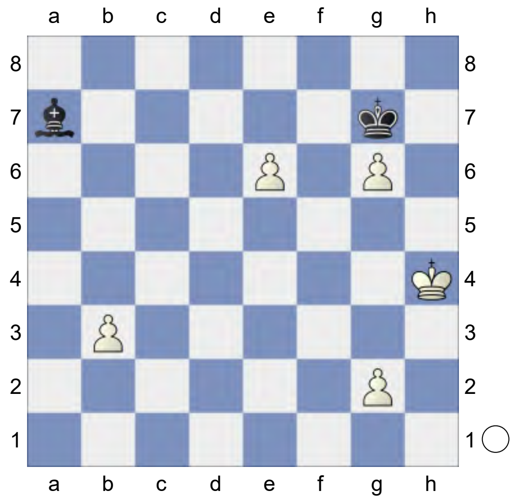

54.e7! 1 **Bf2+** 12

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.71

55.Kg4 1

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207 **C52**
☐ **Findel64** **3013**
■ **AKS-Mantissa** **2726**
Blitz 07.04.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 openings101.org **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 exd4N** 0.53/19

[Better is 9...Na5= -0.22/18 10.Qc2

A) 10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 ½-½ (34) Goldenberg,R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New York Fall IM-D 2022 (5) Bxf3 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 Qd6 28.Qf5

Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5);

B) 10...f6 11.a4 *(11.Re1 Ne7 12.a4 Ng6 13.Ba2 Nf4 14.g3 Qg4 15.Kh1 Nh3 16.Re2 h5 17.Qd3 h4 18.Nf1 hxg3 19.fxg3 Bd7 20.Bd5 0-0-0 21.Bb2 c6 22.Ba2 f5 23.N3d2 f4 Chapter-Evans Gambit)* 11...Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7);

C) 10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3);

D) 10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Qc6 12.Nxb6 axb6]

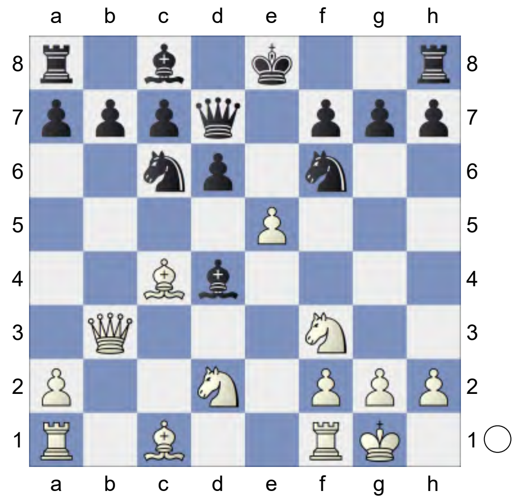
10.cxd4± Nf6 1.32/18

[10...Na5!= 0.22/19 remains equal. 11.Qb4 Ne7]

11.e5± Bxd4? 4.36/23

[11...Nh5± 0.85/20]

(Diagram)

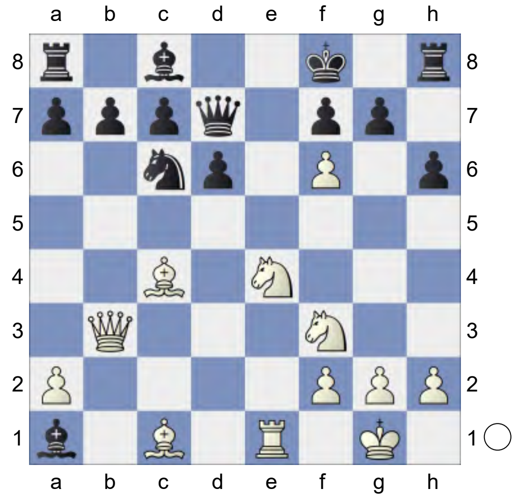


12.exf6!+- Bxa1

[12...Bxf6 13.Re1+]

13.Re1+! Kf8 14.Ne4 h6

[14...gxf6? 15.Bh6+ Ke7 16.Nc5+ *(16.Rxa1 Rg8±)* 16...Be5 17.Nxd7 Bxd7 18.Rc1+- *(18.Qxb7 Rhg8+-; 18.Bxf7 Na5+-; 18.Nxe5 fxe5 19.f4 f6+-)*]



15.fxg7+ Bxg7

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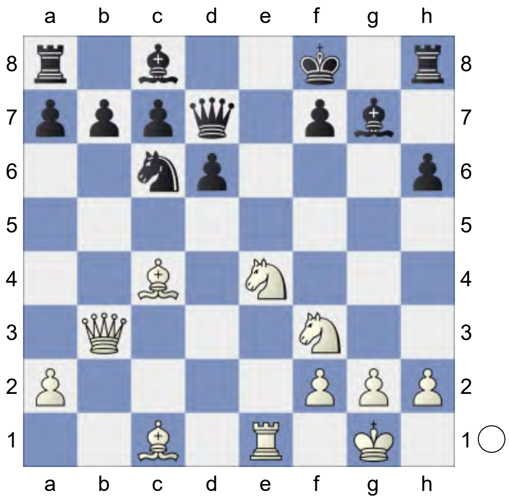

Threatens to win with ...Na5. **16.Bb2!** aiming for Bxg7+. **16...Qg4** 7.84/22

[⌓16...Rg8 4.14/20 17.Bxg7+ Rxg7]

17.h3 Qf4 18.Ng3 Be5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Bxe5 dxe5 21.Re3 Qg5 22.Bxf7 Bd7 23.Ne4

[23.Qxb7 Kxf7 24.Qd5+ Be6 25.Rf3+ Kg7 *(25...Ke7? 26.Qc5+ Kd8 27.Ne4+-)* 26.Qxe6 Rhf8=]

23...Qe7 24.Bd5

[24.Qxb7? Kxf7 25.Qxc7 Rhg8 26.Nd6+ Kg6-+]

24...Be8 25.Rf3+

[25.Bxb7 Rb8±]

25...Kg7 26.Rf6

[26.Bxb7 Rd8±]

26...Rf8 27.Re6

[And not 27.Qxb7 Rxf6 28.Nxf6 Rd8 29.Nxe8+ Rxe8 30.Qxa7 Rd8=]

27...Qh4 28.Qc3

[Not 28.Rxe5 Bf7+-]

28...Rf5 29.Rxe5 Kg6 30.Rxf5 Deflection **30...Kxf5 31.Qg7** Intending g4+ and mate. **31...h5 32.f4** White mates. **32...Qe1+ 33.Kh2 Qh4 34.Qf8+ Kg6 35.f5+ Kh7 36.Qg8+ Kh6** Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.95

37.Qh8#

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208 **C50**

☐ Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2722

■ Dominguez Perez,Leinier 2748

Chess.com Classic Div 2 L rapid (1.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Ne7N** 0.76/19

[6...d6= -0.11/19 7.0-0 *(7.a3 a6 8.c3 Ba7 9.0-0 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.Bxe5 dxe5 13.Qxh5 Qe7 14.a4 Be6 15.Na3 0-0-0 16.Rad1 Kb8 17.Bxe6 Qxe6 18.Nc4 g4 19.Ne3 Rhg8 20.Qf5 Qxf5 21.Nxf5 h5* 1-0 Sinowjew,J (1784)-Power (1461) Simultaneous Display 11 (1)*)* 7...a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1) 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

7.Bxf6 0.40/20

[7.Nxe5± 0.76/19 d5 8.Bb3]

7...gxf6± 8.d4 exd4 White has an edge. **9.Nxd4 d5 10.exd5 Rg8**

11.Nc3! Qd6! 12.g3 -0.01/21

[12.Ndb5!± 1.00/20 Qf4 13.Qd2 Qxc4 14.Nxc7+ *(14.Qxh6? Nf5-+)* 14...Kf8 15.Nxa8 *(15.Qxh6+ Rg7±)*]

12...Qe5+

[12...Qb6!? 13.0-0 Bxd4=]

13.Nde2 -0.34/21

[White should try 13.Nce2!± 0.31/20]

13...Nf5 0.75/20

[13...Bg4∓ -0.34/21]

14.Bb5+ 0.36/22

[14.Qd3!± 0.75/20]

14...Kf8 15.Qd2 Nd4 0.96/23

[Black should play 15...Kg7!± 0.35/21]

16.0-0-0±

[16.Qxh6+?! Rg7=]

16...Nxb5 17.Nxb5 aiming for Ne2-f4.

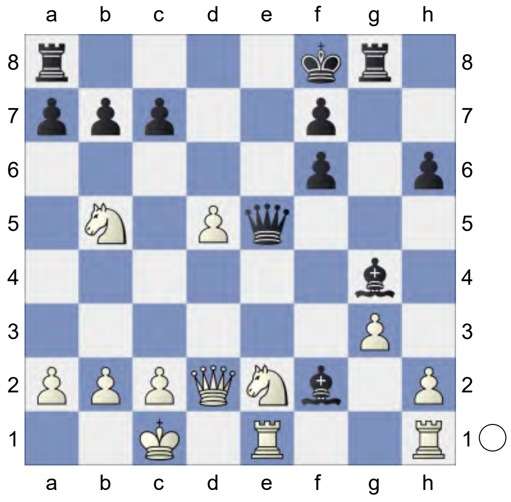
17...Bg4 2.04/22

[17...Bxf2± 0.86/22 18.Kb1 *(18.Qxh6+ Rg7=)* 18...Bg4]

18.Rde1!+- Ne2-f4 is the strong threat.

[18.Qxh6+ Rg7=]

18...Bxf2



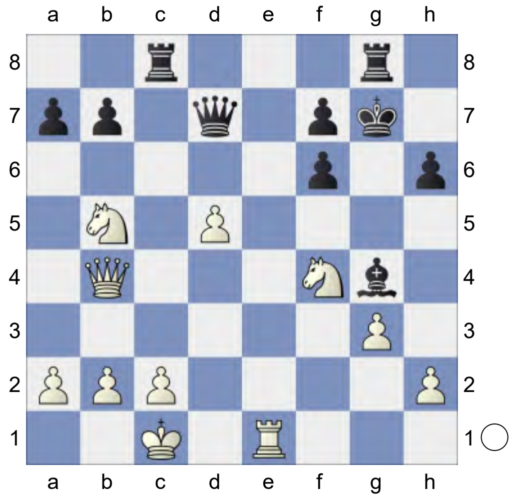
...Bf2-e3 would now be deadly. **19.Nf4! Bxe1 20.Rxe1 Qf5 21.Nxc7 Rc8 22.Nb5** 1.34/24 A dynamic duo of knights.

[22.d6+- 2.90/22 is more deadly. Kg7 23.Re7 Rxc7 24.Ne6+ *(24.dxc7 Qc5+-; 24.Rxc7 Rd8+-)* 24...Kh7 25.Nxc7 *(25.dxc7? Qf1+)*]

22...Qd7± 23.Qb4+→ White wants a kill. Black is weak on the dark squares

[23.Nxa7?! Re8±]

23...Kg7



24.Re7! Skewer. The board is on fire. White is more active.

[24.Nxa7 Rce8±]

[24.Nd6?! Rcd8 25.Nxb7 Rde8=]

24...Rc4 Deflection **25.Rxf7+**

[25.Qxc4 Qxe7 26.b3 Rd8∓]

25...Qxf7 26.Qxc4 Hoping for Nf4-e6+.

26...Rc8 1.55/23

[⌓26...Qe7 1.13/22 27.Ne6+ *(27.Nxa7? Qe1#)* 27...Bxe6 28.dxe6 Kh8]

27.Qd3 Strongly threatening Nb5-d6!

27...Qe8 2.57/21

[⌓27...Re8 1.63/22 28.b3 *(28.Nxa7? is the wrong capture. Re1+ 29.Kd2 Rd1+ 30.Kc3 Rxd3+-+)* 28...Re1+ 29.Kb2 Qe8]

28.Kd2+-

[28.Nxa7? leads to mate. Qe1+]

28...Rb8? 4.48/26

[28...Qd7 2.66/24]

29.Nd6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.40

[29.Nxa7 Kg8 30.Nb5 Qf8+-]

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209 **C50**
☐ **Wei,Yi** **2762**
■ **Yakubboev,Nodirbek** **2655**
FIDE World Rapid Team (10.14) 04.08.24
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.a4 Nf6 6.a5 a6 7.c3 h6 8.0-0** The position is equal. **8...0-0 9.b4N** A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

[RR 9.h3 Ba7 (RR *9...Ba7 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Nbd2 Nf4 14.Ne4 b5 15.Ba2 Nxd3*) 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2 Alekseenko,K (2698)-Gledura,B (2652) chess.com (Int. -rapid) 152/77 2022 1-0 24.Re5 Qg6 25.Qg3 Qxb1 Brodsky,M (2686)-Behrmann (2544) cor 1980 (2) 0-1]

[RR 9.h3 Ba7 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2]

[RR 9.h3 Ne7 10.d4 Ba7 11.Bd3 Ng6 12.Re1 Re8 13.Nbd2 Nf4 14.Bf1 Nh7 15.Nc4 Qf6 16.Be3 exd4 17.Bxf4 Qxf4 18.g3 Qf6 19.cxd4 Ng5 20.Nxg5 hxg5 21.e5 dxe5 22.Nxe5 Be6 23.Ra3 Rad8 Leiva Rodriguez,J (2389)-Pichot,A (2628) Linares 2024 0-1 (43)]

9...Ba7 10.Be3N

[RR 10.h3 Ne7 11.Be3 Ng6 (RR *11...Bxe3 12.fxe3 b5 13.axb6 cxb6*)

A) RR 12.Re1 Bxe3 13.fxe3 c6 14.Bb3 d5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.c4 (RR *16.Nbd2*) 16...dxe4 17.dxe4 c5 18.bxc5;

B) 12.Nbd2 Re8 13.Re1 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Be6 (RR *14...Nf4 15.d4 g5 16.Qb3 Qe7*) 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Qb3 d5 17.g3 Qd7 18.Kh2 Rd8 19.Rae1 Rd6 (RR *19...b6*) 20.d4 exd4 21.Nxd4 dxe4 22.Nxe4 Nxe4 23.Rxe4 Rd5 24.h4 (RR *24.Qc4*) 24...c5 Nepomniachtchi,I (2771)-Sevian,S (2696) Saint Louis 2023 Mega2024 Update 03 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (41)]

10...Bxe3 11.fxe3 Be6 0.35/20

[11...b5= -0.05/18 might be stronger. 12.axb6 cxb6]

12.Bxe6± fxe6 13.Nbd2N

[Vorgänger: 13.h3]

13...d5 14.Qb3 Kh8 0.48/18

[14...dxe4= -0.01/21 15.dxe4 (*15.Qxe6+ Kh7=; 15.Nxe4 Qxd3 16.Nc5 Qd5=*) 15...Qd3]

15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Qb1 dxe4 17.dxe4 0.15/21

[17.Nh4± 0.56/21 Qe8 18.Nxe4 (*18.dxe4 Ne7=*)]

17...b5 0.73/21

[17...b6= 0.15/21 remains equal.]

18.Nb3± Nd7! Prevents Nb3-c5 **19.Rd2** 0.22/21

[19.Qc2± 0.66/21]

19...Rae8 0.89/21

[19...Rac8= 0.22/21]

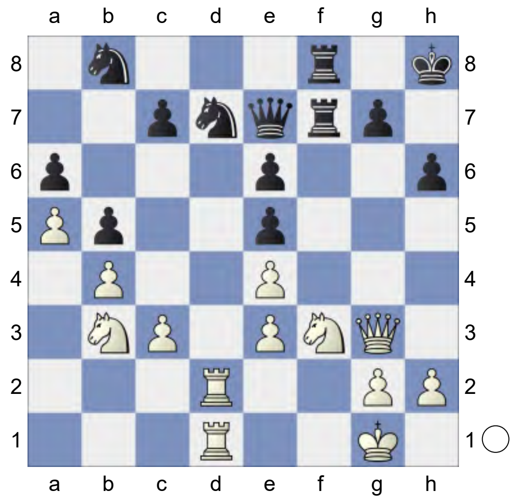
20.Qe1 Rf7 1.16/22

[20...Kh7± 0.62/23]

21.Qg3 Ref8 22.Rfd1 White is much more active. **22...Ncb8** 2.90/24

[22...Qe8± 1.28/25 is a better defense. 23.Rc1 Qa8]

(Diagram)



This costs Black the game. **23.Nh4+-**

[23.Nxe5 Nxe5 24.Qxe5 Nc6=]

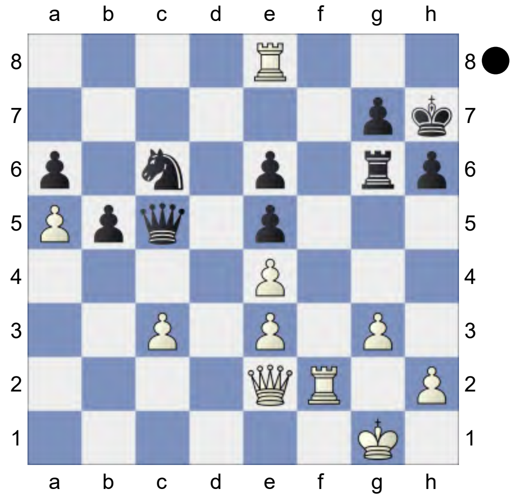
23...Rf6 24.Ng6+ Rxg6 25.Qxg6 Rf6 26.Qg3 Kh7 27.Rf2 Rg6 28.Qf3 Rf6 29.Qe2 Rg6 30.g3 c5 31.bxc5 2.31/21

[⌓31.c4 3.90/22]

31...Nxc5? 6.17/22

[31...Nf6 2.31/21 32.Qd3 Qb7]

32.Nxc5 Qxc5 33.Rd8 Nc6 34.Re8



Rf2-f8 is the strong threat. **34...Nxa5 35.Rff8 Rg5 36.Rh8+** 8.00/5

[⌓36.Qf3 #13/21 Qxf8 37.Qxf8 Nc4 38.h4 *(38.Rxe6 Nd2+-; 38.Qg8+ Kg6 39.Qxe6+ Kh5 40.Qf7+ g6 41.Qf3+ Rg4 42.h3* Pin *Kg5 43.hxg4 h5)* 38...Rxg3+ 39.Kf2 Nd2 40.Kxg3 Nxe4+ 41.Kh3]

36...Kg6 37.Rxe6+ Kf7 38.Rhe8 21.69/24

[⌓38.Rxa6 #14/21 Nc6 39.Rc8 Rg6 40.Qf3+ Rf6 41.Qh5+ *(41.Rcxc6 Qxc6 42.Qh5+ g6+-)* 41...g6 42.Qxh6 *(42.Rc7+ Ke8+-)* 42...Re6 43.Qh7+ Kf6 44.Ra2 *(44.Qh8+ Kf7 45.Qg8+ Kf6 46.Rf8+ Qxf8 47.Qxf8+ Kg5 48.Qh8 Kg4 49.Kg2 g5 50.Qh3#)*]

38...Rg6 White is clearly winning. **39.Qf3+ Rf6 40.Qh5+ g6 41.Rxf6+**

[Worse is 41.Qxh6 Rxe6 42.Ra8 Re8= *(42...Qxc3 43.Qf8#; 42...Qxc3 43.Qf8#)*]

[41.Qxe5 Qxe3+ 42.Kg2 Rf2+ 43.Kh3 Rxh2+ Decoy 44.Kxh2 Qe2+ 45.Kg1 Qe3+ 46.Kf1 Qf3+ 47.Kg1 Qe3+ 48.Kf1 Qd3+ 49.Ke1 Qe3+ 50.Kf1=]

41...Kxf6 42.Qf3+ Kg7 43.Re6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.68

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210 **C54**
☐ **Lu,Shanglei** **2618**
■ **Svidler,Peter** **2696**
Chessable Masters Play In blitz (6)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D

2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Re1 11.d4 is becoming the main line.11.d4 wird zur Hauptvariante. **11...c6 12.bxc6 bxc6 13.d4N** The position is equal.

[13.Ba3 -0.38/20 13.h3 -0.01 Re8! 14.Rb1 Ba7 ...d5 poses a challenge 15.d4 exd4 0.15/20 (*15...d5∓ -0.39/23 16.exd5 cxd5*) 16.cxd4= d5 17.exd5 Rxe1+ 18.Qxe1 cxd5 19.Bb5 1-0 (41) Guo,A (2445)-Dudin,G (2475) Budapest SixDays 05 GM-A 2023 (3)]

13...exd4 0.30/19

[⌓13...d5 -0.29/20 14.Bd3 exd4 15.cxd4 Nf4]

14.cxd4= d5 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Bb5

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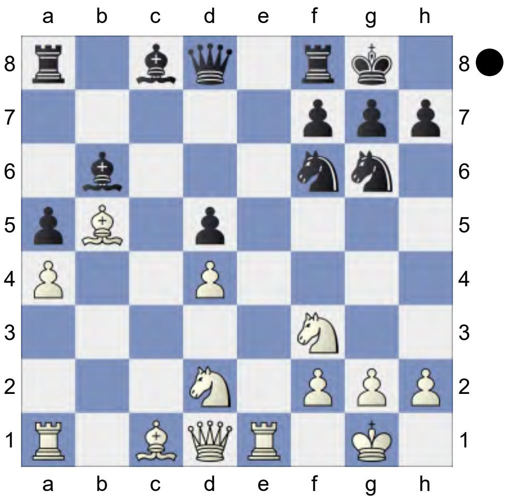


Bf5? 2.46/21

[16...Bd7!= 0.17/20]

17.Ba3+- Ne4 18.Bxf8 Nxf8 19.Nf1 Ne6 20.Ne3 Inhibits Bg4. **20...Bg6 21.Bc6 Rc8 22.Bxd5** 1.10/20

[22.Rc1+- 1.71/24]

22...Nc3± 23.Qb3 Nxd4 24.Nxd4 0.72/22

[⌓24.Qb2 1.09/25]

24...Bxd4 A strong pair of Bishops. **25.Bf3 Rb8 26.Qc4 Rb4 27.Qc6** 0.01/21

[27.Qa6± 0.77/24]

27...Rb6!= 28.Qc4 Rb4 29.Qa6 h5 30.Nc4 0.26/24

[30.Rac1± 0.94/22]

30...Kh7 31.Qxa5

[31.Nxa5 Bxf2+ 32.Kxf2 Qd4+ (*32...Nxa4? 33.Nc6+-*) 33.Re3 Ne4+ (*33...Nxa4 34.Nc6±; 33...Rb2+? 34.Kg1-+*) 34.Bxe4 Rb2+-+]

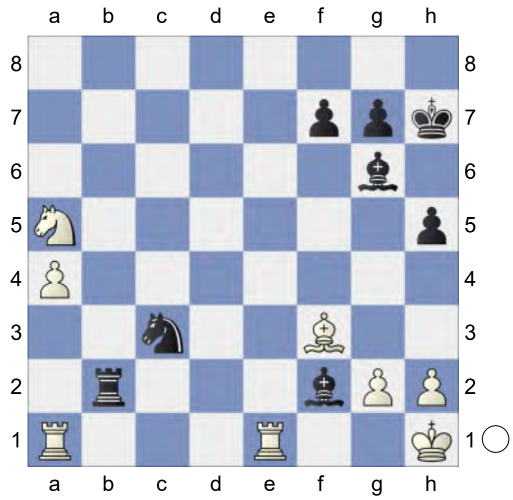
[31.Qc6 is interesting. Qh4 32.Ne3 Rb2 33.g3]

31...Qxa5 2.49/25

[31...Qh4!= 0.01/22 and Black is okay. 32.Ne3 (*32.Qxb4 Bxf2+ 33.Kh1 Bxe1=*) 32...Rb2]

32.Nxa5+- Rb2 33.Kh1 And now Rec1 would win. **33...Bxf2**

(Diagram)



34.Rec1 1.09/23

[34.Rf1!+- 2.20/25 and the rest is easy.]

34...Ne2? 5.95/25

[34...Ne4± 1.09/23 is more resistant.]

35.Nc4 White is clearly winning.

35...Nxc1 36.Nxb2 Nb3 37.Ra3 Na5 38.Nd3 Be3 39.Ne5 Bc5 40.Rc3 Bd4 41.Rc7

[41.Nxg6 Bxc3 42.Nf4 h4±]

41...Bxe5 42.Rc5 Bxh2 43.Kxh2 Nb3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.55

44.Rd5

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211 **C50**

☐ **So,Wesley** **2757**

■ **Dubov,Daniil** **2707**

Chess.com Classic Div 2 L rapid (4.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Berliner Schacherinnerungen, 1859, S. 55-56 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Berliner Schacherinnerungen, 1859, S.55-56

1.e4 Tassilo von Heydebrand und der Lasa Kitty Kat John Watson Stach **1...e5**

2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 Bb6 7.a4

[RR 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 *(RR 8.b4 0-0 9.Re1 Ng4 10.Re2 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Ng6 13.h3 Nf6 14.a4 a5 15.b5 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Qb3 Ndf4 18.Re4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Ba3 Re8 21.Rae1 Qd7 22.Qe3 Red8)* 8...a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 *(RR 13.a4 Rf7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Qd7 16.Nh4 Rd8 17.Ng6 b6 18.Nd2 Qe8 19.Rg3; RR 13.a4 Rf7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Qd7 16.Nh4 Rd8 17.Ng6 b6 18.Nd2 Qe8 19.Rg3)* 13...Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 *(RR 19...Nh5)* 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) 0-1 0-1 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) 0-1 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Internet 2023 CHECK99 [John Watson] 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest 2023 Mega2023 Update 28 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (72)]

[RR 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Internet 2023 CHECK99 [John Watson] 0-1 (72)]

[RR 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5

18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest 2023 Mega2023 Update 28 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (72)]

[RR 7.Re1 Nge7 8.b4 Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6]

7...a5

[RR 7...Nge7 8.d4 (*RR 8.b4 a6 9.a5 Ba7 10.Be3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Kh8 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4*) 8...exd4 9.Nxd4 0-0 10.Be3 Bxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Be3 Kh8 14.Nd2 e5 15.Qg4 Qe8 16.Rfd1 Ng8 17.Nf1 Nf6 18.Qh4 Na5 19.f3 Ng8 20.b4 Nc4 21.Qf2 Qe6 22.a5 Gkavardinas,A (2208)-Raczek,K (2443) Stockholm 2025 0-1 (91)]

8.Nbd2N White is slightly better.

[RR 8.Be3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Nf6 10.Qc2 g5 11.d4 g4 12.Ne1 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf7+ Kf8 16.Ba2 Qe7 17.Kh1 h5 18.Nd3 h4 19.Nf4 Rh6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ng6+ Rxg6 22.Qxg6 Bxb2 Bledow,L-Von Heydebrand und der Lasa,T Match Bledow-Von Heydebrand 1839 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Bledow,L-Von Heydebrand und der Lasa,T Match Bledow-Von Heydebrand 1839 Bledow,L-Von Heydebrand und der Lasa,T Match Bledow-Von Heydebrand 1839 1/2-1/2 Chapter11-7. ♗xb4 ♕xe4+ 8. ♘e2 Augsburg 1839 CBM 089 ext [Stach] ½-½ (38) Bledow,L-Von Heydebrand und der Lasa,T Berlin 1839 EXT 2022 [Tassilo von Heydebrand und der Lasa] ½-½ (38) 23.Ne4 Qg7 24.Qxf6+ Qxf6 25.Nxf6 Bxa1 26.Rxa1 Ra6 27.Ne4 Bf5 28.f3 h3 29.Rf1 Ke7 30.Nc5 Rc6 31.fxg4 hxg2+ 32.Kxg2 Bxg4 33.Rf7+ Ke8 34.Ne4 Rc2+ 35.Rf2 Bf5 36.Bd5 Bxe4+ 37.Bxe4 Rxf2+ Chapter11-7.Bxb4 Qxe4+ 8.Ne2 Augsburg 1993 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Chapter11-7. ♗xb4 ♕xe4+ 8.♘e2 Augsburg 1993 38.Kxf2 c6 Chapter11-7.Bxb4 Qxe4+ 8. Ne2 Augsburg 1993 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Chapter11-7. ♗xb4 ♕xe4+ 8. ♘e2 Augsburg 1993]

[RR 8.Be3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Nf6 10.Qc2 g5 11.d4 g4 12.Ne1 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf7+ Kf8 16.Ba2 Qe7 17.Kh1 h5 18.Nd3 h4 19.Nf4 Rh6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ng6+ Rxg6 22.Qxg6 Bxb2 Chapter11-7. ♗xb4 ♕xe4+ 8. ♘e2 Augsburg 1839 CBM 089 ext [Stach] ½-½ (38)]

[RR 8.Be3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Nf6 10.Qc2 g5 11.d4 g4 12.Ne1 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf7+ Kf8 16.Ba2 Qe7 17.Kh1 h5 18.Nd3 h4 19.Nf4 Rh6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ng6+ Rxg6 22.Qxg6 Bxb2 Bledow,L-Von Heydebrand und der Lasa,T Berlin 1839 EXT 2022 [Tassilo von Heydebrand und der Lasa] ½-½ (38)]

8...Nge7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Re1 -0.02/19

[10.Nc4± 0.38/20]

10...Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Be3 Ng6 0.63/21

[12...f5= -0.01/21]

13.Bxa7± Rxa7 14.Ne3 White is more active. **14...Nh4 15.Nxh4 Qxh4 16.g3 Qf6**

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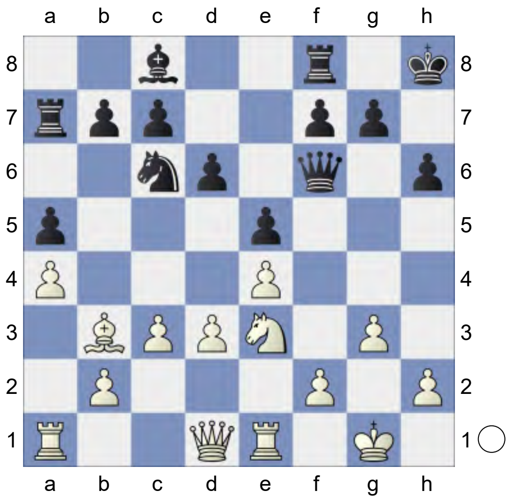


17.f4! exf4 18.Rf1 Qg5 19.Rxf4 Bh3 Black is now going downhill. **20.Nd5**

[20.Rxf7? Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 Rxf7-+]

[20.Bxf7? Rxf7 21.Ng2 Qg6-+]

20...Ne5 1.69/22

[20...Ne7⩲ 0.70/22]

21.Nxc7+- Bg4 2.60/21

[⌓21...b6 1.61/22]

22.Qf1 aiming for d3-d4! **22...Qh5 23.Bd1** Prevents Ne5-f3+ **23...Bxd1 24.Qxd1 Qg6** 3.17/21

[⌓24...Ng4 1.82/23 25.Qxg4 *(25.Rxg4 Qc5+ 26.Kg2 Qxc7±)* 25...Qc5+ 26.d4 Qxc7]

25.d4 Nd7 26.Qf3 Nb6? 5.21/22

[26...Nf6 3.12/22 might work better. 27.Rf1 Rd8 28.Rxf6 Qxf6 29.Qxf6 gxf6 30.Rxf6 Kg7]

27.Rg4 Qh5 28.Ne6 Pin, Double Attack **28...f5 29.Rf1 Raa8 30.exf5 Rf7 31.b3** Against Nb6-c4 **31...Nd5 32.Nf4 Nxf4 33.Rxf4**

[Inferior is 33.gxf4 Qxf5 34.d5 Re8=]

33...Qg5 4.88/23

[⌓33...Qxf3 3.33/23 34.R1xf3 *(34.R4xf3 Kg8+-)* 34...Raf8]

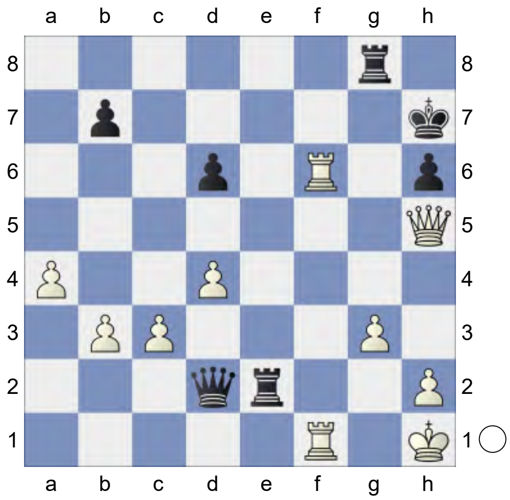
34.f6 White is clearly winning. **34...Rg8 35.fxg7+ Rfxg7 36.Kh1 Rg6 37.Rf5 Qd2 38.Rxa5 Re6 39.Rf5 Re2 40.Qh5** Threatens to win with Rf5-f6.

[40.Qxb7? gets mated. Rxh2+ 41.Kg1 Rxg3+]

40...Qe3 41.R5f3 Qd2 14.48/25

[⌓41...Qg5 4.76/24 42.Qxg5 hxg5]

42.Rf6 Kh7



43.Rxh6+!! Qxh6 44.Qxe2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) / Black=0.47

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212 **C50**

☐ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2654**

■ **Hansen,Eric** **2609**

PlusCity Grand Prix Blitz (10) 29.05.25

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.a4 h6 7.h3 7.0-0 injects fresh life into this line. 7.0-0 bringt frisches Leben in diese Variante. **7...a6 8.Be3** The position is equal. **8...Bb4**

[8...Bxe3 9.fxe3 0-0 10.0-0 Be6 11.Nd2 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Qe7 *(12...d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Nxc3 15.bxc3* *b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd6 18.Rg3 Qe6 19.Kh2 Kh7 20.h4 c6 21.Qf3 Rae8 22.Rf1 f6 23.h5 Rb8 24.axb5 axb5 25.d4 b4 26.d5 Qd7 27.c4* 1-0 (40) Alekseenko,K (2686)-Sjugirov,S (2712) Airthings Masters Play In rapid 2023 (7)*)* 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Na7 15.e4 Qd7 16.Ne3 Nc8 17.Qh5 Ne7 18.Rf3 f6 19.b3 c6 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.Raf1 Kh7 22.Ng4 Qe8 23.Qh4 1-0 (43) Esipenko,A (2683)-Meier,G (2628) AI Cup Play In rapid 2023 (9)]

9.0-0 Bxc3N

[9...0-0 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 Ne7 12.Ba2 Ba5 13.Nh4 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Qg4 Rf6 16.f4 exf4 17.Rxf4 Rxf4 18.Bxf4 Bb6+ 19.Kh1 g5 20.Bxg5 hxg5 21.Qxg5+ Kh7 22.Rf1 Qe8 23.Rf6 Ng8 24.Rg6 0-1 (26) Alekseenko,K (2696)-Ding,L (2791) FIDE Candidates 2020 2021 (13.3) Be3 25.Qxe3 Qe7 26.Qf3 1-0 Alekseenko,K (2687)-Firat,B (2460) Speed Chess Q2 blitz 2022 (7)]

10.bxc3 0-0 11.Ba2!?N New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[11.a5 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.c4 Nd7 14.Qe2 b6 15.axb6 cxb6 16.Rfb1 Kh7 17.Nd2 0-1 (78) Alekseenko,K (2679)-Bok,B (2596) Julius Baer GenCup Pl/In rapid 2024 (7)]

11...d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Bd2 Re8 14.Re1 Bf5 0.39/19

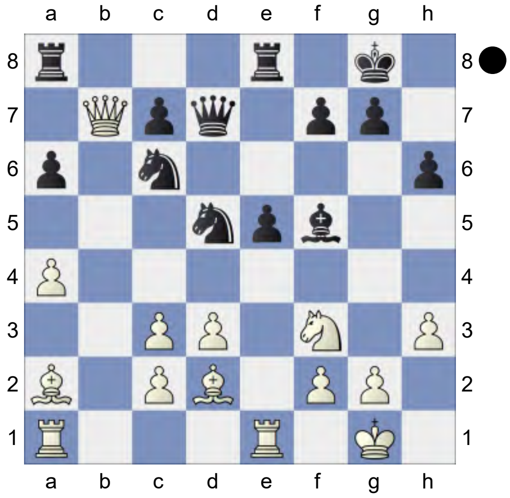
[14...Nf6= -0.01/19]

15.Qb1 -0.01/21

[15.Nd4⩲ 0.39/19 Nxd4 16.cxd4]

15...Qd7= 16.Qxb7 -0.71/20

[16.Bxd5= 0.00/20 remains equal. Qxd5 17.Qxb7]



16...Nb6!∓ Hoping for ...Reb8!. **17.a5** Black cannot hold the game after this. **17...Nxa5** 3.46/24

[17...Ra7 18.Qxa7 Nxa7 19.axb6+- *(19.Nxe5 Rxe5 20.Rxe5 Nbc8∓)*]

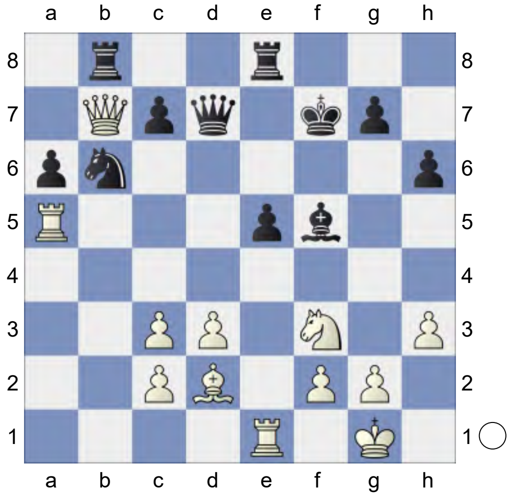
[17...Nd8!∓ -0.55/25 keeps the upper hand. 18.Nxe5 Nxb7 19.Nxd7 Nxd7 *(19...Rxe1+ 20.Rxe1 Nxd7 21.g4±)*]

18.Bxf7++- Discovered Attack **18...Kxf7** 5.51/24

[18...Qxf7 3.57/23 might work better. 19.Rxa5 e4]

19.Rxa5 White is clearly winning. **19...Rab8** 8.72/22

[⌓19...Qc8 5.05/21]



20.Qxb8!! Deflection **20...Kg8**

[20...Rxb8 21.Nxe5+]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.87

21.Qb7

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213 **C54**

☐ **Hong,Andrew Z** **2589**

■ **Sevian,Samuel** **2687**

WchT Blitz Final (1.2) 15.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Qe7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 Ba7 10.b4 The position is equal. **10...g5 11.Bg3 Bg4 12.a4 Nh5 13.Kh1! 0-0!N** An interesting novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung.

[13...Nf4 0.79/21 13...0-0 0.41 14.b5 0.41/20 (*14.Bxf4± 0.79/21 gxf4 15.b5*) 14...Nd8 1.35/21 (*14...Na5⩲ 0.41/20*) 15.d4 0.77/20 (*⌓15.Bxf4 1.35/21 exf4 16.bxa6*) 15...h5 2.14/19 (*15...Nde6± 0.77/20 keeps fighting.*) 16.Bxf4+- gxf4 17.Qb3 0.61/18 (*17.bxa6+- 1.94/19 bxa6 18.Qc2*) 17...f6? 3.41/20 (*17...a5!⩲ 0.61/18*) 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Bxa6 Qg7 1-0 (41) Martirosyan,H (2622)-Vazquez,G (2527) PNWCC Opening Bl 1.e4 e5 blitz 2020 (10)]

14.Bd5 -0.01/19

[14.h3⩲ 0.57/19 Bd7 15.Nh2 Nxg3+ 16.fxg3]

14...Nd8 0.39/20

[14...Be6= -0.01/19]

15.b5 Threatening bxa6. **15...c6** 0.61/22

[15...Nf6= 0.12/22]

16.bxc6 bxc6 17.Bc4 a5 18.Nb3 Nb7 19.d4 exd4

[19...Nxg3+ 20.hxg3 d5 21.exd5=]

20.Nbxd4 Bxd4

[20...Qxe4 21.Re1 Nxg3+ 22.fxg3±]

21.cxd4 Qxe4 22.Ra3 0.24/21

[22.Rb1⩲ 0.60/23 should be considered. Qe7 23.Re1]

22...Nf4 1.24/22

[22...Nxg3+= 0.24/21 23.hxg3 Nd8]

23.Re1 0.46/23

[23.Ba2± 1.24/22]

23...Qf5⩲ 24.h3 Bh5 25.Bh2 Bg6 26.Rae3 Prevents Rfe8. **26...Qc2 27.Qxc2 Bxc2 28.Re7** -0.09/26

[28.h4± 1.10/23]

28...d5 29.Ba2 -0.39/22

[29.Bxf4= -0.01/21 gxf4 30.Bxd5 cxd5 31.Rxb7]

29...Nd6∓ 30.h4? -2.37/22

[30.Bb1!∓ -0.45/22 Bxb1 (*30...Bxa4 31.h4=*) 31.Rxb1]

30...Ne4 -1.17/22

[30...Bxa4 31.hxg5 hxg5 32.Nxg5+-]

[30...Rfe8!-+ -2.37/22 has better winning chances. 31.hxg5 hxg5]

31.hxg5 -2.35/23

[31.Bxf4∓ -1.17/22 gxf4 32.Bb1 Bxa4 (*32...Nxf2+ 33.Kg1∓*) 33.Ne5]

31...Ng6? 0.11/23 Excellent horsemanship.

[31...Nxf2+ 32.Kg1 N2d3 (*32...N4d3 33.gxh6 Ng4 34.R1e2±*) 33.Bxf4 Nxf4 34.gxh6⩲]

[31...hxg5 32.Nxg5 Ng6 (*32...Nxf2+*

33.Kg1=) 33.Nxe4 (*33.R7xe4 Bxe4 34.Kg1 Bf5-+)* 33...Nxe7 34.Nf6+ Kg7 35.Nd7±]

[31...Nd3!-+ -2.35/23 32.Rf1 Nc3 (*32...Nxg5 33.Ne1∓; 32...Ndxf2+ 33.Kg1=; 32...hxg5 33.Ne5∓; 32...Nexf2+ 33.Kg1=)*]

32.Rc7= Bxa4 0.53/24

[32...Rfc8= 0.02/25]

33.gxh6⩲ Rae8 0.95/23

[33...Kh7⩲ 0.59/23]

34.Kg1± Bb5? 3.46/22

[34...Kh7± 1.06/22]

35.Bb1+- a4 36.Ra7? 0.10/21

[36.Ne5+- 3.90/21]

36...Ra8↑ Black has some pressure.

37.Rc7 Strongly threatening Ne5!.

37...a3 38.Ba2 -0.98/23

[38.Bc2= 0.01/22]

38...Nc3 0.01/22

[38...Rfc8!∓ -0.98/23 aiming for ...Rxc7. 39.Rxc8+ Rxc8]

39.Bb3 -0.99/22

[39.Bd6!= 0.01/22 remains equal.]

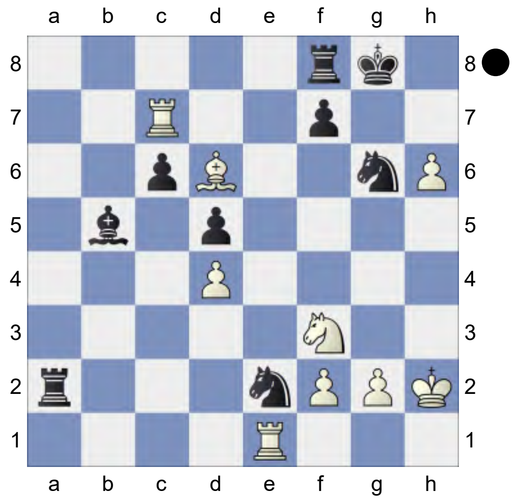
39...a2 -0.05/22

[Black should play 39...Ba4!∓ -0.99/22 40.Bxa4 Rxa4]

40.Bxa2 Rxa2 41.Bd6 Ne2+ 42.Kh2 -1.33/27

[42.Rxe2!= -0.10/24 Rxe2 (*42...Bxe2 43.Ng5=*) 43.Bxf8 Nxf8 (*43...Kxf8 44.Ng5=*) 44.Rc8]

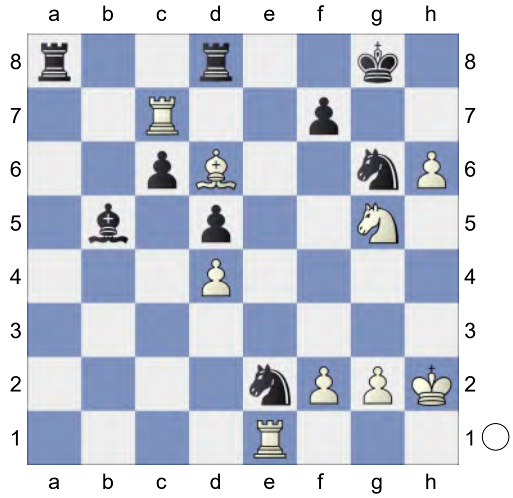
(Diagram)



42...Rd8!∓ 43.Ng5? -2.41/24 **Raa8??** 2.72/24

[43...Nxd4? 44.Rxf7+-]

[43...Rxd6-+ -2.41/24 44.Rc8+ Nf8 45.h7+ Kg7 46.h8Q+ Decoy Kxh8 47.Nxf7+ Kg7 48.Nxd6 Ne6 (*48...Nxd4 49.Re7+ Kf6 50.Rf7+ Ke6 51.Nxb5=*) 49.Nxb5 cxb5]



44.Rxf7 -0.15/29 **Rxd6= 45.Rg7+ Kf8** Black converts the advantage convincingly. **46.Rf7+** -6.82/24

[46.Nh7+= -0.24/28 Ke8 47.Rxe2+ (*47.Rg8+? Kd7-+*) 47...Bxe2 48.Rg8+ Ke7 (*48...Nf8 49.Rxf8+ Ke7 50.Rxa8±*) 49.Rxa8]

46...Ke8-+ 47.h7 Nh8 48.Rg7 Rh6+

49.Nh3 Ra3 Black is clearly winning. **50.Rb1 Kf8 51.Rb7** -8.97/19

[⌓51.Rg8+ -5.16/21 Ke7 52.Rxh8]

51...Nf7 52.Rc1 Rxh7 53.Rc2 Rh4 54.Rd7 Rxd4 55.Rb2 Rd1 56.Rb4 Raa1 57.g4 Rd4 58.Rxd4 Nxd4 59.Kg3 Ra3+ 60.Kh4 Nf3+ 61.Kh5 N3e5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/ Black=0.68

62.Rxf7+

0-1

214 C50

☐ Oparin,Grigoriy 2662

■ Liang,Awonder 2677

ch-2024 Saint Louis USA (7.1) 18.10.24

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.a3 h6**

[7...0-0 8.0-0 Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nh4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 c6 15.Re1 b5 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Qh5 e4 18.f3 b4 19.fxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Ra5 21.Qh6 Qd5 22.Rf4 1-0 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_1525 (2778)-11... ♕c7 12. ♘bd2 cd4 13.c,4 (2749) Hania 1994 (9)]

8.b4 0-0 The position is equal. **9.0-0 Ne7N** 9...Re8 is a critical line. 9...Te8 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 Ne7 13.Bb2 Ng6 14.Rc1 c6 15.g3 Bc7 16.Kg2 Qd7 17.Qb3 Rd8 18.b5 Nh5 19.d4 Ba5 20.Re3 exd4 21.Nxd4 Bd2 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Rc2 Bxe3 24.Qxe3 0-1 Alekseenko,K (2677)-Svane,R (2633) Crunchlab PlayIn Match D3 Chess.com INT rapid 2024 (1.3)]

10.h3 Ng6 11.Re1 Re8 12.Bb3 c6 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Be6 15.c4 c5 'N'

[15...Nh7 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Qd2 c5 18.Reb1 Ne7 19.a5 bxa5 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Qb2 b6 ½-½ (34) Piorun,K (2603)-Chen,Q (2485) Riga Tech op-A 2024 (7)]

16.Bd2

[16.Be3 keeps more tension. Nh5 17.Kh2 Nhf4 18.Ng1]

16...Nd7

[16...Nh5 feels hotter. 17.Bc2 Nhf4 18.Kh2 Bd7]

17.Nh2 Nb8 0.27/22

[17...cxb4 -0.17/20 feels stronger. 18.Bxb4 Nf4]

18.a5 -0.66/21

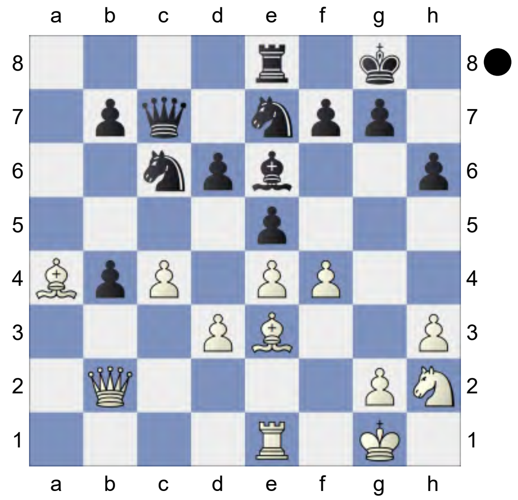
[18.b5= 0.27/22]

18...cxb4∓ 19.axb6 Rxa1 20.Qxa1 Qxb6 21.Be3 Qc7 22.Ba4 Nc6 Strongly threatening ...Ra8. **23.Qb2 Nge7** -0.49/21

[Better is 23...Rb8∓ -0.88/20 24.Bb5 f5]

24.f4 -1.53/20

[24.Nf3∓ -0.49/21]



White is on the road to losing.

24...exf4!∓ 25.Bxf4 Ra8 26.Bc2 -2.44/22

[⌓26.Bxc6 -1.61/21 Nxc6 27.Nf3]

26...Ng6-+ 27.Be3 Ra3 And now ... Nge5 would win. **28.Nf3** -2.52/21

[28.Bb1 -1.80/20 was called for.]

28...Qa5 29.Nd2 -2.98/22

[⌓29.Bb1 -1.87/18]

29...Nh4 30.Nb3? -4.23/23

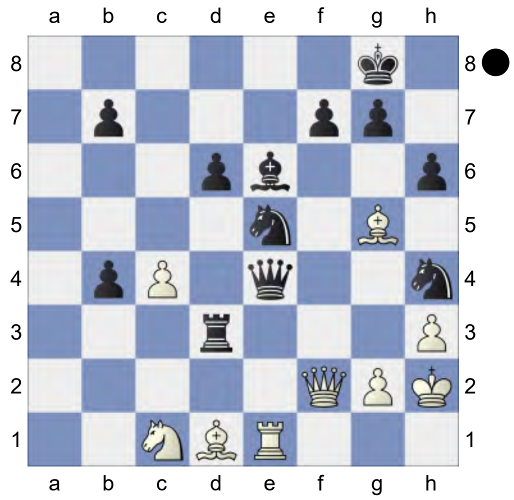
[30.Rf1 -2.42/20]

30...Qh5 31.Bd1 Qg6 32.Kh2 Ne5 33.Nc1 Rxd3

[33...Nxd3? 34.Nxd3 Rxd3 35.Qf2 Qxe4 36.Ba7 Qxg2+ *(36...Qxc4? 37.Be2-+)* 37.Qxg2 Nxg2 38.Kxg2-+]

34.Qf2 Qxe4 35.Bg5? -7.77/23

[35.Bc2 -3.63/22 Nef3+ 36.gxf3 Nxf3+ *(36...Qxc4?* too greedy. *37.Bxd3 Nxf3+ 38.Qxf3+-)* 37.Kg3 Nxe1 38.Bxd3 Nxd3 39.Nxd3 Qg6+ *(39...Qxd3? 40.Qd2-+; 39...Bxc4 40.Nxb4 g5 41.Kh2∓)* 40.Kh2 Qxd3 41.Qd2]



35...Rxh3+!! Black is clearly winning. **36.Kg1**

[36.gxh3 Nef3+]

36...Qxg2+ 37.Qxg2 Nxg2 38.Kxg2 hxg5 39.c5 Rc3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.65/Black=0.13 (very precise)

0-1

215 **C54**

☐ **Lu,Shanglei** **2618**

■ **Nihal,Sarin** **2687**

Chessable Masters Play In blitz (9)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A

(2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

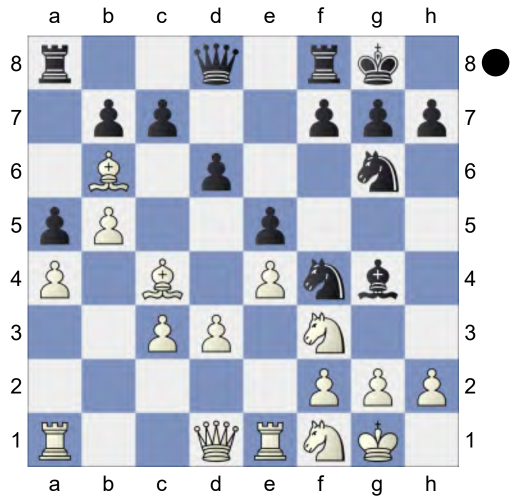
6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.0-0 Ng6 10.Nbd2 0-0 11.Re1 11.d4 is setting a new trend.11.d4 setzt einen neuen Trend. **11...Nh5 12.Nf1 Nhf4 13.Be3** -0.56/21

[13.d4= 0.27/22]

13...Bg4!∓ 14.Bxb6N -1.79/23

[14.Bxf4 exf4 0.65/24 (*14...Nxf4= -0.26/21 15.Ne3 Bh5*) 15.d4⩲ Kh8 1.32/19 (*15...c5⩲ 0.70/22*) 16.Be2 f5 1.64/21 (*16...c5± 1.02/20*) 17.exf5+- Bxf5 18.Bd3 Bd7 2.18/22 (*⌓18...Qf6 1.67/22 19.Qc2 Bxd3 20.Qxd3 Rae8*) 19.Qc2 Qf6 2.08/21 (*19...Nh4± 1.41/22 20.Nxh4 Qxh4*) 20.N1d2 1-0 (38) Ulucan,T (2076)-Bayram,Y (2281) TUR-ch Ankara 2002 (1)]

[14.g3= -0.29/21]



14...Nxg2?? 2.10/23

[14...Nh4!-+ -1.79/23 avoids the disaster. 15.N1d2 cxb6]

White now steadily converts the win. **15.Kxg2+-** Bxc7! would now be deadly.

[15.Bxc7 Qf6 16.N1d2 (*16.Kxg2? loses. Bxf3+ 17.Kg1 Bxd1-+*) 16...Nxe1 17.Qxe1 Bxf3 18.Nxf3 Qxf3∓]

15...cxb6 16.N1d2 Qf6 Hoping for ... Nh4+. **17.Kh1 Nh4 18.Re3 Kh8 19.d4 Qh6 20.Be2** White is clearly winning.

[Weaker is 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Qf1 Ng6+-]

20...exd4 21.Nxd4

[21.cxd4 Ng6 22.Ng1 f5 23.Bxg4 fxg4+-]

21...Be6 22.N2f3 Ng6 23.Qg1 Rac8 24.Qg5 Qxg5 25.Nxg5 Excellent horsemanship. **25...Nf4 26.Ngxe6 fxe6 27.Bg4 Rf6 28.Ne2 Nxe2 29.Bxe2 Rxf2 30.Rd1 Rd8 31.Kg1 Rf6 32.e5 Rg6+ 33.Rg3 Rxg3+ 34.hxg3 d5 35.c4 d4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.58 **36.Bg4**

1-0

216 **C54**
☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2733**
■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2630**
USA-ch Saint Louis (8) 19.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 (*9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 Ne4* Italian Game-3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 d6 Survey 2018*)* 9...h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 0-1 Knorre-Chigorin,M San Petersburgo.PLG2 1874]

[6.Be3 Bb6 7.a4 0-0 8.h3 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.Re1

Nf4 12.Nc3 Qd6 13.Ne2 Ng6 14.Ng3 h6 15.Qd2 Kh8 16.h4 Bg4 17.Nh2 Be6 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Nf3 Qd5 20.Nf5 Rad8 ½-½ Pichot,A (2647)-Vidit,S (2720) CrunchLab Masters PlayIn rapid 2024 (8)]

[6.h3 a6 7.a4 h6 8.c3 Ba7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 0-1 Admiraal,M (2441)-Bok,B (2607) II 128/62 Wijk aan Zee 2016]

6...0-0 7.Re1 Bb6 8.h3 Repels Ng4 Against Ng4 **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7** White has an edge. **10.Bb3**

[10.d4 Nc6 11.a4 a5 12.Ra3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Bxd4 15.Rd3 Be5 16.Nf3 Qe7 17.Nh4 Nd5 18.Qh5 Nf6 19.Ng6 Nxh5 20.Nxe7+ Kh7 21.g4 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Bxf4 23.Nd5 Be6 24.Nxf4 Bxc4 Aronian,L (2785)-Oparin,G (2674) 153/(126) Berlin 2022]

10...c6 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nc4!?N -0.12/23 Recently 12.Bc2 got a lot of attention. An interesting side line. 12.Lc2 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. Eine interessante Nebenvariante.

[⌓12.Bc2 0.30/22 Re8 13.Nf1 d5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nxe4 16.Bxe4 dxe4 17.Qh5 Re6 B3) Italian – Old Main Line-Italian – Old Main Line 4.c]

[12.Nf1 Be6 *(12...Re8 13.Ng3 Qc7 14.Bc2 Be6 15.Be3 Rad8 16.a4 Qc8 17.Kh2 Bc7 18.Qc1 Kh7 19.a5 a6* Ibrahimova,S (2168)-Tarasova,V (2300) Beograd 119/(100) 2013*)* 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Ng3 Qd7 15.Be3 Rad8 16.a4 Bc7 17.a5 a6 18.Qc1 d5 19.Bxh6 exd4 20.e5 Ne4 21.Nh5 Bxh3 22.Bxe4 Qg4 23.Ng3 Nxe5 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.gxh3 Qxh3 26.Bf4 dxe4 16 Chapter Exercises-Games Chapter - Exercises 41-49 Game -]

12...Bc7= 13.dxe5 dxe5N

[13...Nxe5 14.Nfxe5 dxe5 15.Qf3 Qe7 16.Ne3 Bb6 17.Bd2 Be6 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.Qxf5 Rad8 ½-½ Vachier Lagrave,M (2763)-Carlsen,M (2855) Meltwater Tour Final rapid 2021 (3.6)]

14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.a4 a5 16.Na3 Rb8 17.Bc4 Bd7 18.Bf1 Be6 19.Nc4 Ra8 20.g3 b5 21.Na3 bxa4 22.Nc4 Nd7 23.Be3 Inhibits Nc5. Dodges Nc5 **23...Bxc4 24.Bxc4 Bb6 25.Bc1**

[25.Rxa4? Bxe3 26.Rxe3 Nb6-+]

25...Nc5 26.h4 Threatens to win with h5. **26...Nd3** 0.62/24

[26...Bc7= -0.04/23]

27.Bxd3± Rxd3 28.Kg2 Strongly threatening h5! **28...Bc7 29.Nd2 Rb8 30.Nc4 Nf8** 1.11/28

[30...Ne7± 0.55/22]

31.Rxa4 Rb5 32.Be3 Ne6 33.Rea1 Rd8 1.25/24

[⌓33...g6 0.84/20]

34.h5

[34.Nxa5?! Rxb2 35.Nxc6 Rd3 36.Ne7+ Kh7±]

34...Rdb8 35.Kf3

[35.Nxa5 Rxa5 36.Rxa5 Bxa5 37.Rxa5 Rxb2±]

35...Kf8 36.R1a2 White is more active.

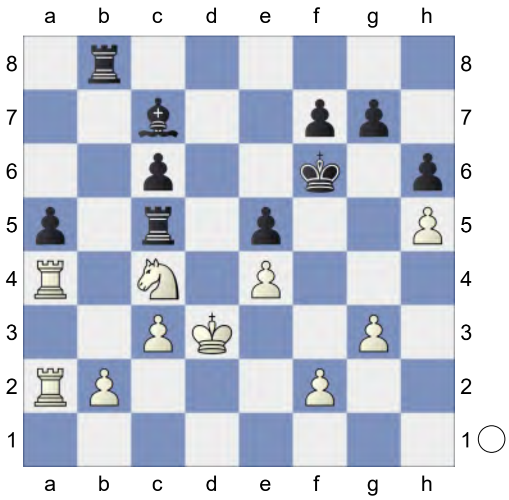
[36.Nxa5 Bxa5 37.Rxa5 Rxa5 38.Rxa5 Rxb2 39.Rxe5 Rc2±]

36...Ke7 37.Ke2 Nc5 38.Bxc5+ Rxc5 39.Kd3

[39.Nxa5?! Rxa5 40.Rxa5 Bxa5 41.Rxa5 Rxb2+ 42.Ke3 Kf6=]

39...Kf6 1.32/22

[⌓39...Ke6 0.90/23]



40.Kc2!±

[40.Nxa5?! Rxa5 41.Rxa5 Bxa5 42.Rxa5 Rxb2±]

40...Kg5 1.82/24

[40...Ra8± 1.24/21 keeps fighting.]

41.Nxa5+- b4 is the strong threat. **41...Bxa5** 2.22/21

[41...Kxh5± 1.56/22 might work better. was worth a try. 42.Nc4 (*42.b4 Rxb4 43.Rxb4 Bxa5±*) 42...Kg5]

42.Rxa5+- Rxa5 43.Rxa5 Kxh5 44.Rxe5+± Endgame. KR-KR **44...Kg4 45.Rf5 f6 46.b4 Rd8 47.c4 h5 48.Kc3 Rd6 49.c5 Re6** 4.36/25

[49...Rd1 2.34/21 50.b5 cxb5]

50.Kd4 2.04/22

[⌓50.Rf4+ 4.36/25 Kh3 (*50...Kg5 51.b5*) 51.b5]

50...g5? 5.06/25

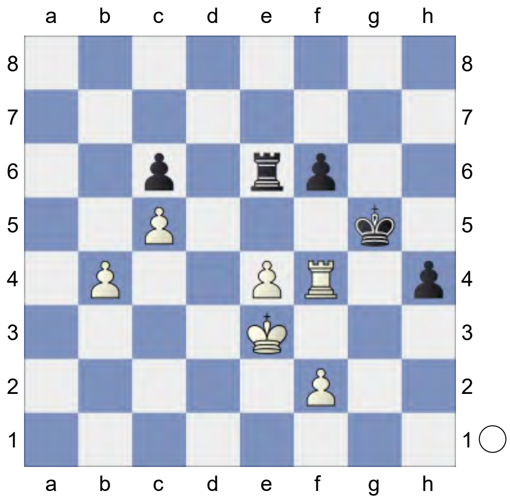
[50...Re8 2.04/22 is tougher. 51.b5 cxb5]

51.Ke3+- h4 52.gxh4 gxh4 53.Rf4+? 1.97/23

[⌓53.f3+ 5.07/25 Kg3 54.Rf4]

53...Kg5

(Diagram)



54.Kf3? 0.03/32

[54.f3!+- 3.24/30 Black must now prevent Rg4+. Re8 55.Rg4+ Kh5 56.Kf4]

54...Re8= 55.Rg4+ Kh5 56.Rg7 Hoping for Kf4. **56...h3 57.Rg3 h2 58.Rh3+ Kg6! 59.Rxh2**

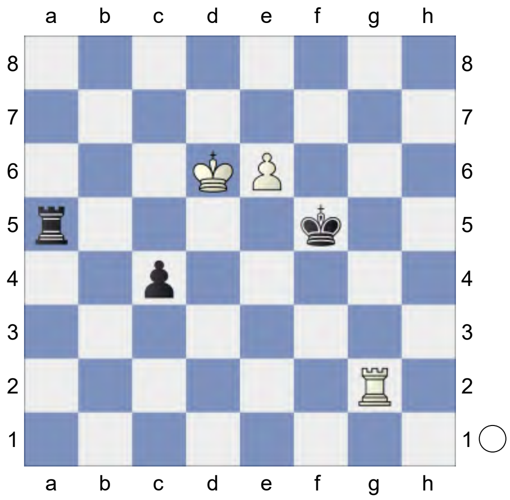
[59.Ke3!?]

59...Rb8 60.Kg4 aiming for f4. Strongly threatening f4. **60...Rxb4 61.f3 f5+ 62.Kf4 Rc4 63.Ke5 fxe4 64.fxe4 Rxc5+ 65.Kd6 Ra5 66.e5 c5 67.e6 c4 68.Rg2+**

[68.Re2!?= Ra6+□ 69.Kd5=]

68...Kf5? #28/20

[68...Kf6= 0.00/21]



Loses the game. **69.e7 Ra6+ 70.Kd5 Ra5+ 71.Kd4!**

[Weaker is Inferior is 71.Kxc4 Re5=]

71...Ra8 72.Rf2+

[Worse is Stronger than 72.Kxc4 Kf6= *(72...Ke6=)*]

72...Ke6 73.Rf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.23 (precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)

[Stronger than Worse is 73.Kxc4 Rc8+ *(73...Kxe7 74.Kb3 Rh8=)* 74.Kd3 Kxe7=]

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☐ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2804**

■ **Aronian,Levon** **2722**

American Cup Champ (2.5) 16.03.2024

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Ilincic,Zlatko Dragan Solak Kitty Kat Kitty Kat ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0**

[RR 5...d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(RR 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 *(RR 18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 *(RR 19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

6.a4N

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 *(RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3; RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3; RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3)* 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5

12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 (RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4;* RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4;* RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4*) 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (45)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 d6 9.a4 (RR *9.h3 Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ne3 Bg6 14.0-0 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Be4 17.Bd5 Bxd5 18.Nxd5 Bg5 19.Qb3 Qf7 20.h4 Bf6 21.Rac1 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Qxd5 23.Rxc6 Bxb2*) 9...Be6 (RR *9...Nh5;* RR *9...Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4*) 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5 Qe8 12.Nbd2 Nh5 13.0-0 Bf6 14.Qb3 Rb8 15.Qc4 g5 16.h3 Nf4 (RR *16...Bg7*) 17.d4 h5 (RR *17...Kh8*) 18.d5 exd5 19.exd5 Ne7

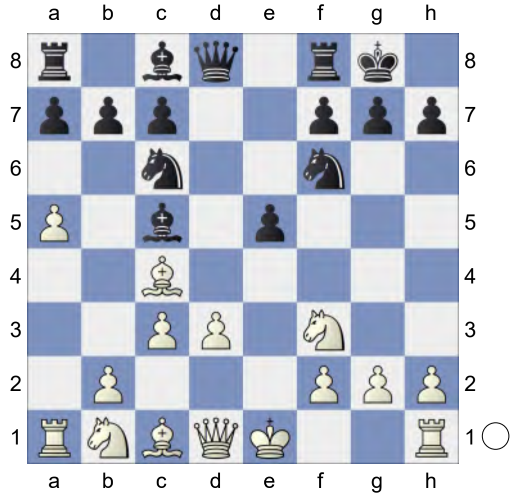
A) RR 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.Rae1 (RR *21.Qxc7 g4*);

B) 20.Qxc7 g4 Wafa,H (2359)-Garv,R (2277) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (71) RR 21.Bxf4 gxf3 22.Be3]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45)]

6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a5 Inhibits Nd5-b6. The position is equal. was the old line (8.0-0). war die alte Variante (8.0-0). **8...Nf6**



aiming for ...e5-e4. **9.Nbd2** Prevents e5-e4. **9...a6 10.0-0 h6 11.h3N**

[11.Qe2 Re8 12.Ne4 Bf8 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Ba4 Nd7 15.b4 f5 16.Ned2 g5 17.Bb2 Bg7 18.Nc4 Bxc4 19.dxc4 g4 20.Rad1 gxf3 21.Qxf3 Rf8 22.Bc1 Rf7 23.c5 Qf6 24.Bb3 Nf8 Jonsson,H-Rogov,M Salou ESP 2018 CBM 85 ext [Nickel] 25.g4 f4 26.Qe4 Ne6 27.f3 Kh8 28.Rde1 Re8 29.Kh1 Rfe7 30.Qf5 Qh4 31.Bxe6 Rxe6 32.Bxf4 Rf6 33.Bg3 Rxf5 34.Bxh4 Rf4 35.Re4 Ref8 36.Kg2 Kg8 37.Bg3 Rxe4 38.fxe4 Rxf1 39.Kxf1 Bf6 Jorden van Foreest (2753)-14. ♖d1 ♘fd7 15. ♘d3 (2700) BdF 2014 200 Traps In The Opening [Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S] 0-1 (53)]

11...Re8N

[Vorgänger: 11...Bf5 12.Qe2 Re8 13.b4 Ba7 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Nh4 Nxe4 16.Qxe4 Qd7 17.Be3 Bd4 ½-½ Pascual Perez,N (2413)-Morcin, T (2311) SM-2017-0-00371 2016]

12.b4 Ba7 13.Qe2 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Ne4! Nd5 16.Bd2 f5 17.Nc5 Bxc5 18.bxc5 Qe7 19.c4 -0.71/23

[19.Rab1= -0.19/22 remains equal.]

19...Nf6↑ Black has strong initiative.

20.Bc3 e4

[20...Qxc5? 21.d4 Qd6 22.d5+- *(22.dxe5 Qc5=)*]

21.Nd4 Nxd4 22.Bxd4 Rd8 23.Bxf6 Qxf6 24.dxe4 Rxe4 25.Qc2 Qc6 &Nero is much more active. **26.Rab1 Rdd4 27.Qb3 Rxc4 28.Qxb7 Qxb7 29.Rxb7 Rxc5** Endgame KRR-KRR **30.Rd1 Re7** Inhibits Rd1-d7. **31.Ra1 Kf7 32.h4 Kg6 33.g3 f4 34.gxf4 Re4 35.Ra7 Rc6**

[Much weaker is 35...Rxf4?! 36.Rxa6+ Kf7 37.Ra7=]

36.Rd1 Rxf4 37.Rd7 Rf7 -0.44/26

[Black should try 37...Ra4∓ -0.96/26 38.Rdxc7 Rxc7 39.Rxc7 Rxa5]

38.Rd3 -1.85/24 Now White is beyond hope.

[38.h5+!∓ -0.44/26 Kf6 39.Rxf7+ Kxf7 40.Kg2]

38...Rf5 39.Ra3 Kh5 40.Rg3 -2.48/24

[40.Ra4 -1.73/24 was called for.]

40...g6-+

[Avoid the trap 40...Rxa5? 41.Rxg7 Rac5 42.Rf7]

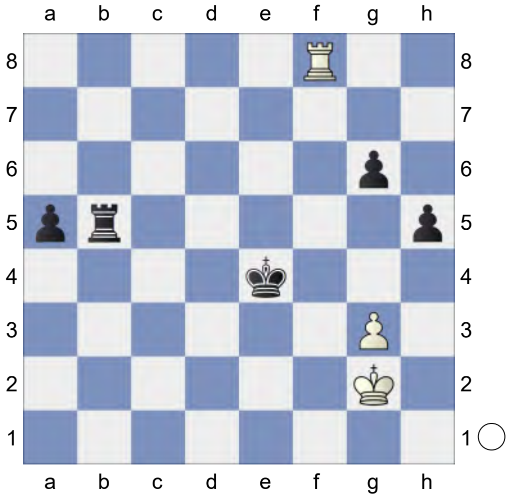
41.Ra8 Kxh4 42.Kg2 Rg5 43.Rb8 -3.17/25

[43.Rxg5 -2.15/25 was necessary. Kxg5 44.Kg3]

43...Rxg3+ 44.fxg3+ KR-KR **44...Kg5 45.Kf3 Rc5 46.Rb7 h5 47.Ra7 Rxa5 48.Rxc7 Rf5+ 49.Kg2 a5 50.Rc6** -4.49/28

[50.Rc4 -3.04/29 is a better defense.]

50...Rb5 51.Rc8 Kf5 52.Rf8+ Ke4



Hoping for ...g6-g5. **53.Rf6** -6.04/26

[⌓53.g4 -4.29/23]

53...g5 54.Rh6 Kd3 55.Rxh5 a4 56.Kf3 g4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.14 (very precise)

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□ **Aronian,Levon** **2737**
■ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR.** **2618**
Chennai Grand Masters 2024 | Tie-Brea..
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min+2sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** 1 **e5** 1 **2.Nf3** 2 **Nc6** 1 **3.Bc4** 1 **Bc5** 2 **4.Nc3** 5 **Nf6** 4 **5.d3** 1 **h6** 8 **6.Be3** 16

[6.Nd5 d6 7.c3 a6 8.b4 Ba7 9.Be3 Be6 10.0-0 Bxd5 11.Bxd5 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.c4 0-0 15.Re1 f5 16.Qd2 Ra8 17.Qe3 Qd7 18.a4 Rae8 19.b5 a5 20.Nd2 b6 ½-½ 3.e5 ♗f5 4.♘c3 a6 (2245)-Chapter 1 (2370) British CC Ch corr 1991 (7)]

6...d6N 5

[6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 d6 8.Nd5 *(8.0-0 Na5 9.Bb3 Nxb3 10.axb3 c6 11.d4 0-0 12.Qd3 Qe7 13.Rad1 Bg4 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Rxf3 d5 16.dxe5 Nd7 17.Qd4 dxe4 18.Rf5 g6 19.Rf2 Nxe5 20.Qxe4 f5 21.Qf4 g5 22.Qg3 Rad8* 1-0 Priyanka,N (2148)-2...d6 3 Bb5+ Nc6/ 2...Nc6 (1873) SFN-3284 1997 (2) *)* 8...Nxd5 9.Bxd5 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rf2 Be6 Chess Informant ECO Chess Informant ECO C5 Survey 2006]

[6...Bb6 7.Nd5 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Na5 10.Bb3 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 c6 12.Bb3 Nxb3 13.axb3 Bc7 #1 B5) Italian – 4.d3 h6 5.Nc3-Italian – 4. d3 h6 5.Nc3]

7.Bxc5 3 **dxc5** 1 **8.Bb5** 1 **Bg4** 20 **9.Bxc6+** 5 **bxc6** 2 White is better. **10.b3** 0.53/23 25

[10.h3± 0.93/21 Bxf3 11.Qxf3]

10...0-0 0.94/21 30

[10...Bxf3⩲ 0.53/23 11.Qxf3 Qd4]

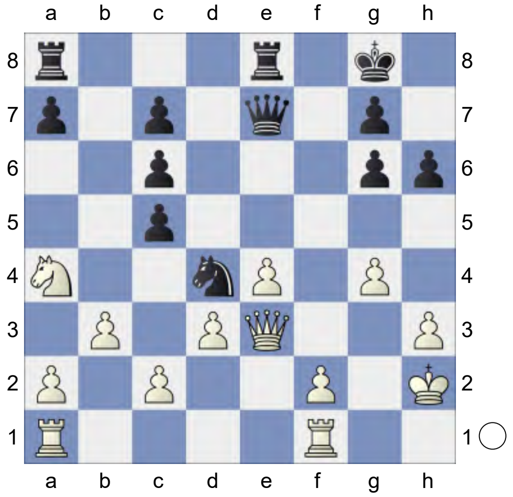
11.0-0± 11 **Nd7** 1.30/21 3

[⌓11...Nh7 0.91/23]

12.h3 11 **Bh5** 1 **13.Qe2** 3 **Re8** 11 **14.g4** 12 **Bg6** 1 **15.Qe3** 2 **Qe7** 5 **16.Kh2** 12 **Nf8** 25 **17.Na4** 1 **Ne6** 1 **18.Nxe5** 13 **Nd4** 9 **19.Nxg6** 0.90/20 28

[⌓19.f4 1.51/23 Nxc2 20.Qxc5 Nxa1 21.Qxe7 *(21.Rxa1 Qh4±)* 21...Rxe7 22.Rxa1]

19...fxg6 10



20.Rad1 0.49/21 1

[White should try 20.f4!± 0.98/25]

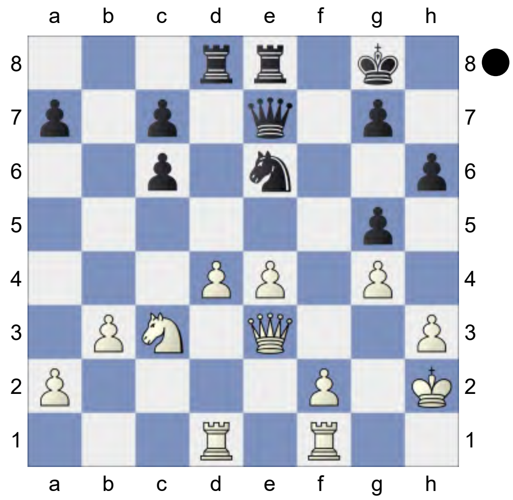
20...g5!⩲ 4 **21.c3** 5

[21.f3 is more complex. Rf8 22.Kg2 Qe5 23.c3]

21...Ne6 8 **22.d4** 1 **cxd4** 3 **23.cxd4** 1 **Rad8!** 6 **24.Nc3** -0.36/19 24

[24.Kh1= 0.12/21 deserves consideration.]

(Diagram)



24...Nxd4!∓ 4 Decoy **25.Kg2** 10

[25.Rxd4? loses. Qe5+ 26.Qg3 Rxd4 27.Qxe5 Rxe5-+]

[25.Ne2 c5]

25...Qe5 8

[25...c5 simplifies 26.Ne2 Qxe4+ 27.Qxe4 Rxe4 28.Nc3 Ree8]

26.Rd2 8 **Rf8** 0.00/23 29

[26...Ne6∓ -0.40/23 27.Rfd1 Nf4+ 28.Kg1 Rxd2 29.Rxd2 Kh8]

27.f3 -0.77/21 16

[27.Rfd1= 0.00/23 Ne6 28.Rxd8 Nxd8 29.Rd3]

27...Ne6 3 White must now prevent ...Rxd2+. Black has more active pieces. **28.Ne2** 5 **Rxd2** 4 **29.Qxd2** 0 **Rd8** 1 **30.Qc2** 1 **c5** 6 **31.Rd1** 5 **Rxd1** 5 Deflection **32.Qxd1∓** 0 Endgame. KQN-KQN **32...Qb2↑** 2 Keeping White busy.

33.Kf1 -1.92/21 2

[33.a4∓ -0.77/20]

33...Nd4? -0.28/22 4

[Better is 33...Qxa2-+ -1.92/21 And now ...Qa6 would win. 34.Ke1 Kf7]

34.Qd3? -4.14/23 11

[34.Nxd4= -0.28/22 and White stays safe. cxd4 35.Ke1]

34...Qxa2? 0.00/27 4

[34...Qa1+-+ -4.14/23 35.Kf2 Qxa2 36.Qc4+ Kh7]

35.Qc4+ 3 **Kh7** -0.58/21 3

[35...Kh8= -0.16/26 36.Nxd4 cxd4]

36.e5? -6.21/27 2

[36.Nxd4∓ -0.58/21 cxd4 37.Qd5]

36...Qxb3-+ 7 Black is clearly winning.

[Worse is 36...Nxb3 37.Qe4+ Kg8 38.Qd5+ Kh7 39.Qd3+ Kg8 40.Qd5+ Kh7 41.Qe4+ Kh8 42.Qa8+ Kh7 43.Qe4+=]

37.Qxb3 4 **Nxb3** 1 KN-KN **38.Nc3** 0 **Kg6** 4 **39.Ke2** 2 **Kf7** 4 **40.Ke3** 1 **Ke6** 1 **41.f4** 1 **gxf4+** 2 **42.Kxf4** 0 **g5+** 2 **43.Ke4** 1 **Nd2+** 2 Quite a comeback for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/Black=0.29 (precise)

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219 **C54**

☐ **Praggnanandhaa,R.** **2747**

■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2743**

6th Prague Masters 2024 (7.1) 05.03.24

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3**

[RR 6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8]

[RR 6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Nh4 Be6 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Rxa8 Rxa8 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxf6 Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 exf4]

[RR 6.Nc3 a6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.Bxd5 0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Bg5

Qe8 12.c3 Ba7 13.Re1 Bd7 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Qe7 16.Qd2 Bc6 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Qc2 Rfe8 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 e4]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8]

6...a6

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1N

[RR 7.Bb3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bc2 (RR *12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Bxb3 14.Qxb3 Qd7 15.a4*) 12...d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ng3 Rad8 15.b4 Bc8 16.a4 b5 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qe2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Nh4 Qa2 Nigmatov,O (2447)-Jin,Y (2309) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (41)]

7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 Na5 10.Bb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 h6N

[11...Ng4 12.d4 (*12.Ne3 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.h3 Nxe3 15.Bxe3 Bb8* #2 Italian Symmetrical-6. 0-0; *12.Re2 f5* #3 Italian Symmetrical-6. 0-0) 12...exd4 13.Nxd4 Re8 14.h3 Ne5 15.Be3 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.Qh5 c5 18.c4 Qd7 19.Nf3 Qf5 20.Qxf5 Bxf5 21.Nxe5 Rxe5 22.b4 Be6 #14 Italian Symmetrical-6. 0-0]

12.Ng3 Re8 13.h3 b5 14.b4 Bb7 15.Nh2 d5 16.Qf3 Re6 17.Nf5 Qf3-g3 is the strong threat. **17...Kh7 18.Qg3 Ne8 19.Ng4 dxe4 20.dxe4 Nd6! 21.Nxe5**

[21.Ngxh6 Rg6 22.Ng4 Nxe4-+]

21...Nxf5 0.97/24

[21...g5± 0.37/24]

22.exf5± Chess con chili. **22...Rf6 23.Be3↑** White is really pushing. **23...Bxe3 24.Qxe3 Rxf5 25.Rad1! Qf6 26.f3! h5 27.Kh2 Bc6 28.Nxc6** 0x0.0015299270e2dp-1022s more active pieces. **28...Qxc6 29.Qe7 a5 30.bxa5 Rxa5 31.Re5 b4 32.Rxa5 Rxa5 33.Qxb4** Endgame KQR-KQR **33...Re5**

34.Qf4 Qe6 35.Rd7 Rf5 1.62/23

[35...Qxd7± 1.29/25 keeps fighting. 36.Qxe5 Kh6]

36.Qxc7+- Qe2 2.20/25

[⌓36...Qe1 1.66/24 37.Qg3 (*37.Rxf7 Rg5=*) 37...Qc1]

37.Re7 1.00/25

[37.Rxf7? Rg5 38.Qg3 Rxg3 39.Kxg3 h4+ 40.Kh2 Qxb2-+]

[37.f4+- 2.20/25]

37...Qd2 1.42/25

[Black should play 37...Qxb2 1.00/25 38.Re5 (*38.Rxf7? Rg5-+*) 38...Rxe5 39.Qxe5 g6]

38.h4 0.95/27

[Wrong is 38.Rxf7? Rg5 39.Qg3 Rxg3 40.Kxg3 Qd6+ 41.Kf2 Qb6+ 42.Kf1 Qxb2-+]

[⌓38.f4 1.42/25]

38...Rf4 39.Qe5 Rxh4+ 40.Kg3 Rh1 41.Qe4+

[Avoid the trap 41.Rxf7? h4+ 42.Kg4 Qxg2+ 43.Kf5 Qg6+ 44.Kf4 Qxf7+-+]

41...Kh6

[41...g6? 42.Rxf7+ Kh6 43.Qf4+ Qxf4+ 44.Kxf4+-]

42.Qf4+

[42.Rxf7 h4+ 43.Qxh4+ Rxh4 44.Kxh4 Qg5+ 45.Kh3 Qh5+ 46.Kg3 Qxf7-+]

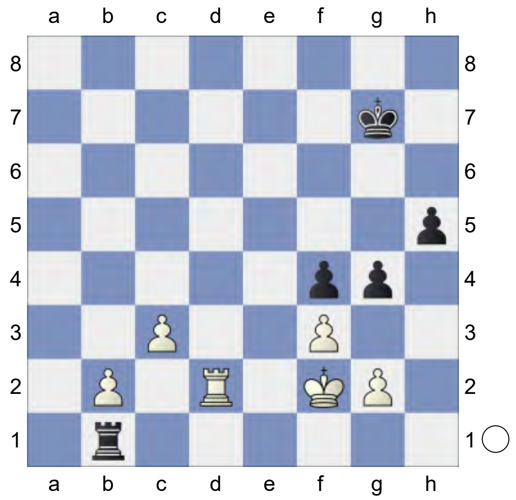
42...Qxf4+ 43.Kxf4± KR-KR **43...g5+ 44.Kg3** 0.76/25

[White should try 44.Kf5 1.08/25]

44...f5 45.Re6+ Kg7 46.Kf2! Rb1 47.Re2 f4 48.Rd2 g4 1.27/26

[48...Kf6± 0.49/23]

(Diagram)



49.g3! h4 50.gxh4 g3+ 51.Kg2 Rc1 Inhibits Rd2-c2. **52.Kh3** Hoping for Kh3-g4. **52...Rh1+ 53.Kg4 Rh2 54.Rd1 Rxb2 55.Kxf4** Black must now prevent Rd1-d7+. **55...g2 56.Rg1 Rc2 57.Kg4 Kh6 58.f4** 0.02/30

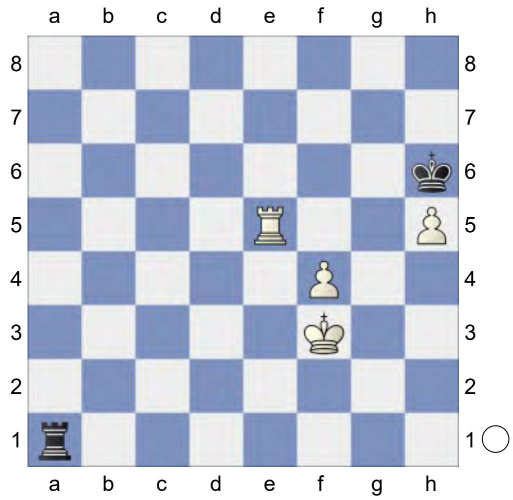
[58.Kh3± 0.92/29]

58...Kg6= 59.c4

[59.h5+ looks sharper. Kh6 60.Kh4 Re2 61.f5]

59...Rxc4 60.Rxg2 Rc1 61.h5+ Kh6 62.Re2 Rg1+ 63.Kf5 Ra1 64.Re8 Ra2 65.Kg4 White wants to play Re8-e6+. **65...Rg2+ 66.Kf3 Ra2 67.Re5 Ra1 68.Rb5 Ra2 69.Rc5 Ra1 70.Re5 Ra2 71.Kg4** Black should prevent Re5-e6+. **71...Rg2+! 72.Kf5 Rf2 73.Ke4 Ra2 74.Kf3 Ra1**

(Diagram)



75.Kg4 0.01/31

[75.Rg5!± 0.99/33]

75...Rg1+ 76.Kf5 Rf1 0.52/30

[76...Kxh5= 0.01/33 77.Kf6+ Kh6]

77.Re4 0.01/33

[77.Re3± 0.52/30]

77...Ra1 1.18/28

[77...Kxh5= 0.01/33 78.Kf6 Ra1]

78.Kf6 0.01/32

[Better is 78.Re3± 1.18/28]

78...Kxh5 The position is equal. **79.f5 Ra6+ 80.Re6 Ra7 81.Rd6 Kh6 82.Rb6 Kh5 83.Re6 Kh6 84.Re5 Kh5 85.Re7 Ra6+ 86.Kg7** And now f5-f6 would win. **86...Kg5** Prevents f5-f6. **87.Rf7 Rb6 88.f6 Ra6 89.Re7** aiming for f6-f7. **89...Rxf6 90.Re5+ Rf5 91.Rxf5+ Kxf5** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=0.08 (flawless) Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

220 **C54**

☐ **Wei,Yi** **2753**

■ **Bok,Benjamin** **2593**

Wch Blitz New York (12) 30.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 (45) Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT

Top 12 2018 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Qe7 8.Nbd2 g5!? Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **9.Bg3 Nh5!?** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **10.Qe2N** The position is equal.

[10.b4 Bb6 11.Bb3 Rg8 0.50/18 *(11...f5= -0.04/20)* 12.a4 and a5 should not be overlooked a5 13.b5 Nd8 14.Nc4 Ne6 0.85/23 *(14...Nf4⩲ 0.36/23)* 15.d4± Nef4! 16.0-0 0.00/21 ½-½ (27) Hong,A (2494)-Paragua,M (2475) Charlotte CCCSA Labor Day GM-B 2021 (6) (Better is *16.Bxf4⩲* 0.64/20 *Nxf4 17.Nxb6 cxb6 18.g3 Ng2+ 19.Kd2)*]

10...Nxg3 11.hxg3 Bd7 12.a4 a5 13.Bb5 h5 14.Nc4 h4 15.0-0-0 0-0-0 16.gxh4 g4 17.Nfd2 Rxh4 18.Nb3 Ba7 19.g3 -0.26/21

[19.Ncxa5 Nxa5 20.Nxa5 *(20.Bxd7+ Qxd7 21.Nxa5 Rxh1∓)* 20...c6∓]

[⌓19.Nbxa5 0.30/22 Rxh1 20.Rxh1 Nxa5 21.Nxa5 *(21.Bxd7+ Qxd7 22.Nxa5 Qxa4∓)*]

19...Rh3!= 20.Bxc6 Bxc6 0.01/23

[20...Qg5+∓ -0.35/26 deserves consideration. 21.Kc2 Bxc6 22.Nbxa5 Bxa4+ 23.b3 Bd7]

21.Nbxa5 -1.28/22

[21.Qxg4+= 0.01/23 Bd7 22.Qf3]

21...Bxa4 -0.01/18

[Black should try 21...Qg5+∓ -1.28/22 22.Kb1 Bxa4]

22.Qxg4+ Bd7 23.Qf3 Rdh8! 24.Rxh3 Rxh3 25.Ne3 Be6 26.Kc2 Qg5 27.Nf5

[27.Re1 Bxe3 28.Qxe3 Qxe3 29.Rxe3 Bg4 30.Kd2]

27...Rh2

[27...Qf4 simplifies 28.Qxf4 exf4 29.gxf4 Bxf5 30.exf5 Bxf2 31.Rf1 Rh2]

28.Rf1 d5 Against Nc4 **29.b4 dxe4 30.dxe4** -0.66/23

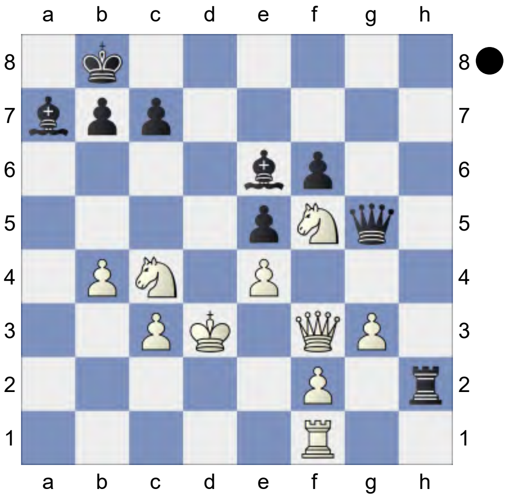
[30.Qxe4= 0.01/24 Qxf5 31.Qxb7+ *(31.Nxb7? Rxf2+ 32.Rxf2 Qxf2+-+)* 31...Kd7 32.Qc6+ *(32.Qxa7 Qf3=)* 32...Kd8 33.Qa8+ Kd7 34.Qc6+ *(34.Qxa7 Qf3=)*]

30...f6 0.15/23

[30...Kb8∓ -0.66/23]

31.Kd3 Kb8 The board is on fire. **32.Nc4** -1.09/28

[32.Ne3!= 0.01/22 keeps the balance.]



32...Qg8 0.01/22 Black is more active.

[32...Bxc4+!∓ -1.09/28 33.Kxc4 Qg8+ *(33...Qd2 34.Kb3=)* 34.Kd3 Qe6]

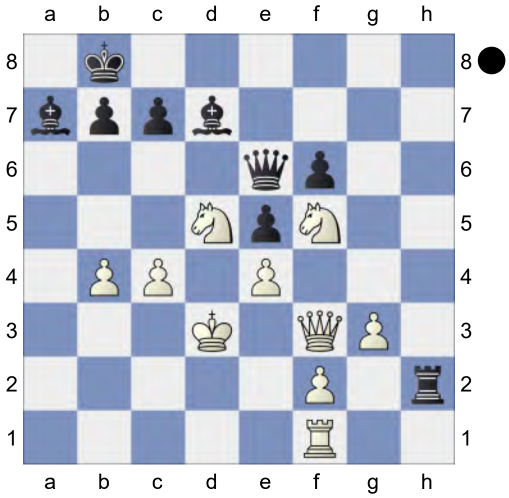
33.Nce3 Bd7 34.Nd5 -0.61/23

[34.Rh1= 0.25/24 Rxh1 35.Qxh1]

34...Qe6∓ Strongly threatening ...Qa6+. Black has compensation. **35.c4** -1.18/27

[35.Rh1∓ -0.55/28 Qa6+ *(35...Rxf2 36.Rh8+ Bc8 37.Qg4∓)* 36.c4 Qa3+ *(36...Rxf2 37.Rh8+ Bc8 38.Rxc8+ Kxc8 39.Qg4±)* 37.Nc3 Rxh1

(37...Rxf2? 38.Rh8+ Bc8 39.Qg4+-) 38.Qxh1 Bxf5 *(38...Qxb4 39.Qh8+ Bc8 40.Qxf6=)* 39.exf5]



35...Qa6!∓ Loses the game. **36.Nc3?** -3.69/23

[36.Rh1∓ -0.73/25 Qa3+ *(36...Rxf2 37.Rh8+ Bc8 38.Rxc8+ Kxc8 39.Qg4+-)* 37.Nc3 Rxh1 *(37...Rxf2?* is the wrong capture. *38.Rh8+ Bc8 39.Qg4+-)* 38.Qxh1 Bxf5 *(38...Qxb4 39.Qh8+ Bc8 40.Ne3=)* 39.exf5]

36...Be6

[Weaker is 36...Qa3 37.Ke2∓]

37.b5 Qa3↑ Black is really pushing. **38.Ne3?** -13.68/27

[38.Rh1 -1.73/23 Rxh1 *(38...Rxf2 39.Rh8+ Bc8 40.Qg4±)* 39.Qxh1]

38...Bd4-+ 39.Ned1 Qb3 (-> ...Bxc3) **40.Kd2 Bxc4** This pair of bishops is nice. **41.Rh1 Rxh1** Deflection **42.Qxh1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/ Black=0.21 (precise)

42...Bxc3+

[42...Bxb5 43.Qh8+ Ka7 44.Nxb5+ Qxb5 45.Qxf6∓]

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221 **C50**

☐ **Nakamura,Hikaru** **2802**

■ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **2564**

Titled Tue 14. Jan Early (11) 14.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Nd5 h6

[6...Nxd5 7.Bxd5 d6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 0-0 10.0-0 Nb8 11.b4 Nd7 12.Qd2 c6 13.Bb3 a5 14.a3 Nf6 15.h3 h6 16.Rab1 b5 17.Qc3 Bd7 18.Rf2 Qb6 19.Re1 Rfe8 20.Nh4 c5 21.Ref1 1-0 (37) Kramnik,V (2800)-Aronian,L (2794) FIDE Berlin Candidates 2018 (10.2)]

7.Be3 d6 8.Bxc5 The position is equal.

8...dxc5 9.Ne3N

[9.0-0 0-0 10.a4 Be6 11.Ne3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Re8 13.Ne3 b6 Italian 5. Nc3 & 5. Bg5-5. Nc3 #12]

9...0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.a4

[11.h3 Be6 12.a4 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Nh7 14.a5 Ng5 0.42/20 *(14...b5=* -0.07/22 deserves consideration. *15.axb6 cxb6)* 15.Nfd2 -0.01/24 *(15.Nxg5±* 0.42/20 *Qxg5 16.Re1)* 15...Ne6 16.Ne3 Qg5 0.63/20 *(16...b6=* -0.01/22 *)* 17.g3 0.26/22 *(17.Ndc4±* 0.63/20 *)* 17...Rad8 0.84/21 *(17...b5=* 0.26/22 *)* 18.Kh2 Ncd4 ½-½ (57) Nakamura,H (2755)-Jumabayev,R (2503) Wch Rapid New York 2024 (1)]

11...b6 11...b6 is a critical line. 11...b6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

12.h3 Be6N

[12...Rb8 13.c3 Qd6 14.Qe2 g6 15.Rad1 b5? 2.27/23 *(15...Kg7±* 0.37/20 *)* 16.axb5+- axb5 17.Bxb5 Rxb5 18.d4 exd4 19.Qxb5

And now Nc4 would win. Rxe4 0-1 (90) Nakamura,H (2755)-Niemann,H (2618) Wch Rapid New York 2024 (13)]

13.Nd2 Qd6 14.Kh2 Na5 0.51/22

[14...Kh7= 0.10/20]

15.Bxe6⩲ Qxe6 16.g3 Rad8 17.b3 Nc6 18.f4 exf4 19.gxf4 Qd7 0.69/19

[Black should play 19...Nd4= 0.01/20]

20.Rg1 Kh7 21.Qf1 0.26/20

[21.Qe1± 0.84/20]

21...g6 1.04/20

[21...Nh5= 0.26/20 remains equal.]

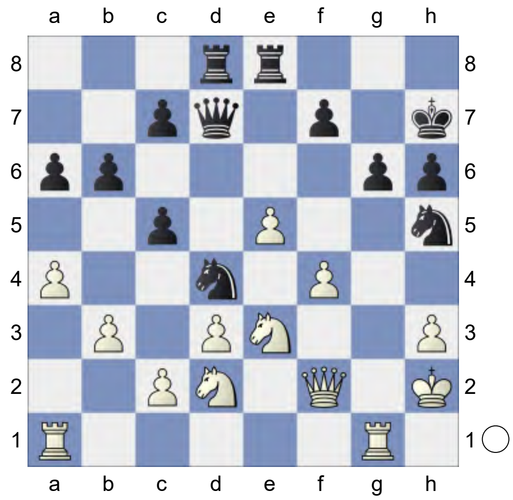
22.Qf2± Nd4 1.13/19

[⌓22...Nh5 0.72/19]

23.e5 0.48/21

[23.Nf3± 1.13/19]

23...Nh5!⩲



And now ...f5 would win. **24.Ne4 f5?** 2.26/22

[24...Re6⩲ 0.54/21]

25.exf6+- Loses the game. **25...Rf8?** 3.66/22

[25...Nf5± 1.56/21]

26.Ng4 Qf5 5.23/20

[26...Rde8 2.84/19 is a better defense. 27.a5 (*27.Ne5 Qf5+-*) 27...b5]

27.Raf1 Ne6 28.Qh4 Nexf4 29.Rf3 Rd5 30.Rgf1 Qe6 31.Rxf4 Nxf4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=1.02

32.Qxh6+

1-0

222 **C54**

☐ **LeelaMultiPoss** **3095**

■ **expositor** **2654**

Blitz 02.02.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3**

[6.h3 a5 7.Nc3 h6 8.Be3 0-0 9.d4 Bb4 10.d5 Ne7 11.Bd3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Ng6 13.Kh2 Nh7 14.Nd2 Qh4 15.Qe1 f5 16.f3 Qe7 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bxf5 Rxf5 19.Ne4 b6 20.c4 Rff8 Jumabayev,R (2590)-Nogerbek,K (2493) Almaty 2023 ½-½ (32)]

6...a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7N The position is equal.

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Boskovic,M (2688)-Kennaugh,C (2720) London 2022 EXP 49 [Gauglitz, Gernot] 0-1 (34) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Chennai 2022 CBM 210 [Harikrishna, Pentala]]

9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Bb5 g5 11.Bg3 Bd7 12.d4 h5 13.h4

[Stronger than 13.Nxg5 h4 14.Bxh4

(14.Bxc6? Bxc6 15.Bf4 exf4-+) 14...Rxh4-+]

13...0-0-0 14.Nxg5 Rdg8 15.Nc4 &Bianco is more active. **15...Rxg5** 1.17/21 **16.hxg5± Nxe4 17.Bh4 exd4 18.Re1** Black must now prevent Bxc6. **18...dxc3 19.Bxc6 Bxc6 20.Nxa5**

[But not 20.bxc3?! Qd7 21.Ne3 Nxc3=]

20...cxb2 21.Rb1 d5

[21...Qe5? 22.Nxc6 bxc6 23.Qa4]

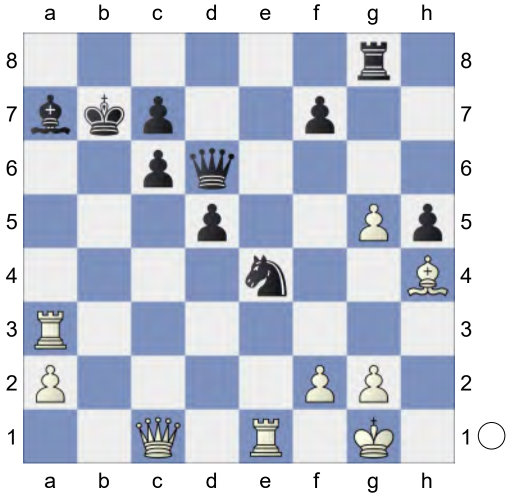
22.Rxb2 Qe5 1.67/21

[22...Qe6± 1.04/20]

23.Qc1+- Rg8 2.72/21

[⌓23...Kd7 1.74/20]

24.Nxc6 Chess con chili. **24...bxc6 25.Rb3 Qd6 26.Ra3! Kb7**

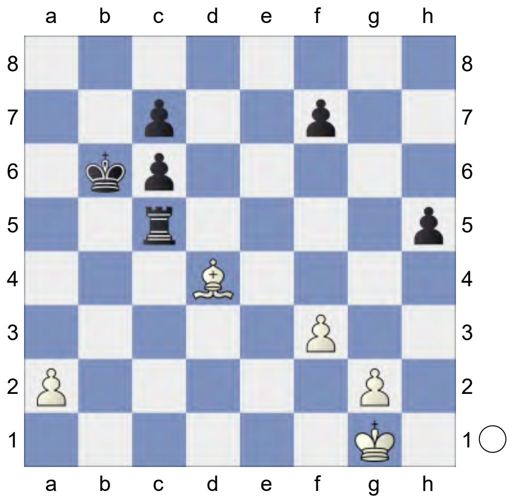


27.Rxa7+ Kxa7 28.f3 Qc5+ 29.Qxc5+ Remove Defender **29...Nxc5** Endgame KRB-KRN **30.Bf2 d4** 4.67/21

[⌓30...Ka6 2.93/21]

31.Bxd4 Rxg5 32.Rc1 Kb6 33.Rxc5 Rxc5

(Diagram)



KR-KB **34.a4 Ka5** 6.54/25

[⌓34...f5 4.28/28 35.Kf1 Ka5 36.Bxc5 Kxa4]

35.Bxc5 Kxa4 KB-KP **36.Kf2 Kb5 37.Be7 c5 38.Ke3 Kc6 39.Ke4 Kb6 40.Kd5 c6+ 41.Kc4** 15.70/31

[⌓41.Ke4 10.16/24 Kb5 42.Ke5]

41...Kc7 42.g4 Kd7 43.Bh4 hxg4 44.fxg4 KB-K3P **44...Ke6 45.Bg3 f5 46.g5 Kf7 47.Kxc5** KB-KPP **47...Kg6 48.Bf4 Kh5 49.Kxc6** KB-KP **49...Kg6 50.Kd6 Kh5 51.Ke5 Kg6 52.Ke6 Kh5 53.Kxf5** Intending g6 and mate. **53...Kh4 54.g6** White wants to mate with g7. **54...Kh3 55.Ke4** 12.82/5

[⌓55.g7 #6/14 Kg2 56.g8Q+ Kf3 57.Qg4+ Kf2 58.Qd1 Kg2 59.Qe1 Kh3 60.Qh1#]

55...Kg2 56.g7 White mates. **56...Kf1 57.Kf3 Ke1 58.g8Q Kd1 59.Qg2 Ke1 60.Qe2#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.48

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223 **C52**
□ **caissa-x** **3010**
■ **lc0_1shot** **2565**
Rapid 09.04.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 15min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7** The position is equal.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...Bd7 0.34/20

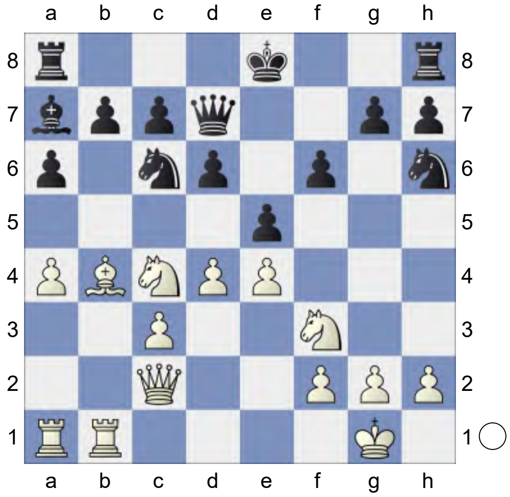
[12...c6= -0.21/21 13.Bd3 Bd7]

13.Rfb1⩲ Nh6 0.48/21

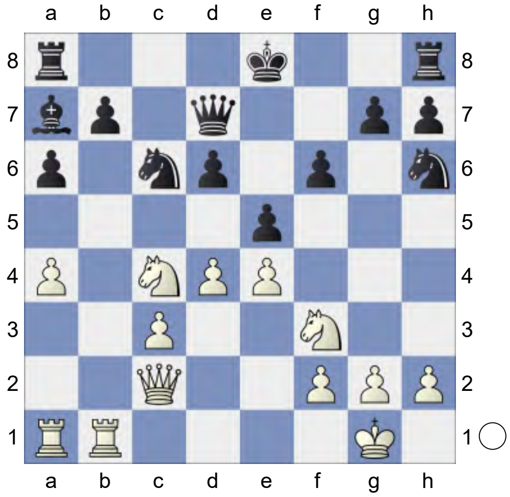
[13...Rc8= 0.08/19 is more appropriate.]

14.Bxd7+! Qxd7 15.Bb4! Nc6 16.a4! a6 17.Nc4! White leaves nothing to chance now. **17...Ba7** 1.06/20

[Better is 17...Nf7!⩲ 0.46/18]



18.Bxd6!± Discovered Attack **18...cxd6**



19.Rxb7! Decoy **19...Qd8** ...0-0 would now be deadly.

[But not 19...Qe6? 20.d5+-]

20.Rxg7 Kf8 21.Rb7 White is much more active. **21...Rg8 22.Rxh7 Nf7 23.Qb3 Qe8** 5.56/19

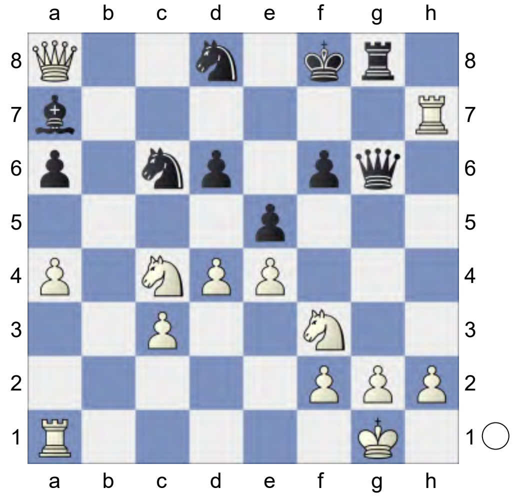
[23...Rg7± 0.96/22 is a better chance. 24.Rxg7 Kxg7]

24.Qb7+- Nfd8 9.28/22

[⌓24...Rd8 4.81/21 25.d5 (*25.Qxa6 Qd7=; 25.Rxf7+ Qxf7 26.Qxc6*

Rg7+-) 25...Bxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Ne7]

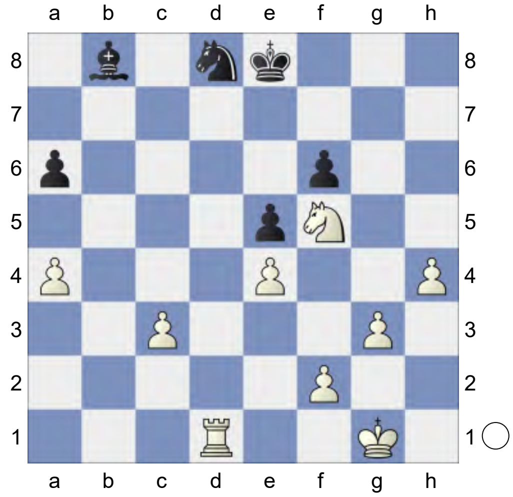
25.Qxa8 Qg6



26.Ng5! Qxg5 27.g3

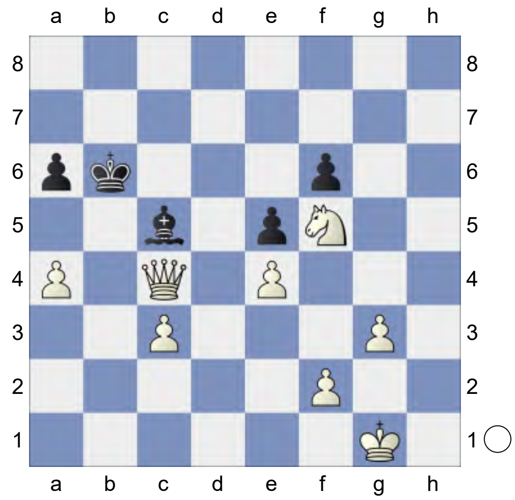
[27.Rxa7? Qxg2#]

27...Rg7 28.Rh8+ Skewer **28...Rg8 29.Rxg8+ Qxg8 30.d5 Qh7 31.dxc6 Qc7 32.Rd1 Qb8 33.Qxb8 Bxb8 34.Nxd6 Nxc6** Endgame KRN-KBN **35.Nf5** And now h4 would win. **35...Ke8 36.h4 Nd8**



37.Rxd8+! Kxd8 KB-KN. White is 3 pawns up. **38.h5 Bd6 39.h6 Kc7 40.h7 Bc5 41.h8Q Ba3 42.Qg8 Bc5 43.Qc4 Kb6**

(Diagram)



44.a5+! Kc6 45.Qd5+ Kc7 46.Qxc5+ Kd7 47.Kg2 Kd8 48.Qe7+ Kc8 49.Nd6+ Kb8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=1.38 **50.Qb7#**

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224 C54

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2733**

■ **Svane,Rasmus 2629**

Julius Baer Gen Cup Pl/In (5) 25.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1

Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 h6 7.b4 Bb6 8.a4 Threatens to win with a5. **8...a5** 8...a5 scores better than 8...a6. 8...a5 punktet besser als 8...a6. **9.b5 Ne7 10.Be3 Bxe3** The position is equal. **11.fxe3 Ng6 12.Bb3 0-0 13.c4 Be6 14.Nc3 c6 15.Rc1 Qe7N**

[Vorgänger: 15...Re8 16.h3 Rc8 17.Qe1 Nd7 18.Nd2 Nc5 19.Bc2 f6 20.Ne2 Bf7 21.d4 Ne6 1-0 Marbourg,D (2374)-Packroff,H (2196) VW-Cup11 Gr44 email 2018]

16.h3 Rfd8 17.Qe1 0.03/23

[17.Rf2⩲ 0.42/20]

17...Rac8 0.40/20

[17...d5= 0.03/23 deserves consideration.]

18.Rf2 c5 1.38/22

[18...Nf8= 0.30/20]

19.Nd5± Bxd5 20.cxd5 b6 21.Nd2 Rb8 22.Nc4 Nf8 23.Qd2 g6 24.Rcf1 N8d7 25.Bd1 h5 26.Rf3 Rf8 27.Qf2 Nh7 28.Qg3 Black is weak on the light squares **28...Kg7 29.R3f2 Kh8 30.Be2** White is much more active. **30...Rbd8 31.d4?** -0.48/23 **cxd4** 0.47/24

[31...h4∓ -0.48/23 32.Qf3 Kg8]

32.exd4⩲ exd4 33.Qxd6 Qxd6 34.Nxd6 f6 35.Nc4 Ne5 0.85/25

[35...Rfe8= 0.21/24 keeps the balance.]

36.Rd1!±

[36.Nxb6 d3 37.Bxd3 Nxd3∓]

36...Nxc4 37.Bxc4 Ng5 38.Rxd4 0.43/25

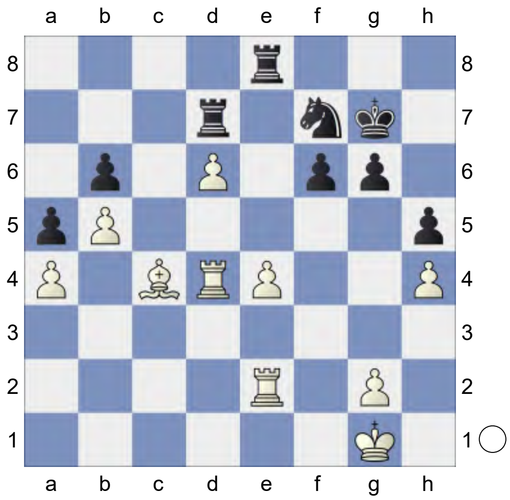
[38.Bd3± 1.09/27]

38...Kg7 1.51/22

[38...Ne6!⩲ 0.43/25 39.dxe6 Rxd4]

39.d6 d7 is the strong threat. **39...Rfe8 40.Re2↑** Black is under strong pressure. **40...Rd7 41.h4 Nf7** 2.64/23

[41...Ne6± 1.13/28 was worth a try. 42.Bxe6 Rxe6]



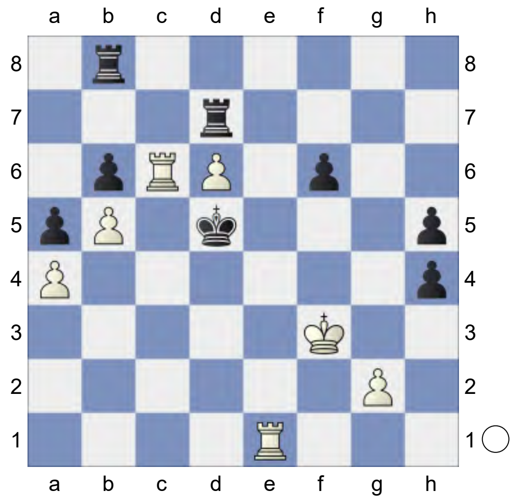
42.Bxf7!+- Kxf7 Endgame. KRR-KRR **43.Rc2** Hoping for Rc6. **43...Ke6 44.Rc6 Ke5 45.Rd5+ Kxe4 46.Rd1** And now Re1+ would win. **46...Rb8 47.Kf2 g5 48.Kg3 Ke5 49.Re1+ Kd5 50.Kf3** 1.30/20

[Better is 50.Re2+- 1.68/21]

50...gxh4? 4.72/22

[50...Rg8± 1.30/20 is tougher.]

(Diagram)



51.Kf4! White is clearly winning. **51...Rg8 52.Kf5**

[52.Rxb6 Rxg2 53.Rh1 f5= *(53...Rxd6? 54.Rd1+ Ke6 55.Rbxd6++-)*]

52...Rg5+ 53.Kxf6 Rxg2 6.54/20

[⌓53...Rg8 4.59/18 54.Rd1+ *(54.Rxb6 Rxd6+ 55.Rxd6+ Kxd6=)* 54...Ke4]

54.Rd1+

[Worse is 54.Rxb6 Rxd6+ 55.Rxd6+ Kxd6=]

54...Ke4 55.Ke6

[And not 55.Rxb6 Rf2+ 56.Ke6 Rdf7 57.Re1+ Kd4 58.Rd1+ Ke4 59.Re1+ Kd4 60.Rd1+ Ke4=]

55...Rdg7 56.Rc4+ Skewer

[56.Rxb6? R2g6#]

56...Ke3 57.Rxh4 R2g5 58.Rhh1 Kf3 59.Rhf1+ Ke2 60.Rfe1+ Kf2 61.Re5 aiming for Rxg5. **61...R7g6+ 62.Kd5 Rxe5+ 63.Kxe5** Black must now prevent d7. **63...Rg5+ 64.Kf6 Rg8 65.d7 h4 66.d8Q** Promotion **66...Rxd8 67.Rxd8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.41

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226 C54
☐ **Kramnik,Vladimir 2753**
■ **Grischuk,Alexander 2732**
Moscow CC Levitov Blitz m (7) 16.02.24
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Re1 Ba7 8.a4!** is recently more successful than 8.Bb3. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 8.Lb3. **8...h6 9.b4** White has an edge. **9...0-0 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.h3 Be6**

[11...Ng6 12.Nf1 Qe7 13.Be3 Nh5 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.d4 Nhf4 16.Ne3 c6 17.Kh2 Nh4 18.Ng1 Nhg6 19.g3 Ne6 20.Nf5 Qf6 21.Qd2 Nc7 22.Bd3 Ra8 23.Rad1 Rd8 24.Nf3 Ne7 25.Nxe7+ Qxe7 26.Bc2 Ranniku (2320)-9. ♖b1 / 9. ♘h3 (with g3)_6 (1998) USSR (ch) 2022 ICCF Telechess CBM 104 [John Watson] 1-0]

12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Qb3N Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[13.Nf1 Ng6 14.Ra2 Qe8 *(14...Nh5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Nhf4 17.d4* 13) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - An-Italian 4...Bc5 - Ancient Be6*)* 15.g3 *(15.N1h2 a5 16.b5 Bc5 17.Bd2* 13) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - An-Italian 4...Bc5 - Ancient Be6*)* 15...Qc6 16.Qb3 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Rxf3 18.Qxe6+ Kh7 19.Rc4 Rxf2 20.Rxc6 Rf6+ 21.Be3 Rxe6 22.Rxc7 13) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - An-Italian 4...Bc5 - Ancient Be6]

[RR 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7

A) RR 15.Ra2 d5 *(RR 15...Qd7)* 16.Qb3 c5 *(RR 16...Qe7)* 17.bxc5 Bxc5 18.d4 *(RR 18.exd5 Nxd5*

19.Rc2) 18...Ba7 (RR *18...dxe4 19.dxc5 exf3*) 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxe5 (RR *20.c4 Nf6 21.dxe5*) 20...Nxe5 21.Rxe5 Nxc3;

B) 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 (RR *20.Qxb7 Rb8 21.Qa7 c5;* RR *20.Rae1*) 20...Raf8 (RR *20...dxe4 21.Rxe4 Qc6*) 21.Rd1 (RR *21.Qxb7 Rb8 22.Qa7 c5;* RR *21.Rae1*) 21...dxe4

B1) RR 22.Rxe4 Rxf3 23.Nxf3 Rxf3 24.dxe5 (RR *24.Qxb7 Nc5*);

B2) 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 (RR *22...Ngxe5 23.dxe5 Qxe5*) 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5 Rxf2 26.Rxe4 Ra2 27.b6 cxb6 Saric,I (2659)-Keymer,V (2721) Budva 2023 Mega2024 Update 03 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (67)]

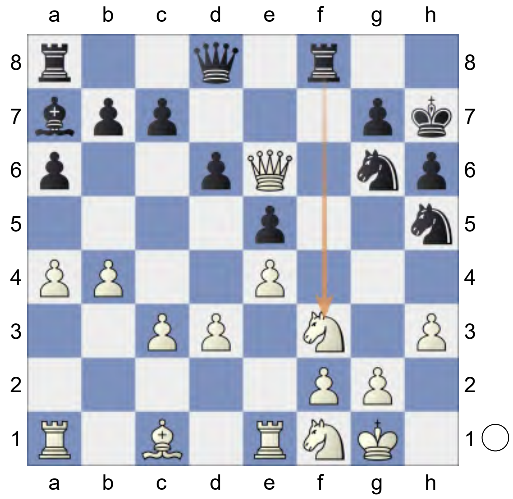
13...Nh5 0.59/22

[13...Qd7= 0.17/20 deserves consideration.]

14.Qxe6+⩲ Kh7 15.Nf1 0.26/23

[15.Nb3⩲ 0.58/22]

15...Ng6=

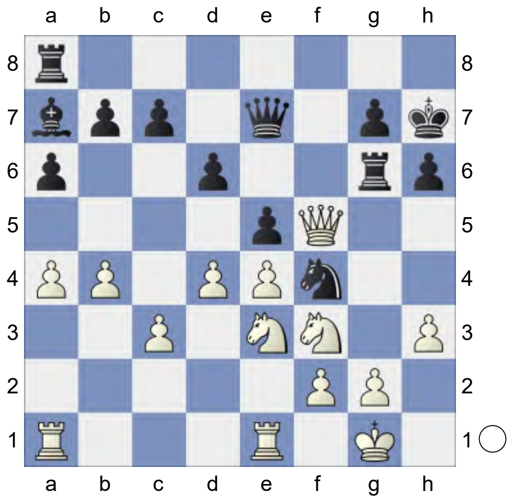


...Rf8xf3! is the strong threat. **16.d4 Ngf4N**

[Vorgänger: 16...a5 17.b5 Ngf4 18.Bxf4 Nxf4 19.Qg4 Rf6 Hoping for ...Rf6-g6. 20.Ne3 Rg6! 21.Qh4 Qg8 0.35/21 (*21...exd4= 0.01/22 22.cxd4 Qxh4 23.Nxh4 Re6*) 22.Kh1 0.01/22 (*22.Ng4!⩲ 0.35/21*) 22...Rf8 ½-½ Marbourg,D (2477)-Kolarik,J (2415) WLS/SRCCC/21/D1 2021 [1]]

17.Bxf4 Nxf4 18.Qg4 Rf6! Strongly threatening ...Rf6-g6. **19.Ne3 Rg6 20.Qf5 Qe7?** 2.05/24

[20...Qg8!= -0.01/23 21.h4 (*21.dxe5? Rf8-+*) 21...Rf8]



This move loses the game for Black. **21.Nd5+-**

[Don't go for 21.dxe5? Rf8 22.exd6 cxd6-+]

21...Nxd5 22.exd5 Rf8 23.Qe4 Qf6 24.Nh4

[Not 24.dxe5 dxe5 25.Ra2 Kg8+-]

24...Qxf2+ 5.44/27

[⌓24...Rf7 3.43/23 25.Kh1 exd4 26.cxd4 (*26.Qxg6+ Qxg6 27.Nxg6 Kxg6+-*) 26...Qg5]

25.Kh1 Rff6 26.Rf1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.31

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225 **C54**
☐ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2732**
Moscow CC Levitov Blitz m (9) 16.02.24
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Mauro The Recreationist Nov 1873 pp138-9 Mikhalevski,V List,Paul M ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 0-0 6.h3**

[RR 6.a4 h6 (RR *6...a5 7.c3 d5;* RR *6...d6;* RR *6...a5 7.c3 d5;* RR *6...d6*) 7.c3 a5 (RR *7...a6 8.Re1 d6;* RR *7...d6 8.b4 Bb6 9.a5;* RR *7...a6 8.Re1 d6;* RR *7...d6 8.b4 Bb6 9.a5*) 8.h3 d6 9.Re1 Ba7 (RR *9...Bb6 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.Bb3 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Qc2 Re8;* RR *9...Re8;* RR *9...Be6 10.Na3 Bxa3 11.Bxe6 Bxb2 12.Bxf7+ Rxf7 13.Bxb2 Qd7;* RR *9...Ne7 10.d4;* RR *9...Bb6 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.Bb3 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Qc2 Re8;* RR *9...Re8;* RR *9...Be6 10.Na3 Bxa3 11.Bxe6 Bxb2 12.Bxf7+ Rxf7 13.Bxb2 Qd7;* RR *9...Ne7 10.d4*) 10.Nbd2 Ne7 (RR *10...Be6 11.Qb3 Qd7 12.Nf1 Ne7 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Ng6 15.Bxa7 Rxa7 16.d4 Nh5 17.Re3;* RR *10...Be6 11.Qb3 Qd7 12.Nf1 Ne7 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Be3 Ng6 15.Bxa7 Rxa7 16.d4 Nh5 17.Re3*) 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 (RR *13.Ba2 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4;* RR *13.Ba2 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4*) 13...exd4 14.Nxd4 Re8 (RR *14...d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nb5 cxb5 17.Bxd5;* RR *14...d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nb5 cxb5 17.Bxd5*)

A) RR 15.Be3 Nxe4 16.Nxe4

A1) RR 16...Rxe4 17.Bxf7+ Kxf7 (RR *17...Kh7 18.Bxg6+ Kxg6 19.Qc2 d5 20.f3;* RR *17...Kh7 18.Bxg6+ Kxg6 19.Qc2 d5 20.f3*) 18.Qf3+;

A2) RR 16...Rxe4 17.Bxf7+ Kxf7 18.Qf3+;

A3) 16...d5 17.Nb5 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Re5 (RR *18...dxc4 19.Nf6+ gxf6 20.Rxe8+ Qxe8 21.Nc7 Qe4 22.Nxa8 Nf4 23.Qf1 Nd3;* RR *18...dxc4 19.Nf6+ gxf6 20.Rxe8+ Qxe8 21.Nc7 Qe4 22.Nxa8 Nf4 23.Qf1 Nd3*) 19.Ba2 cxb5 20.Nc5 Rxe3 21.fxe3 Qg5;

B) RR 15.Be3 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 d5 17.Nb5 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Re5 19.Ba2 cxb5 20.Nc5 Rxe3 21.fxe3 Qg5;

C) 15.Bd2 d5 16.exd5 Rxe1+ 17.Bxe1 Nxd5 18.Nb5 Bb6 (RR *18...Bc5;* RR *18...Bc5*) 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 (RR *19...cxd5;* RR *19...cxd5*) 20.Qxd5 cxd5 10. ♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_1525 (2783)-Kuvaldin,V (2811) USSR 18/274 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] ½-½ (48) Karjakin,S (2783)-Kramnik,V (2811) Shamkir AZE 2017 [Mikhalevski,V] ½-½ (48)]

6...d6

[RR 6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6 9.c3 a6 10.Nbd2 f6 11.d4 Ba7 12.dxe5 (RR *12.Bb3 Qe8 13.dxe5 fxe5 14.Ne4 Rd8 15.Neg5 Kh8 16.Nxe6 Qxe6*) 12...Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Ne4 Kh8 15.Bg5 Qd7 16.Bh4 Qc6 17.Bd3 Bf5 18.Kh2 Nf4 19.Bc2 Nxh3 20.Qd2 Nf4 21.Bg5 Aryan,C (2637)-Can,I (2499) Saint

Louis 2024 0-1]

7.c3N

[RR 7.a3 Be6 *(7...Bd7 8.b4 Bb6 9.Bb2 h6 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Ba7 16.c3 Qe7 17.d4 Be6 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 c6 21.Rd3 Rbd8* Radojicic,A (1710)-Mondry,M (1850) Montilla 1990 ZUS C73 [The Recreationist Nov 1873 pp138-9] 0-1 Piccinini,I (1710)-Mauro,L (1850) corr 1990 UltraCorr3a [Mauro] 0-1*)* 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Qe7 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.Bxd5 c6 13.Ba2 Ne6 14.c3 Bb6 15.d4 Nf4 16.Kh2 Ng6 17.dxe5 dxe5 18.Qe2 Rfd8 19.Rad1 Nxh4 20.Nxh4 Rxd1 21.Rxd1 Rd8 Koronkiewicz,A (1800)-Soliwoda,A (1800) Augustow 2004 EXT 2008 [ChessBase II] ½-½ (61)]

[RR 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Bxe6 *(*RR *9.Bb3 Kh7 10.Nc3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.Nxd4 Bxb3 13.axb3 g5 14.Bg3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Ng6 16.Rxa7 Rxa7 17.Qxa7 Nh5 18.Qxb7 f5 19.exf5 Rxf5 20.Rd1 Nxg3 21.fxg3 Rf7 22.Nd5 Ne5 23.Qb4 Qa8;* RR *9.Bb3 Kh7 10.Nc3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.Nxd4 Bxb3 13.axb3 g5 14.Bg3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Ng6 16.Rxa7 Rxa7 17.Qxa7 Nh5 18.Qxb7 f5 19.exf5 Rxf5 20.Rd1 Nxg3 21.fxg3 Rf7 22.Nd5 Ne5 23.Qb4 Qa8)* 9...fxe6 10.Nc3 Qe8 11.Bxf6 Rxf6 12.Nh4 Qf7 13.Qd2 Rf8 14.Nd1 Qh5 15.Nf3 Rxf3 16.gxf3 Qxh3 17.c3 Rxf3 18.d4 Qg4+]

[RR 7.Nc3 a6 *(*RR *7...Ne7 8.Ne2 Ng6 9.c3 Bb6 10.Ng3 d5 11.Bb3 Be6 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qc2 h6 14.Bd2 Qd7 15.exd5 Bxh3 16.d4 e4 17.Nxe4 Bxg2 18.Nxf6+ gxf6 19.Nh2 Bxd5 20.c4 Qh3 21.f3 Bxd4+;* RR *7...Be6 8.Bxe6 fxe6 9.Bg5 Ne7 10.Ne2 c6 11.d4 exd4 12.Nexd4 Qd7 13.Re1 e5 14.Nb3 b6 15.Nxc5 bxc5 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.c4 f5 18.Nxe5 Qe6 19.exf5 Nxf5 20.Qg4+ Kh8 21.Nf3 Qd7 22.Nh4;* RR *7...Ne7 8.Ne2 Ng6 9.c3 Bb6 10.Ng3 d5 11.Bb3 Be6 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qc2 h6 14.Bd2 Qd7 15.exd5 Bxh3 16.d4 e4 17.Nxe4 Bxg2 18.Nxf6+ gxf6 19.Nh2 Bxd5 20.c4 Qh3 21.f3 Bxd4+;* RR *7...Be6 8.Bxe6 fxe6 9.Bg5 Ne7 10.Ne2 c6 11.d4 exd4 12.Nexd4 Qd7 13.Re1 e5 14.Nb3 b6 15.Nxc5 bxc5 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.c4 f5 18.Nxe5 Qe6 19.exf5 Nxf5 20.Qg4+ Kh8 21.Nf3 Qd7 22.Nh4)* 8.a4 Be6 9.Bg5 Bxc4 10.dxc4 Qd7 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nd5 Kg7 13.Nh4 Nd4 14.c3 Ne6 15.Nf5+ Kh8 16.Nxf6 Qd8 17.Ng4 Ng5 18.Qd2 Rg8 19.Rae1 Qd7 20.h4 Nf3+ 21.gxf3 h5]

7...Bb6 7...a5 is the modern continuation. 7...a5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[RR 7...h6 8.b4 Bb6 9.a4 a5 10.b5 Ne7 11.Be3 c6 12.Nbd2 d5 13.Bxb6 Qxb6 14.Ba2 Ng6 15.Re1 Re8 16.Rb1 Qc7 17.Qc2 Nf4 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.d4 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Qd7 21.Re3 Qxh3 22.Ne1]

8.a4 a5 9.Re1 Ne7 10.d4 The position is equal.

[10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.Nf1 c6 12.Ba2 h6 13.Ng3 Re8 14.d4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Qb3 Qc7 17.Be3 exd4 18.Nxd4 Ree8 19.Ndf5 Bxe3 20.Rxe3 d5 21.exd5 Nxd5 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Rd1 Ndf4 24.Qc4 Rd8 9.♗b5_69121 (2029)-Giazzi (2072) Jugoslavija (ch) 60/3 2023 Inf 94 [John Watson] 0-1 (47)]

10...Ng6 11.Nbd2N

[11.Bd3 Re8 12.Nbd2 c6 13.Nf1 d5 14.Bg5 Lesson 16: Italian with c3 an-Italian 6. O-O O-O 7. Re1 Bb6]

11...exd4 12.cxd4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Ne4 c6 15.Qb3

[15.Bg5!? f6 16.Bd2±]

15...Bc7 0.56/21

[15...h6= 0.14/22 should be considered.]

16.Bg5± f6 17.Bd2 Kh8 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Nc3 Ra6N 1.10/24

[Vorgänger: ⌓19...Ne7 0.73/24 20.Rac1 Bd6! 21.Kh1 Bb4 22.Nb5 Bxd2 23.Nxd2 Bd7 24.Nc3 0.03/22 *(24.Rc7± 0.61/21)* 24...Bc6= 25.Nf3 Ng6 ½-½ Drygalov,S (2404)-Borisenko,V (2313) Cheliabinsk Panchenko Memorial IM 2017 (3)]

[⌓19...Ne7 0.73/24]

20.Qxd5 Rd6 21.Qh5 0.57/23 0x0.001aefa1b165dp-1022s more active pieces.

[21.Qb3± 1.14/21]

21...b6 22.d5 Bb7 23.Nd4 -0.21/22

[23.Be3± 0.42/22]

23...Bxd5= 24.Ndb5 Bc6 This bishop pair is nice. **25.Be3 Rd7 26.Rad1 Be5** Inhibits Nb5-d4. **27.Rxd7** -0.34/23

[27.Qe2!= 0.01/21]

27...Qxd7∓ 28.Rd1 Qb7 29.Nd6 -1.02/22

[29.f3∓ -0.61/24]

29...Bxd6∓ 30.Rxd6 Bxg2 31.Rxb6 Qa8 32.Qg4 Bf3 33.Qg3 Rd8 34.Kh2= -0.01/24 is superior. **34...Ne5** ...Bf3-c6 is the strong threat. **35.Bf4 Ng6** -0.01/24

[35...Nc4∓ -0.76/22 36.Re6 Nxb2]

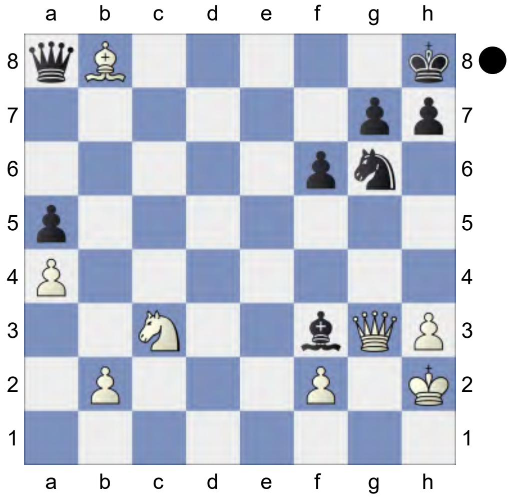
36.Bc7 -0.32/24

[36.Be3= -0.01/24 is superior.]

36...Re8∓ 37.Rb8 -0.85/26

[37.Nb5= -0.23/24]

37...Rxb8∓ 38.Bxb8



Bh1 -0.01/24

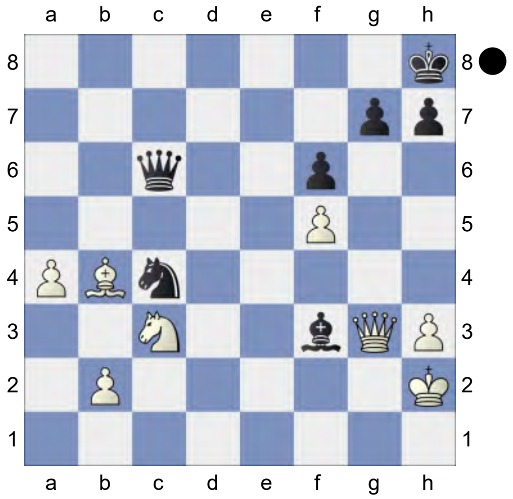
[Black should try 38...h5!∓ -0.85/23 39.Qxg6 Qxb8+ 40.Qg3 Qb7]

39.Bc7= Qc6 40.Bxa5 White wants to mate with Qg3-b8+. **40...Ne5! 41.f4 Nc4 42.Bb4→** Black should prevent Bb4-f8. White mounts an attack. **42...Bf3** 1.37/22

[42...Nd2= 0.01/23 remains equal. 43.Qf2 Qd7]

43.f5? -0.94/24

[43.Qf2± 1.37/22 keeps the pressure on.]

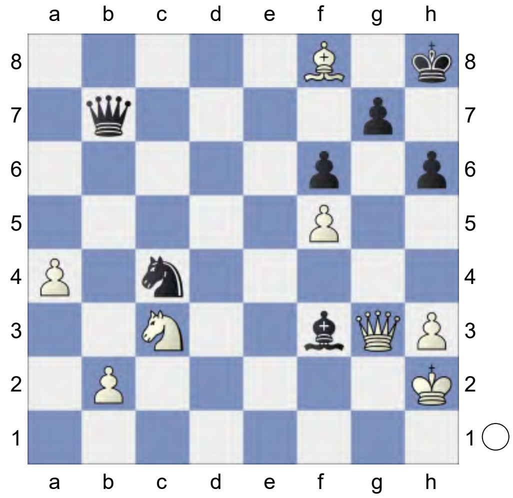


43...h6? 2.45/22

[43...Ne5!∓ -0.94/24 and life is bright.

White must now prevent ...Qc6-b6. 44.Bf8 Qd7 45.Bxg7+ Qxg7 46.Qxg7+ Kxg7]

44.Bf8+- Qb7



45.Bxg7+! Qxg7 46.Qxf3 Nxb2? 5.29/24

[46...Ne5 2.05/22 is more resistant. 47.Qf4 Qc7 48.Qxh6+ Kg8]

47.Nd5? 1.16/25

[47.Qa8++- 5.29/24 and White stays clearly on top. Qg8 48.Qxg8+ Kxg8 49.a5]

47...Nxa4± 48.Qa3 0.01/25

[48.Qe3± 1.10/24 Threatens to win with Qe3-d4. Qf8 49.Nf4]

48...Qf7 1.33/25 **49.Qd6**

[Much worse is 49.Qxa4?! Qxd5 50.Qe8+ Qg8 51.Qxg8+ Kxg8=]

49...Nb2? 4.90/27

[49...Kg7± 1.33/24 is tougher. 50.Nf4 Kh7]

50.Nxf6+- Nc4 51.Qd8+ Kg7 52.Ng4 Qxf5? 6.93/25

[52...h5 2.76/24 53.Qd4+ Kf8]

53.Qd4+ Kg6 54.Qxc4 Qc4-g8+ would kill now. **54...h5 55.Qc6+** 12.99/33

[⌓55.Qg8# #1/6]

55...Kg5 56.Qc1+ Kg6 57.Ne3 Qf4+ 58.Kg2 Qe4+ 59.Kg1 Qe5 60.Qc2+ Kg5 61.Qg2+? 0.49/22

[Better is 61.Qf2+- 5.34/23]

61...Kf4? 5.71/20

[61...Kh4± 0.49/22]

62.Qh2+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.67

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☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2668**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2719**

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C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a3 d6 6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 Bb6 8.Na4 0-0 9.0-0 Re8

[9...Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Ne7 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2 Van Foreest,J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) NED-ch KO Utrecht 2023 (4.5) 0-1]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Nh5 13.Ra2 Rd8 (RR *13...Qg6 14.Nh4 Qf7 15.Nf3 Qg6 16.Nh4 Qf7 17.Nf3 Qg6*) 14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rf8 19.Rd3 Nf4 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Mayank,C (2457)-Manish,A (2328) Chennai 2025 ½-½ (51)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qd7 12.c3 Rf7 13.Ra2 Raf8 14.Re1 (RR *14.Nxb6 axb6 15.a4 Ne7 16.Nh2 Ng6 17.g3 Ra8 18.Re1 Rff8 19.Qb3 Kh7 20.Kg2*) 14...Nh5

15.Nxb6 axb6 16.Ng5 hxg5 17.Qxh5 b5 18.Bxg5 Na7 19.Re3 Nc6 20.Rg3 d5 21.Rg4 Qe8 22.Rh4 Rd7 23.Qh7+ Kf7 24.Rh6 Sindarov,J (2677)-Makarian,R (2550) Chess.com INT 2024 1-0]

10.b4 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.

[10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b3 Nd4 13.Nh2 d5 14.c3 Nc6 ...d5xe4 is the strong threat. ...d5xe4 is the strong threat. 15.Qc2 a6 16.Nxb6 cxb6 17.Nf3 Rc8 18.Bb2 Sindarov,J (2578)-Grischuk,A (2731) Tashkent Kasimdzhanov Cup-A 1st 2023 (5) 1-0 b5 19.Rad1 dxe4 20.dxe4 Qe8 21.c4 bxc4 22.Qxc4 Nd4 23.Qd3 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Rc2 25.Ba1 Qe7 26.b4 Nd7 27.Qd3 Rc7 28.Re2 Nf8 29.Qg3 Ng6 30.Red2 Rec6 31.Kh2 Kh7 32.Rd5 f6 33.Rd8 Sindarov,J (2578)-Grischuk,A (2731) Tashkent Kasimdzhanov Cup-A 1st 2023 (5) 1-0]

10...a6N

[10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 *(12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1* 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d*)* 12...Ne7 13.Re1 *(13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Qg6+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rae8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6* Wafa,S (2137)-Stefanova,A (2416) Olympiad Women-45 2024 (2.13) 0-1*)* 13...c6 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 25.a5 Larand,M (2683)-Osnos,V (2780) 2016 (6) 1/2-1/2]

11.Nxb6 cxb6 12.b5N

[Vorgänger: 12.Re1 b5 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Bb2 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.c4 Qd6 18.Qb3 Kollars,D (2648)-So,W (2757) Chess.com Classic Div 2 L rapid 2024 (2.2) 1/2-1/2]

[RR 12.Re1 b5 13.Bb3 Be6 14.c4 bxc4 15.Bxc4 *(RR 15.dxc4 b5 16.Qd3 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qd7 19.Bb2 Qb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Qd3)* 15...d5 16.exd5 Bxd5 17.Bb2 b5 18.Bxd5 Qxd5 19.Rc1 Nd4 20.Nxd4 exd4 21.Qd2 Qa2 22.Rxe8+ Rxe8 23.Ra1 Qd5 24.Qf4 Nh5 25.Qxd4 Qxd4 26.Bxd4 Rd8 Gusain,H (2522)-Siddharth,J (2503) Aksu 2024 ½-½ (54)]

[RR 12.Bb3 b5 13.Re1 Be6 14.c4 bxc4 15.dxc4 b5 16.Qd3 bxc4 17.Bxc4 d5 *(RR 17...Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qd7 19.Bb2 Qb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Qd3 Red8 22.Qe2 Ne7 23.Nd2 Ng6)* 18.exd5 Bxd5 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 Nxd5 21.Bb2 f6 22.Rac1 Nce7 23.g3 Nb6 24.Nd2 Rec8 25.Kf1 Kf7 26.Ke2 a5 Navara,D (2681)-Lazavik,D (2578) Chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (72)]

12...Na5 13.Ba2 axb5 14.Rb1 Bd7 0.26/19

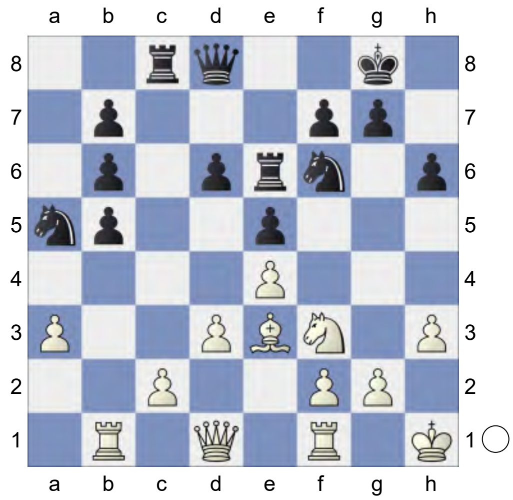
[14...d5 -0.11/22 is more appropriate. is more appropriate.]

15.Kh1 Rc8 16.Be3 Be6 0.60/22

[16...Rc3= 0.16/20]

17.Bxe6± Rxe6

(Diagram)



18.c4! Nc6

[18...bxc4? 19.Bxb6 *(19.Rxb6? Qd7∓)* 19...Qd7 20.Bxa5+-]

19.Rxb5

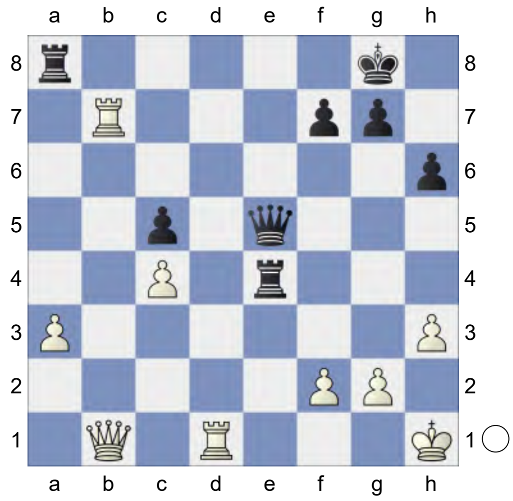
[Reject Reject 19.cxb5 Ne7=]

19...Nd7 20.Qb1 White is more active. White is more active. **20...Nc5! 21.Rxb6 Ra8 22.d4**

[22.Bxc5 simplifies simplifies dxc5 23.Rb3 Rf6 24.Nh2]

22...exd4 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.Bxd4 Rxe4 25.Rd1 Qe7 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.Rxb7 Qe5 0.82/23

[27...Qe8⩲ 0.45/24 might be stronger. might be stronger.]



28.Rxf7! Decoy Decoy **28...Rb8! 29.Rb7 Rxb7 30.Qxb7** And now Rd1-d8+ would win. And now Rd1-d8+ would win. **30...Rxc4** Endgame. KQR-KQR Endgame. KQR-KQR **31.a4** Black must now prevent a4-a5. Black must now prevent a4-a5. **31...Rd4 32.Rc1** aiming for a4-a5. aiming for a4-a5. **32...c4 33.g3 c3 34.Qb3+**

[34.Rxc3? too greedy. too greedy. Qe1+ *(34...Rxa4 35.Re3⩲)* 35.Kg2 Qxc3-+]

34...Kh7 35.Rxc3 Qe4+ 36.Kh2 Rxa4 37.Rc8 0.05/29

[Better is Better is 37.Rc7⩲ 0.58/25]

37...Ra1= 38.Qg8+ Kg6 39.Qe8+ Qxe8 The position is equal. **40.Rxe8** KR-KR KR-KR **40...Ra2 41.Rf8 h5 42.Kg2 Kh7 43.Kf3 g6 44.Rf7+ Kh6 45.Rf4 Kg7 46.Rb4 Kf6 47.Ke3 Rc2 48.Rb6+ Kg7 49.f3 Rh2 50.Rb7+ Kf6 51.h4 Ra2 52.Rb6+ Kg7 53.Rb5 Ra4 54.Rg5 Ra3+ 55.Kf2 Ra2+ 56.Kg1 Rb2 57.f4 Kh6 58.f5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) / Black=0.06 (flawless) Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

½-½

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C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.a4 d6 7.0-0 Nd4N

[7...0-0 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 Nb4 11.a5 d5 12.exd5

[...] Nfxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.e4 Be6 16.Kh1 f6 17.b3 Qe7 18.Qe2 Qc5 19.Nc4 Rad8 20.Ne3 Rd7 21.Qd2 Qd4 22.Ra4 0-1 (67) Abdusattorov,N (2713)-Nakamura,H (2768) Tata Steel India Blitz 2022 (3)]

[7...h6 8.Be3 Be6 9.Nd5 Bxe3 10.fxe3 0-0 11.a5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.e4 Ng6 14.Qe1 Qd7 15.Kh1 Rae8 16.b4 Nh5 17.Rb1 f5 18.b5 fxe4 19.dxe4 Qg4 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.Rb3 Rf4 22.h3 1-0 (52) Ronneland,D (2690)-Behrmann (2541) Budapest FS09 GM 2023 (3.2)]

[7...Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 Nd4 10.Qg3 Qe7 11.Rb1 c6 12.b4 Bb6 13.Be3 0-0 14.Rfe1 a5 15.b5 Bc5 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Ne2 Rfe8 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.f3 Bb4 20.Red1 d5 21.Ba2 Bc5 22.Rf1 0-1 (70) Tacke,H (1884)-Mayer,J (1944) corr HL-164 BdF 2009]

8.h3 Repels Bg4 **8...Be6 9.Nd2 0-0 10.Nd5 b5 11.Ba2 bxa4** 0.30/23

[11...Nxd5!∓ -0.37/21 12.exd5 Bd7]

12.Nxf6+= Qxf6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Rxa4 Nc6 15.Nf3 a5 16.Be3 Bb6 17.Rc4 Ne7 18.Qd2 0.13/19

[18.Rc3⩲ 0.53/20]

18...Rab8 0.56/22

[18...Ng6= 0.13/19]

19.b4 0.18/22

[19.Bxb6⩲ 0.56/22 cxb6 20.d4]

19...axb4! 20.Bxb6

[20.Rxb4 Ba5 21.Rxb8 Bxd2 22.Rxf8+ Qxf8∓]

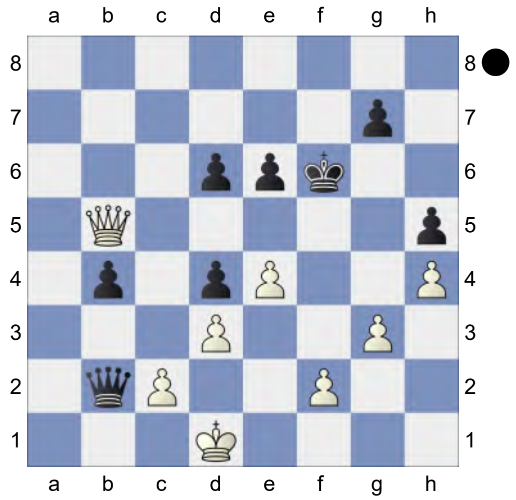
20...Rxb6 21.Rxc7 Nc6! 22.Rd7 Prevents Qd8

[22.Qg5 Rf7 23.Rc8+ Rf8 24.Rc7]

22...Rd8 23.Rxd8+ Qxd8 24.Ra1 h6 25.Qd1 Rb5 26.Ra6 Qc7 27.Ra8+ Rb8 28.Qa1 Rxa8 29.Qxa8+ Endgame KQN-KQN **29...Kf7 30.h4 Nd4**

[30...Qb6 is more complex. 31.Qc8 Ne7 32.Qd7 Qc6]

31.Nxd4 exd4 KQ-KQ **32.Qa4 Qc5 33.g3 Ke7 34.Kg2 h5 35.Kf3 Kf6 36.Ke2 Qc3 37.Kd1 Qb2 38.Qb5**



Qa1+! 39.Ke2 Qc1 40.Qc4

[40.Qxh5? too greedy. Qxc2+ 41.Ke1 Qxd3 42.Qg5+ Kf7 43.Qf4+ Ke7 44.Qg5+ Kd7 45.Qxg7+ Kc6-+]

40...Kf7 41.Qa2 Kf6 42.Qb3 Kf7 43.Qc4

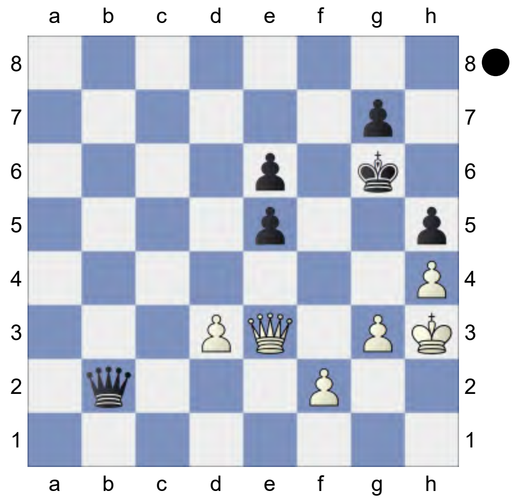
[43.Qxb4 Qxc2+ 44.Qd2 Qxd2+ 45.Kxd2 e5]

43...Kf8 44.e5 dxe5 The position is equal. **45.Qxb4+**

[Much worse is 45.Qxe6 Qxc2+ 46.Ke1 Qc3+ (*46...Qxd3 47.Qc8+ Kf7 48.Qd7+ Kg6 49.Qd6+ Kh7 50.Qxe5=*) 47.Ke2 Qc7∓ (*47...Qc2+ 48.Ke1∓*)]

45...Kf7 46.Qd2 Qb1 47.c4 dxc3 48.Qxc3 Qa2+ 49.Qd2 Qa4 50.Qe3 Qc2+ 51.Kf1 Qc3 52.Qf3+ Kg6 53.Kg2 Qb3 54.Kh3 Qb2 55.Qe3

(Diagram)



Kf7 56.g4 hxg4+ 57.Kxg4 Qb4+ 58.Kh5 g6+ 59.Kg5 Qf3+ would now be deadly. **59...Qe7+ 60.Kg4 Qd7 61.Qe4 Kf6 62.Kg3 Qb5 63.Qe3 Kg7 64.f3 Qd5 65.Qg5 Kf7 66.Qe3 Kg7 67.Qa7+ Kf6 68.Qb8 Kf7 69.Qc7+ Kf6 70.Qc4 Qa5 71.Qc1 Qd5 72.Qh6 Kf7 73.Qh7+ Kf6 74.Qg8 Qc5** Prevents Qf8+ **75.Kh3 Qd6 76.Kg2 Qc5 77.Qe8 Qd6 78.Qh8+ Kf7 79.Qh7+ Kf6 80.Qh6 Kf7 81.Qe3 Kf6 82.Kh3 Kf7 83.Kg4 Qd5 84.Qe4 Qc5 85.Kg5 Qe7+ 86.Kg4 Qc5 87.Kg5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

87...Qe7+

½-½

229 **C50**
☐ **Yu,Yangyi** **2729**
■ **Aravindh,Chithambaram VR** **2671**
Dubai Police op-A (7) 10.05.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 List,Paul M ChessPublishing.com Tadic,Branko **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5**

[RR 3...Be7 4.0-0 (RR *4.d4 exd4*) 4...Nf6 5.d3]

[RR 3...h6 4.d4 (RR *4.0-0 Bc5 5.b4*) 4...exd4 5.c3 Qe7]

[RR 3...d6 4.c3 g6 (RR *4...f5 5.d3 Qf6 6.Ng5*) 5.d3 Bg7 6.Ng5 Nh6 7.h4 Qe7 8.Qb3 Nd8]

4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0

[RR 5.Nc3

A) RR 5...h6 6.0-0 (RR *6.a3 d6 7.Na4*) 6...a6 7.Be3 (RR *7.a3 0-0 8.Be3 d6*) 7...Bxe3 8.fxe3 d6 9.a3 0-0;

B) RR 5...a6;

C) 5...d6

C1) RR 6.Be3 Bb6 (RR *6...Bb4*);

C2) RR 6.Na4 Bb6 (RR *6...Qe7 7.a3 Be6*) 7.c3 (RR *7.a3 0-0 8.0-0*) 7...Ne7 8.0-0 Ng6 9.Re1 0-0;

C3) RR 6.0-0 Bg4;

C4) 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 (RR *8...Qg6 9.Nh4 Qg5 10.Nxc7+ Kd8 11.Nxa8 Qxh4 12.Qd2*) 9.c3 a6 (RR *9...Ne7 10.d4 Nxd5 11.dxc5 Nf4 12.g3 Nh3 13.cxd6 cxd6 14.Qa4+*) 10.d4]

[RR 5.Bg5

A) RR 5...Be7 6.a4 (RR *6.Bh4 0-0 7.Bg3 d6*) 6...0-0 7.Nc3 d6 8.h3 Be6;

B) 5...h6 6.Bh4 Be7 (RR *6...d6*) 7.Bg3 (RR *7.Nbd2 d6 8.c3 a6*) 7...d6 8.a4 (RR *8.c3 g6*) 8...a5 9.0-0]

[RR 5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4]

[RR 5.c3]

5...0-0

[RR 5...d6 6.a4 a5 (RR *6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5*) 7.c3 Bb6]

6.Bg5

[RR 6.Nc3 h6 (*RR 6...d6 7.Bg5*) 7.Be3]

[RR 6.h3 d5 (*RR 6...a5 7.c3 h6 8.d4 Bb6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 (*RR 8.a4 Be6 9.Ng5*) 8...Be6]

[RR 6.Nbd2 d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6]

[RR 6.Re1 Ng4 (*RR 6...d6 7.c3*) 7.Re2 Kh8 8.h3 f5 9.Bg5 Nf6 10.Nc3 (*RR 10.exf5*) 10...d6 11.Nd5]

[RR 6.a4 h6 (*RR 6...a5 7.Bg5 d6 8.c3*) 7.c3 a5 8.Nbd2 (*RR 8.h3 d6 9.Re1*) 8...d6 9.h3 Be6]

[RR 6.c3]

6...h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 8.Nbd2 is the modern continuation. 8.Sbd2 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.8.Nbd2 is the modern continuation.8.Sbd2 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[RR 8.Bb3 d6 9.h3 Na5 10.Ba4 c5 11.Nc3 Be6 12.Nh2 a6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Ng4 Bg5 15.Bb3 Nxb3 16.axb3 g6 17.Ne3 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Qf3 Qd7 20.Ned5 Rae8 21.Qh5 Qg7 22.f4 exf4]

[RR 8.Nc3 d6 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb3 a6 11.Re1 Na5 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Qd7 15.Bg3 e5 16.Nf5 Nc6 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.Qxd5+ Kh8 19.Rad1 Rad8 20.c3 Bg5 21.Rd3 g6 22.Nh4 Bxh4]

8...d6 9.a4 Be6N

[RR 9...g6 10.h3 Kg7 (*RR 10...a6 11.a5; RR 10...Nh5 11.Bh2 Bg5 12.Nc3 Bf4*) 11.a5 (*RR 11.Re1 Na5 12.Ba2 c5 13.c3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.d4*) 11...a6 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.d4

A) RR 14...exd4 15.Nxd4 Qd7 16.e5 Nh5 (*RR 16...Nxe5 17.Re1 c5 18.Bxe5 cxd4 19.Bxd4 e5 20.Be3*) 17.exd6 Bxd6 18.Nxc6 Qxc6 19.Qd4+ Kh7 20.Bh2;

B) 14...Nh5

B1) RR 15.d5 exd5 16.exd5 Nb8 (*RR 16...Nxg3 17.fxg3 Nb8 18.Ne4 Nd7 19.Qd3 Nf6 20.Nfd2*) 17.Ne4 Nd7 18.c4 Ndf6 19.Nfd2;

B2) 15.Bh2 exd4 (*RR 15...Bf6 16.d5*) 16.Nxd4 Qd7

B2a) RR 17.e5 Rad8 (*RR 17...Nxe5 18.Bxe5+ dxe5 19.Nf5+*) 18.Nxc6 Qxc6 19.Qg4 d5 20.Ne2 Bc5 21.Ra3 Kh7 (*RR 21...Bxa3 22.Nd4*) 22.Rc3;

B2b) 17.f4 Nxd4 (*RR 17...Rad8*) 18.Qxd4+ Kh7 19.Qd3 Rf7 (*RR 19...Ng7*)

B2b1) RR 20.f5 exf5 21.exf5 Rxf5 22.Nd5 Ng7 (*RR 22...Rxf1+ 23.Rxf1 Rf8 24.Rxf8 Bxf8 25.g4*) 23.g4 Rff8 24.Rae1;

B2b2) 20.Rf3 Raf8 21.Raf1 Ng7 22.g4 c6 23.Ne2 d5 24.c4 Woelwer,P (2774)-Trice,E (2765) New York IT 1924 (7.2) 1/2-1/2 RR Woelwer,P (2774)-Trice,E (2765) New York 2021 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] ½-½ (37) ½-½ Woelwer,P (2774)-Trice,E (2765) New York IT 1924 (7.2) Bb4 25.cxd5 cxd5 26.f5 exf5 27.exf5 gxf5 28.Be5 Qe6 29.Bxg7 Kxg7 30.Re3 Qd6 31.Nd4 Bc5]

[RR 9...Nh7 10.Nc3 (*RR 10.Nbd2; 10.h3 Ng5 11.Nbd2 Be6 12.Nxg5 Bxg5 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Nf3 Bf4*

15.a5) 10...Ng5 11.Nd2 Ne6 12.Nd5 Bg5 13.Nf3 Ne7 14.h4 (RR *14.Nxg5 hxg5 15.Ne3;* RR *14.a5)* 14...Bf4 15.Bxf4 exf4 16.Nxe7+ Qxe7 17.d4 g5

A) RR 18.hxg5 hxg5 19.Ra3 g4 20.Nh2 Ng5 21.Nxg4 f3 22.Nh2 Nh3+

A1) RR 23.gxh3 Qg5+ 24.Ng4 Bxg4 25.Kh2 Qf4+ 26.Kh1 Qh6 27.Rxf3 Kh8 (RR *27...Bxh3 28.Re1 Bg4+ 29.Kg2 Bxf3+ 30.Qxf3 Qg5+ 31.Kf1);*

A2) 23.Kh1 fxg2+ 24.Kxg2 Qxe4+ 25.Rf3 Kh8 26.Rh1 Rg8+ 27.Kf1;

B) 18.Nh2 gxh4 19.Re1 Kh8 20.e5 Qg5 21.Nf3 (RR *21.Ra3 Rg8 22.Bf1 Qg7)* 21...Qg4 22.exd6 (RR *22.Kh2 Rg8 23.Rg1 Rg7)* 22...h3 23.Bf1 hxg2 24.Be2 Sudgen,J (2778)-Nd7 10.d4 (2763) 79/(193) Polanica Zdroj 2000 0-1 So,W (2778)-Radjabov,T (2763) chess24.com (Int.-m/4-rapid) 150/106 2021 [Tadic,Branko] 0-1 0-1 Sudgen,J (2778)- ♘d7 10.d4 (2763) 79/(193) Polanica Zdroj 2000 (RR *24.Bxg2 Rg8)*]

[9...a5]

[RR 9...g5 10.c3 g4 11.Ne1 (RR *11.Nh4 Nxe4)* 11...Nh5 12.Nc2 Bg5 13.a5 a6 14.f3 Nxg3 15.hxg3 gxf3 16.Qxf3 Kg7]

[RR 9...Nh5 10.Nxe5 Nxg3 11.Nxc6]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 Nh5 12.Nbd2 a5N

[Vorgänger: 12...Nxg3 13.hxg3 Bf6 14.a5 a6 15.b4 Qe8 16.Qb3 g5 17.g4 Bg7 18.b5 Nd8 0.78/21 (*18...axb5± 0.41/23 19.Qxb5 Ra7)* 19.bxa6 Rxa6 Demchenko,A (2654)-Yang,K (2481) Chess.com Rapid Wk17 Swiss 2022 (1) 1-0 1-0 Demchenko,A (2654)-Yang,K (2481) Chess.com Rapid Wk17 Swiss 2022 (1)]

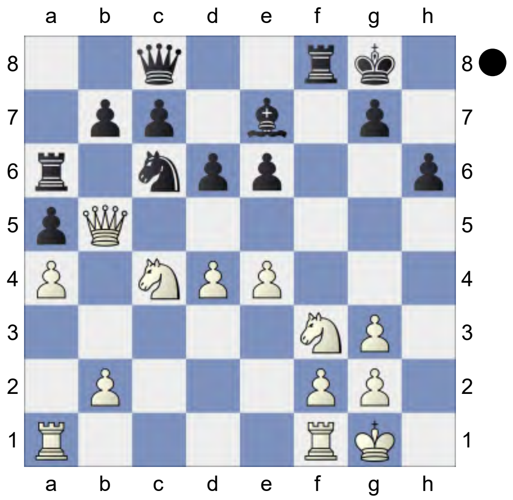
13.Qb3 Qd7 14.Qb5 Ra6 0.63/21

[14...Rad8= 0.18/19 deserves consideration.]

15.Nc4!±

[15.Qxb7? Rb6-+]

15...Qc8 16.d4 White is more active. **16...Nxg3 17.hxg3 exd4 18.cxd4**



Rxf3! Remove Defender **19.gxf3** And now Ra1-d1 would win. **19...Nxd4 20.Qh5 Rc6! 21.Ne3**

[21.Nxa5? Rc5 22.Qh1 Rxa5-+]

21...Rc5⇄ Dodges f3-f4. Black is not holding back **22.Qh1 Qe8 23.Rfe1 e5**

[23...Qf7!? 24.f4□ e5-+]

24.Rad1 Qxa4 25.Qh5 White is weak on the dark squares **25...Qb3 26.Kg2 Qf7 27.Qg4 h5 28.Qc8+ Qf8! 29.Qxf8+**

[29.Nd5 with more complications. Bg5 30.Qxf8+ Kxf8 31.f4]

29...Kxf8 30.f4 h4 0.27/22

[⌓30...c6 -0.25/22]

31.Rc1 White has compensation.

31...Nb3 0.50/22

[31...exf4= -0.01/23 32.gxf4

(32.Rxc5 f3+ 33.Kh3 dxc5=) 32...Nb3 33.Rxc5 Nxc5]

32.Rcd1 -0.38/22

[32.Rxc5± 0.50/22 Nxc5 33.fxe5]

32...Nd4 0.24/22

[32...hxg3∓ -0.38/22 33.fxg3 a4]

33.Rh1 -0.23/22

[33.fxe5 0.24/22 is more appropriate. dxe5 34.gxh4]

33...Rb5 34.Rd2 exf4 35.gxf4 Ne6 36.Nd5 Rb3 1.08/23

[36...Bd8= -0.01/22 keeps the balance.]

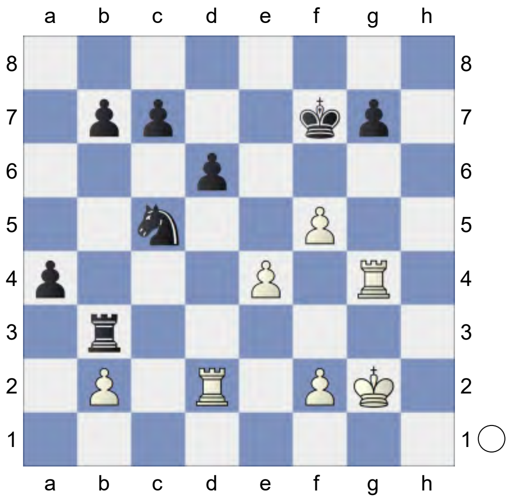
37.f5± Nc5

[37...Bg5? 38.fxe6 h3+ *(38...Bxd2? 39.Rxh4 Bh6 40.Rh5+-)* 39.Rxh3 Rxh3 40.f4+- *(40.Kxh3? Bxd2 41.e7+ Kf7-+)*]

38.Nxe7 Remove Defender **38...Kxe7 39.Rxh4** Endgame. KRR-KRN Endgame. KRR-KRN **39...a4** 1.33/22

[39...Nd3!± 0.48/23 40.Rg4 Ne1+ 41.Kh1 Kf7]

40.Rg4 Kf7



41.Rc2! b6 42.f3 c6 1.96/22

[42...Kf6± 1.28/23 43.Kg3 Re3]

43.Kg3 0.83/26

[43.Rg6+- 1.96/22 has better winning chances. Nd3 44.Kg1 *(44.Rxd6?* too greedy. *Ne1+* Discovered Attack, Double Attack *45.Kg3 Nxc2-+; 44.Rxc6 Nf4+ 45.Kg3 Nxg6∓)*]

43...Nd3 44.Rxc6 Ne5 Dodges Rg4-g6 **45.Rc7+**

[Reject 45.Rxd6 Nxg4 46.Kxg4 Rxb2 47.Rd7+ Kf8=]

45...Kf6 46.Rgxg7 Rxf3+ 47.Kg2 Rb3 1.09/25

[47...Re3± 0.60/25]

48.Rg8 d5 49.exd5 0.13/23

[49.Rf8+± 1.04/24 Kg5 50.exd5 Rxb2+ 51.Kg3 Rb3+ 52.Kf2]

49...Rxb2+= The position is equal. **50.Kg3** Hoping for Rg8-f8+. **50...Kxf5 51.d6 Rb3+ 52.Kf2** Strongly threatening d6-d7. **52...Ke6 53.Rd8** aiming for Rc7-e7+. **53...Rf3+ 54.Ke2 Rf7** Dodges Rc7-e7+ **55.Rc1** Rd8-e8+ would now be deadly. **55...Nd7 56.Rd1**

[56.Ra8 simplifies Kxd6 57.Rxa4 Nc5 58.Rd4+]

56...Rf8 Inhibits Rd8-e8+. **57.Rxf8 Nxf8** KR-KN **58.Kd3 Kxd6 59.Kc4+ Kc6 60.Kb4 Nd7 61.Kxa4 Nc5+ 62.Kb4 Ne6 63.Rc1+ Kd5 64.Kb5 Nd4+ 65.Kxb6 Ne6 66.Rd1+ Nd4 67.Rc1 Ne6 68.Kb5 Nd4+ 69.Kb4 Nc6+ 70.Kc3 Ne5 71.Re1 Nf3 72.Re2 Ne5 73.Re3 Nc6 74.Rd3+ Ke4 75.Rd1 Ne5 76.Rd6 Nf3 77.Rd8 Ne5 78.Re8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

½-½

230 **C54**
☐ **Esipenko,Andrey** **2704**
■ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
Rostov on Don Blitz m (10) 21.02.2024
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a5** The modern move. Der moderne Zug.

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1 Ba7

[RR 7...h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bd7 (RR *9...Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3 c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 24.a3*) 10.Nf1 a4 11.d4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5 (RR *14.Qxa4 Bxc3*) 14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.Qxf5 c6 (RR *21...g6 22.Qf3 Kg7*) 22.Rd3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Oparin,G (2662) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (65)]

8.Bb3N

[RR 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 (RR *12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4*) 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½]

8...0-0 The position is equal. **9.h3 h6 10.Nbd2 b5N**

[10...Be6 11.Ba4 (*11.Bc2 Re8 12.Nf1 d5 13.exd5 Qxd5* #7 36) Italian: 4...Bc5 Main Lin-7.Re1 Ba7 8.Bb3) 11...Ne7 12.d4 Ng6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 Nh5 15.Be3 Nhf4 16.Ng3 Qc8 17.Nf5 Bd7 18.Qd2 a4 19.Kh2 Qd8 20.g3 Ne6

21.Kg2 Nef8 22.h4 Qf6 23.Nh2 exd4 24.Ng4 Qxf5 25.exf5 Theis,B (2612)-4. ♘f3 g6 5. ♘bd2 (2723) New York 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0 (54)]

[10...Re8 11.Nf1 Ne7 12.Ng3 Ng6 13.d4 c6 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 b5 16.Qd2 Be6 17.a4 Kh7 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Nf8 20.axb5 cxb5 21.dxe5 dxe5 22.Bxa7 Rxa7 23.Qe2 N8d7 24.Rad1 Rb7 25.Nd2 Proenca,A (2037)-2.c4 g6 3.f3 e5 (2109) Fuegen 2022 ICCF 2019 [John Watson] ½-½ (80)]

11.a4 b4 12.Nf1 Rb8 13.Be3 Re8N

[Vorgänger: 13...Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Ne7 15.Bc2 c5 16.d4 next d4xc5 is good for White. bxc3 17.bxc3 exd4 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Nxd4 ½-½ Figlio,G (2000)-Gomes,D SEMI EU-ch1 email 1998]

14.Bc4 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 Ne7 16.Qc2 -0.16/21

[⌓16.Qb3 0.21/20 Rf8 17.Qc2]

16...Bd7!= 17.d4 Ng6 18.Nf1 Bc6 0.30/22

[⌓18...Nh5 -0.29/19]

19.Ng3 exd4 20.Nxd4 Bd7 21.Bb5 bxc3 22.Qxc3 c5 0.84/24

[Black should try 22...c6± 0.32/23 23.Nxc6 Bxc6 24.Bxc6 *(24.Qxc6 Rc8=)* 24...Rc8]

23.Nc6 0.38/24 &Bianco is more active.

[23.Ndf5± 0.84/24]

23...Bxc6± 24.Bxc6 Re5 25.Rad1 Rb4 0.82/24

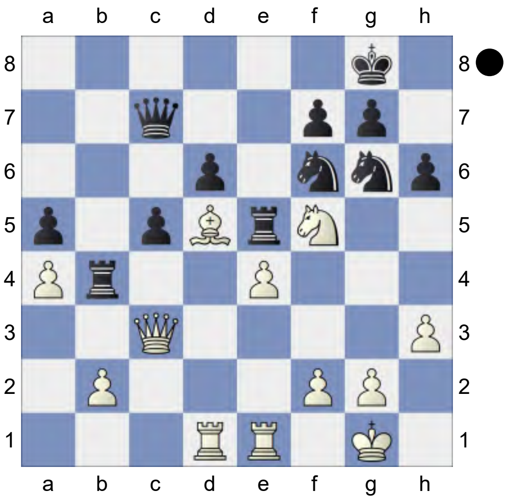
[25...h5= 0.21/22]

26.Nf5 -0.01/24

[26.f4± 0.82/24 Re7 27.e5]

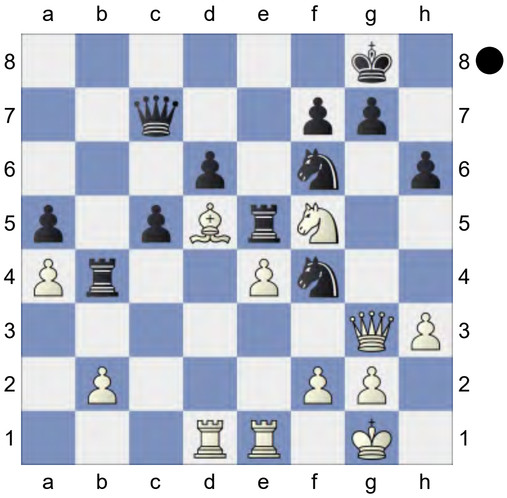
26...Qc7= 27.Bd5 -1.33/22

[27.Ba8= -0.10/24 keeps the balance.]



27...Nf4!∓ 28.Qg3 -2.71/24

[28.Ng3∓ -1.40/22 keeps fighting.]



28...Rxf5!-+ 29.Bxf7+ Qxf7 30.exf5 d5

[Worse is 30...Rxa4 31.b3 *(31.Rxd6 Ra1∓)* 31...Rb4 32.Rxd6]

31.b3 Kh7 32.Kh2 -3.55/24

[⌓32.Qf3 -2.30/23]

32...Qh5? -0.76/25

[32...Qc7-+ -3.55/24 and Black stays clearly on top. Threatens to win with ...Nf6-e4. 33.Kg1 Ne4]

33.Rc1? -3.73/24

[33.Re7∓ -0.76/25 Qg5 34.Qxg5 hxg5 35.g3]

33...Ne2?? 2.82/22 Pair of Knights!

[33...Qxf5-+ -3.73/24 and life is good

for Black. 34.Qf3 Ne4]

34.Qg6+!+- Deflection **34...Qxg6 35.fxg6+ Kxg6 36.Rxe2 Rxb3 37.Rxc5** Endgame KRR-KRN **37...d4 38.f3 Rb4 39.Rxa5 d3 40.Rd2 Rd4 41.Rb5 Nd5 42.Rb3 Nb4 43.a5** Hoping for a5-a6! **43...Rc4?** 8.27/22

[43...Kg5 3.89/23 44.Kg3 Kf5]

44.a6 Rc2 45.Rbxd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.52

1-0

231 **C54**

□ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2794**

■ **Pechac,Jergus** **2582**

EU-Cup 39th Vrnjacka Banja (5.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 Ba7 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6 9.Nbd2 The position is equal. **9...Qe7!** 0.37/20 now scores much better than the old 9...g5.punktet besser als das ältere 9...g5.

[9...g5= 0.00/20 10.Bg3 Na5]

10.Kh1 Be6

[10...g5!? 11.Bg3□ Nh5=]

11.a4 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Qe6 **13.Ne3N**

[13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.b4 0-0 15.b5 Nd8 16.g3 Ne6 17.Kg2 Bc5 18.Qd2 axb5 19.axb5 ½-½ (33) Anton Guijarro,D (2651)-Matlakov,M (2683) EU-Cup 36th Struga 2021 (5.5)]

13...Ne7 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.d4 0-0 16.Re1 Qe6 17.Qc2 c6 18.a5 -0.19/23

[18.Rad1⩲ 0.31/19]

18...exd4= 19.cxd4 f5 0.35/23

[Black should play 19...d5= -0.18/22 20.e5 Rac8 *(20...f6 21.exf6 Qxf6 22.Re2=)*]

20.exf5 -0.01/18

[20.Nc4⩲ 0.35/23]

20...Nxf5 21.Nxf5 Qxf5 22.Qb3+ Qf7 23.Re6 Rae8 24.Rae1 d5 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 26.Rxe8+ Qxe8 27.Qxb7 Bxd4

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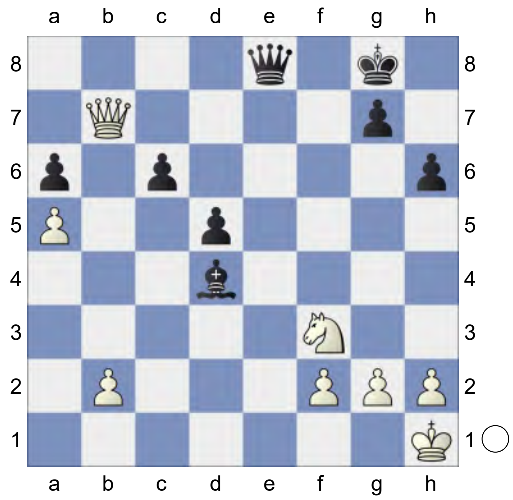
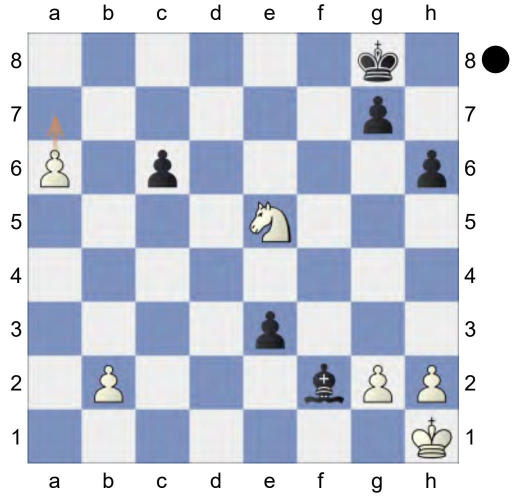


Deflection, Back Rank **28.Qxa6 Bxf2** Endgame KQB-KQN **29.Qd3 Qe4** Against g3 **30.Qxe4 dxe4±** KB-KN **31.Ne5 e3 32.a6**



e2 33.Nd3 Kf7 34.g4 Ke7 35.Kg2 Bd4

[35...e1B? loses. 36.Nxf2 g6 37.a7+-]

[35...e1N+? 36.Kxf2 Nxd3+ 37.Kg3+-]

[35...e1R?! 36.Nxe1 Bb6 *(36...Bxe1? 37.a7+-)* 37.Nf3±]

36.Kf3 Kd6 37.Kxe2 Kc7 38.Kf3 Kb6 39.Ke4 Bg1 40.h4 Kxa6 41.h5 Bb6! 42.Ke5 Kb5 43.b3 Bg1 44.Kd6 c5 45.Kd5 Be3 46.Ke4 Bg5 47.Kf5 Be3 48.Kg6 Bd4 49.Kf7 Ka5 50.Ke7 Kb5 51.Ke6 Bg1 52.Ke5

[52.Kf7!? Bd4□ 53.Kg6=]

52...Bd4+ 53.Ke6 Bg1 54.Kd6

[54.Kf7!?]

54...Bd4 55.Nf4 Kb4 56.Ne6 Kxb3 57.Nxc5+ Kc4 58.Ne6 Bf6 59.Nc7 Kd4 60.Ne8 and Nxf6 would now be decisive **60...Be5+ 61.Ke6** -0.69/25

[61.Ke7= -0.20/38 should be considered.]

61...Ke4∓ 62.Kf7 Kf4 63.Nxg7 Kxg4 and ...Bxg7 should not be overlooked Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless) **64.Ne8**

½-½

236 C52

☐ TheUnrestrictedGod 3368

■ DaBestFARMER 2659

Blitz 04.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 openings101.org **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 exd4N** 0.31/18

[9...Na5= -0.07/20 10.Qc2

A) 10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 ½-½ Goldenberg,R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New York Fall IM-D 2022 (5) Bxf3 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 Qd6 28.Qf5 Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N

(2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5);

B) 10...f6 11.a4 (*11.Re1 Ne7 12.a4 Ng6 13.Ba2 Nf4 14.g3 Qg4 15.Kh1 Nh3 16.Re2 h5 17.Qd3 h4 18.Nf1 hxg3 19.fxg3 Bd7 20.Bd5 0-0-0 21.Bb2 c6 22.Ba2 f5 23.N3d2 f4* Chapter-Evans Gambit) 11...Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7);

C) 10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3);

D) 10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Qc6 12.Nxb6 axb6]

10.cxd4⩲ Na5 White is slightly better. **11.Qc3** White has compensation. **11...Ne7 12.a4 Ng6 13.Bb2 Nf4 14.Kh1! 0-0 15.g3 Nh5**

[15...Nxc4? 16.Nxc4 Nh3 17.a5 Bxa5 (*17...f5? 18.e5±*) 18.Rxa5+- (*18.Qxa5 f5±; 18.Nxa5 d5±*)]

16.Be2 Qe7 17.d5 c6 18.Rae1! Bg4 1.42/20

[Better is 18...Nf6⩲ 0.46/20]

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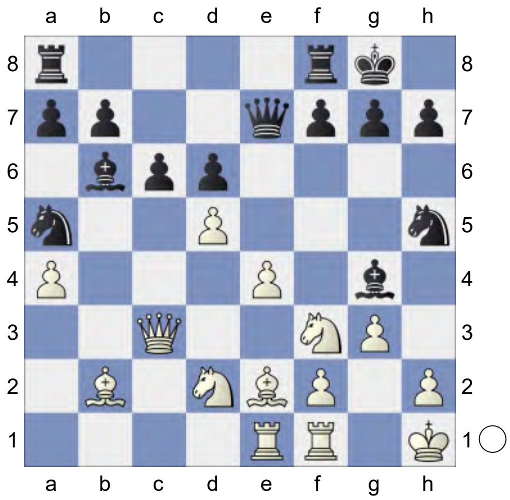
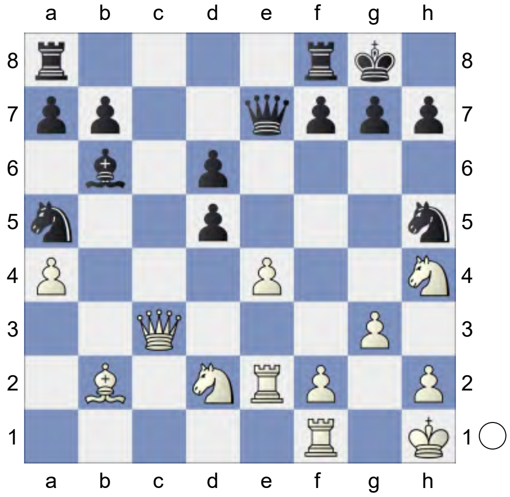


19.Nh4!± Bxe2 20.Rxe2

[Don't play 20.Nf5 Qe5 21.Rxe2 cxd5⩲]

20...cxd5

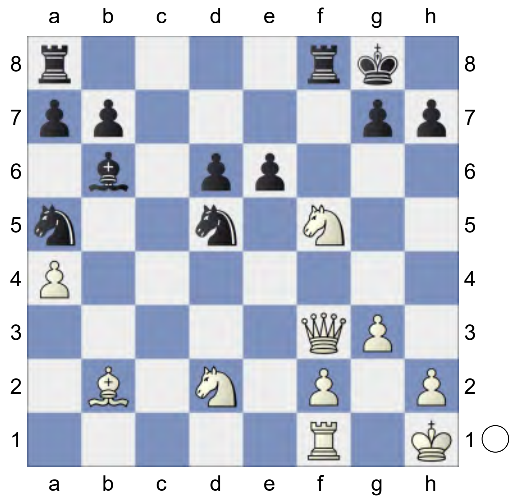


21.Qf3 Black must now prevent exd5!. A mistake that costs the game. **21...Nf6** 4.90/19

[21...Qg5± 0.85/17 is a better chance.]

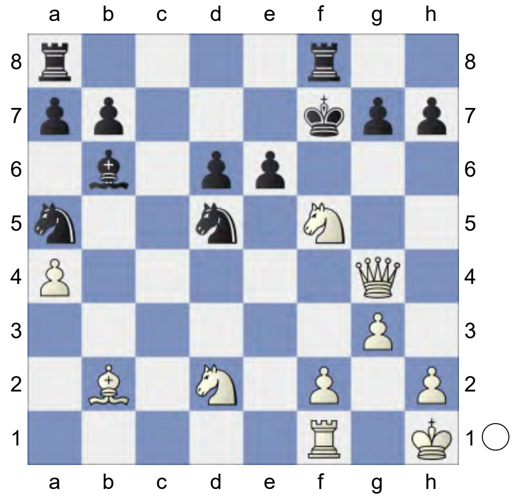
22.Nf5+- Qe6 23.exd5 Nxd5 24.Rxe6 fxe6

(Diagram)



25.Qg4! Kf7

[25...Rf7 26.Nh6+]



26.Re1! Bd4

[26...Ke8 27.Qxg7]

27.Bxd4 White mates. **27...g6 28.Nxd6+ Kg8 29.Qxe6+ Rf7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=1.00 **30.Qxf7#**

1-0

237 **C52**

☐ **TheUnrestrictedGod** **3334**

■ **DaBestFARMER** **2691**

Blitz 04.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 openings101.org **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Nf6N** 0.37/18

[9...Na5∓ -0.38/19 10.Qc2

A) 10...f6 11.a4 *(11.Re1 Ne7 12.a4 Ng6 13.Ba2 Nf4 14.g3 Qg4 15.Kh1 Nh3 16.Re2 h5 17.Qd3 h4 18.Nf1 hxg3 19.fxg3 Bd7 20.Bd5 0-0-0 21.Bb2 c6 22.Ba2 f5 23.N3d2 f4* Chapter-Evans Gambit*)* 11...Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7);

B) 10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3);

C) 10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 Bxf3 ½-½ (34) Goldenberg, R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New

York Fall IM-D 2022 (5) 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 Qd6 28.Qf5 Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5)]

10.dxe5± Ng4 0.81/20

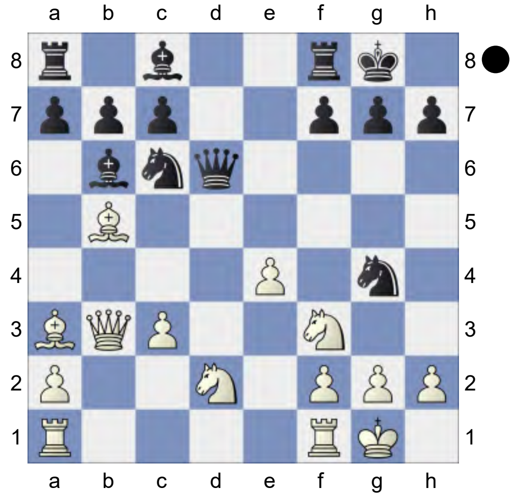
[10...Nxe5? 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Ba3+-]

[10...dxe5± 0.32/20 deserves consideration. 11.Ba3 Na5]

11.exd6± 0-0 12.Bb5 0.40/22

[12.Ba3± 0.85/20]

12...Qxd6 and ...Nxf2 would now be decisive **13.Ba3**



Skewer This move loses the game for Black. **13...Qh6** 2.21/21 **14.Bxf8+-** and Bxc6 should not be overlooked **14...Nce5** 3.40/16

[14...Be6 2.20/17 was worth a try. 15.Bc4 *(15.Bxg7 Bxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Qe3± Pin)* 15...Rxf8]

15.Be7 Be6 16.Qb2

[16.Bg5 Qh5 17.Qb1 Nxf2+-]

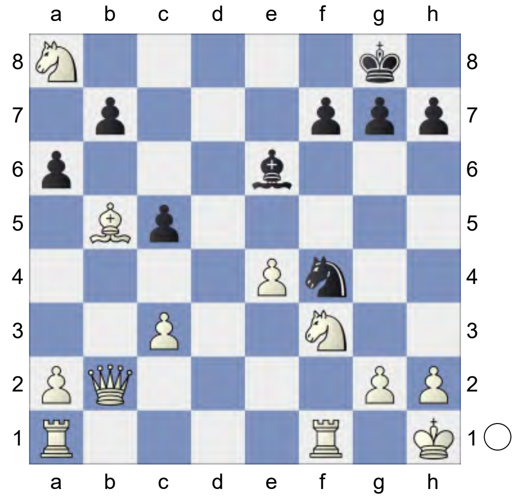
16...Qf4 17.Bg5

[Don't play 17.Bh4 Nxh2 18.Nxh2 Qxh4+-]

17...Nxf2 18.Bxf4 Nh3+ 9.44/5

[⌓18...Nxf3+ 4.59/17 19.Nxf3 Nd3+ 20.Qf2 Bxf2+ 21.Rxf2 Nxf4]

19.Kh1 Nc4 20.Nxc4 a6 21.Nxb6 Nxf4 22.Nxa8 c5



23.Bxa6! c4

[23...h6 24.Qxb7]

24.Qxb7 Threatening mate with Qb8+. **24...Ng6 25.Ng5** White mates. **25...h6 26.Rxf7 Ne7 27.Qxe7 g6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=1.49

28.Qf8#

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235 C51

☐ **TheUnrestrictedGod 3357**

■ **DaBestFARMER 2670**

Blitz 04.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

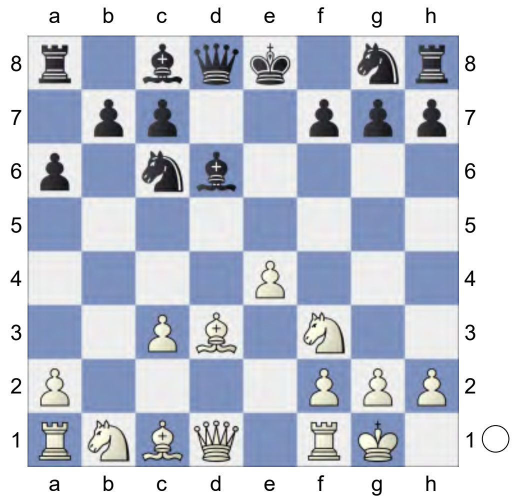
C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 a6N** 0.52/17

[8...dxe5= 0.15/19 9.Nxe5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 c5 *(11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.e5 Qe4 15.Qxe4 Nxe4* 2) Evans Gambit-

Evans Gambit 4.b4 − 6.d4 Na) 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 *(13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6* 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024*)* 13...Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 23.Rfe1 Be5 24.c4 Rad8 0-1 Kryvoruchko,Y (2707)-Karjakin,S (2771) FIDE World Rapid 2014 (12.7)]

9.0-0± **Nc6** White is slightly better. **10.exd6** **Bxd6** 1.45/18

[10...cxd6± 0.70/18 11.Bf4 Qc7]



11.e5!± **Bc5** **12.Qc2** **Be6** **13.Nbd2**

[Much worse is 13.Bxh7?! Nxe5 14.Nbd2 *(14.Nxe5 Qh4=)* 14...Qd6=]

13...Nge7 **14.Bxh7** **Bg4** 1.98/18

[14...Bb6± 1.51/18]

15.Be4 **Rh5** **16.Nb3** **Ba7** **17.Bf4** **Bf5** **18.Ng5** **Qd7** 3.64/19

[⌓18...Bxe4 2.38/19 19.Qxe4 Qd5]

19.e6+- **Bxe6** **20.Rad1** **Qc8** **21.Nxe6** **Qxe6** **22.Rfe1**

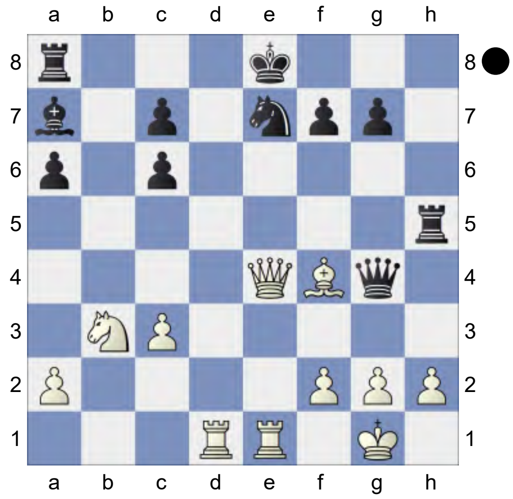
[22.Bxc7 Kf8 23.Rfe1 Qf6+-]

22...Qg4 **23.Bxc6+**

[23.Bxc7 Rh6 24.Bxc6+ Rxc6+-]

23...bxc6 **24.Qe4**

[But not 24.Bxc7 Rf5 25.Rd2 Kf8]



24...Qxg2+ 13.98/18

[⌓24...Qe6 4.48/17 25.Qf3 *(25.Bxc7 Qxe4 26.Rxe4 Rd5+-)* 25...Qg6]

25.Kxg2 **Rxh2+** **26.Kxh2** White mates. **26...Be3** **27.Rxe3** **Kf8** **28.Qxe7+** **Kg8** **29.Rh3** **g6** **30.Qf6** **Ra7** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) / Black=0.58 **31.Qh8#**

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232 **C52**

☐ **TheUnrestrictedGod** **3312**

■ **DaBestFARMER** **2738**

Rapid 04.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Illingworth, Max: 'If Kramnik's 9.a3 novelty puts you off 3...Nf6 and 3...e5 also doesn't appeal to you, I'll recommend the following exchange sacrifice as a dangerous, dynamic weapon. It still hasn't been seen in a lot of games and strong players are still being caught out.' **1.e4** **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6**

3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7 The position is equal.

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6

[12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 b6 26.Nc4 Rc7 0-1 Adhiban,B (2630)-Nakamura,H (2776) 123/125 Gibraltar 2015]

12...Nec6N 0.97/18

[12...cxd6= -0.08/17 keeps the balance. 13.Rd1 Ng6]

[12...Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1 Bxf3 26.Bxf3 Nxe5 27.Bd5 ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5) Qd6 28.Qf5 Ng6 29.Rab1 Ne7 30.Qf3 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.cxd5 Rbd8 33.Bxc7 Rxd5 34.b4 Bb6 ½-½ Goldenberg,R (2268)-Poliannikov,D (2285) New York Fall IM-D 2022 (5)]

13.dxc7± Ne7 1.53/16

[⌓13...Nxc4 0.89/21 14.Nxc4 Qxc7]

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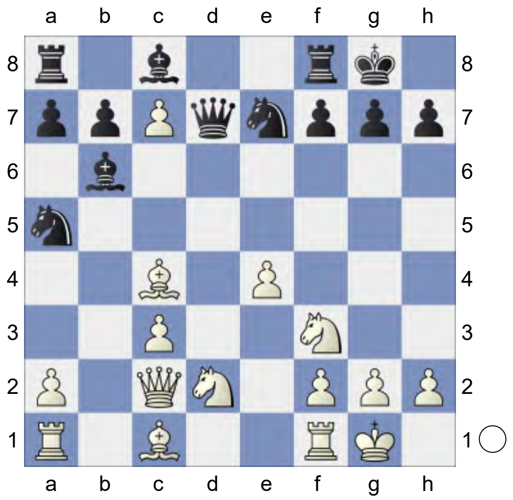
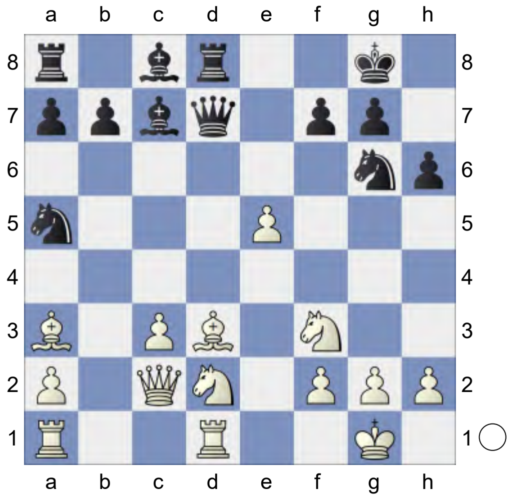


Inhibits Bd5. **14.Bd3! h6 15.e5 Bxc7 16.Rd1 Ng6 17.Ba3 Rd8** 2.33/20

[⌓17...Re8 1.79/19 18.Ne4 *(18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Qxg6 Re6±)* 18...Qc6]



18.Ne4!+- and Nf6+! should not be overlooked

[Don't play 18.Bxg6?! fxg6 19.Ne4 *(19.Qxg6 Qg4±)* 19...Qf5 20.Rxd8+ Bxd8]

18...Nc6 2.32/20

[⌓18...Qe6 1.79/19]

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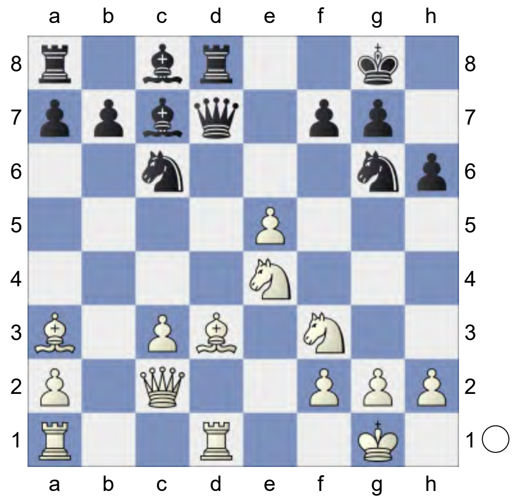


19.Neg5! Discovered Attack **19...Qe8**
[19...hxg5 20.Bxg6]
20.Bxg6
[Stronger than 20.Nxf7 Rxd3 21.Nxh6+ gxh6=]
20...fxg6 3.10/21
[⌓20...hxg5 1.92/18 21.Bh7+ Kh8]
21.Qb3+ Qe6? 9.88/20
[21...Kh8 3.10/22 22.Nf7+ Kh7 23.Nxd8 Bxd8]
22.Nxe6 Excellent horsemanship. **22...Na5 23.Nxc7+ Kh7 24.Rxd8 g5 25.Qf7** White mates. **25...b6 26.Nxg5+ hxg5** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.94
27.Qh5#
1-0

233 **C52**
☐ **TheUnrestrictedGod** **3308**
■ **DaBestFARMER** **2715**
Blitz 04.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 h6N 0.68/19

[8...Bb6!∓ -0.42/18
A) 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6 *(10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6* 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)*; 10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.e5 Qc6 14.Bd3 Ng6 15.c4 Bc5 16.Bb2 Be6 17.Bc3 Qa6 18.Nb3 Nxb3 19.axb3 Qb6 20.Ba5 Qc6 21.Be4 Qd7 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Rfd1 Qe7 24.Be4 Bg4 25.Re1* ½-½ Guarin Fonseca,N (2268)-Rheinheimer,H (2285) Evpatoria 104/274 2008 (5)*)* 11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7);
B) 9.Bb5 a6 10.Ba4 Ba7 11.Qb2 b5 12.Bc2 Rb8 *(12...Nge7 13.a4 0-0 14.axb5 axb5 15.d5 Nb8 16.Be3 c6 17.dxc6 Nexc6 18.Rd1 Ba6 19.Bxa7 Rxa7 20.Nbd2 Qc7 21.Bd3 b4 22.Bxa6 bxc3 23.Qxc3 Rxa6 24.Rxa6 Nxa6 25.Nc4 Rd8 26.h4 h6 27.h5* ½-½ Demchenko,S (2169)-Walterova,E (2063) Wch U20 Girls 39th 2023 (9)*)* 13.Be3 Qe7 14.a4 b4 15.a5 bxc3 16.Qxc3 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 exd4 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 Nf6 20.Nc3 0-0 Italian Evans Gambit-Italian – Evans Gambit 4.b4]

9.a4⩲ White is much more active. **9...a6** 1.71/17

[9...Nf6± 0.73/18 was necessary.]

10.dxe5+- Qe7 2.54/19

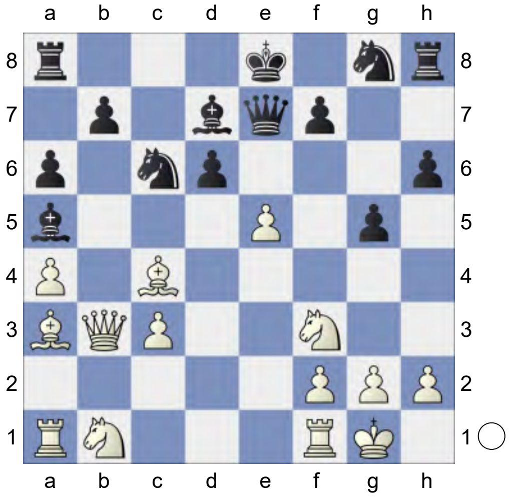
[⌓10...Bb6 1.71/19]

11.exd6 cxd6 12.Ba3 g5 3.75/19

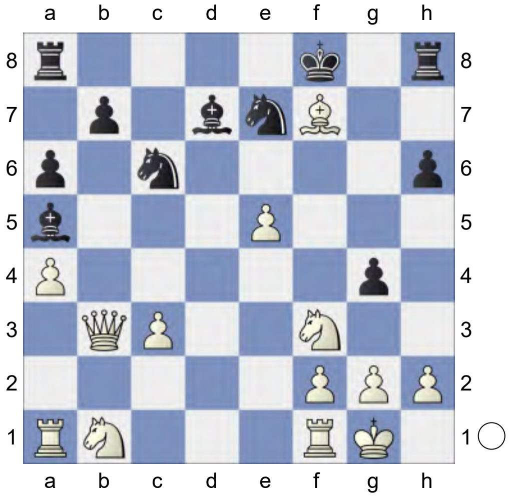
[⌓12...Bc7 2.50/19 13.Nbd2 Qd7]

13.e5 Bd7? 5.95/16

[13...Nxe5 3.67/18 14.Nbd2 *(14.Nxe5 Qxe5 15.Nd2 Qxc3+-)* 14...Nxf3+ 15.Nxf3 Kf8]



14.Bxd6 g4 15.Bxe7 Ngxe7 16.Bxf7+ Kf8



17.Bh5! Nd5

[17...Be8 18.Bxg4]

18.Qxd5 Rh7 Prevents Qf7+ **19.Nh4** aiming for Ng6+. **19...Rd8 20.e6 Ne7** Inhibits Qf5+. **21.Qxa5 Be8 22.Qxd8** White mates. **22...b5 23.Qxe8+ Kg7 24.Qxe7+ Kg8 25.Qd8+ Kg7** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) / Black=1.64 **26.Nf5#**

1-0

234 C52

☐ **TheUnrestrictedGod 3198**

■ **DaBestFARMER 2813**

Blitz 04.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Qe7 0.60/18

[9...Na5⩱ -0.35/19 10.Qc2 f6 *(10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6* 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3) *)* 11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7)]

10.Bb5N and d5 would now be decisive

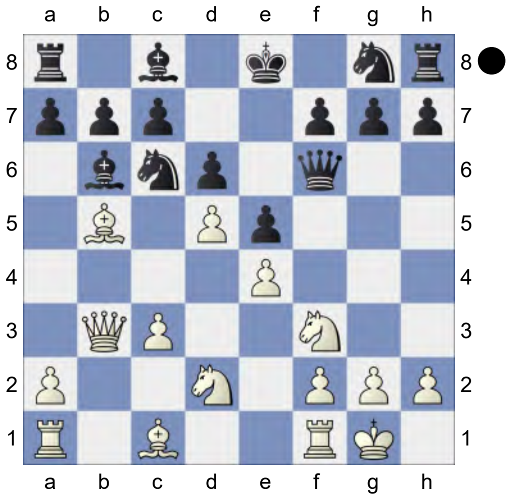
[10.Ba3 Qf6 11.Bb5 Bd7 12.Nc4 Nge7 13.Rad1 exd4 14.cxd4 0-0-0 15.e5 dxe5 16.dxe5 Qf5 17.Nxb6+ cxb6 18.Bd6 Ng6 19.Qa3 Nf4

20.Bxc6 Bxc6 21.Qxa7 Rxd6 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.exd6+ Kd7 24.Qxh8 Nh3+ ½-½ Christensen,H (2151)-Piscitelli,V (2299) Jurajski mem2 corr9294 1992 (10) 25.Kh1 Qxf3 26.Qxg7 Nxf2+ 27.Kg1 Nh3+ 28.gxh3 Qh1+ 29.Kf2 Qf3+ ½-½ Degenbaev,A (2151)-Ovod,E (2299) Issykkul op Korumdu 2023 (10)]

10...Qf6? 2.49/17

[Black should try 10...Bd7± 0.60/19]

11.d5+-



Pin **11...Nge7**

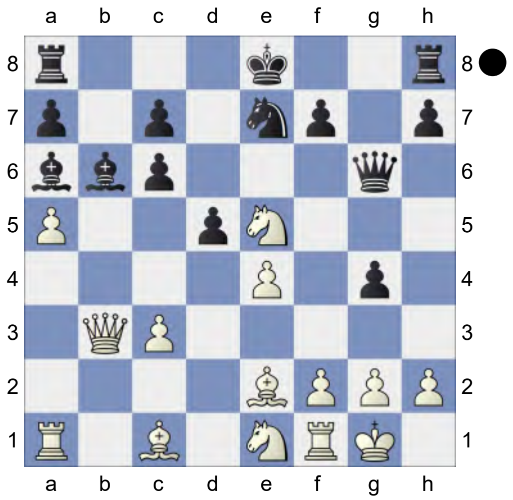
[Much worse is 11...a6 12.Qa4 (*12.Bxc6+ bxc6 13.Nc4 Bc5=; 12.Ba4 Bc5+-*)]

12.dxc6 bxc6 13.Be2 g5 14.Nc4 g4 15.Ne1 Ba6 16.a4

[Much less strong is 16.Bxg4 d5+-]

16...Qg6 17.a5 d5 18.Nxe5

(Diagram)



Discovered Attack, Double Attack **18...Bxf2+ 19.Rxf2 Qxe4 20.Nxg4 Qe6 21.Nf6+ Qxf6 22.Rxf6 Bc4 23.Qb4 Rg8 24.Ba3 c5 25.Qxc5 Kd7 26.Qxe7+** White mates. **26...Kc8 27.Rc6 f6** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=1.28 **28.Qxc7#**

1-0

238 **C50**
☐ **Pichot,Alan** **2647**
■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi** **2720**
CrunchLab Masters PlayIn rapid (8)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Be3**

[RR 6.c3 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.h3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.Bb3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Be6 16.Bc2]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4

A) RR 7...g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 (RR *9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+*

14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8 22.Nxc7 Kxc7 23.Bxg8 Rxg8) 9...Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.b4 (RR *11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 21.fxg4 Qe8 22.Qe1 Qe3+ 23.Qxe3 dxe3 24.g3 Rh1+ 25.Kg2 R8h2+*) 11...Bb6 12.Nbd2 0-0-0 13.a4 a5 14.Bb5 Rdg8 15.bxa5 Ba7 16.Nb3 gxh4 17.Bxh4 Bh3 18.g3 Qg4 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Nbd2 Bxf1 21.Qxf1 Qg6 22.d4;

B) RR 7...a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3;

C) 7...a6 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh7 11.d4

C1) RR 11...h5 12.h4 (RR *12.dxe5 h4*) 12...g4;

C2) 11...Qe7 12.Bd5 f6 13.Nbd2 (RR *13.b4*) 13...h5 14.dxe5 (RR *14.h4*) 14...dxe5 (RR *14...fxe5 15.Nc4 h4 16.Nxh4 gxh4 17.Qh5+ Kf8 18.Bxh4 Qg7 19.Qf3+ Ke8 20.Qh5+ Kf8 21.Qf3+ Ke8 22.Qh5+ Kf8*) 15.Nc4 (RR *15.h4*)

C2a) RR 15...h4 16.Bxc6+ bxc6 17.Nfxe5 fxe5 (RR *17...hxg3 18.Qh5+ Kf8 19.Ng6+ Kf7 20.Nxe7+*) 18.Qh5+ Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.Bxe5 Nf6;

C2b) 15...Nf8 16.h4 g4 17.Ne1 Qh7 (RR *17...Nd8*) 18.Ne3 (RR *18.Bxc6+ bxc6 19.Qe2*) 18...Ne7 19.Nd3 c6 (RR *19...Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Qg7*) 20.Ba2 (RR *20.Bc4*) 20...Ne6 Niemann,H (2733)-Nakamura,H (2802) Paris 2024 Mega2024 Update 45 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (RR *20...Neg6*)]

6...Bb6

[6...Bxe3!? 7.fxe3 Na5=]

7.a4! is currently scoring better than 7. Nc3. wohl besser als 7.Sc3.

[7.h3 h6 8.a4 0-0 9.Qe1 (RR *9.Nc3 Be6 10.Ba2 Bxa2 11.Rxa2 d5 12.Bxb6 axb6 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nb5 Re8 15.Re1 Qd7 16.c3 Nf4 17.b4 Re6 18.Kh2 Rg6 19.g4 Rxg4 20.Ng1 Rg2+ 21.Kh1 Qd5 22.Re4 Qxa2 23.Rxf4 Rxg1+*) 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5 Bxe3 12.fxe3 a6 13.Nbd2 d5 14.Qh4 Qe7 15.c3 Rad8 16.d4 exd4 17.e5 dxe3 18.Nb3 e2 19.Rfe1 Ne4 20.Qxe7 Nxe7 21.Nbd4 Kf7 Mou,I (2201)-Pressman,L (2235) New York Marshall Labor Day-B 2024 (3) 0-1 0-1 Mou,I (2201)-Pressman,L (2235) New York Marshall Labor Day-B 2024 (3)]

[RR 7.h3 h6 8.a4 0-0 9.Qe1 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5 Bxe3 12.fxe3 a6 13.Nbd2 d5 14.Qh4 Qe7 15.c3 Rad8 16.d4 exd4 17.e5 dxe3 18.Nb3 e2 19.Rfe1 Ne4 20.Qxe7 Nxe7 21.Nbd4 Kf7 Mou,I (2201)-Pressman,L (2235) New York 2024 0-1 (35)]

7...0-0 8.h3N

[8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 (RR *10.Qe1 Be6 11.b4 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 f5 13.Bc1 fxe4 14.Qxe4 Nf6 15.Qg6*

Ne7 16.Qg3) 10...axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 22.dxe5 Nxe5 So,W (2753)-Firouzja,A (2777) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2.32) 1-0 1-0 So,W (2753)-Firouzja,A (2777) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2.32)]

[RR 8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 22.dxe5 Nxe5 So,W (2753)-Firouzja,A (2777) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (40)]

8...d5N 0.52/21

[Vorgänger: 8...Ne7 9.Bg5 -0.11/20 *(9.Bxb6⩲ 0.34/19 axb6 10.Nc3)* 9...Ng6 0.34/21 *(9...c6= -0.11/20 should be considered.)* 10.a5⩲ Bc5 11.Nh4 Nf4 0.93/20 *(11...Kh8⩲ 0.33/20)* 12.Bxf4± exf4 13.Nf3 a6 14.d4 Ba7 Wagner,D (2589)-Styazhkina,A (2194) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Aug Early blitz 2023 (5) 1-0 1-0 Wagner,D (2589)-Styazhkina, A (2194) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Aug Early blitz 2023 (5)]

[8...Bxe3= 0.12/20 9.fxe3 Qe8]

9.exd5!⩲ White is slightly better.

9...Nxd5 10.Bxb6 0.00/20

[10.Bd2⩲ 0.51/19]

10...axb6 11.Re1 Nf4 12.Nc3 Qd6 ...Qd6-g6 is the strong threat. **13.Ne2 Ng6 14.Ng3** 0.01/21

[14.d4⩲ 0.37/21 is more appropriate.]

14...h6 15.Qd2 Kh8 16.h4 -0.27/21

[16.c3⩲ 0.31/22]

16...Bg4= 17.Nh2 Be6 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Nf3 Qd5 20.Nf5 Rad8 21.Qe3 Qe6 0.43/22

[21...Rfe8= -0.01/21 feels stronger.]

22.Qe4⩲ Rfe8 23.g3 -0.06/21

[White should try 23.b4!⩲ 0.59/21]

23...Nf8 24.Qg4 Qf6 25.Nd2 Qg6 26.Qxg6 Nxg6 27.Nc4 f6 28.a5 b5 29.Na3 Rd5 0.66/23

[Better is 29...b4= -0.01/21 30.Nb5 Rd7]

30.Ne3 Rc5 31.c3 -0.01/21

[31.b4!⩲ 0.65/22 Nxb4 32.Reb1]

31...b4= 32.Nac4 Rd8 33.Red1 Nf8 34.Ra4 bxc3 35.bxc3 Ne6 36.Rb1! Repels Rc5-b5 **36...Rb8 37.Ra2 Kg8 38.Kf1 Kf7 39.Ke2 Ke8 40.h5 Kd7 41.Kf1 Kc8 42.Ke2 Ra8** ...b7-b5! would now be deadly. **43.Rba1 Rb5 44.Nf5 Kd7** 0.01/23 Prevents Nc4-d6.

[44...Kb8⩱ -0.36/25]

45.Nfe3 -0.38/23

[45.Kd1= 0.01/23]

45...Ra6 -0.01/22

[45...Nc5!⩱ -0.38/23 deserves consideration.]

46.Kf3 Ne7 47.Rb2 -1.30/23

[47.Nd2= -0.08/20]

47...Rxb2⩱ 48.Nxb2 Nc6 -0.76/22

[⌓48...b5 -1.23/24 49.Kg4 Nc6]

49.Nbc4 -1.29/26

[⌓49.Nf5 -0.76/22]

49...b5 50.Nd2 -1.43/25

[⌓50.Nb2 -1.05/24]

50...Rxa5

[Weaker is 50...Nxa5 51.Nb3 Rc6 *(51...e4+? 52.dxe4 Nxb3 53.Rxa6+-)* 52.Nxa5± *(52.Rxa5 Rxc3 53.Nd2 Rxd3±)*]

51.Rb1 -1.90/24

[51.Rxa5⩱ -1.21/22 was necessary. Nxa5 52.Ke4]

51...Ne7-+ 52.Ne4 -2.11/21

[52.Kg4⩱ -1.49/22]

52...c6 -1.02/23

[52...f5-+ -2.11/21 53.Nd2 Ra2]

53.g4 -2.33/24

[53.Kg4∓ -1.02/23]

53...Ra3 54.Kg2 -3.19/23

[⌓54.Nc2 -1.98/24 Ra2 55.Ne3]

54...Nd5

[Less strong is 54...Nf4+ 55.Kf1∓]

55.Nf5? -5.51/25

[55.c4 -2.84/21 keeps fighting. Ndf4+ 56.Kh2]

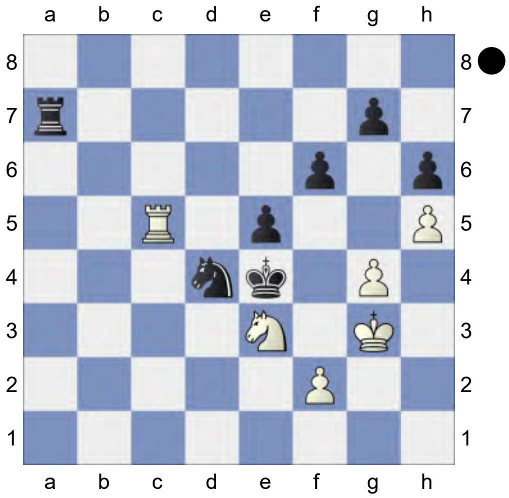
55...Nxc3 56.Nxc3 Rxc3 Endgame. KRN-KRN **57.Ra1 b4 58.Ra7+ Kd8 59.Nd6 Rxd3 60.Nc4 b3 61.Rb7 Kc8 62.Re7 Nf4+ 63.Kh2 Rd4 64.Na5 Rd7 65.Re8+ Kc7** (→ ...b3-b2) **66.Nxb3 Kd6 67.Nd2 Kd5 68.Kg3 c5 69.Rc8 Ra7 70.Nf1 Ne6 71.Ne3+ Ke4?** -1.55/24

[71...Kd4-+ -4.22/23 has better winning chances. 72.Rc6 Ng5 73.Rd6+ Ke4]

72.Rc6∓ Nd4 -0.73/26

[72...Re7-+ -1.77/25 And now ...Re7-e8 would win. 73.Nf5 Re8]

73.Rxc5



Ne2+! 74.Kg2 Nf4+ 75.Kg3 Ra1 76.Rc7? -5.30/29

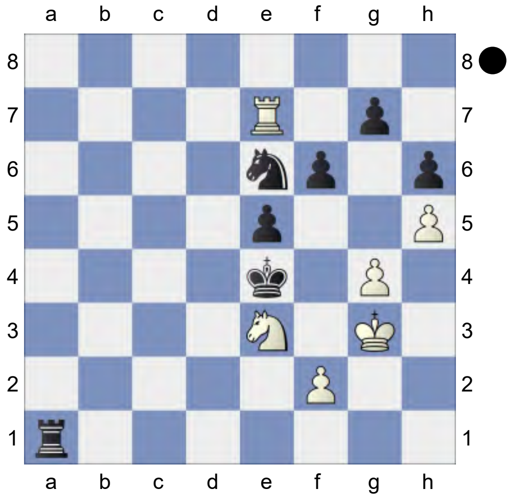
[76.Rc4+∓ -0.42/26 Kd3 77.Kf3]

76...Ne6? -0.40/25

[76...Ne2+-+ -5.30/29 77.Kg2 Rg1+ 78.Kh2 Kf3]

77.Re7? -2.33/26

[77.Rc4+∓ -0.40/25 Kd3 78.Rb4]



77...Ng5? -0.01/27

[Black should play 77...Nd4!-+ -2.33/26 78.Rxg7 f5]

78.Rxg7= Rg1+ 79.Kh2 Nf3+ 80.Kh3 Kd3 Strongly threatening ...Kd3-e2.

[80...f5!? 81.Nxf5 Ng5+ 82.Kh2 Rxg4 83.Ng3+ Kf3=]

81.Ra7 The position is equal. **81...e4 82.Ra3+ Ke2 83.Ra2+ Ke1 84.Ng2+ Kf1 85.Ne3+ Ke1 86.Ng2+ Kf1 87.Ne3+ Ke1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/ Black=0.16 (very precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/ Black=0.16 (very precise)

½-½

239 **C53**

☐ **Robson,Ray** **2693**

■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2630**

ch-USA 2024 Saint Louis USA (10.4)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4**

e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.Nbd2N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 Brest 2018 (3)]

6...d6 7.0-0 Bb6 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Ne7 10.a4 White has an edge. **10...a5 11.Ba2!?** Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. 11.Ba2 is the recent fashion. Exploring less charted territory.11.La2 ist aktuell in Mode. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **11...c6 12.d4 Ng6 13.Qc2 Re8 14.Nf1 Bc7N**

[14...exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Be3 f5 18.N3d2 Kh7 19.Rad1 Rf8 20.Bb1 Qe8 ½-½ Wosch,A (2371)-Zielinski,S (2273) SM-2018-0-00394]

15.Ng3 0.00/26

[15.dxe5± 0.36/20 dxe5 16.Ng3]

15...d5= 16.dxe5 Nxe5

[16...Nxe4!? 17.Nxe4 Bf5± Pin *(17...dxe4 18.Qxe4 Be6 19.Bxe6±)*]

17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.f4 Bc7 Hoping for ... Nxe4. **19.e5** Black should prevent Bb1. **19...Ne4!** Deflection **20.Nxe4 Bf5!** Pin **21.Be3 Bxe4 22.Qf2 f6 23.Bc5 b6 24.Ba3**

[24.Rxe4 bxc5 25.Re2 *(25.Qxc5? Bb6-+* Pin *)* 25...fxe5 26.fxe5 Bxe5 *(26...Rxe5 27.Rxe5 Bxe5 28.Qxc5∓)* 27.Qxc5 Bd4+ 28.cxd4 Rxe2 29.Qxc6 Rc8-+ *(29...Rxb2? 30.Bxd5+ Kh7 31.Be4+ Kh8 32.Qxa8+-)*]

24...Kh7 25.Rad1 Qc8!

[25...fxe5? 26.Rxe4 Qf6 27.Re2+-]

26.c4

[26.exf6 looks sharper. gxf6 27.c4 Qf5 28.cxd5 cxd5 29.g4]

26...fxe5 27.cxd5 cxd5

[27...exf4? 28.d6 Bxd6 29.Bxd6+-]

28.Rxd5 Bxd5

[28...exf4? 29.Rxe4 Rxe4 30.Qc2+-]

29.Bxd5 Kh8 30.Bc6 A strong pair of Bishops. **30...Qe6** 0.55/24 **31.Qc2±**

[31.Bxe8 Rxe8 32.Qc2 Bb8=]

31...Bd6 0.92/24 **32.Bxd6±** White is more active. **32...Qxd6 33.Bxa8 Rxa8 34.fxe5** Endgame. KQR-KQR **34...Qe6 35.Re3 Re8** 1.17/24

[35...Rc8± 0.66/26 36.Qd2 Rc5]

36.Qe4 0.66/24

[36.Qb3!± 1.17/24]

36...Kg8 37.Kh2 Kh8 1.38/24

[⌓37...g6 1.01/23 38.Qd4 Kg7]

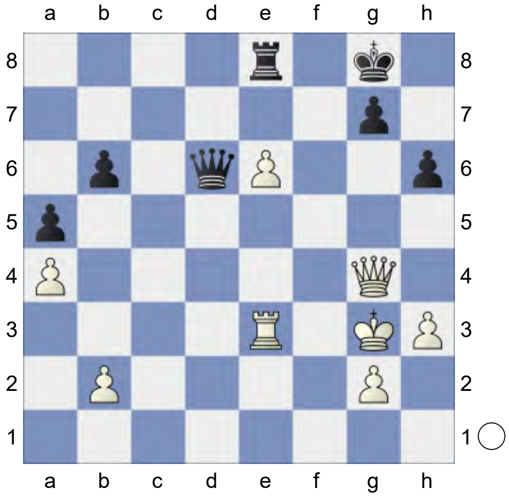
38.Re2 0.95/23

[⌓38.Kg3 1.38/24]

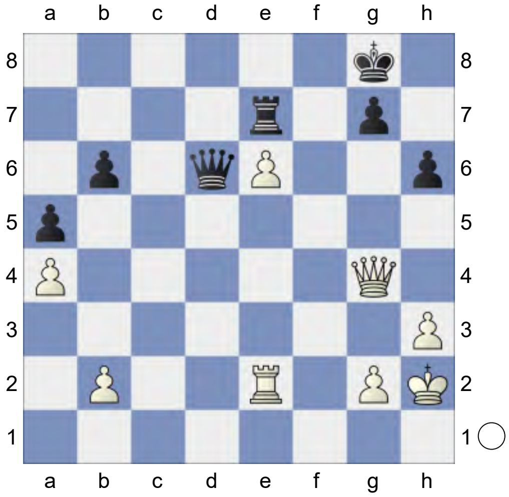
38...Kg8 39.Re1 Kh8 40.Re3 Kg8 41.Qd4 Kh8 1.27/22

[⌓41...Re7 0.88/24]

42.Kg3 Kg8 43.Qg4 Black must now prevent Qxe6+. **43...Qd5 44.e6 Qd6+**



45.Kf2! Qd2+ 46.Re2 Qd5 47.Kg1 Re7 48.Kh2 Qd6+



49.g3 0.60/26

[White should play 49.Kg1!± 1.08/25]

49...Qd3± Inhibits Qc4. **50.h4** aiming for Qe4. **50...b5! 51.axb5 Qxb5 52.Qe4↑** Against Qd5. White is more active. **52...Qb6** 1.57/22

[52...a4± 0.67/21]

53.Qf5 1.08/23

[White should try 53.Qd5 1.57/22]

53...Qc6? 5.73/20 A mistake that costs the game.

[53...a4± 1.08/23 54.Qe4 Qa6]

54.Qxa5+- Qf3 55.Qe5 Qb3 56.Qe4 h5 57.Qf5 Qc4 58.Rc2

[Weaker is 58.Qxh5 Rxe6 59.Rd2 Rf6+-]

58...Qa6 59.b4 Qb7 60.b5 Re8 61.Rf2 Re7 Inhibits Qf7+. **62.Qf8+ Kh7 63.Qf5+ Kg8 64.Rd2 Qa8** Inhibits Rd8+. **65.b6 Qe8 66.Qd5 Kh7 67.b7 Qb8 68.Qxh5+ Kg8 69.Rb2** 15.43/20

[⌓69.Rd7 #17/16 Qf8 70.b8Q Deflection Qxb8 71.Rxe7 Qf8 72.Re8 *(72.Qf7+ Qxf7 73.Rxf7 Kh7 74.e7 Kh6 75.e8Q Kh7 76.Rf8 g5 77.Qf7+ Kh6 78.Rh8#)* 72...Qxe8 73.Qxe8+ Kh7 74.Qh5+ Kg8 75.e7 g6 76.e8Q+ Kg7 77.Qhxg6#]

69...Rxe6 70.Qd5 Kf7 71.Re2 22.76/19 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.28 (precise)

[⌓71.Qd7+ #18/14 Re7 72.Rf2+ Deflection Kg6 73.Qxe7 Qa7 74.Rf8 *(74.Qe4+ Kh6 75.Rf8 Qa2+ 76.Kh3 g6 77.Qf4+ Kh7 78.Qc7+ Qf7 79.Rxf7+ Kh8 80.b8Q#)* 74...Qa2+ 75.Kh3 Kh7 76.Qe4+ *(76.b8B Qd5 77.Be5 Qh1+ 78.Kg4 Qe4+ 79.Rf4 Qg6+ 80.Kh3 Qh6 81.Rg4 Qg6 82.Rxg6 Kxg6 83.Kg4 Kh7 84.Qxg7#; 76.b8Q Qd5 77.Qb1+ Qe4 78.Qexe4+ Kh6 79.Rh8#)* 76...g6 77.Qe7+ *(77.b8B Kh6 78.Qf4+ Kh7 79.Qc7+ Qf7 80.Qxf7+ Kh6 81.Rh8#)* 77...Qf7 78.Rxf7+ Kh8 79.b8Q#]

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240 **C50**
☐ **Dardha,Daniel** **2652**
■ **Ivanchuk,Vasyl** **2619**
Djerba Festival Masters 2025 (9.5)
[Kitty Kat]

Slow 90min+30sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** 19 **e5** 9 **2.Nf3** 12 **Nc6** 4 **3.Bc4** 14 **Bc5** 6 **4.d3** 26 **Nf6** 1:18 **5.Nc3** 25 **h6** 1:47 **6.Be3** 2:57 **Bb6** 4:16 **7.Qd2** 1:12 7.Nd5 gains popularity.7.Sd5 wird beliebter. **7...d6** 13 **8.a3N** 59

[8.Rg1 Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.d4 Ba5 11.Qd3 d5 12.Nd2 Qd7 13.exd5 exd5 14.Nb3 e4 15.Qd2 Bb6 16.0-0-0 0-0-0 17.Kb1 Rhf8 18.a3 Kb8 19.Na4 Ne8 20.Nac5 Bxc5 21.Nxc5 Qe7 22.Bf4 Nd6 ½-½ Soares,D-Cortinhas,M POR-ch (Women) Lisbon 1999 (5)]

[8.h3 Be6 *(8...Nd4 9.a3 Be6 10.Nd5 Nxf3+ 11.gxf3 Nxd5 12.exd5 Bf5 13.Rg1 g6 14.Bxh6 Bxh3 15.0-0-0 Qh4 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 0-0-0 18.Qa5 Kb8 19.d4 exd4 20.Rxd4 Qf2 21.Rgd1 Qxe3+ 22.Kb1 Qxf3 23.Ba6* 1-0 Montes Olaya,K-Arellano Sierra,G COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (2)*)* 9.Bb3 Qd7 10.Ne2 Ba5 11.c3 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Ng3 Nxe3 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Qxe3 Bb6 16.Qe2 Qd6 17.0-0 0-0-0 18.Rad1 Rhf8 19.b4 Rd7 20.Rfe1 a6 21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Qxe5 Qxe5 0-1 Colas,J (2200)-Kulkarni,V (2310) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early Chess.com INT blitz 2022 (4)]

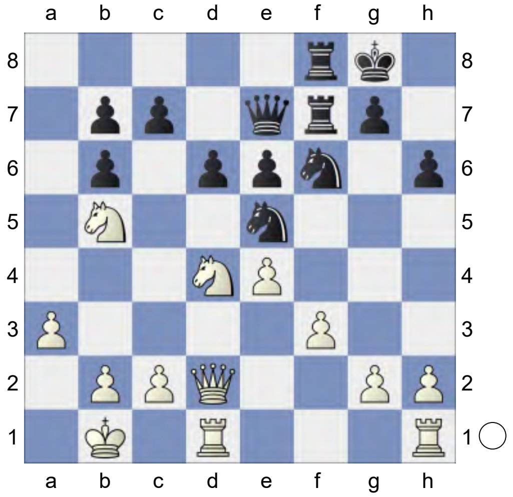
[8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 20.Kxd1 Kd6 21.Nd3 Nd7 22.b3 c4 0-1 Arrondo Vila,N-Samper Gonzalez, P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

8...Be6 2:44 **9.Bxe6** 40 **fxe6** 3 **10.Bxb6** 9 The position is equal. 'N'

[10.Na4 Bxe3 11.fxe3 0-0 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 exd5 14.e4 dxe4 15.dxe4 Nxe4 16.Qe3 1-0 (34) Tietz, B (1574)-Zobel,C (1655) GER Pfingstopen U16 blitz 2020 (3)]

10...axb6 1 **11.d4** 14 **exd4** 1:11 **12.Nxd4** 6 **Qe7** 7 **13.0-0-0** 5:45 **0-0** 29 **14.f3** 2:45 **Rf7** 45 **15.Kb1** 3:20 **Raf8** 21 **16.Ncb5** 3:21 **Ne5** 1.56/20 5:52

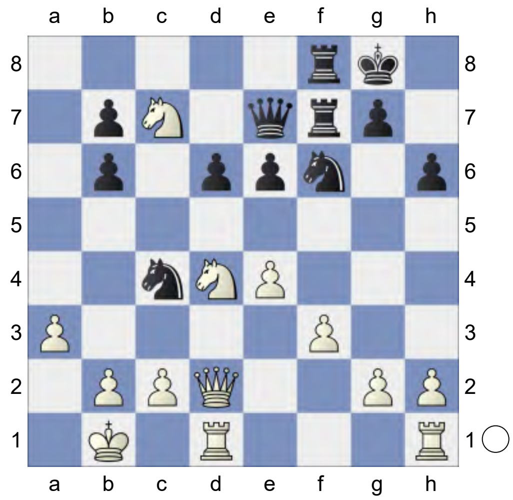
[16...Nxd4± 0.36/17 17.Qxd4 Nh5]



17.Nxc7!± 12:54 Decoy. White is more active. **17...Nc4** 2.06/22 7:54

[17...Qxc7± 1.59/22 might work better. 18.Nxe6 Qc8 *(18...Nc4? 19.Qb4+-)* 19.Nxf8 Rxf8 *(19...Nc4? 20.Qb4+-)*]

(Diagram)



18.Qb4!+- 2:43 **Qxc7** 13 **19.Nxe6** 6 **Qc6** 5 **20.Nxf8** 1:10 **Rxf8** 28 **21.b3** 1:54 **Ne3** 36 **22.Rd2** 15 **Rc8** 9:46 **23.Rc1** 15:11 Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.28 (precise)

[23.Rxd6? loses. Qxc2+ 24.Ka1 Qxg2-+]

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241 **C50**

☐ **Vitiugov,Nikita** **2676**

■ **Bjerre,Jonas** **2648**

Olympiad-45 Budapest (3.8) 13.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Mikhalevski,Victor **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6**

[RR 5...d6]

[RR 5...0-0]

[RR 5...h6]

6.Be3

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 d6 10.d4 exd4 11.cxd4 Ba7 12.Rc1 0-0 13.h3 Re8 14.0-0 Rxe4 15.Bd3 Re8 16.Bb1 g6 17.Qd2 Kg7 18.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 19.Rxe1 Bd7 20.Qf4 Be6 Safarli,E (2612)-Niemann,H (2667) AI Cup Div 2 L rapid 2023 (1.2) 1-0]

[RR 6.Nd5

A) RR 6...h6 7.c3 *(RR 7.0-0 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Na5 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6; RR 7.Be3 d6 8.c3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Nxd5 10.Bxd5 Ne7 11.Bb3 0-0 12.0-0 Ng6)* 7...d6 8.Bb3 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Ne3 d5;

B) 6...Nxd5

B1) RR 7.exd5 Nd4 8.Nxe5 *(RR 8.Nxd4 Bxd4 9.c3 Bc5 10.0-0 0-0)* 8...0-0 9.Nf3 b5 10.Bb3 a5 *(RR 10...Re8+ 11.Be3 Nxb3 12.axb3 Bxe3 13.fxe3 Rxe3+ 14.Kf2 Re8)* 11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.0-0 *(RR 12.c3 Re8+ 13.Kf1 a4 14.Bc2 Bf6)* 12...a4 13.c3 axb3 14.cxd4 bxa2 15.Qb3 Qf6;

B2) 7.Bxd5

B2a) RR 7...0-0 8.Bg5 Be7 9.h4 *(RR 9.Be3 d6 10.0-0 Kh8 11.c3 f5)* 9...d6 10.Qd2 Bg4 11.c3 Qd7 12.0-0-0;

B2b) 7...d6 8.Be3 *(RR 8.c3 Qf6 9.0-0 Ba7 10.h3 h6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Bxa7 Rxa7)* 8...Bxe3 *(RR 8...Ne7 9.Bb3 Ng6)* 9.fxe3 0-0 10.0-0 Nb8 *(RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.Qe1 Be6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Qg3)*

B2b1) RR 11.Qe1 Nd7 12.a3 *(RR 12.Qg3 c6 13.Bb3 Nc5 14.Rf2 a5)* 12...Nf6 13.Ba2 Be6;

B2b2) RR 11.a3 Nd7;

B2b3) 11.b4

B2b31) RR 11...a5 12.b5 *(RR 12.a3)* 12...c6;

B2b32) 11...Nd7 12.Qd2

(RR *12.Qe1 c6 13.Bb3 a5 14.a3 Nf6 15.Qg3 b5;* RR *12.a4 c6 13.Bc4 a5 14.Qe1*) 12...c6 13.Bb3 a5 14.a3 (RR *14.a4 axb4 15.Qxb4*) 14...Nf6 15.h3 h6 16.Rab1 (RR *16.c4 Be6 17.Rab1*) 16...b5 (RR *16...Re8 17.Qf2 axb4 18.axb4 Be6*)

B2b321) RR 17.a4 bxa4 18.Bxa4 Qc7 19.bxa5 Rxa5 20.Bb3;

B2b322) RR 17.Rf2 Re8 18.Rbf1 axb4 (RR *18...Be6*) 19.axb4 Be6 20.Bxe6 Rxe6;

B2b323) 17.Qc3

B2b3231) RR 17...Qb6

B2b32311) RR 18.Rbe1 Be6 (RR *18...Ra7 19.Nh4*);

B2b32312) RR 18.Kh2 Be6 (RR *18...Bd7*);

B2b32313) 18.Qe1 Be6 19.Nh4 a4 20.Bxe6 fxe6;

B2b3232) 17...Bd7 18.Rf2 (RR *18.Qe1 axb4 19.axb4 Be6 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.Ra1*) 18...Qb6 (RR *18...c5 19.bxc5 Rc8*) 19.Re1 Rfe8 (RR *19...a4 20.Ba2 Rac8;* RR *19...Rfc8 20.Nh4 c5;* RR *19...c5 20.bxc5*) 20.Nh4

B2b32321) RR 20...a4 21.Ba2 (RR *21.Rxf6 gxf6 22.Ba2 Be6 23.Qb2 d5*) 21...Be6 22.Bxe6 Rxe6 23.Ref1 Kh7 24.Nf5 d5;

B2b32322) 20...c5 Kramnik,V (2800)-Aronian,L (2794) Berlin GER 2018 [Mikhalevski,Victor] 1-0 (39) RR 21.Rxf6 gxf6

B2b323221) RR 22.Bd5 cxb4 (RR *22...Ra7 23.Rf1 cxb4 24.Qe1*) 23.axb4 Ra7;

B2b323222) 22.Qd2 Kg7 23.Bd5 Ra7 24.Rf1 Qd8]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 d6 10.d4 exd4 11.cxd4 Ba7 12.Rc1 0-0 13.Bxa6 Re8 14.0-0 Rxe4 15.Bd3 Re8]

[RR 6.a3 h6 7.h3 Qe7 8.Ne2 d6 9.c3 Ba7 10.Ng3 Bd7 11.b4 0-0-0 12.a4]

6...Bb4N 0.38/19

[6...Bxe3= 0.00/20 7.fxe3 b5 (*7...d6 8.Ng5 0-0 9.0-0 h6 10.Nxf7 Rxf7 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7 12.Nd5 Kg6 13.Rxf6+ gxf6 14.Qf3 Be6 15.Rf1 Bxd5 16.exd5 Ne7 17.Qxf6+ Kh7 18.Qe6* Bartel,M (2596)-Dziuba,M (2525) 100/(300) Dresden 2007)]

[6...d6 7.a4 0-0 8.0-0 h6 9.h3 Re8 10.Bxc5 dxc5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5

Ne7 13.Bc4 Ng6 14.Kh2 Nh4 15.Ne1 Be6 16.Bxe6 Rxe6 17.g3 Ng6 18.Ng2 Qd6 19.Ne3 Ne7 20.f4 exf4 21.gxf4 Idani,P (2633)-Maurizzi,M (2555) FIDE Grand Swiss 2023 (10) 1-0]

[RR 6...d6 7.a4 h6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.Nd5 Be6 11.Ne3 Re8 12.Nd2 Bxc4 13.Ndxc4 b5 14.Nd2 Nd4 15.Kh1 (*RR 15.b3 c6 16.Nf3 g6 17.g3 Kg7 18.Nxd4 cxd4 19.Ng2 Qd7 20.Nh4 c5 21.f4 exf4 22.Rxf4*) 15...Qd7 16.b3 c6 17.f3 Nh5 18.Rf2 Nf4 19.g3 Nh3 20.Rg2 g6 21.Qf1 Sindarov,J (2677)-Vokhidov,S (2650) Chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (48)]

[RR 6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 d6 8.a4 0-0 9.0-0 Be6 10.Nd2 Na5 (*RR 10...Nb4 11.a5 d5 12.exd5 Nfxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.e4 Be6 16.Kh1 f6*) 11.Bd5 Nc6 12.a5 Ne7 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.d4 Ng6 15.Qe2 d5 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.Nf3 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qc5 21.Qd2 Adams,M (2662)-Vitiugov,N (2668) London 2024 ½-½ (31)]

[RR 6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 d6 8.Ng5 0-0 9.0-0 h6 10.Nxf7 Rxf7 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7 12.Nd5 Kg6 (*RR 12...Ke8 13.Nxf6+ gxf6 14.Qh5+ Ke7 15.Qxh6 Be6 16.Rxf6 Qe8 17.Rxe6+ Kd7 18.Rxe8 Rxe8*) 13.Rxf6+ gxf6 14.Qf3 Be6 15.Rf1 Bxd5 16.exd5 Ne7 17.Qxf6+ Kh7 18.Qe6 Bartel,M (2596)-Dziuba,M (2525) Dresden 2007 Bartel,M (2596)-Dziuba,M (2525) 100/(300) Dresden 2007]

7.0-0⩲ Bxc3 8.bxc3 White has an edge. **8...d6 9.Ng5 0-0 10.f4 h6 11.Nf3 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Bc5 Re8 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.fxe5 Rxe5 16.Bd4** This pair of bishops is nice. **16...Rg5 17.h4! Rf5** 1.06/22

[17...Rg6⩲ 0.69/22]

18.Rxf5 Bxf5 19.Qf3 Be6 20.a4 f6 21.a5 0.36/22

[21.Rb1± 0.75/21]

21...Qd6 0.74/22

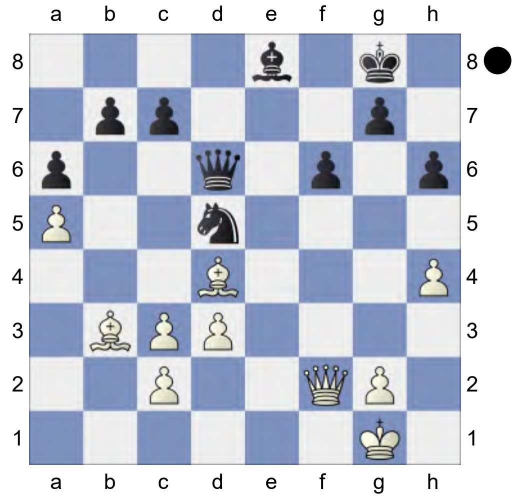
[21...c6⩲ 0.36/22]

22.Rb1 Rb8 23.Qf2 0.33/22

[23.Bb3± 0.84/22]

23...Bf7 24.Re1 Re8 25.Rxe8+ Bxe8 26.Bb3

[26.Qf5 looks sharper. Bc6 27.Bf2 Kh8 28.Qc8+]



aiming for c3-c4. **26...Bf7 27.Qf3 c6 28.Qg4 Qe7 29.Kf2 Be6 30.Qg3 c5 31.c4 Nb4 32.Be3 Nc6 33.Bxh6 Nxa5 34.Ba4 Nc6 35.Bxc6 bxc6** Endgame. KQB-KQB **36.Be3 Bf7 37.Ke2 Bh5+ 38.Kd2 Qd8 39.Kc1**

[39.Bxc5? is the wrong capture. Qa5+ 40.Kc1 Qxc5-+]

39...Kh7 40.Bxc5 Qa5 41.Bd4 Qb4 42.Qe3 a5!= 0.01/24 **43.Bc5** 0.34/25

[White should try 43.g4± 0.83/22 Bxg4 44.Qe4+ f5 45.Qxc6]

43...Qc3 44.Bd4 0.01/24

[44.Qe4+⩲ 0.41/21 Bg6 45.Qd4

(45.Qxc6 Bxd3 46.Qa4 Bxc4=) 45...Qxd4 46.Bxd4]

44...Qa3+ 0.60/24

[44...Qb4!= 0.01/24]

45.Kd2 Qd6 46.Bc5 Qd7 47.Qe4+ Kg8 48.Kc3 Kf7 49.Qh7 Qg4 50.Qh8 Qe2 51.Qf8+ 0.24/24

[51.Bf8± 0.72/23]

51...Kg6= 52.Qb8 Kh7

[52...Qe1+ simplifies 53.Kb2 Qe5+ 54.Qxe5 fxe5 55.Kc1 Kf5]

53.Qg3 Active counter play! **53...Kg8 54.Bd4 Kh7 55.Kb2 a4 56.Bc5 Kg8 57.Bb4 Bg4 58.Bc3 Kh7 59.Bd4 Bh5 60.Bc5**

[60.Qf2 simplifies Kg6 61.g3 Qxf2 62.Bxf2 Be2 63.Bc5]

60...Kg8 61.Kc3 Bg4 62.Ba3 Bh5 63.Bd6 Qd1 64.Kb2 Wards off Qd1-a1+ **64...Qd2** Against Qg3-e3 **65.Qf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)

½-½

242 **C51**

☐ **M-Z_Bot** **2656**

■ **duchessAI** **2638**

Classical 25.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 25min+1sec C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Many Black players decline the Blackmar-Diemer gambit when first faced with it, for fear of walking into a prepared line. However, this proves no problem for the ambitious White player as there are plenty of attacking chances left for him to exploit. C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Sergeant, P.: 'ChessCalisthenics: 'C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5" **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.d4 exd4 7.cxd4 Bb6 8.0-0**

[8.Bb2 Na5 9.d5 Ne7 10.Bd3 d6 11.Nc3 c5 12.Ne2 0-0 13.Rc1 f6 14.Nh4 Ng6 15.Nxg6 hxg6 16.h4 Qe8 17.h5 c4 18.Bb1 Bg4 19.f3 Bd7 20.Qd2 c3 21.Rxc3 gxh5 22.Ng3 Qg6 Blackmar Diemer Gambit-Declined d-Pawn Specials 2014]

8...Na5 9.Bd3 d6N

[9...d5 10.exd5 Qxd5 11.Ba3 Be6 12.Nc3 Qd7 13.d5 Bxd5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Bb5+ Qxb5 16.Re1+ Ne7 17.Rb1 Qa6 18.Rxe7+ Kf8 19.Qd5 Qc4 20.Rxf7+ Kg8 21.Rf8# 1-0 Damljanovic-Fischer,R Olympiad Siegen]

[9...Ne7 10.Nc3 0-0 11.Ba3 d6 12.e5 Bf5 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Ne4 d5 15.Nf6+ gxf6 16.Bxe7 Qxe7 17.Bxf5 Nc4 18.Re1 Qd6 19.Ne5 fxe5 20.Qg4+ Kh8 21.Qh5 Kg7 22.Qg4+ Kh8 23.Qh5 h6 24.Rxe5 1-0 N,N-N,N URS-chT Soviet Union 1988 Nxe5 25.dxe5 Qc6 26.e6 Kg7 27.g4 Qc3 28.g5 Qxa1+ 29.Kg2 Qf6 30.gxf6+ Kxf6 31.exf7 Rxf7 32.Qg6+ Ke7 33.Qe6+ Kf8 34.Qxh6+ Rg7+ 35.Bg6 Kg8 36.h4 d4 37.h5 d3 38.Qg5 Rd8 39.h6 1-0 Morphy,P-Morphy,A New Orleans 1849]

10.Nc3 White has compensation. **10...Ne7 11.h3 Ng6 12.Nd5 c6** White is slightly better. **13.Nf4 0-0 14.Nxg6 fxg6 15.Bg5 Qe8 16.Bd2 Be6 17.Rc1 Kh8**

[17...Bxa2? 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Qa4+-]

18.Re1 Qd8 19.Rc2 Bg8 20.h4 Qe7

0.63/21

[20...Re8= 0.25/19]

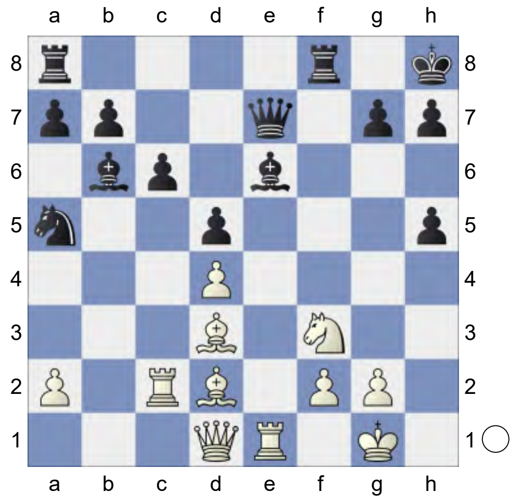
21.h5± gxh5 22.e5! d5 0.91/19

[22...Bd5± 0.46/19 is superior.]

23.e6!±

[23.Bg5?! Qe6=]

23...Bxe6

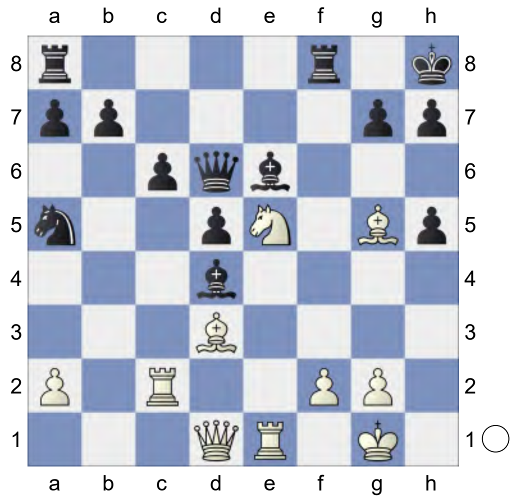


24.Bg5! White is more active.

[24.Ng5 Bg4 *(24...Bxd4 25.Rxe6 Rxf2 26.Kh2+-)* 25.f3 *(25.Rxe7 Bxd1 26.Rc1 Bg4∓)* 25...Qf6 *(25...Bxd4+ 26.Kh1=)* 26.fxg4 Qxd4+ 27.Kh1 Qxd3=]

24...Qd6 25.Ne5 Repels Nc4 Loses the game. **25...Bxd4?** 2.83/21

[25...Kg8± 1.10/21 keeps fighting.]



26.Be7!+- Double Attack **26...Bg4**

[26...Qxe7? 27.Qxh5+-]

27.Nxg4

[27.Bxd6?! Bxd1 28.Rxd1 Bxe5 29.Bxe5 b6+-]

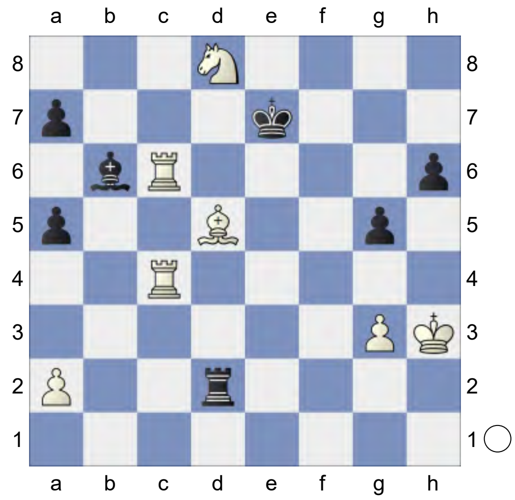
27...Qf4 28.Ne3

[Don't play 28.Bxf8 Rxf8 29.Ne3 g6+-]

28...Rf7 29.g3 Qf3 30.Qxf3 Rxf3 31.Kg2 Rf7 32.Nf5 Bf6 33.Bb4 b6 34.Bxa5 bxa5 35.Rxc6 Rb8 36.Ne3 h4 37.Nxd5 Bd4 38.Re4

[Less strong is 38.gxh4 Rxf2+ 39.Kh1 Rxa2±]

38...Rxf2+ 39.Kh3 Bb6 40.Rxh4 h6 41.Rhc4 Rd8 42.Be4 Kg8 43.Nf4 g5 44.Bd5+ Kf8 45.Ne6+ Ke7 46.Nxd8 Rd2



47.Be4! Bxd8

[47...Rxd8 48.Rxh6]

48.Rxh6 a4 49.Bf5 Rd5 50.Re4+ Kf8 51.Kg4 Strongly threatening Rh8+. **51...Bb6 52.Rh8+** White mates. **52...Kg7 53.Rh7+ Kf8 54.Ree7 Rd8 55.Rb7 Bd4 56.Rhf7+ Kg8 57.Be6 a3 58.Rfd7+ Kh8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.42 **59.Rxd8#**

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243 **C54**
☐ **Aronian,Levon** **2725**
■ **Artemiev,Vladislav** **2711**
Chessable Masters 2024 | Division 2 (3.4)
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0**

[RR 5.Nc3 d6 6.a3 a6 7.0-0 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.Be3 h6 10.b4 Ba7 11.Nd5 g5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Kg2 Nh7 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.Nd2 Nf8 16.Ne3 Nd4 17.c3 Nde6 18.Rh1 Nf4+ 19.Kg1 c6]

5...d6 6.c3 a5 Nowadays more popular than 6...0-0. Heutzutage beliebter als 6...0-0. **7.Re1 Ba7**

[RR 7...0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4 (RR *14...Qd7*) 15.cxd4 exd4

A) RR 16.e5 Nd5 17.Re4 (RR *17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4*);

B) 16.Qa4 Nh5

B1) RR 17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (RR *18.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5*) 18...Nb4;

B2) 17.Nbxd4 Nf4 (RR *17...Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4*) 18.Nxc6 bxc6

B2a) RR 19.Qxc6 Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (RR *20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6*) 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8;

B2b) 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qc2 (RR *20.Qxc6 Rab8*) 20...Rab8

B2b1) RR 21.Qxc6 Qg6 22.Ne1 (RR *22.Qxc7 Qxg2#*) 22...Rxb2;

B2b2) RR 21.Rb1;

B2b3) 21.d4 Rb5 (RR *21...c5*)

B2b31) RR 22.Qxc6 Rxb2 23.Qa6 (RR *23.Qxc7 Qg6*) 23...c5;

B2b32) 22.Ne5 Priansh,D (2311)-Wafa,H (2359) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36)RR 22...c5]

8.Nbd2 0-0 The position is equal.

9.Nf1N

[RR 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 (RR *12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4*) 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 23.Be3 Qc8 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½]

9...h6N

[9...Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7

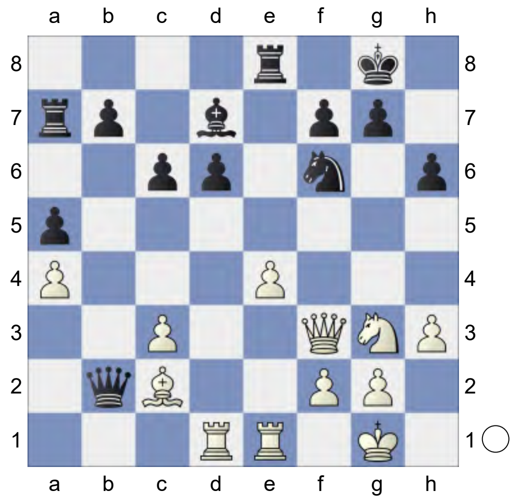
A) 11.Ng3 Ng6 (*11...c6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bc2 Bg4 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rxe4 Bxf3 19.Qxf3 Bxd4 20.Qf5 c5 21.Be3 Bxb2 22.Rd1 Bd4 23.Bxd4 cxd4 24.Rexd4 Qe7 25.Rd7 Qxe5 26.Rxb7* Navara,D (2676)-Narayanan,S (2663) Deutschland 155/116 2022 [Perunovic,Milos] 1-0 (55)) 12.h3 c6 13.Ba4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Qc7 Duda,J (2743)-Carlsen,M (2862) Wijk aan Zee 2021;

B) 11.d4 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.Bf1 Bg4 14.Be3 Re8 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 d5 17.Bg5 exd4 18.Nh5 dxe4 19.Rxe4 Rxe4 20.Bxf6 Qd5 21.c4 Re3 22.Qxd5 cxd5 23.fxe3 gxf6 24.Nxf6+ Italian Mainlines-

Giuoco Pianissimo,5]
10.Ng3 Re8 11.h3 Be6 12.Bb5 Bd7 13.a4 Ne7 14.d4 Ng6 15.Be3N

[Vorgänger: 15.Bd3 0.01/21 15.Bb5-c4 0.33 c6 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Qc2 b5 0.55/16 (*17...Be6=* 0.22/20 feels stronger.) 18.axb5± cxb5 19.Qd2 Bc6 20.Nh2 -0.05/19 (Better is *20.Qc1±* 0.76/20) 20...d5= 21.dxe5 -0.81/23 (*21.exd5=* 0.14/22 *Nxd5 22.Bxg6 fxg6 23.Nf3*) 21...Nxe5 -0.14/22 (*21...Bxe3∓* -0.81/23 *22.Rxe3 Nxe5*) 22.Bxa7= And now Ba7-d4 would win. Nxd3 23.Qxd3 -0.55/24 (*23.Bd4!=* -0.01/24 *Nxe1 24.Bxf6*) 23...dxe4 0-1 Santos Ruiz,M (2581)-Pichot,A (2641) ESP-chT Rapid 2022 (8)]

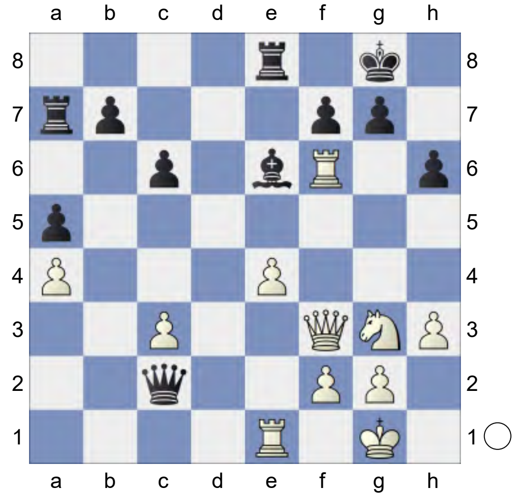
15...exd4 16.Bxd4 c6 17.Bd3 Ne5 18.Bxa7 Rxa7 19.Bc2 Nxf3+ 20.Qxf3 Qb6 21.Rad1 Qxb2



22.Rxd6! Qxc2 23.Rxf6 Be6? 2.41/23

[23...gxf6= 0.12/22 and Black has nothing to worry. 24.Nh5 Re6]

(Diagram)



Loses the game. **24.Qe3!+-** Threatens to win with Ng3-h5! **24...gxf6?** 9.67/24

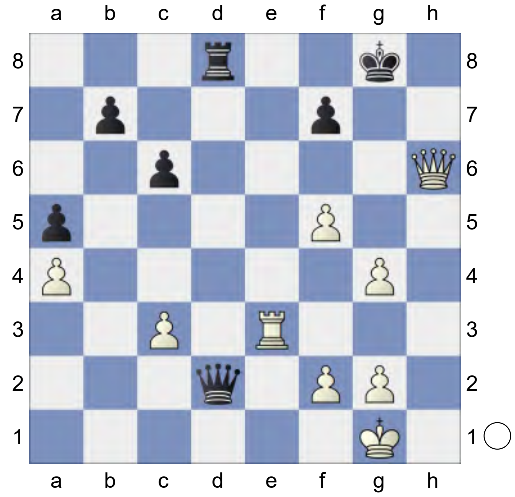
[24...Bc4 2.76/23 25.Nh5 Qd3]

[24...Bc8 25.Nh5]

25.Qxh6 Bg4 26.hxg4 White threatens Ng3-h5 and mate. **26...Re5 27.Nf5 Rxf5 28.exf5** Endgame KQR-KQR **28...Ra8** Inhibits Re1-e8+. **29.Qxf6 Qd2** Inhibits Qf6-g5+. **30.Re3** Qf6-g5+ would kill now. **30...Rd8** #9/20

[30...Qd1++- 4.64/26 31.Kh2 Qd8]

31.Qg5+ Kf8 32.Qh6+ Kg8



33.Re8+!! 6.51/5 **Rxe8 34.Qxd2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.57

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244 **C54**
☐ **Alamzhi** **2732**
■ **Ex-retired** **2577**
Blitz 25.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

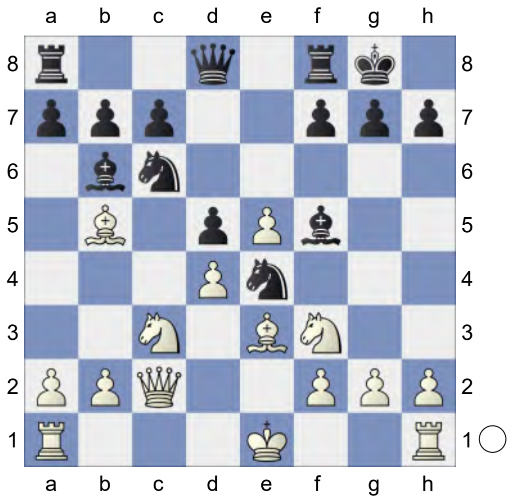
Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.Qc2 Bf5



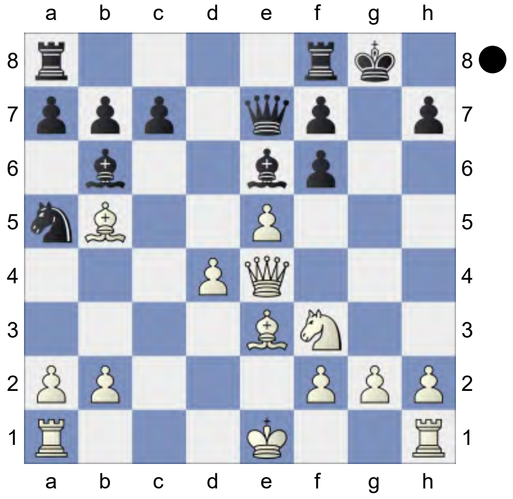
White must now prevent ...Nxc3. **12.Qb3** The position is equal. **12...Na5 13.Qxd5** -1.12/24

[13.Qa4= -0.15/20 keeps the balance.]

13...Qe7∓ 14.Nxe4 -1.75/23

[14.e6∓ -0.93/21 fxe6 (*14...Bxe6? 15.Qxe4 Qf6 16.Bd3+-*) 15.Qe5]

14...Be6↑ White is under strong pressure. **15.Nf6+ gxf6 16.Qe4**



Threatens to win with 0-0. **16...Qb4+ 17.Nd2** -2.85/20

[17.Bd2∓ -1.56/20 only move. Qxb5 18.Bc3]

17...Qxb5 18.exf6 -4.33/19

[⌓18.Qh4 -2.71/19 Qd3 (*18...fxe5 19.Qg5+ Kh8 20.Qf6+ Kg8 21.Bh6*)

19.Rc1]

18...Qf5

[Less strong is 18...Qxb2 19.Rb1 Qxa2 20.Rb5∓]

19.Qh4 Qg4 20.Qh6 Intending Bg5 and mate. **20...Qg6**

[20...Qxg2? 21.Nf3 Kh8 *(21...Qxh1+? loses. 22.Ke2+-)* 22.Rg1+-]

21.Qh4 Nc4 Black is clearly winning. **22.0-0 Nxd2 23.Bxd2 Rfd8 24.Be3 Rd5 25.Rac1 Rh5 26.Qf4 Rf5 27.Qh4 Qxf6 28.Qe4 Bd5 29.Qg4+ Qg6 30.Qxg6+ fxg6 31.f3 Re8 32.Bf2 Re2 33.a3 Rxb2 34.Rfe1 Rf7 35.Re8+ Kg7 36.Rce1 c6 37.h4 h5 38.Kh2** White got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.23 (precise)

38...Rxf2

0-1

245 **C50**

☐ **Kollars,Dmitrij** **2648**

■ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2748**

Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid (1.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.h3 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 d6** The position is equal.

[RR 8...Qe7 9.a4 d6 10.a5 *(RR 10.0-0 Be6 11.Nd2 Nd8 12.Qe2 0-0 13.Rf3 c6 14.Bxe6 Nxe6 15.Raf1 Nd7 16.Rg3)* 10...Be6 11.Nd2 0-0-0 12.0-0 Kb8 13.Nd5 Bxd5 14.exd5 Nb4 15.e4 c6 16.c3 cxd5 17.cxb4 dxc4 18.dxc4 d5 19.exd5 Qxb4 20.Qe2 Qxb2 21.Rab1 Qd4+ 22.Kh1 Rhe8 23.Nb3 Urazayev,A (2448)-Tarhan,A (2481) Chess.com INT 2025 1-0 (43)]

9.a3 Be6 10.Nd2

[10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 Martinez Alcantara,J (2619)-Tabatabaei,M (2689) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W 2023 (2. 4) 1-0]

[RR 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe1 Qe8 13.Qg3 Qh5 14.Nh2 Rf7 15.Rf3 Raf8 16.Raf1 Nh7 17.Ng4 Kh8 18.Ne2 Ng5 19.Rxf7 Rxf7 20.Rxf7 Qxf7]

[RR 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe1 Qe8 13.Qg3 Qh5 14.Nh2 Rf7 15.Rf3 Raf8 16.Raf1 Nh7 17.Ng4 Kh8 18.Ne2 Ng5 19.Rxf7 Rxf7 20.Rxf7 Qxf7]

10...0-0N

[10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6 4.Nf3 g6 5. Nbd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk FIDE GP 2009 (3.1) 0-1 Qxf6 26.Qg4 Nb6 27.Nc5 Nc4 28.Nxc4 bxc4 29.Qg3 Kh7 30.a4 Ng6 31.Nd7 Qf5 32.Ne5 Nf4 33.Qf2 Qf6 34.Kh2 Nd3 35.Qxf6 gxf6 36.Nd7 e3 37.Nxf6+ Kh8 Vidit,S (2724)-Santos Latasa,J (2665) WchT Final 13th rapid 2022 (3.1) 0-1]

[RR 10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8

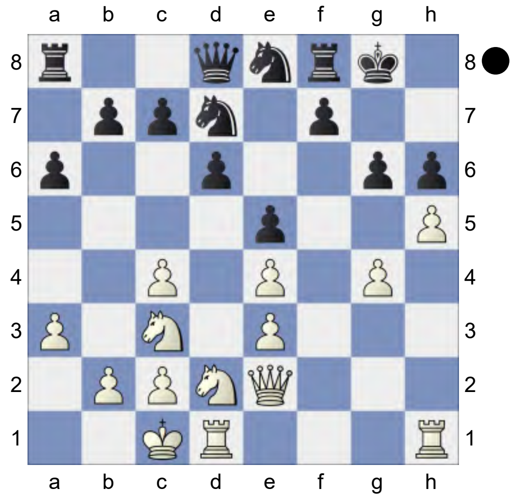
23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6 Vidit,S (2724)-Santos Latasa,J (2665) Jerusalem 2022 0-1 (37)]
[RR 10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6 4.♘f3 g6 5.♘bd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk 2022 Inf 70 [John Watson] 0-1 (37)]

11.Qe2 Bxc4 0.47/22
[11...Bd7= 0.07/19]

12.dxc4⩲ Nb8 0.98/22
[12...Qd7⩲ 0.39/21]

13.g4± Ne8 1.10/23
[13...g6⩲ 0.66/20]

14.h4 g6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.h5



And now h5xg6 would win. **16...g5 17.Nf1 Ng7 18.Ng3 f6 19.Rhf1 Rf7 20.Kd2** 0.80/22
[⌓20.Rf2 1.31/20]

20...Qf8 1.19/22
[⌓20...Nc5 0.80/22]

21.Ke1 0.75/20
[Better is 21.b3 1.19/22]

21...Rd8 22.Kf2 c6 23.a4 a5 24.Kg2 Nc5 25.Rd2 Rfd7 0.88/25
[Black should play 25...Qe7⩲ 0.34/25]

26.b3 Rf7 27.Qd1 Rfd7 0.93/25
[27...Qe7⩲ 0.50/25]

28.Rdf2 Rf7 29.Qd2 Qe7 30.Rd1 Qf8 31.Nce2 Qe7 1.67/22
[31...b6⩲ 0.64/22]

32.Qxa5+- Qd7 33.Kh3 Qc8 34.Qe1 Active counter play! **34...d5** 3.15/21
[⌓34...Qa8 1.91/21 35.Qd2 b6]

35.cxd5
[35.exd5 f5+-]

35...cxd5 36.Qf1 1.46/24
[36.exd5 f5±]
[36.Rxd5+- 2.51/22 Rxd5 37.exd5]

36...Nxe4± 37.Nxe4 dxe4 3.29/23
[37...f5± 1.52/23 was necessary.]

38.Rxd8++-
[38.Rxf6? Rxf6 *(38...Rxd1? 39.Qxd1 Rxf6 40.Qd5+ Qe6 41.Qxe4-+)* 39.Qe1 Rxd1 *(39...Nxh5? 40.Rxd8+ Qxd8 41.gxh5-+)* 40.Qxd1 Nxh5 41.Qd5+ Rf7 42.Qxe4 Nf6 43.Qg6+ Kf8-+ *(43...Kh8? 44.Qxf7 Qxg4+ 45.Kh2-+)*]

38...Qxd8 39.Ng3 Qd5? 5.08/24
[39...Kf8 2.86/21 40.Qb5 *(40.Nxe4 f5+-)* 40...f5 41.gxf5 *(41.Nxf5 Nxf5 42.Rxf5 Rxf5+-)* 41...Ne8 42.Qxe5 *(42.Nxe4 Qd1+-)* 42...Kg8]

40.Qb5 Qe6 41.Qf1? -0.01/18
[41.Nxe4 f5 42.gxf5 Nxf5=]
[41.Qc4+- 3.35/23]

41...Qc6 3.21/25
[41...Qd5!= -0.01/18 42.Rxf6 Rxf6 43.Qxf6 Qe6 44.Qxe6+ *(44.Nxe4 Qxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kf7+-)* 44...Nxe6]

42.Qg2 f5 43.gxf5
[43.Nxf5 Nxf5 44.Rxf5 Rxf5 45.gxf5 Qd5]

43...Ne8 44.Qxe4 Qd6 4.07/23
[44...Qc7 2.81/23 was called for. 45.f6 Qd7+ 46.Kh2 Rxf6 47.Rxf6 Nxf6 48.Qg6+ *(48.Qxe5? Ng4+*

49.Kg2 Qd2+ 50.Kf3 Nxe5+-+) 48...Qg7]

45.Qd3 2.10/21

[⌓45.f6 4.07/23 Strongly threatening Qe4-g6+. Qd7+ 46.Kg2 Rxf6 47.c4 *(47.Qxe5 Rxf2+ 48.Kxf2 Qd2+ 49.Ne2 Ng7+-)*]

45...Qc6 3.12/23

[⌓45...Qxd3 2.10/21 46.cxd3 Nf6]

46.Qe4? -0.01/22

[46.Qb5+- 3.12/23]

46...Qd6= 47.Qc4 Nf6 48.Ne4 Nxe4 49.Qxe4+- Endgame. KQR-KQR

49...Qd1 50.Qf3

[50.Qxe5 Qxh5+ 51.Kg3 Qh4+ 52.Kg2 Qg4+ 53.Qg3 Qb4+-]

50...Qg1 5.74/25

[50...Qxf3+ 2.96/25 51.Rxf3 Rc7]

51.f6? 1.68/25

[51.Rf1 5.74/25 g4+ 52.Qxg4+ Qxg4+ 53.Kxg4]

51...e4? 6.71/25

[51...Kh8 1.68/25 52.Qf5 Qh1+ 53.Kg3 Qh4+ 54.Kf3 *(54.Kg2 Qxh5 55.Rd2 Rf8+-)* 54...Qxh5+ 55.Ke4 Qh1+ 56.Kxe5 Qc6]

52.Qg2 3.27/26

[⌓52.Qxe4 6.71/25 Intending Qe4-e8+ and mate. Kf8 *(52...Qxf2 53.Qe8+ Rf8 54.Qg6+ Kh8 55.Qg7#)* 53.Qe6 g4+ 54.Qxg4 Qxg4+ 55.Kxg4]

52...Qd1 5.06/25

[⌓52...Qxg2+ 3.27/26 53.Kxg2 Rd7 54.f7+ Kf8]

53.Qxe4

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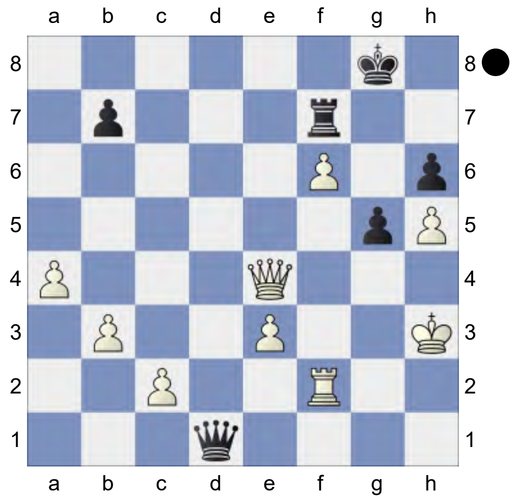

Qe4-e8+ would kill now. **53...Qxh5+ 54.Kg2 g4 55.Qf4 Kh7 56.e4 Qh3+ 57.Kg1 h5** 10.41/24

[⌓57...g3 4.15/22]

58.e5 g3 59.Rg2 h4 60.Qe4+ Kh6 61.Rd2 6.24/22

[⌓61.e6 13.09/26 Rxf6 62.e7 *(62.Qxb7 Qxe6)*]

61...Kg5 62.Qe3+ 5.10/23

[⌓62.e6 13.02/24 Threatening mate with Rd2-d5+. Rxf6 63.Rd5+ Rf5 64.Rxf5+ Qxf5 65.Qxf5+ *(65.Qxb7? is a self mate. Qf2+ 66.Kh1 Qh2#)* 65...Kxf5 66.e7 Ke6 67.e8Q+ *(67.e8R+ Kd7+-)* 67...Kd6 68.a5]

62...Kg6 63.Qe4+? -0.01/18

[63.e6+- 6.55/24 Rxf6 64.Qd3+ Qf5 65.Re2 Qxd3 66.cxd3]

63...Kg5!= 64.e6 Wards off Rf7-d7. White wants to mate with Rd2-d5+. **64...Rxf6 65.Rd5+ Kh6 66.Qe3+** White mates. **66...Kg7 67.Qg5+ Kh7 68.Rd7+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/ Black=0.64

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246 **C53**
☐ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2630**
■ **Sevian,Samuel** **2689**
ch-USA 2024 Saint Louis USA (3.4)
[Kitty Kat]

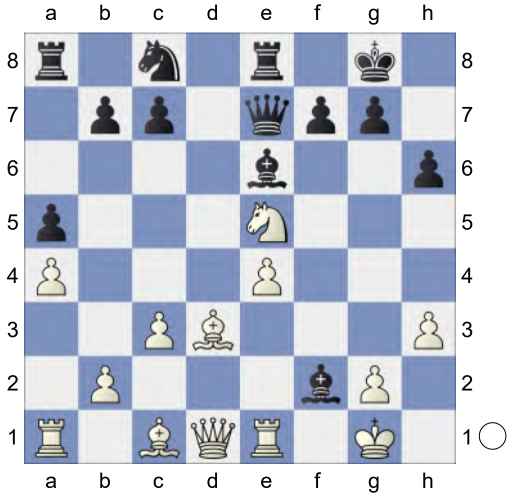
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 Willy,S (2159) -Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte 2022 0-1]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II]]

6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Nd7 11.Nf1 d5 12.Ne3 dxe4 13.dxe4 Re8 14.a4 Na7 15.Bd3 Nc8 16.Ng4 Qe7 17.Ngxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 Bxf2+



Decoy **19.Kxf2** Black must now prevent Nf3. **19...Qc5+ 20.Be3 Qxe5 21.Qf3 Ne7 22.Bf4↑** White has the initiative. This bishop pair is nice. **22...Qc5+ 23.Qe3 Qxe3+ 24.Rxe3 Rac8 25.b4 Ng6 26.Bg3 Re7 27.bxa5 Ra8 28.Rb1 Rxa5 29.Rxb7** aiming for Bb5. **29...Rxa4 30.Rxc7 Rxc7 31.Bxc7 Bc4 32.Bxc4 Rxc4⩲** Endgame KRB-KRN **33.Bg3** 0.17/22

[33.Bb6⩲ 0.67/24]

33...Ra4 0.82/23

[33...Nf8= 0.17/22 remains equal.]

34.Re2 0.37/24

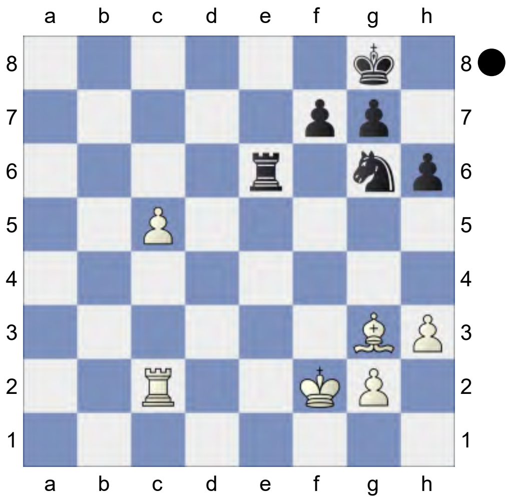
[White should play 34.Bd6± 0.82/23]

34...Rc4 35.Re3 Ra4 36.Re2 -0.01/21

[36.Bd6± 0.81/22]

36...Rc4= 37.Rc2! Rxe4 38.c4 Re6 39.c5

(Diagram)



And now c6 would win. **39...Ne7 40.Re2 Nc6 41.Bd6 h5 42.Rxe6 fxe6±** KB-KN **43.Ke3 Kf7 44.Ke4 g6 45.Kf4 Kf6 46.Ke4** 0.01/31

[46.Bc7± 0.58/31]

46...Kf7!= 47.Kf4 -0.01/27

[47.Bf4± 0.53/30]

47...Kf6 48.Ke4 0.01/27

[Better is 48.h4± 0.63/27]

48...Kf7! Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

247 **C50**

☐ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2771**

■ **So,Wesley** **2752**

Saint Louis Blitz 2023 (3.3) 17.11.2023

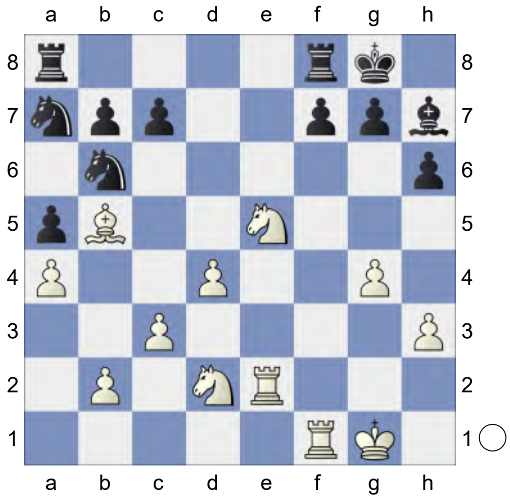
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 a5 6.0-0 h6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3** The position is equal. **8...0-0N**

[8...d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Qe1 0-0 11.Nbd2 Be6 12.c3 f5 13.Nh4 Qg5 14.Ndf3 Qf6 15.Nxf5 Qxf5 16.e4 Qf7 17.Ng5 Qxf1+ 18.Qxf1 Rxf1+ 19.Rxf1 hxg5 20.exd5 Bf7 21.dxc6 Bxc4 22.cxb7 Rb8 23.dxc4 Anton Guijarro,D (2655)-Sadzikowski,D (2503) CZE-chT 2223 2022 (11.4) 1-0]

9.Nbd2 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Qe2 Be6 12.Rae1 Qe7 13.c3 Nb6 14.Bb5 Bg4 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Bg6 17.d4! exd4 18.exd4 Qxe2 19.Rxe2 Na7 20.Ne5 Bh7

[20...Nxb5 21.Nxg6 fxg6 22.axb5]



Hoping for ...Na7xb5. **21.Bd3 Bxd3 22.Nxd3 Nxa4 23.Nb3** -0.38/23

[23.Re7= -0.01/20 was preferrable.]

23...Nc8!∓ 24.Ra1 -0.74/24

[24.Re5= -0.23/21 keeps the balance.]

24...b5∓ 25.Ne5 -1.65/22

[25.Ndc5∓ -0.92/21 was worth a try. Ncb6 26.Rae1]

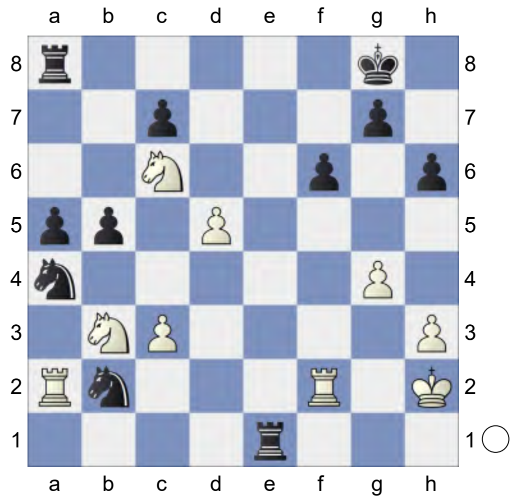
25...Re8-+ ...f7-f6 is the strong threat. **26.Rf2 Nd6 27.Ra2** -2.43/21

[27.Kg2∓ -1.57/21]

27...f6 28.Nc6 Nc4 White must now prevent ...Nc4xb2. **29.d5 Re1+ 30.Kh2 Ncxb2**

[Less strong is 30...Nab6 31.Nbd4∓]

(Diagram)



Deflection **31.Rfxb2 Nxb2**

[Inferior is 31...Nxc3 32.Rxa5 Rxa5 33.Nbxa5±]

32.Rxb2 a4 33.Nbd4 a3 34.Ra2 Rb1 35.Nb4 Rb2+ 36.Kg3 Ra4 aiming for ...Ra4xb4.

[Don't play 36...Rxa2 37.Nxa2 Re8 38.Kf2]

37.Ndc2!= 0.01/23 **Rb3 38.Nd4** -12.13/23

[⌓38.h4 -5.16/24]

38...Rb2? 0.01/23

[38...Rxc3+-+ -12.13/23 39.Kf4 Rxb4]

39.Ra1? -2.26/25 is tougher. **39...a2 40.Nxb5?** -5.97/26 Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.33

[40.Ndc2 -1.90/23 nothing else works.]

0-1

248 **C50**

☐ **Predke,Alexandr** **2673**

■ **Eljanov,Pavel** **2706**

ITA-chT GpA 55th (6.1) 11.04.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Pikula,Dejan John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3** 7.Bg5 is setting a new trend. 7. Lg5 setzt einen neuen Trend.

[7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5

A) RR 9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3

A1) RR 11...Nc6 12.Kh1 (RR *12.Qf3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 0-0-0 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Kh1 Kb8 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nd5 Ne7 18.Nxf6 a5 19.Rad1*) 12...h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Bb3 Rg8 15.Nc2 Rg6 16.Ne3 Rd8 17.Qe2 a6 18.Rf2 Qc5 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Qh5 Kf7 21.Ng4;

A2) 11...Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 Qc5+ 14.Kh1 Qxc4 15.Bxe5 0-0 16.Qg4 (RR *16.Qf3 f6 17.Bf4 Ng5 18.b3 Nxf3 19.bxc4 Ne5 20.Bxe5 fxe5*) 16...f5 17.Qg3 fxe4 18.Rfe1 Rf5 19.b3 Qc6 20.h4 Raf8 21.Rad1 R8f7 22.c4 h6 23.Bd4 Nf4 24.Kg1;

B) RR 9...Qe7 10.c3 Ne6 11.Bxf6 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Bxe5 Qxe4 14.Bxc7 0-0 15.Bg3 b6 16.Nd2 Qc6 17.Qf3 Bb7 18.Qxc6 Bxc6 19.Rfe1;

C) RR 9...Qd6 10.Na3 Bg4 11.Qe1 Qc5 12.Qf2 Ne6 13.Be3 Qe7 14.Qg3 Bh5 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Qxe5 Be2 17.Rfe1;

D) 9...Qe7 10.Na3 Bd7

D1) RR 11.Qe1 0-0-0 (RR *11...b5 12.c3 Ne6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Nc2 Qb6+ 16.Kh1 f5 17.Ne3 f4 18.Nd5 Qd6 19.Qh4 f5 20.Rad1 Kf7 21.Nxf4 Qe7 22.Qh5+ Kg8 23.Nd5 Qd8 24.Qh6*) 12.Qf2 Qc5 (RR *12...Kb8 13.c3 Ne6 14.Bxf6* *gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qc5+ 16.Qf2 Qxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Rhg8 18.Rad1 Nc5 19.Ke3 Rg4 20.Rxf7 Rxe4+ 21.Kf2*) 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Rae1 Rhg8 15.Kh1 Be6 16.Bxe6+ Nxe6 17.Qxf6 Rg7 18.Qf2 Qxf2 19.Rxf2 Rd4 20.Nb1 Nc5 21.Nd2 f6 22.Rfe2 Ra4;

D2) 11.Qe1 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6) 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

[RR 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Bd7 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 (RR *12.Bh4 g5 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.Bxg5 Nxe4 15.Bh4 f5 16.Qe2 Rg8 17.Rae1 a5 18.Nc4 Ra6 19.Ne3 Nd6 20.Qh5+*) 12...gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 (RR *14.g3 Nh3+ 15.Kh1 0-0-0 16.Bd5 c6 17.Bb3 Ng5 18.Qxf6 Rhe8 19.Qh6 Bg4 20.h4 Nxe4 21.Rxf7 Qc5 22.Re1 Nf2+ 23.Kh2 Bd7*) 14...f5 (RR *14...h5 15.g3 Nh3 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.h4 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nxg3+ 20.Kg1 Nf5 21.Re1 0-0-0 22.Rxe5 Nxh4;* RR *14...0-0 15.g3 Nh3 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5*) 15.exf5 (RR *15.g3 Nh3 16.exf5 0-0-0 17.Bd5 c6 18.f6 Qf8 19.Bb3*) 15...0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 (RR *19...Nh3 20.Qxa6+ Kb8 21.Qb6+ Ka8 22.gxh3*) 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022 [Pikula, Dejan] 1-0 (RR *21...Nc7 22.Qb7+ Kd7 23.Nxc6 f6 24.Rd1+ Ke6 25.Nxd8+ Rxd8 26.Qb6+ Ke7 27.Qxc7+*)]

[RR 7.f4 Nc6 8.Bxf7+ Kxf7 9.fxe5 Nxe5 10.Qd5+ Ke8 11.Qxe5+ Qe7 12.Qxe7+ Kxe7 13.Nc3 h6 (RR *13...Rf8 14.e5 c6 15.exf6+ gxf6 16.Bh6 Rg8 17.Rae1+ Kf7 18.Ne4 d5 19.Nxf6 Bf5*) 14.e5 Ne8 15.Nd5+ Kd8 16.Be3 d6 17.Rad1 Bd7 18.exd6 Nxd6 19.Nxc7 Kxc7 20.Bf4 Rad8 21.Bxd6+ Kc8 Dubois,M (1806)-Gaichenya,E (2000) Porto Santo 2024 1-0]

7...Nc6 8.f4 exf4N Black has an edge.

[Vorgänger: 8...0-0 9.Nc3 d6 0.23/20 (*⌓9...exf4* -0.30/21 *10.Bxf4 Qe7*) 10.f5!= Na5 0.69/20 (*10...Nd4!=* 0.09/19) 11.Be2 Strongly threatening Be3-g5. b6 1.05/20 (*11...Nc6⩲* 0.41/20) 12.Bg5 0.66/21 (*12.Qe1±* 1.05/20) 12...h6 1.28/21 (*12...c6⩲* 0.66/21) 13.Bh4 0.55/21 (*13.Bxf6±* 1.28/21 *Qxf6 14.Nd5*) 13...Bb7 1.36/21 (*13...c6⩲* 0.55/21) 14.b4 Nc6 Tikhonov,V (2201)-Levitan,C (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 01st Aug Early blitz 2023 (3) 1-0 1-0 Tikhonov,V (2201)-Levitan,C (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 01st Aug Early blitz 2023 (3)]

[8...Qe7 9.Nc3 d6 10.f5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Qf8 (RR *11...h6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Qh5 Na5 15.Nxc7+ Qxc7 16.Qxf7+ Kd8 17.Qxf6+ Kc8 18.Qxh8+;* RR *11...h6 12.Nd5 Qd8 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Qh5 Na5 15.Nxc7+ Qxc7 16.Qxf7+ Kd8 17.Qxf6+ Kc8 18.Qxh8+*) 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nd5 0-0-0 14.b4 Qh6 15.a4 Rde8 16.Rf3 Ne7 17.Nxe7+ Rxe7 18.b5 Kb8 19.a5 Bc8 20.b6 Rd8 21.bxc7+ Rxc7 22.Bd5 Qf8 23.Rb3

Maldonado Gonzales,S (1638)-Ramirez Pereales,J (1514) ch M/ME-63 corr 1963 (3) 1-0 1-0 Maldonado Gonzales,S (1638)-Ramirez Pereales, J (1514) ch M/ME-63 corr 1963 (3) Rc5 24.a6 Rd7 25.axb7 Bxb7 26.Qb1 Qc8 27.Qa2 a5 28.Rab1 Rcc7 29.c4 Qe8 30.Qxa5 Qe7 31.Ra3 Rc8 32.Rxb7+ Rxb7 33.Qa8+ Kc7 34.Qxb7+ Kd8 35.Qxc8+ Kxc8 36.Ra8+ Kc7 37.Ra7+ Kd8 38.Rxe7 Claro Molinares,S (1638) -Pilonieta Forero,A (1514) COL-ch U18 Bogota 2023 (3) 1-0 1-0 Claro Molinares,S (1638)-Pilonieta Forero,A (1514) COL-ch U18 Bogota 2023 (3)]

[RR 8...Qe7 9.Nc3 d6 10.f5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Qf8 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nd5 0-0-0 14.b4 Qh6 15.a4 Rde8 16.Rf3 Ne7 17.Nxe7+ Rxe7 18.b5 Kb8 19.a5 Bc8 20.b6 Rd8 21.bxc7+ Rxc7 22.Bd5 Qf8 23.Rb3 Maldonado Gonzales,S (1638)-Ramirez Pereales,J (1514) corr 2023 CT-1677 [John Watson] 1-0 (41)]

[RR 8...Qe7 9.Nc3 d6 10.f5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Qf8 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nd5 0-0-0 14.b4 Qh6 15.a4 Rde8 16.Rf3 Ne7 17.Nxe7+ Rxe7 18.b5 Kb8 19.a5 Bc8 20.b6 Rd8 21.bxc7+ Rxc7 22.Bd5 Qf8 23.Rb3 David,S (1638)-Pilonieta Forero,A (1514) Bogota 2023 1-0 (41)]

9.Bxf4 This pair of bishops is nice. **9...d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7** 0.45/21

[13...Nxd7= -0.01/20 14.Qd4 Rg8]

14.Nc3!± 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1! Rc8

[21...Qxb2? 22.Qxe5 Qxa2 23.Qd4+-]

22.b3 0.51/22

[22.Rd2± 0.90/20]

22...Rg6 0.99/22 Prevents Nf6-g4.

[22...Qe2⩲ 0.51/22 is more appropriate. 23.Qd2 Qxd2 24.Rxd2 Rg6]

23.Rd2 0.60/23

[Better is 23.c4± 0.99/22 Qa6 24.Qf2]

23...b6 24.c4 Qc6 1.42/23

[Black should try 24...Qa6 0.88/24]

25.Qf2 0.58/24

[25.Rxe5!± 1.42/23 Rxf6 (*25...dxe5? 26.Nd7+ Kb7 27.Nxe5+-*) 26.Re7]

25...Rg3 26.Rd5 Rh8 27.Nh5 Rg6 28.Qxh4 Rhg8 29.g3 a6 30.Qf4 Kb7 31.Kh2 a5 1.46/22

[⌓31...Rh8 0.93/22]

32.a4± Rh8 33.Nf6 Rhh6 34.Kg2! Rh8 2.51/23

[34...Ka7± 1.46/24 35.Qf2 Ka6]

35.h4+- Rgh6 36.h5 Rxf6 37.Rxf6 Rxh5 38.Rh6? 0.34/25 Wards off Qc6-e8

[38.Rxf7+- 1.97/23 Rf7-e7 would now be deadly. Qe8 39.Rf8]

38...Ng6⩲ 39.Rxg6

[39.Qxf7 Rxh6 40.Qg7 Nh4+ 41.gxh4 Rxh4=]

39...fxg6= Endgame. KQR-KQR **40.Qf7** Wards off Rh5-h7

[40.Rxh5 simplifies gxh5 41.Qf3 Ka7 42.e5]

40...Rh8

[40...Rxd5 simplifies 41.Qxd5 Qxd5 42.exd5 c6]

41.Qxg6 Qd7! 42.Rh5 Prevents Qd7-h3+. Active counter play! **42...Re8 43.Rh4 Qc6 44.Qf7 Re5!** Inhibits Qf7-d5.

[44...Rxe4? 45.Rxe4 Qxe4+ 46.Qf3 Qxf3+ 47.Kxf3+-]

45.Rf4 Kb8

[45...Rxe4? 46.Rxe4 Qxe4+ 47.Qf3 Qxf3+ 48.Kxf3+-]

[45...Ka7 simplifies 46.g4 Rxe4 47.Rxe4 Qxe4+ 48.Kf2 Qd4+]

46.Kf3 Qc5 47.Rf5⇄ aiming for Qf7-g8+. White is not keeping still **47...Qg1**

[47...Qa3 simplifies 48.Rxe5 Qxb3+ 49.Kg4 dxe5 50.Qg8+ Ka7]

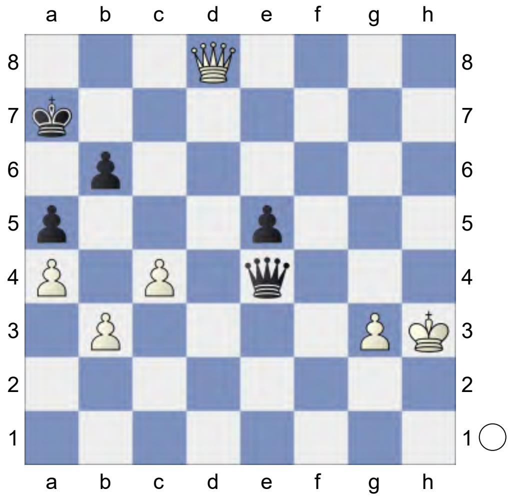
48.Qg8+ Ka7 49.Rxe5 Qd1+ 50.Kg2! dxe5± KQ-KQ **51.Qf7 Qe2+** 0.85/25

[51...Qc2+± 0.40/26 52.Kh3 Kb7]

52.Kh3± Qxe4 53.Qxc7+ Ka6 54.Qc8+ Ka7 55.Qd7+ Kb8 56.Qd8+ 0.56/26

[56.Qd6++- 1.78/25 Ka7 57.c5 Qh1+ 58.Kg4 Qe4+ 59.Kh5 Qf3+ *(59...Qf5+ 60.Kh4±)* 60.Kh4 Qe4+ 61.g4 Qh1+ 62.Kg5 Qc1+ 63.Kg6 Qc2+ 64.Kf6 bxc5 65.Qd7+ *(65.Qxe5 Qf2+ 66.Kg6 Qc2+ 67.Kg7 Qxb3+-)* 65...Kb6 66.Qe6+ *(66.Kxe5 Qe2+ 67.Kf6 Qf3+ 68.Kg6 Qxb3=)* 66...Ka7 67.Qxe5 *(67.Kxe5 Qd2+-)*]

56...Ka7±



57.c5 0.01/28 **Qh7+= 58.Kg4 Qg6+ 59.Kf3 Qc6+ 60.Ke3 Qxc5+ 61.Ke4 Qb4+ 62.Kxe5 Qxb3 63.Qd7+ Ka6 64.g4 Qc3+ 65.Kf5** With the idea Qd7-b5+. **65...Qc5+ 66.Kf6 b5 67.axb5+ Qxb5**

[67...Kb6 keeps more tension. 68.g5 a4 69.g6 a3]

68.Qe6+ Kb7 69.g5 Black must now prevent g5-g6. **69...Qb2+ 70.Kf7**

[70.Qe5!? Qb6+□ 71.Kf7=]

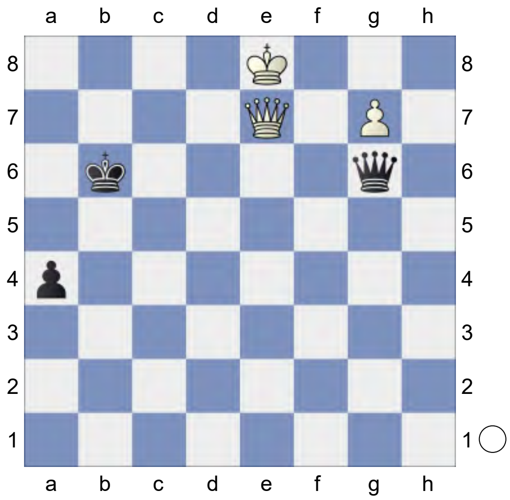
70...Qf2+ 71.Ke8 Hoping for g5-g6. **71...Qg3?** 1.67/27

[71...Qd4= 0.01/24]

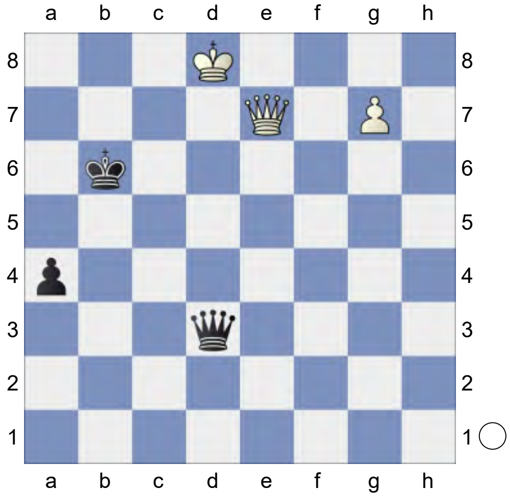
72.g6+- a4! 73.Qe7+ Kb6? 9.82/26

[73...Kb8± 0.88/25]

74.g7 Qg6+



75.Kd8! White threatens Qe7-b4+ and mate. **75...Qd3+**



76.Qd7! Qc4 77.Qd6+ Kb7 78.Qe7+ 7.30/30

[⌓78.Ke7 #20/24 a3 79.Qd7+

(79.Qxa3 Qe4+ 80.Kf8 Qf5+ 81.Ke8 Qb5+ 82.Kf7 Qh5+ 83.Ke7 Qe5+ 84.Kf7 Qd5+ 85.Kf6 Qd4+ 86.Kf5 Qd5+ 87.Kg4 Qd4+ 88.Kh3 Qd7+ 89.Kh2 Qxg7=) 79...Kb6 80.Qd8+ Kb5 81.g8Q *(81.g8R Qh4+ 82.Ke8 Qxd8+ 83.Kxd8 a2=; 81.Qe8+ Kb4+-)* 81...Qh4+ 82.Kd7 Qd4+ 83.Kc8]

78...Kb6 79.Qf6+ Ka7 80.Qe7+? -0.01/23

[White must play 80.Qg5+- 14.14/25 Qg8+ 81.Ke7]

80...Kb6!= 81.Qe3+? 3.45/23

[81.Qg5 9.55/27 Qc7+ 82.Ke8 Qc6+ 83.Kf7 Qc4+ 84.Kg6]

81...Ka6? #21/24

[81...Kb7+- 3.45/23 82.Qe7+ Kb6]

82.Ke7 White mates. **82...Qc7+ 83.Kf6 Qd8+ 84.Qe7 Qd4+ 85.Kf7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.13 (very precise)

1-0

249 **C50**

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2707**

■ **Piorun,K** **2577**

Titled Tue 25th Mar Early blitz (3)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.a3 Be6 8.Bxe6 fxe6 The position is equal. **9.0-0 0-0 10.b4**

[10.c3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 e5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qb3+ Kh8 17.Ng5 Qe7 18.Qe6 Qxe6 19.Nxe6 Rf7 20.Ng5 Rd7 21.f3 h6 22.Nh3 b5 23.Nf2 b4 24.a4 c5 1-0 (65) 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2627)-R Of B,F (2550) Budapest Vezerkepzo Christmas GM 2022 (2.4)]

10...Qe8 11.c3 Nh5N

[11...h6 12.h3 Ne7 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Ng6]

[11...Ne7 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.a4 Ng6 14.c4 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

12.Ra2 Nf4 13.g3

[13.Nxb6 simplifies axb6 14.g3 Nh5 15.Nh4]

13...Nh5 14.Kg2 Rd8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Nf6 17.Re1 Ra8 0.80/22

[17...h6= 0.27/19 keeps the balance.]

18.Qb3 0.41/20

[18.b5± 0.80/22 Nd8 19.d4]

18...h6⩲ 19.b5 Nd8 0.59/20

[19...Nb8= 0.10/20]

20.d4 exd4 1.11/21

[Black should try 20...Nd7⩲ 0.51/18]

21.cxd4± Kh8 1.68/20

[21...Qd7± 0.86/20]

22.Ba3+- e5 is the strong threat.

22...Rg8 2.68/22

[22...Qd7± 1.50/20 23.Nh4 Re8]

23.e5 dxe5 3.61/22

[⌓23...Nd5 2.27/23 24.exd6 cxd6 25.Bxd6 Qd7]

24.Nxe5 Nd7 4.60/23

[24...Qh5 3.08/21 was worth a try. 25.h3 Nd5]

25.Nf3 2.58/21

[⌓25.d5 4.60/23]

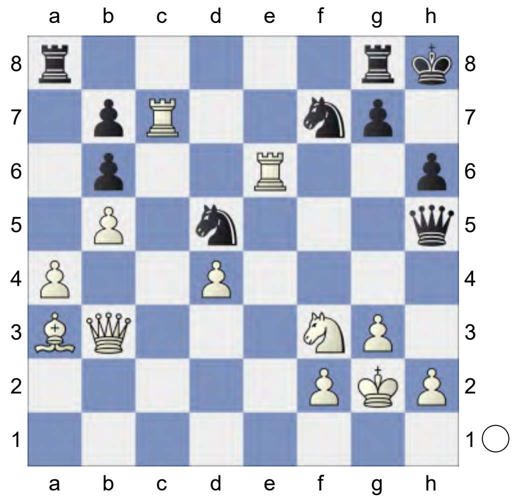
25...Qh5 26.Rc2 Nf7? 8.25/22

[26...c6 2.34/21 27.Be7 Qf5 28.Bxd8 Rgxd8 29.bxc6 *(29.Qxe6? perishes. Qxc2 30.Qf7 Nf6-+; 29.Rxe6 c5+-)* 29...bxc6 30.Rxc6 *(30.Rxe6 c5+-)* 30...Nc5 31.dxc5 Rd3]

27.Rxc7 White is clearly winning.

27...Nf6 28.Rxe6 Nd5

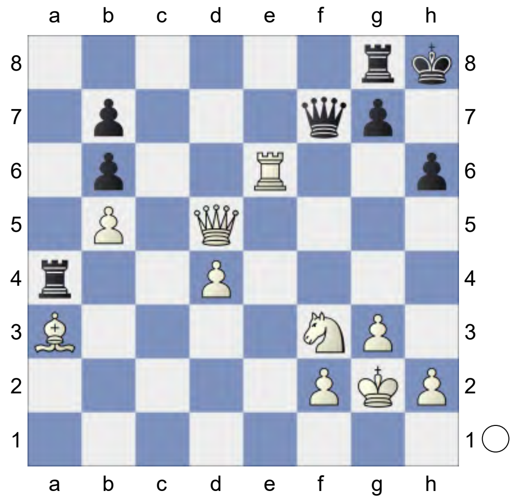
(Diagram)



29.Rxf7! Deflection **29...Qxf7** Black is weak on the dark squares

[29...Rae8 30.Ne5]

30.Qxd5 Rxa4



Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=1.24

31.Rxh6+!! Discovered Attack

1-0

250 **C54**

☐ **Lu,Shanglei** **2618**

■ **Safarli,Eltaj** **2617**

Reykjavik op (8) 14.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.b4 Bb6 8.a4 a6 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ne7 **11.Qc2!N** White is slightly better.An important novelty.

Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[11.a5 Ba7 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Ba2 Ng6 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 Qd7 16.Bb1 c6 17.d4 ½-½ (59) Kramnik,V (2753)-Martinez Alcantara,J (2612) London Clash of Claims m blitz 2024 (15)]

11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bb2 c6 14.Bd3 0.02/20

[14.a5⩲ 0.43/20 Ba7 15.Be2]

14...Bc7 0.51/20

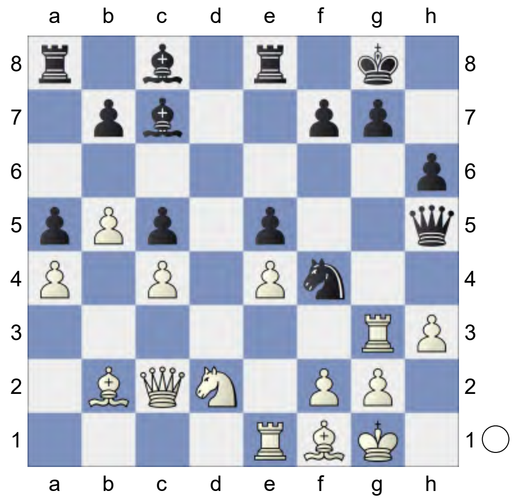
[14...a5= 0.02/20]

15.h3 0.11/21

[15.a5⩲ 0.51/20]

15...Nh7 16.Bf1 Ng5 17.c4 a5 18.b5 c5 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.Nxg5 Qxg5 21.Ra3 Nf4 22.Rg3 Qh5 0.80/21

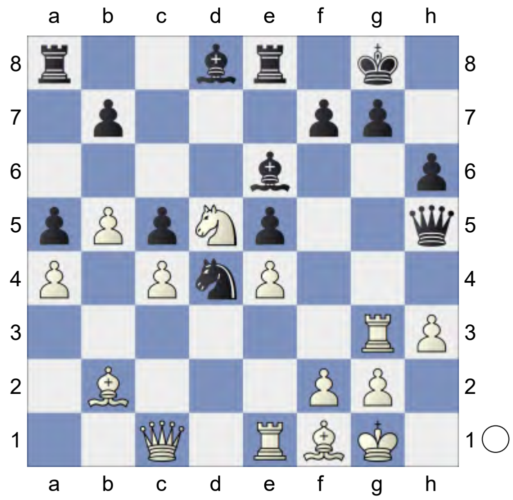
[22...Qh4!⩲ 0.39/22 feels stronger.]



23.Nb1!⩲ Ne6 24.Nc3 White is more active. **24...Nd4 25.Qc1 Be6 26.Nd5** White leaves nothing to chance now. **26...Bd8** 1.18/23

[26...Bxd5⩲ 0.43/23 27.cxd5 Bd6]

(Diagram)



Dodges Nf6+ **27.Bxd4! cxd4** 2.00/22

[27...exd4± 1.14/23 28.Qf4 Bxd5 29.cxd5 Bg5]

28.c5+- Bxd5 2.26/22

[28...f5± 1.47/20 was necessary.]

29.Be2!→ White wants a kill.

[29.exd5 e4⩲]

29...Qh4 4.00/21

[29...Bg5 2.27/23]

30.exd5 Bg5 31.Qc4

[Not 31.Rg4 Bxc1 *(31...Qxg4 32.Bxg4 Bxc1 33.Rxc1±)* 32.Rxh4 Bg5⩲ *(32...Ba3 33.c6±)*]

31...Bf4 32.Rg4 Qf6 33.d6 Rad8 4.91/21 Black is weak on the light squares

[⌓33...h5 3.36/21]

34.Bf3 d3? 8.06/22

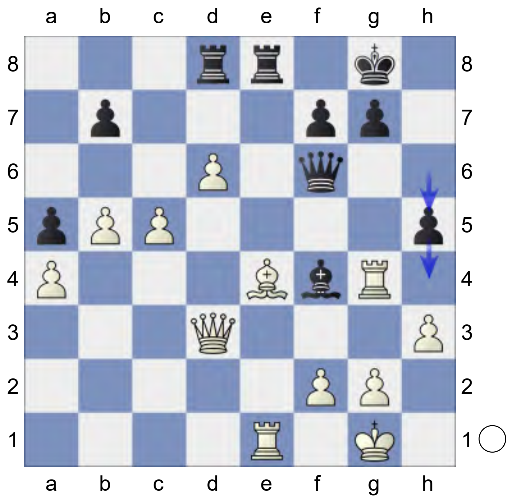
[34...b6 3.67/21 35.c6 *(35.cxb6 Qxd6 36.g3 Bd2±)* 35...Qxd6]

35.Qxd3 White is clearly winning. **35...e4 36.Bxe4**

[36.Rxe4? is the wrong capture. Qa1+ 37.Qf1 Bh2+ 38.Kxh2 Qxf1∓]

36...h5

(Diagram)



37.Rxf4! Qxf4 38.Qd5 h4 39.Qxb7 Qg5 40.d7 Re7 41.c6 aiming for Qc8. **41...Qd2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.77

42.Rf1

1-0

251 C50

☐ Rapport,Richard 2748

■ Aronian,Levon 2727

10th Sinquefield Cup (8.1) 29.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7!** outshines the older 7...d6. erfolgreicher als das alte 7...d6. **8.a4**

[8.0-0 Nxe4 9.Bxe7 Nxc3 10.Bxd8 Nxd1 11.Bxc7 Nxb2 12.Bb3 b5 13.Bd5 a6 14.Nxe5 Bb7 15.Nxd7 Rfc8 16.Nc5 Rxc7 17.Nxb7 Re8 18.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 19.Rxe1 Nb4 20.Re8+ Kh7 21.Be4+ g6 22.a3 Rxc2 1-0 Bantiwalu,A (1704)-Besra,M (1557) Olympiad Women-45 2024 (5.62)]

8...d6 9.Bxf6N

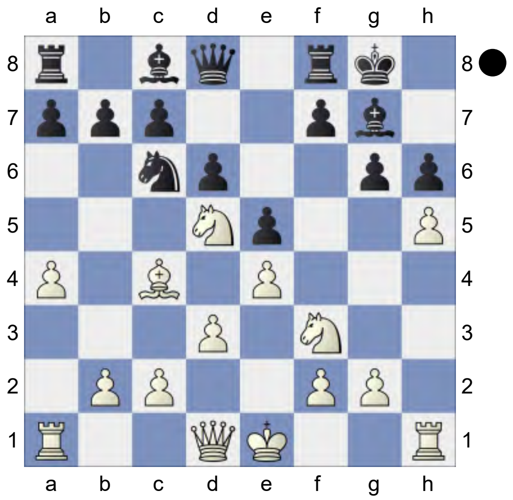
[9.Ne2 Bg4 10.h3 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Nh5 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Qd2 Qf6 14.Qe3 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Qe2 Nf4 17.Qf1 c6 18.Rg1 Qe5 19.a5 Kh8 20.Kd2 f5 21.Bb3 fxe4 22.fxe4 a6 23.Rg3 Rf6 0-1 Manhattan Cc (2253)-Loehr,H (2592) Saint Louis 154/(49) 2022 (3) 24.Qg1 Nh5 25.Rg6 Raf8 26.Rxf6 Rxf6 27.c3 Qf4+ 28.Ke1 dxc3 29.bxc3 Qh4 30.Bd1 Nf4 31.Qg3 Nxd3+ 0-1 Alboredo,J (2253)-Leitao,R (2592) Catas Altas Caraca op 4th rapid 2023 (3)]

[9.0-0 g5 10.Bg3 Bg4 11.Nb1 h5 12.h3 h4 13.hxg4 hxg3 14.Nc3 gxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxg4+ 16.Ke2 #4 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 Nf6]

9...Bxf6 10.Nd5 g6N

[Vorgänger: 10...Be6 11.c3 g6 12.h4 Bg7 13.h5 g5 14.Ne3 Bd7 15.g4 Ne7 16.Nd2 Kh8 17.Ndf1 c6 ½-½ Demchenko,A (2619)-Dubov,D (2716) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Aug Early blitz 2023 (10)]

11.h4 Bg7 12.h5



h5xg6 would now be deadly. **12...g5 13.Ne3 Ne7 14.Nd2 c6 15.g4 d5 16.Bb3 Kh8 17.Ndf1 Qa5+ 18.Qd2**

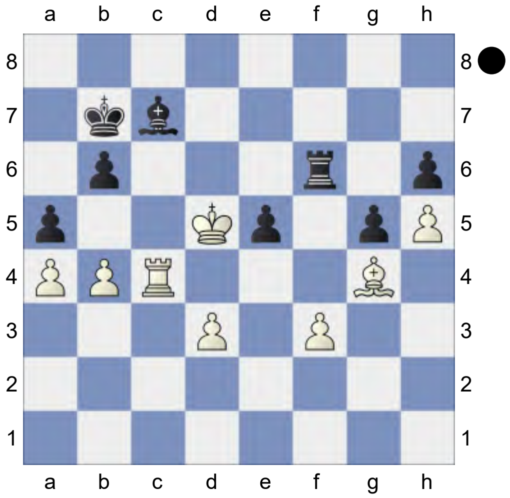
Qxd2+ 19.Kxd2 Rd8 20.Ng3 dxe4 21.Nxe4 Excellent horsemanship. **21...f5 22.gxf5 Nxf5 23.Nxf5 Bxf5 24.Rae1 a5 25.Nc5 b6** 0.20/24

[25...Rd4∓ -0.32/22]

26.Ne6= Bxe6 27.Bxe6 Rf8 28.Rhf1 Rad8 29.Re4 Rd4 30.c3 Rd6 31.Bg4 Rfd8 32.Be2 c5 33.Kc2 Kg8 34.Kb3 Kf7 35.Kc4 Rf8 36.Re3 Ke7 37.Rf3 Kd8 0.50/24

[37...Rdf6= 0.13/25 38.Rxf6 Rxf6]

38.Rxf8+± Bxf8 Endgame. KRB-KRB **39.Bg4 Rf6 40.f3 Bd6 41.Re1 Kc7 42.Kd5 Kb7 43.Re4 Kc7 44.Rc4 Kb7 45.b3 Bc7 46.b4** The position is equal. **46...cxb4 47.cxb4**



b5! 48.axb5 a4 49.Rc6 Rxc6 50.bxc6+= KB-KB **50...Kb6** Hoping for ...a4-a3. **51.Kc4 Kxc6 52.Be6 Bd6 53.Kc3 a3 54.Bc4 Kb6 55.Be6 Kc6 56.Bc4 Kb6 57.Be6 Kc6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) / Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

252 **C54**

☐ **Abdusattorov,Nodirbek** **2744**

■ **Navara,David** **2667**

6th Masters 2024 (3.3) 29.02.2024

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7]

6.b4N

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 a5 9.a3 Bb6 *(RR 9...0-0)* 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Bb5 h5 12.h3 h4 13.Bh2 Bd7 *(RR 13...g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4)* 14.Nc4 Ne7 *(RR 14...Ba7)* 15.Bxd7+ Qxd7 16.d4 f6 17.Nxb6 cxb6 18.Nd2 b5 19.a4 *(RR 19.Qh5+ Kf8 20.0-0)* 19...bxa4 20.Nc4 *(RR 20.Qxa4 Qxa4 21.Rxa4 Kd7)* 20...Nc8 Yip,C (2386)-Mkrtchyan,M (2328) Budapest HUN 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (40) *(RR 20...Ra6)* RR 21.Ne3]

[RR 6.0-0

A) 6...a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4 *(RR 14...Qd7)* 15.cxd4 exd4

A1) RR 16.e5 Nd5 17.Re4 *(RR 17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4)*;

A2) 16.Qa4 Nh5

A2a) RR 17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (RR *18.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5*) 18...Nb4;

A2b) 17.Nbxd4 Nf4 (RR *17...Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4*) 18.Nxc6 bxc6

A2b1) RR 19.Qxc6 Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (RR *20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6*) 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8;

A2b2) 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qc2 (RR *20.Qxc6 Rab8*) 20...Rab8 Priansh,D (2311)-Wafa,H (2359) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36) RR 21.Qxc6 (RR *21.Rb1*) 21...Qg6 22.Ne1 (RR *22.Qxc7 Qxg2#*) 22...Rxb2;

B) 6...h6 7.Re1 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.b4 0-0 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nbd2 exd4 13.cxd4 (RR *13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 f5 25.Rg3 Rf7 26.Qc3 Ree7 27.b5 axb5*) 13...d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Qb3 Nb6 16.Bd3 Nf4 17.Bb1 Nbd5 18.Qc2 g6 (RR *18...Ng6*) 19.Ne4 Bf5 (RR *19...c6*) 20.Bxf4 Nxf4 Moosavifar,S (2308)-Aradhya,G (2365) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (42);

C) 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

C1) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

C2) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C3) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

C4) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 Dominguez Perez, L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

6...Bb6 7.a4

[RR 7.Nbd2]

7...a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.0-0 Ng6 11.d4N

[11.Ba3 Nh5 12.d4 Nhf4 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.g3 Nh3+ 16.Kg2 Qxe5 17.Bd5 Qxc3 18.Nc4 Ng5 19.Bb2 Bh3+ 20.Kh1 Qf3+

21.Qxf3 Nxf3 22.Nxb6 cxb6 23.Rfc1 Rac8 24.Ba3 Ne5 25.Bxb7 Rxc1+ Iljiushenok,I (2580)-Pink,J (2685) Siegen 1992 Telechess CBM 89 [CCLA Record August 1949] ½-½ (44)]

[11.Bb3 c6 *(11...d5 12.Ba3 Re8 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Ne4 Ndf4 15.Nfg5 Be6 16.Nxe6 Nxe6 17.g3 Kh8 18.Qf3 f6 19.h4 Ngf8 20.Rad1 Qd7 21.Rfe1 Rad8 22.Bc4 h6 23.Qh5 Nh7 24.Kh2 Ba7 25.Rf1 Bb8 26.Nc5* Jonsson,H-Aziz Ortego,O Salou ESP 2018 CBM 85 ext [Lane, CCYB6] *)* 12.Nc4 Bc7 13.Bg5 d5 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.exd5 Bg4 16.Ne3 Bh5 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.bxc6 e4 19.dxe4 Nh4 20.Nd5 Qh6 21.Re1 Bxh2+ 22.Kf1 Ra7 23.Qd3 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Qxc6 25.f4 Qh6 Sikorova,J (2718)-Ronneland,D (2690) Linares 2023 200 Traps In The Opening [Nyback/Meyer,CD] 1-0 (32)]

[11.Ba2 c6 12.bxc6 bxc6 13.d4 Bg4 14.Bb2 Rb8 15.Qc2 Nh5 16.h3 Bc8 17.Ba3 Re8 18.Nc4 Bc7 19.Rad1 exd4 20.Rxd4 d5 21.exd5 cxd5 22.Ne3 Nhf4 23.Bxd5 Qf6 24.Rfd1 Ne5 25.Nxe5 Bxe5 10. f4 Be4_11557 (2515)-Garpe (2460) Karvina 1995 Corr 2017 [Vives, G; de Dovitiis,A] ½-½]

11...exd4 12.cxd4 d5 0.60/20

[12...c6= 0.24/20]

13.exd5⩲ White is slightly better.

13...Nxd5 14.Qb3 c6 15.Re1 Nb4 16.Ne4 Threatens to win with Ne4-g5.

16...cxb5 1.24/24

[16...Bg4⩲ 0.61/19]

17.axb5± Bc1-a3 is the strong threat.

17...Bf5 18.Nfg5 Qd7 1.81/23

[18...Bxd4± 0.79/22 is a better defense. 19.Nxf7 Qc7]

19.Ba3 0.88/23

[19.Nxf7!+- 1.81/23 has better winning chances. Rxf7 20.Ng5]

19...Rad8 20.Bxb4 axb4 21.Nc5 -0.81/25

[21.Qxb4 Bxe4 22.Rxe4 Qf5=]

[21.Nxf7!± 1.36/24 Rxf7 22.Ng5]

21...Qc7 1.19/21

[21...Qxd4∓ -0.81/25 22.Nxf7 Rc8]

22.Rac1! &Bianco is much more active.

22...Nf4

[22...Rxd4? 23.Bxf7+ *(23.Na4 Qf4⩲)* 23...Kh8 24.Bxg6 hxg6 25.Nge6 Bxe6 26.Nxe6+-]

23.Bxf7+ 0.38/23

[23.Qxb4 Ba5 24.Nxf7 Bxb4=]

[23.Re5± 1.54/22 Bg6 24.Nce6! *(24.Qxb4 Qd6⩲)* 24...fxe6 25.Bxe6+ *(25.Nxe6 Nxe6 26.Bxe6+ Kh8±)* 25...Kh8 26.Rxc7 Bxc7 27.Re3 *(27.Rc5 Ra8∓)*]

23...Kh8!⩲

[23...Rxf7? 24.Nd3! Qd7 25.Nxf4+- *(25.Nxf7 Qxf7 26.Qxf7+ Kxf7∓)*]

24.Qf3 -0.01/21

[24.Qe3⩲ 0.40/22 was preferrable. h6 25.Nce6! Nxe6 26.Rxc7 Nxc7 27.Qf3!]

24...h6⇄

[24...Rxd4? 25.Nce6 *(25.Qxb7? Qxb7 26.Nxb7 Nd3-+; 25.Nxb7 Qd7∓)* 25...Qe7 26.Nxf8 *(26.Nxf4? Qxg5 27.g3 Rd2-+)* 26...Qxg5 27.h4 Nh3+ 28.Qxh3!! Qxc1 29.Rxc1+-]

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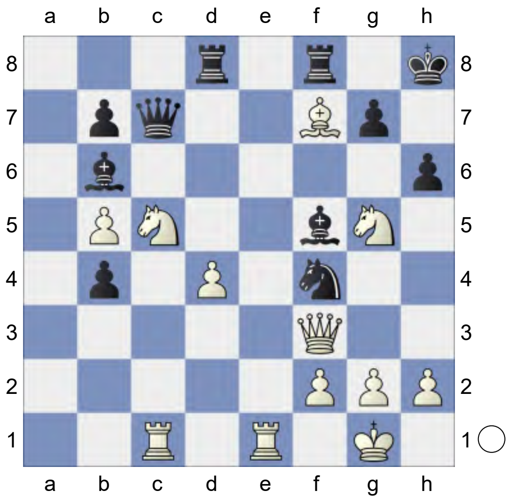
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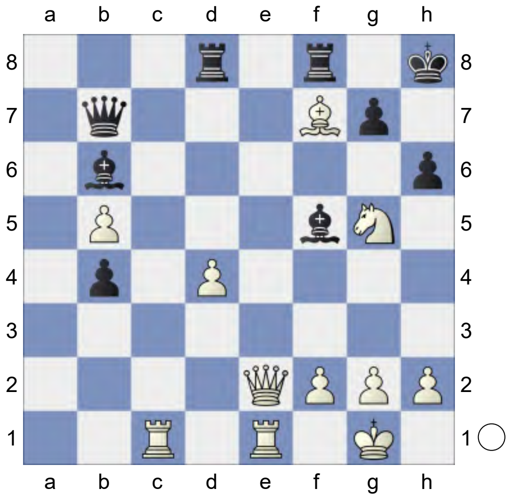
Black has counterplay **25.Nxb7! Ne2+ 26.Qxe2** -0.52/22

[26.Kh1= 0.12/22 Nxd4 27.Rxc7 Nxf3 28.Nxf3 Bxc7 29.Nxd8 Rxd8 30.Bb3]

26...Qxb7∓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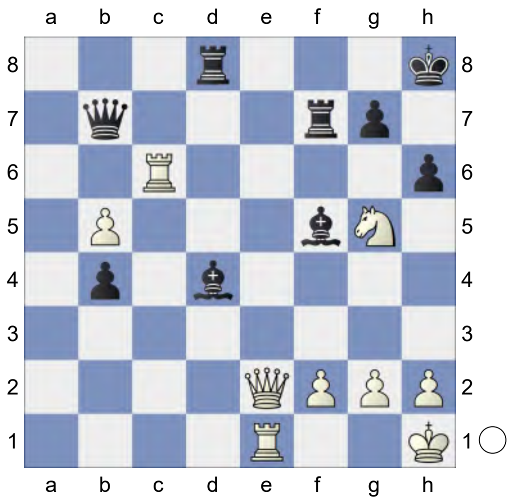
27.Rc6! -0.65/22 **Bxd4** And now ...Bf5-h7 would win. A strong pair of Bishops. **28.Kh1?** -2.28/25

[28.Qh5∓ -0.31/23 Bh7 29.Rf1 Qxb5 30.Nxh7 Qxh5 31.Bxh5 Kxh7 32.Bg6+ Kh8 33.g3]

28...Rxf7?? 5.00/22

[28...hxg5? gets mated. 29.Qh5+ Bh7 30.Bg6 Bxf2 31.Qxh7#]

[28...Bh7-+ -2.28/25 avoids the disaster. 29.Qh5 *(29.Nxh7? Rxf7 30.f3 Bc3-+)* 29...Bxf2]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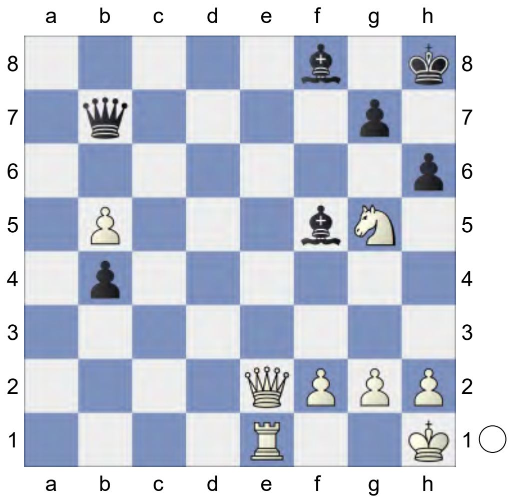
29.Rd6!!+- Rc8

[29...Rff8? 30.Rxd8 Bc5 31.Rxf8+ Bxf8 32.Qe8!]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[29...Rb8 30.Nxf7+]

30.Nxf7+ Qxf7 31.Rxd4 b3 32.b6 Rc2 8.40/24

[⌓32...Qf6 4.02/20 33.b7 Rb8]

33.Qf3 White is clearly winning. **33...b2 34.b7**

[34.Rd8+ Kh7±]

34...Qf8 35.Rdd1 Rc5 36.Qb3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.48

1-0

253 **C54**
☐ **Giri,Anish** **2762**
■ **Ma,Qun** **2651**
Shenzhen Longgang 5th (6) 06.03.2024
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Arsovic,Goran Leykekhman,D Kitty Kat TA **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Re1!** 8.Re1 is better than 8.Nbd2. 8.Te1 ist besser als 8.Sbd2. **8...0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Nbd2 Re8**

[RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(RR 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 Bd7 *(13...c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2)* 14.Nf1 c5 15.dxc5 dxc5]

[RR 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 *(RR 18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 *(RR 19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Qc8 22.Ba3 *(RR 22.N5g4 Nxg4 23.hxg4 Re8 24.Rb5)* 22...Re8 23.Qd3 *(RR 23.Bxe7 Rxe7 24.Qa1)* 23...Nc6 24.Rc1 Qe6 25.Rxb7 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

[RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5]

11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.c4N -0.39/21 Inhibits d6-d5.

[Vorgänger: 13.b4 d5 Threatens to win with ...d5xe4. 14.Qc2 Ne7 15.exd5 Nfxd5 16.Nxe5 Ng6 17.d4 Nxe5 18.dxe5 Qe7 0.19/23 *(⌓18...Qe8 -0.12/22)* 19.Qe4 0-1 (40) Sjugirov,S (2703)-Gukesh,D (2720) Chennai 2023]

[Better is 13.Be3= 0.21/21 d5 *(13...Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 Qd7 16.Rad1 Rd8 17.Nf5 Qe8 18.b4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Nd2 Ne7 21.Nxe7+ Qxe7 22.Nb3 dxe4 23.dxe4 Red6 24.Nc5 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 26.Qxd1 Qd6 27.Qe2 c6 28.g3* Chapter C50-Game 2 Game 2 (31)*)* 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.b4 dxe4 16.dxe4 Qxd1 17.Raxd1 Ra8 18.Ne3 b5 19.Nd5 Ne8 20.Ra1 Rb8 21.axb5 axb5 22.Red1 Ne7 23.Ne3 Nd6 24.Nd2 g6 25.Ra7 Ne8 26.Nb3 Rd6 27.Rxd6 Nxd6 28.Rxc7 4.♘f3 g6 5.♘bd2 (2723)-Ojasuo,A (2698) New York 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0 (43)]

[RR 13.Ng3 d5

A) 14.Qe2 a5 *(RR 14...Qd7 15.Bd2 Rd8 16.Rad1 Ree8 17.Bc1 dxe4 18.dxe4 Qe6;* RR *14...Qd7 15.Bd2 Rd8 16.Rad1 Ree8 17.Bc1 dxe4 18.dxe4 Qe6;* RR *14...Qd7 15.Bd2 Rd8 16.Rad1 Ree8 17.Bc1 dxe4 18.dxe4 Qe6)* 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 *(* RR *19...Kh7;* RR *19...Kh7;* RR *19...Kh7)* 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 *(* RR *20...gxh6 21.Rad1;* RR *20...gxh6*

21.Rad1; RR *20...gxh6 21.Rad1)* 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ (RR *22.Rxe5 Kh7 23.Rxa5;* RR *22.Rxe5 Kh7 23.Rxa5;* RR *22.Rxe5 Kh7 23.Rxa5)* 22...Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2 27.Rxe5 Bb6 Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) Batumi 2018 playchess.com [TA] 1-0 (39) Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/ (288) 2018 Sicilian Sveshnikov MBM [Leykekhman,D] 1-0 (39) Admiraal,M (2441)-Bok,B (2607) Wijk aan Zee 2016 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Goran] 0-1 (39);

B) 14.b4 Ne7 15.Qb3 Ng6 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 c6 18.Ree1 Qc7 19.b5 dxe4 20.dxe4 cxb5 21.axb5 Rc8 22.bxa6 bxa6 23.Ra3 Nf4 24.Rea1 Nd7 25.c4 g6 26.Kh2 Nc5 27.Qe3 Kg7 Abdullah Al,R (2571)-9.00 ♘bd7 10. b3_66364 (2657) corr ICCF 2019 EXP 43 [Finegold,B] 0-1 (69)]

13...Nd4 0.06/23

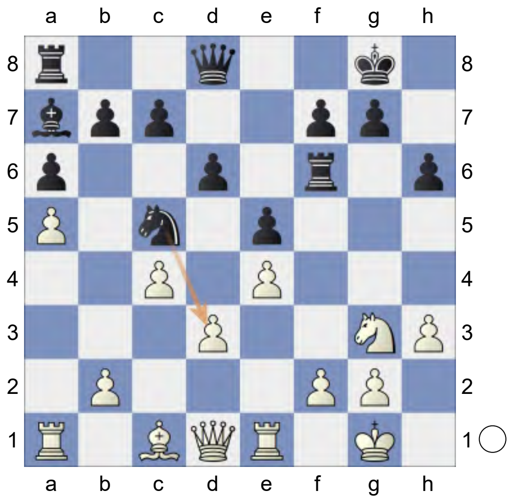
[13...a5∓ -0.39/21 feels stronger.]

14.a5 Nd7 15.Ng3 Nxf3+ 16.Qxf3 Nc5 0.25/21

[⌓16...Nb8 -0.06/20]

17.Qd1= Rf6

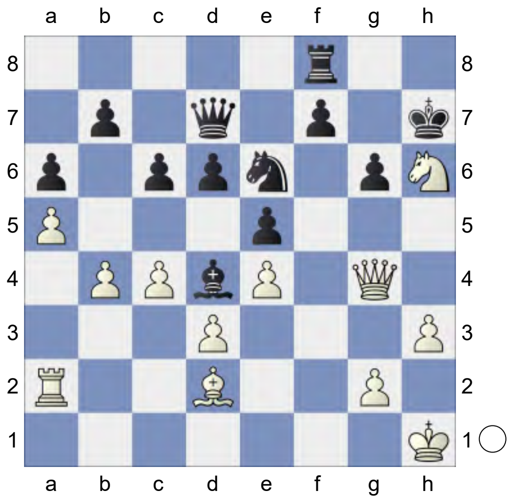
(Diagram)



...Nc5xd3! is the strong threat. **18.Rf1 Ne6 19.b4 Kh7 20.Nf5 Nd4**

[20...Qd7 looks sharper. 21.Rb1 Re8 22.Bd2 c6]

21.Ne3 Qd7 22.Kh1 Rf8 23.Ra2 c6 24.Bd2 Ne6 25.Nf5 g6 26.Nxh6 Rxf2 27.Rxf2 Bxf2 28.Qg4 aiming for Bd2-g5. The position is equal. **28...Bd4**



29.Nf5!⇄ White puts up resistance **29...gxf5 30.Qxf5+ Kg7**

[30...Kh8!? 31.Qh5+ Kg8 32.Qg4+ Kh8 33.Qh5+ Kg8 34.Qg4+ Kh8 35.Qh5+=]

31.Qg4+ Kh7 Strongly threatening ...Qd7-e7. **32.Qh5+ Kg8** White must now prevent ...f7-f5! **33.Qg4+ Kh7** An even fight not without its subleties.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless) An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

254 **C50**
☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2674**
■ **Sargsyan,Shant** **2649**
CrunchLab Masters Div 3 L rapid (5.2)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.a3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 a6**

[RR 7...Bb6 8.Na4 0-0 9.0-0 Re8 (RR *9...Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Ne7 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2)* 10.b4 (RR *10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b3 Nd4 13.Nh2 d5 14.c3 Nc6 15.Qc2 a6 16.Nxb6 cxb6 17.Nf3 Rc8 18.Bb2 b5 19.Rad1 dxe4 20.dxe4 Qe8 21.c4 bxc4 22.Qxc4 Nd4 23.Qd3 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Rc2)*

A) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 (RR *12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1)* 12...Ne7 13.Re1 (RR *13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Qg6+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rae8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6)* 13...c6 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 25.a5;

B) 10...a6 11.Nxb6 cxb6 12.b5 (RR *12.Re1 b5 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Bb2 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.c4 Qd6 18.Qb3)* 12...Na5 13.Ba2 axb5 14.Rb1 Bd7 (RR *14...d5)* 15.Kh1 Rc8 16.Be3 Be6 (RR *16...Rc3)* 17.Bxe6 Rxe6 18.c4

B1) RR 18...bxc4 19.Bxb6 (RR *19.Rxb6 Qd7)* 19...Qd7 20.Bxa5;

B2) 18...Nc6 19.Rxb5 (RR *19.cxb5 Ne7)* 19...Nd7 20.Qb1 Nc5 21.Rxb6 Ra8 22.d4 Sindarov,J (2668)-Grischuk,A (2719) Tashkent 2024 Mega2024 Update 33 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (58) (RR *22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Rb3 Rf6 24.Nh2)*]

8.Be3

[RR 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bd2 Ne7 10.Ne2 c6 11.Bb3 Ng6 (RR *11...Re8 12.Bc3 Ng6 13.Qd2 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nexd4 Ne4 17.Qd1 Nxc3 18.bxc3)* 12.c3 Bb6 13.Ng3 d5 14.d4 exd4 15.exd5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nxd5 17.Bd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Ndf4 19.Rad1 Qa5 20.Rfe1 Be6 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Qd7 Qc7 Bellaiche,E (2021)-Narva,M (2398) Monaco 2025 0-1 (40)]

8...Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 The main line 9...Be6 scores better than 9...0-0. Die Hauptvariante 9...Le6 punktet besser als 9...0-0. The main line 9...Be6 scores better than 9...0-0.Die Hauptvariante 9...Le6 punktet besser als 9...0-0. **10.Qe2N** The position is equal.

[Vorgänger: 10.Nd2 0-0 (*10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6* Vidit,S (2724) -Santos Latasa, J (2665) WchT Final 13th rapid 2022 (3.1) 0-1 *Qxf6 26.Qg4 Nb6 27.Nc5 Nc4 28.Nxc4 bxc4 29.Qg3 Kh7 30.a4 Ng6 31.Nd7 Qf5 32.Ne5 Nf4 33.Qf2 Qf6 34.Kh2 Nd3 35.Qxf6 gxf6 36.Nd7 e3 37.Nxf6+ Kh8* 4.Nf3 g6 5.Nbd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk FIDE GP 2009 (3.1) 0-1; RR *10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6*) 11.Qe2 Bxc4 0.48/22 (*11...Bd7=* 0.08/20; RR *11...Bd7*) 12.dxc4± Nb8 0.96/23 (Black should play Black should play *12...Qd7±* 0.38/20; RR *12...Qd7*) 13.g4 Ne8 (RR *13...g6*) 14.h4 g6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.h5 Kollars,D (2648)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) Chess.com Classic Div 2 W rapid 2024 (1.1) 1-0]

[10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 Martinez Alcantara,J (2619)-Tabatabaei,M (2689) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W 2023 (2.4) 1-0]

[RR 10.Nd2 0-0 11.Qe2 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.g4 Ne8 14.h4 g6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.h5 g5 17.Nf1 Ng7 18.Ng3 f6 19.Rhf1 Rf7 20.Kd2 (RR *20.Rf2*) 20...Qf8 (RR *20...Nc5*) 21.Ke1 (RR *21.b3*) 21...Rd8 22.Kf2 c6 23.a4 a5 24.Kg2 Nc5 Kollars,D (2648)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (68)]

[RR 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7]

[RR 10.Nd2 b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 Vidit,S (2724)-Santos Latasa,J (2665) Jerusalem 2022 0-1 (37)]

[RR 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe1 Qe8 13.Qg3 Qh5 14.Nh2 Rf7 15.Rf3 Raf8 16.Raf1 Nh7 17.Ng4 Kh8 18.Ne2 Ng5 19.Rxf7 Rxf7 20.Rxf7 Qxf7]

10...b5 0.38/21

[10...Bxc4= 0.00/20 11.dxc4 Nb8]

11.Bxe6± fxe6 12.g4 Nd7 13.Rg1 Qe7 14.d4 Rf8 1.00/22

[14...Nb6± 0.35/17]

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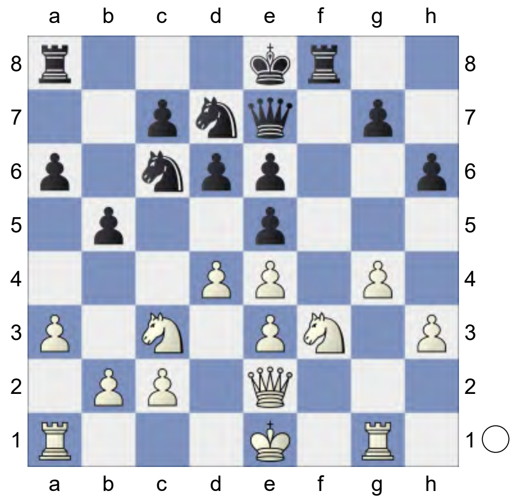


15.0-0-0 0.61/20

[15.d5!± 1.00/22 Na7 16.g5]

15...Nb6 16.g5 Strongly threatening Nf3-h4. Strongly threatening Nf3-h4.

[16.d5!? Nd8 17.g5±]

16...0-0-0 17.d5 Na5 18.Nh4 Hoping for Nh4-g6. Hoping for Nh4-g6. **18...Qd7 19.gxh6 gxh6 20.dxe6 Qxe6 21.Nf5 Rf7** 0.91/21

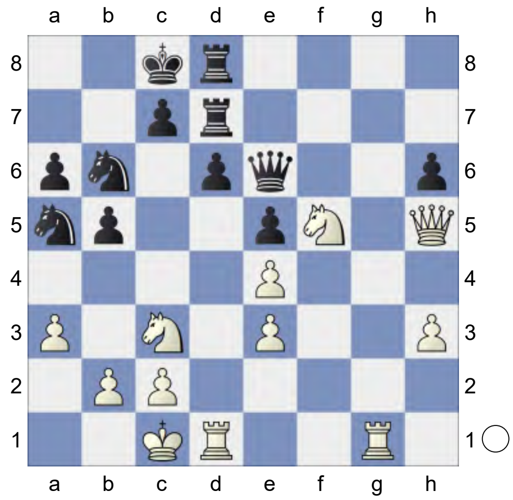
[21...Kb7⩲ 0.39/19]

22.Qh5 0.20/21

[22.a4!± 0.91/21 c6 23.Qh5]

22...Rfd7 1.54/21

[22...Qc4= 0.20/21 remains equal. remains equal.]



23.Nd5!± White is more active. White is more active.

[23.Nxh6?! Qc4=]

[23.Qxh6 Qxh6 24.Nxh6 Rh7∓]

23...Nxd5 24.exd5 Qf7 25.Qxf7 0.60/23

[25.Qxh6? Qxf5 26.Rgf1 Qh7-+ *(26...Rh7? 27.Qxd6-+)*]

[White should try White should try 25.Rg6+- 1.68/22]

25...Rxf7⩲ 26.e4

[26.Nxh6 Rh7 27.Nf5 Rxh3=]

26...Nc4! 27.Rg3 0.01/22

[27.Nxh6 Rf4∓]

[27.h4± 0.71/21]

27...Rdf8= 28.Rdd3 Rxf5 0.92/21

[28...Kb7= 0.01/23]

29.exf5 Endgame. KRR-KRN Endgame. KRR-KRN **29...e4** Against Rd3-f3 Against Rd3-f3 **30.Rd4 Rxf5 31.b3**

[31.Rxe4? gets mated. gets mated. Rf1+]

31...e3 32.Rd1 Prevents Rf5-f1 Prevents Rf5-f1

[But not But not 32.bxc4?! Rf1+ 33.Kb2 e2=]

32...e2 33.Re1 Nxa3 34.Rxe2

[34.Kb2 is more complex. is more complex. b4 35.Rg4 a5 36.c3]

34...Rxd5 1.35/22

[⌓34...b4 0.73/23]

35.Kb2 0.99/22

[⌓35.Re4 1.35/22]

35...b4± 36.Rg4 a5 37.c3 Rh5 1.48/24

[⌓37...h5 0.95/24 38.Rge4 Kb7]

38.cxb4 axb4 39.Rxb4 Nb5 40.Re7 Kb7 White is better. **41.Ree4 Rd5 42.h4 Kb6 43.Rg4** 0.60/23 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.23 (precise)
Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)

[43.Re8± 1.18/23]

½-½

255 **C50**

☐ Nepomniachtchi,Ian 2771

■ Sevian,Samuel 2696

Saint Louis Blitz 2023 (13.5) 18.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 d6 6.0-0 h6**

[6...a5 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 12.Bb3 Qd6 13.Qg3 Nh5 14.Qg5 g6 15.Nf5 Bxf5 16.exf5 Kg7 17.Kh1 Qf6 18.Qxf6+ Nxf6 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.e4 dxe4 21.dxe4 0-1 Ronneland, D (2690)-Molina,R (2835) 4647 Hastings 1946 (8.3)]

[6...a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 21.Rf2 ½-½ Sevian,S (2698)-Lazavik,D (2553) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W 2023 (6.2)]

7.a5 7.Be3 is a critical line. 7.Le3 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...a6 8.c3 0-0 9.b4N**

[9.h3 Ba7 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2 0-1 Brodsky,M (2686)-Behrmann (2544) cor 1980 (2) 24.Re5 Qg6 25.Qg3 Qxb1 0-1 Alekseenko,K (2686)-Lazavik,D (2544) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (2)]

9...Ba7 10.h3 Ne7 11.Be3 Ng6 0.35/22

[11...Bxe3= -0.06/21 12.fxe3 b5 13.axb6 cxb6]

12.Nbd2N

[Vorgänger: 12.Re1 Bxe3 13.fxe3 c6 14.Bb3 d5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.c4 -1.03/20 (*16.Nbd2⩱* -0.37/20) 16...dxe4∓ 17.dxe4 c5 18.bxc5 ½-½ Jeet,J (2185)-Sardana,R (2418) Gujarat op 1st 2018 (8)]

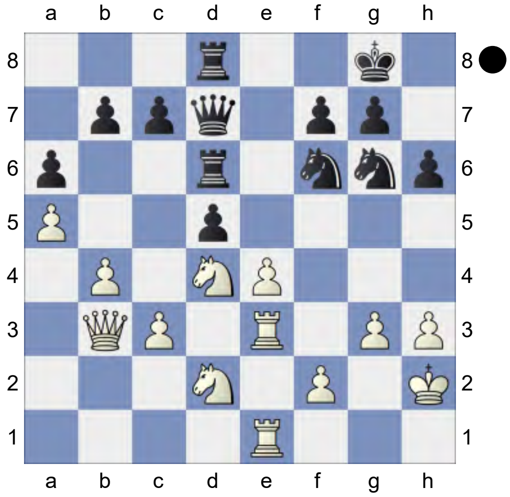
12...Re8 13.Re1 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Be6

[14...Nf4 seems wilder. 15.d4 g5 16.Qb3 Qe7]

15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Qb3 d5 17.g3 Qd7 18.Kh2 Rd8 19.Rae1 Rd6 0.27/23

[⌓19...b6 -0.19/21]

20.d4= exd4 21.Nxd4



e4-e5 is the strong threat. **21...dxe4 22.Nxe4 Nxe4 23.Rxe4 Rd5 24.h4** -0.01/23

[24.Qc4⩲ 0.53/22]

24...c5 25.bxc5 Rxc5 26.Rb1 -0.63/22

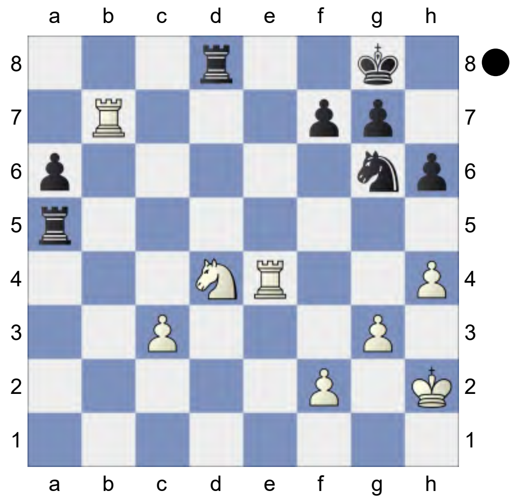
[26.f4= 0.01/22]

26...Rxa5 -0.01/24

[26...Rb8⩱ -0.63/22]

27.Qxb7 The position is equal. **27...Qxb7 28.Rxb7**

(Diagram)



Black must now prevent Nd4-c6. **28...Re5 29.Rxe5 Nxe5** Endgame. KRN-KRN **30.Ra7 Rc8 31.Rxa6 Rxc3 32.Kg2 Rc8 33.h5 Ng4 34.f3 Rd8 35.fxg4 Rxd4** KR-KR **36.Kf3 Kh7 37.Ra7 f6 38.Ra6 Rd3+ 39.Kf4 Rd4+ 40.Kf3 Rd3+ 41.Kf4 Rd4+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.10 (very precise)

½-½

256 **C55**

☐ **kenkons** **2795**

■ **Secret_Spion** **2703**

Blitz 21.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3 Ne6**

[7...Nc6 8.f4 exf4 9.Bxf4 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 1-0 Predke, A (2673)-Eljanov,P (2706) ITA-chT GpA 55th 2024 (6.1)]

8.f4N

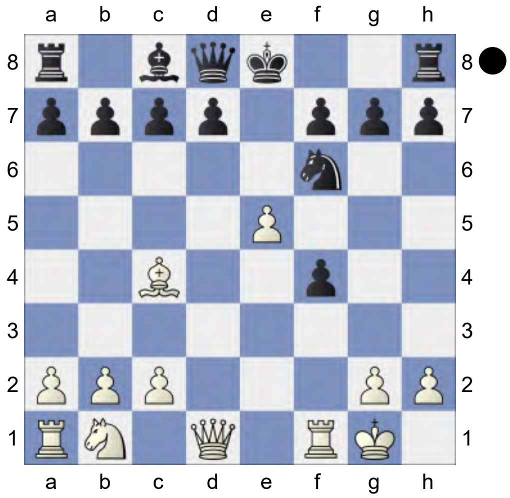
[8.Nc3 0-0 9.Qe2 d6 10.Rad1 Nf4 11.Bxf4 exf4 12.Qd2 f3 13.gxf3 Nh5 14.Kh1 Be6 15.Bd5 Qf6 16.Qe3 Nf4 17.Rg1 Rab8 18.b4 a6 19.Rg3 Rfe8 20.Rdg1 g6 21.Rd1 Bxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 0-1 Faust,D (1919)-Carrizo,J (1724) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (1)]

8...Nxf4 0.03/21

[8...Nxe4 9.fxe5 0-0 10.Bd5=]

[8...d6∓ -0.34/21 is more appropriate.]

9.Bxf4= exf4 10.e5



Qe7 3.11/22 **11.exf6+- Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Re1+** 2.73/19

[⌓13.fxg7 4.71/18 Rg8 14.Nd2]

13...Kd8 4.17/19

[⌓13...Kf8 2.73/19 14.Qh5 h6 (*14...Qxc2 15.Re8+* Skewer, Decoy, Back Rank, Promotion *Kxe8 16.Qe5+ Kf8 17.fxg7+ Kg8 18.gxh8Q#*)]

14.fxg7 Rg8 15.Qg4? 1.57/16

[15.Qh5+- 4.19/20 Threatening mate with Qh4+. c6 16.Nc3 (*16.Qxh7 f6+-*) 16...Rxg7 17.Re4]

15...f6± 16.Qh5→ 1.20/21 White is out for blood.

[16.Nc3 Qf7±]

[⌓16.Re2 1.59/20]

16...c6 17.Nd2 Some like it hot

[17.Qxh7?! Qf7=]

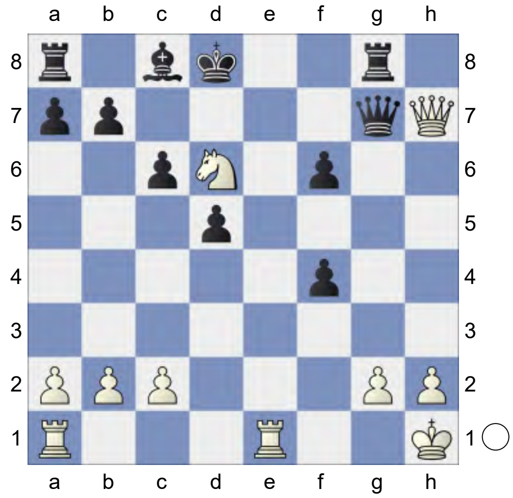
17...Qd5 **18.Qxh7** aiming for Ne4. **18...Qf7** **19.Ne4** 0.86/18 White is much more active.

[White should play 19.Re2 1.32/21]

19...d5? 4.86/18

[19...Qxg7± 0.86/18 is a better chance. 20.Qxg7 Rxg7]

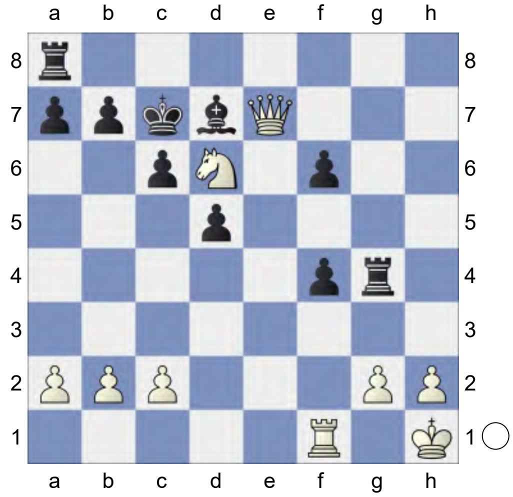
20.Nd6 White is clearly winning. **20...Qxg7**



21.Re8+! Double Attack **21...Kc7**

[21...Kd7 22.Qxg8]

22.Re7+ Skewer **22...Qxe7** **23.Qxe7+** **Bd7** **24.Rf1** **Rg4**



25.Nxb7! **Rag8**

[25...f3 26.Qd6+]

26.Nc5 **R8g7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.90 **27.Ne6+** **1-0**

257 **C54**

☐ **AKS-Mantissa** **2703**

■ **Lynx_BOT** **2579**

Classical 28.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 20min+8sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.c3** **Nf6** **5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A

(2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.0-0 Ne7 8.a4 a5 9.b5 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.Ba2 c6 12.Ba3 Re8 13.Qc2 d5 Black is slightly better. **14.c4 Nf4** 0.57/18

[14...dxe4∓ -0.31/19 15.dxe4 c5]

15.c5!± Bc7 16.b6 Bb8 17.g3 Nh3+ 1.05/20

[17...Ng6± 0.56/19]

18.Kg2 Bg4 19.Rae1 Qd7 20.Kh1 h6 1.34/19

[Black should play 20...Rd8 0.92/19]

21.Bb2± Qd8 1.78/20

[21...Bh5± 1.31/20]

22.Nh4+- Ng5 3.13/22

[22...Be6 1.63/20 was worth a try.]

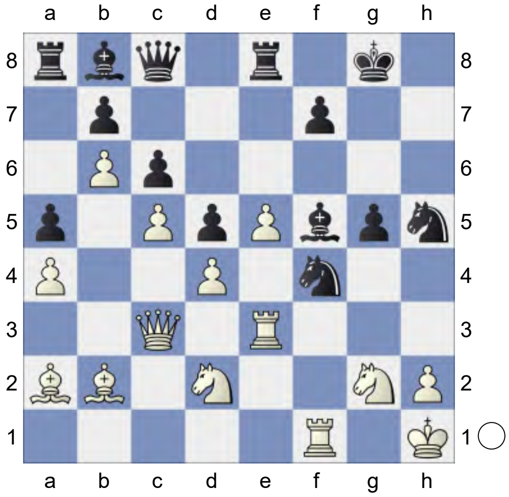
23.f4 exf4 24.gxf4 Nh3 25.e5 Nh5 26.Ng2 Qc8 4.24/20

[⌓26...Qd7 2.86/18 27.d4 Bf5]

27.d4 Bf5 28.Qc3 g5 5.38/21

[⌓28...f6 3.75/19 29.Ne4 *(29.Qf3 Bg4+-)* 29...fxe5]

29.fxg5 hxg5 30.Re3 N3f4



31.Rg3! Active counter play! **31...Nh3**

[31...Bg4 32.Nxf4]

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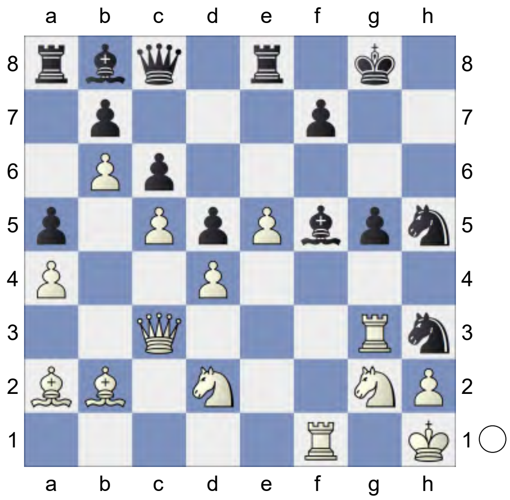


32.Rxh3 Decoy **32...Bxh3 33.Qf3! Nf4 34.Nxf4 Bxf1 35.Nxd5**

[35.Qxf1 gxf4 36.Qxf4 Qe6=]

[35.Nxf1 Qf5 36.Bc1 Bxe5 *(36...gxf4 37.Bxf4 Re6 38.Ng3=)* 37.dxe5 Rxe5= *(37...gxf4 38.Bxf4 Rxe5 39.Bb1=)*]

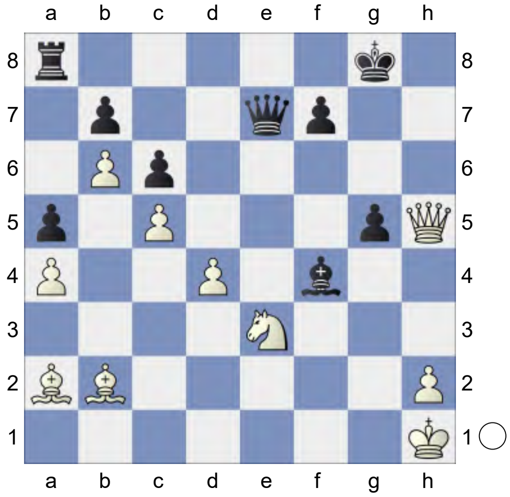
35...Bxe5 36.Ne3 Excellent horsemanship. **36...Bf4 37.Qh5**

[37.Nexf1 Re1± *(37...Qf5 38.Bb1±)*]

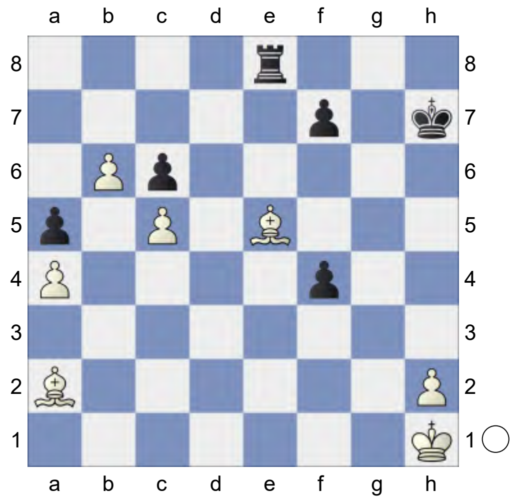
37...Qd7 38.Ndxf1

[38.Nexf1 Qf5 39.d5 Qh7 40.Qxh7+ Kxh7±]

38...Rxe3 39.Nxe3 Qe7



40.d5! Qe4+ 41.Ng2 Qh7 42.Nxf4 gxf4 43.Qxh7+ Kxh7 44.dxc6 bxc6 45.Be5 Re8



46.b7! Rxe5 47.b8Q

[Stronger than 47.b8R Re1+ 48.Kg2 Re2+ 49.Kf3 Rxa2=]

47...Rxc5 48.Qxf4 f6 49.Bb1+ Kg7 50.Qc7+ Kg8 51.Bg6 Rc1+ 52.Kg2 Rc2+ 53.Bxc2 Bg6! would kill now. **53...c5 54.Qh7+** White mates. **54...Kf8 55.Bg6 c4** Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.85

56.Qf7#

1-0

258 **C54**

☐ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**

■ **Anand,Viswanathan** **2754**

Amsterdam Levitov Rapid (16) 26.09.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 **7.Re1!** outshines the older 7.Bb3.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.Lb3. **7...a5 8.h3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.d4N**

[10.Nf1 c6 *(10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* 1-0 Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)*)* 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)]

10...Nc6N

[Vorgänger: 10...Ng6 11.Bb3 c6 12.Bc2 exd4 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Nh5 15.Nf1 Nhf4 16.Bxf4 Nxf4 0-1 Dominguez Perez,L (2754)-Firouzja,A (2778) Saint Louis Blitz 2022 (9)]

11.Nf1 -0.19/20

[11.Nb1 0.24/19]

11...exd4!= 12.cxd4

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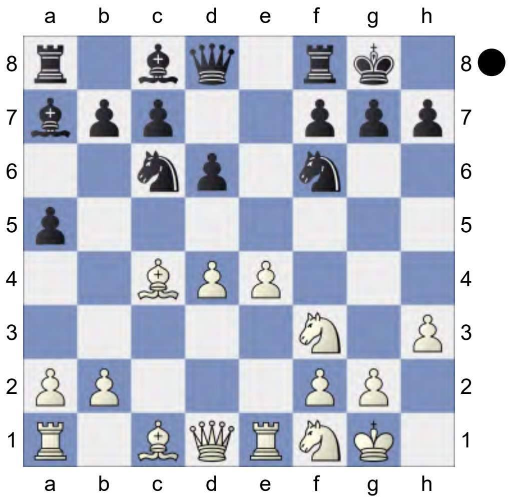


Nxe4! Decoy **13.Bd5**

[13.Rxe4!? d5□ 14.Bg5∓]

13...Nf6 14.Bxc6

[14.Bg5!?]

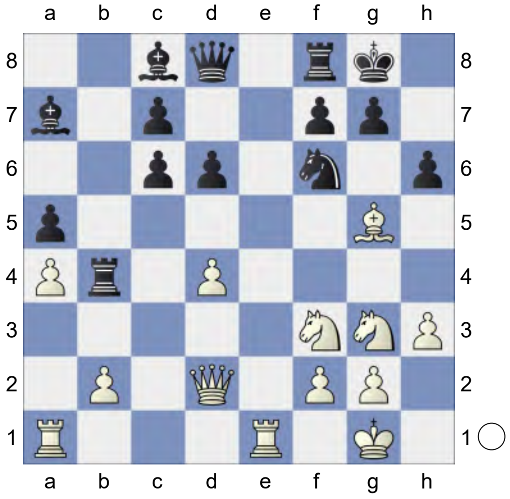
14...bxc6 15.Bg5 Rb8 16.Qd2 Rb5 -0.01/19

[16...h6∓ -0.41/22 deserves consideration. 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Qxa5 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 Qxd4 20.Qxc7 Rxb2 *(20...Qxb2 21.Qxd6 Rb5 22.Ng3=)*]

17.a4 Rb4 1.49/27

[17...Rf5!= -0.01/21]

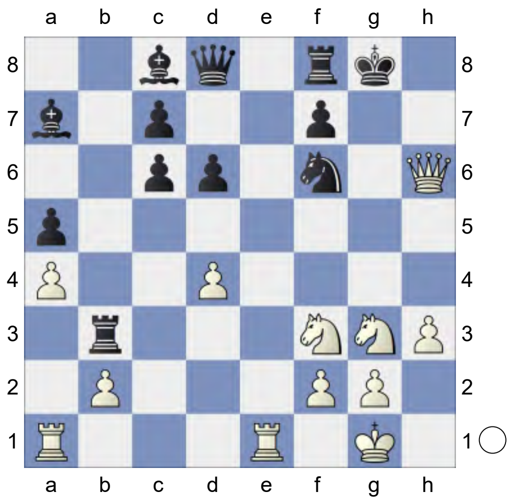
18.Ng3± h6



19.Bxh6 Demolition **19...gxh6 20.Qxh6** White wants to mate with Ng5. **20...Rb3** 3.04/26

[20...Rxb2 21.Ng5]

[⌓20...Nh7 1.91/25]



21.Re4? 0.55/23 **Nxe4± 22.Nh5→** White attacks. Dancing on a razor blade.

[22.Nxe4? Rxf3 *(22...Rxb2? 23.Nf6++-)* 23.Ng5 Re8 *(23...Rxh3 24.gxh3 Bf5 25.Ra3∓)* 24.Qh7+ Kf8 25.Qh6+ Ke7 26.Nxf3 Be6 27.Qg5+ Kd7 28.Qxa5 Qa8-+]

22...Bxd4 23.Nxd4 Excellent horsemanship. **23...Qg5 24.Qxg5+ Nxg5 25.Nxb3 Be6?** 3.39/23

[25...f5!= 0.24/25 and Black is okay.]

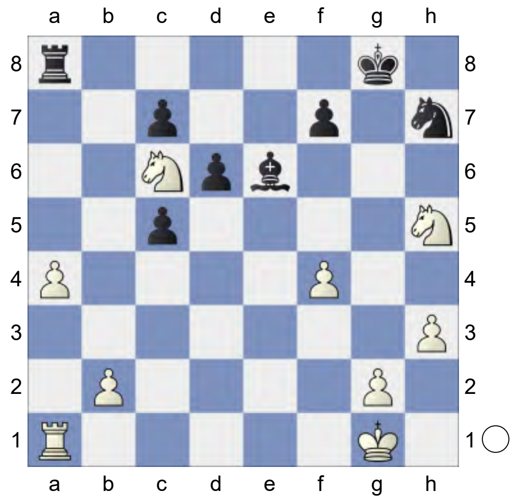
26.Nxa5+- c5 27.Nc6 Ra8 28.f4 0.74/23

[28.h4!+- 2.12/24 and White stays clearly on top. Ne4 29.Nf4]

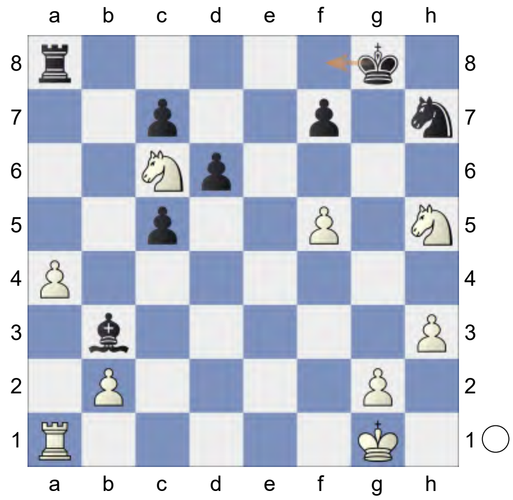
28...Nh7 1.43/24

[⌓28...Ne4 0.74/23]

(Diagram)



29.f5! 0.95/29 **Bb3±**



30.Ra3!

[30.a5 Kf8±]

30...Bxa4 31.Ne7+ Kf8 32.Nd5 White is more active. **32...Bc6 33.Rxa8+**

[Much weaker is 33.Nxc7?! Rxa3 34.bxa3 Ke7∓]

33...Bxa8 34.Nxc7 Endgame KBN-KNN. White is a pawn up. **34...Bc6** 1.40/27

[⌓34...Be4 0.85/26]

35.f6 0.21/28

[Better is 35.Nf4± 1.40/27]

35...Ng5 36.h4 Ne4 37.g4 d5 38.g5 d4 39.Nf4 c4 40.Nce6+ fxe6 41.Nxe6+ Kg8 42.Nxd4 Bd7 43.Kg2 Bg4 44.Nc6 Bh5 45.Ne5 c3 46.bxc3 Nxc3 47.Kg3 Ne2+ 48.Kf2 Nf4 49.Nc4 Kf7 50.Kg3 Ne2+ 51.Kf2 Nf4 52.Nd6+ Ke6 53.Ne4 Kf5 54.Ng3+ Kg4 55.Nxh5 Kxh5= KN-K3P **56.Ke3 Ng6 57.Ke4 Kxh4 58.Kf5 Kh5 59.f7** White has compensation. **59...Nf8 60.Kf6 Ng6 61.Kf5** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)

61...Nf8

½-½

259 C50

□ **So,Wesley 2752**

■ **Sevian,Samuel 2696**

Saint Louis Blitz (9) 17.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Nc3 a6**

[RR 6...h6 7.h3

A) RR 7...g5 8.Be3 (RR *8.Nxg5 hxg5 9.Bxg5 Rg8 10.h4 Be6 11.Qf3 Rg6 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.Bxd5 Nd4 14.Qd1 Rxg5 15.hxg5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qxg5 17.c3 Nf5 18.d4 Bb6 19.a4 a6 20.a5 Ba7 21.Re1 0-0-0 22.Qf3 Rg8*) 8...g4 9.Nh2 gxh3 10.g3 Rg8 11.Bxc5 dxc5 12.Kh1 Nd4 13.f4 Qe7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Nf5 16.Re1 Nxg3+ 17.Kg1 Ne2+ 18.Kh1 Ng3+ 19.Kg1 Qh4 20.Rxe5+ Kd8 21.Qe1 Qxf4 22.Ng4;

B) 7...Bb6 8.a3 0-0 (RR *8...g5 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.Bxd5 Ne7 11.Be3 Ng6 12.Nh2 h5 13.Bxb6 axb6*

14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.f3 Qe7 17.Qd2 f5 18.exf5 Qc5+ 19.Rf2 Bxf5 20.Re1 0-0-0 21.c4 Nd3 22.Re3 Nxf2 23.Qxf2) 9.Be3 Be6 10.Nd2

B1) RR 10...Qd7 11.Nd5 Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.Qf3 Qf5 (RR *13...c6 14.dxc6 bxc6)* 14.Qxf5 Nxf5 15.Bxb6 axb6 16.Ne4 Nd7 17.c3;

B2) 10...Nd4 11.Ne2 (RR *11.Na4)* 11...Nxe2+ 12.Qxe2 Re8 13.Bxe6 Rxe6 14.Nc4 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 d5 16.Qf3 (RR *16.Rad1)* 16...c6 (RR *16...dxe4 17.dxe4 Qd4)* 17.Rae1 g6 (RR *17...dxe4 18.dxe4 Qd4)* 18.g3 (RR *18.exd5 cxd5 19.c3)* 18...Kg7 (RR *18...dxe4 19.dxe4 Qd4)*

B2a) RR 19.exd5 Nxd5 (RR *19...cxd5 20.c4)* 20.Nc4;

B2b) 19.Kg2 Qd7 20.h4 (RR *20.Ng4)* 20...Rae8 (RR *20...h5)* 21.Rh1 Sevian,S (2687)-Firouzja,A (2737) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 33 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (81) (RR *21.Ng4)*]

7.h3 Recently 7.a4 got a lot of attention. 7.a4 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit.

[7.Nd5 h6 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 0-0 10.Be3 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 Ne7 12.Bb3 Ng6 13.h3 Qf6 14.a5 Nf4 15.Kh2 Bd7 16.d4 Bb5 17.c4 Be8 18.d5 Qe7 19.Bxa7 Rxa7 20.g3 Ng6 21.Nd2 Bd7 1-0 Sindarov,J (2661)-Sanal,V (2600) Dubai op-A 23rd 2023 (5) Sindarov,J (2661)-Sanal,V (2600) Dubai op-A 23rd 2023 (5) 1-0 Sindarov,J (2661)-Sanal,V (2600) Dubai op-A 23rd 2023 (5) 1-0 1-0 Sindarov,J (2661)-Sanal,V (2600) Dubai op-A 23rd 2023 (5)]

[RR 7.a4 0-0 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 (RR *10.Nd5 Bxd5 11.exd5 Ne7 12.e4 a5 13.c3 Ng6 14.g3 Qc8 15.b4 h5 16.Nd2)* 10...Nb4 11.a5 d5 12.exd5 Nfxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxd5 15.e4 Be6 16.Kh1 f6 17.b3 Qe7 18.Qe2 Qc5 19.Nc4 Rad8 20.Ne3 Rd7 21.Qd2 Qd4 Boskovic,M (2713)-Osnos,V (2768) Barcelona 2022 CBM 087 Extra [John Watson] 0-1 (67)]

7...h6 8.a4

[RR 8.Be3

A) 8...0-0 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.a4 Qd6 11.Ne2 Be6 12.b3 (RR *12.Nd2 Rad8 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.Ng3 Rd7 15.a5 Ne7 16.Qf3 Rfd8 17.Qe3 Qc6 18.Ra3)* 12...Nd4 13.Nfxd4 cxd4 14.f4 Bxc4 15.bxc4 Nd7 16.fxe5 Nxe5 17.Nf4 c6 18.Qe1 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa8 Rxa8 21.cxb5 cxb5 22.Nd5 Ra2 Biastoch,B (2205)-Fuentes,A (2088) Chess.com INT 2025 1-0;

B) 8...Nd4 9.Nd5 b5 10.Bb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 Bxe3 12.Nxe3 0-0 13.c4 Bd7 14.Qd2 Qb8 15.Nh4 b4 16.Nhf5 Re8 17.f4 Bxf5 18.Nxf5 Qb6+ 19.Kh2 Rad8 20.g4 c5 21.Qg2 Kh7 22.g5 hxg5 1-0 Ivanov,V (1340)-Nikolaev,I 34th Rilton Cup 2004 (4) Ivanov,V (1340) -Nikolaev,I 34th Rilton Cup 2004 (4) 1-0 Ivanov,V (1340) -Nikolaev,I 34th Rilton Cup 2004 (4) 1-0 1-0 Ivanov,V (1340)-Nikolaev,I 34th Rilton Cup 2004 (4)]

8...g5N 0.47/20

[8...Be6= 0.01/20]

[RR 8...0-0 9.Be3 Ba7 10.Bxa7 Rxa7 11.Nd2 Be6 12.f4 (RR *12.Nd5*

Bxd5 13.exd5 Ne7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.g3 Ra8 16.Kh2 Nd7 17.Qg4 Nf6 18.Qf3) 12...exf4 13.Rxf4 Ne5 14.Bb3 Ng6 15.Rf2 Bxb3 16.Nxb3 d5 17.Qf3 dxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.Qxe4 Qg5 20.Raf1 b6 21.Nd4 Qe5 22.Re2 Qxe4 23.Rxe4 0-1 Ismayil,M (1941)-Zhou,L (2045) EU-ch U18 Girls 30th 2022 (8) Ismayil, M (1941)-Zhou,L (2045) EU-ch U18 Girls 30th 2022 (8) 0-1 Ismayil,M (1941)-Zhou,L (2045) Antalya 2022 0-1 (63) Priyanka,N (1941)-Petkov,V (2045) Malmö 2022 ICCF 2019 [John Watson] 0-1 (63) Ismayil,M (1941)-Zhou,L (2045) EU-ch U18 Girls 30th 2022 (8) 0-1 0-1 Ismayil,M (1941)-Zhou,L (2045) EU-ch U18 Girls 30th 2022 (8) c5 24.Nf5 Rd7 25.Rfe1 Rd5 26.Ne3 Rg5 27.h4 Rh5 28.g3 f5 29.Re6 Kh7 30.Ng2 f4 31.g4 Rd5 32.h5 Nh8 33.Kf2 Nf7 34.Nxf4 Ng5 35.Kg3 Rd4 36.R6e4 Nxe4+ 37.Rxe4 Rxe4 38.dxe4 0-1 Priyanka, N (1941)-Petkov,V (2045) Sigeman & Co 04th_114347 1996 (8) Priyanka,N (1941)-Petkov,V (2045) Sigeman & Co 04th_114347 1996 (8) 0-1 Priyanka,N (1941)-Petkov,V (2045) Sigeman & Co 04th_114347 1996 (8) 0-1 0-1 Priyanka,N (1941)-Petkov,V (2045) Sigeman & Co 04th_114347 1996 (8)]

9.Nh2!⩲ Rg8 0.57/22

[9...g4= 0.09/20]

10.Nd5 White is slightly better.

10...Nxd5N

[Vorgänger: 10...Be6 1.05/21 10...Nf6xd5 0.56 10... Nf6xd5 0.56 10... Nf6xd5 0.56 10...Nf6xd5 0.56 11.Nxf6+ 0.07/22 *(11.Be3± 1.05/21)* 11...Qxf6= 12.Bxe6 Qxe6 0.35/22 *(12...fxe6= -0.01/23 13.c3 a5)* 13.c3⩲ a5 14.Qh5 0-0-0 15.Qg4 -0.21/22 *(15.Ng4* 0.16/22 should be considered.*)* 15...Rde8 16.Qxe6+ Rxe6 0-1 Eggers,U-Remstedt,M Pinneberg-ch op 1996 (7) Eggers,U-Remstedt,M Pinneberg-ch op 1996 (7) 0-1 Eggers,U-Remstedt,M Pinneberg-ch op 1996 (7) 0-1 0-1 Eggers,U-Remstedt,M Pinneberg-ch op 1996 (7)]

11.Bxd5 Qf6 12.Bxc6+ bxc6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.fxe3 Qg6 1.14/21

[⌓14...Qh8 0.73/22]

15.Ng4± Bxg4 16.Qxg4 h5 17.Qe2 f6 18.Rf5 Rf8 19.d4 Hoping for Ra1-f1.

19...Qf7 2.42/21

[19...g4± 1.15/21]

20.Raf1+- h4?= 4.18/23

[20...Qe6 2.52/23 21.Qxh5+ Ke7]

21.Qg4 2.19/24

[⌓21.Rxf6 4.18/23 Qxf6 22.Qh5+ Ke7 23.Rxf6 Rxf6 24.Qxg5]

21...Qg6 22.Qe2? -0.01/20

[White should play 22.dxe5+- 2.16/23 dxe5 23.Qe2]

22...Ke7 2.79/25

[22...Qf7!= -0.01/20]

23.Qc4 Qe8 24.dxe5 dxe5 25.Qc5+ Ke6 26.Qc4+? -0.01/22

[26.Kh2+- 2.12/25 and White stays clearly on top.]

26...Ke7= 27.Qc5+? -0.01/21

[27.Qb4++- 2.87/24 Ke6 28.Qb7]

27...Ke6 28.Rd1 0.97/23 Prevents Qe8-d7.

[28.Kh2+- 2.15/24 and White stays clearly on top.]

28...Kf7± 29.Rd3 White has more active pieces. **29...Kg6 30.Rc3 Rb8 31.b3**

[Don't play 31.Qxc6?! Qxc6 32.Rxc6 Rb6 33.Rxc7 Rxb2⩲]

31...Rb6 32.a5 0.74/25

[⌓32.Rf1 1.12/24]

32...Rb5 33.Qxc6 Qxc6 34.Rxc6 Rxa5 35.Rxc7 Endgame. KRR-KRR **35...Ra2 36.Rc6 Kg7 37.Kf2 a5 38.Rc4 Rd8** 0.93/28

[38...Rf7⩲ 0.44/27]

39.Ke2 0.51/27

[39.Rc7+± 0.93/28 Kg6 40.Rc6]

39...Rd6⩲ 40.Rf1 Against Ra2-a1 **40...Kg6** 0.84/27

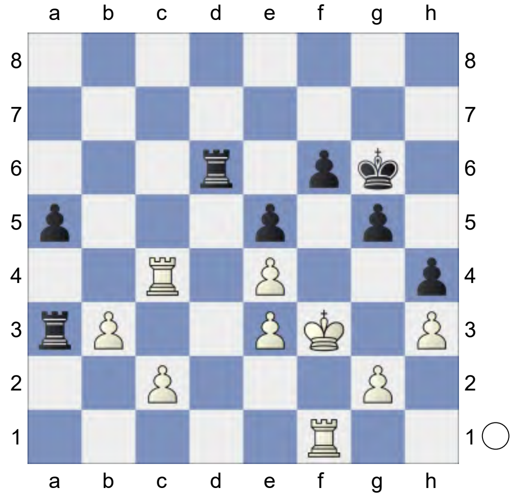
[40...Kf7!⩲ 0.47/26]

41.Kf3 0.40/25

[41.Rb1± 0.84/27]

41...Ra3 1.12/25

[41...Rd7⩲ 0.40/25]



42.Rf2 0.01/28

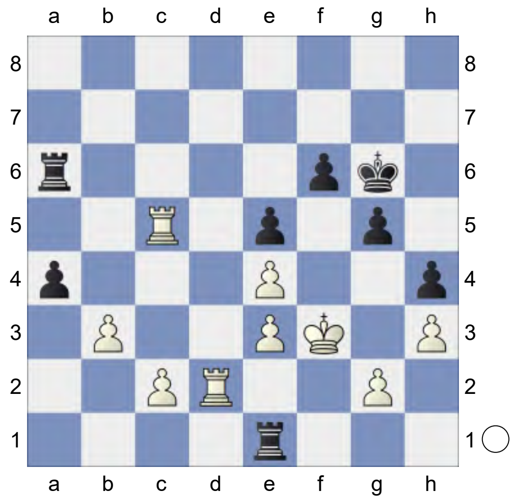
[42.Rc1!⩲ 1.12/25]

42...Ra1= 43.Ke2 Rad1 44.Kf3 Re1 45.Rc5 Ra6 0.63/27

[45...Ra1= 0.15/27]

46.Rd2⩲ a4

(Diagram)



...a4-a3 would now be deadly. **47.bxa4** 0.01/25

[Better is 47.Rc7⩲ 0.68/26 f5 (*47...a3 48.Rdd7±*) 48.bxa4 Rf1+ 49.Ke2]

47...Rxa4= 48.Kf2 Raa1 49.Kf3 Rf1+ 50.Rf2 Rfd1 51.Rc6 Black must now prevent Kf3-g4. **51...Rf1! 52.Rxf1 Rxf1+** KR-KR **53.Ke2! Rg1 54.Kf2 Rc1 55.c4** The position is equal. **55...Kf7 56.c5 Rc4 57.Kf3 Ke7 58.Rc7+ Ke6 59.Rc6+ Ke7 60.Rc8 Kd7 61.Rf8 Ke7 62.Rc8 Kd7 63.Rf8 Ke7 64.Rc8** Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.21 (precise) Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.21 (precise) Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.21 (precise) Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.21 (precise)

½-½

260 **C54**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2777**
■ **So,Wesley** **2753**
Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz (2.29)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 d6 6.c3 h6 7.Bh4 a5

[7...a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.0-0 Qe7 *(9...g5!? 10.Bg3□ Rg8=)* 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Bg3 Nh7 12.b4 Nf8 13.d4 Strongly threatening b5. Ng6 14.b5 Na5 With the idea ...g4. 15.h3 h5! ½-½ Firouzja,A (2759)-So,W (2770) Paris GCT Rapid 2021 (1)]

8.0-0 Qe7N 8...Ba7 is setting a new trend. 8...La7 setzt einen neuen Trend.

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

9.Nbd2 Bg4N 0.37/19

[Vorgänger: 9...Bb6 0.67/20 9...Bd7 -0.01 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Bxc6 0.29/21 *(12.Re1!± 0.72/21)* 12...Bxc6 13.Nxa5 Bxf2+? 2.13/23 *(13...Bd7!= 0.30/20 and Black has nothing to worry.)* 14.Rxf2+- Rxa5 15.Nd2? 0.14/19 *(15.Bxf6!+- 2.19/21 gxf6 16.Nh4)* 15...g5!= 16.Bg3 d5? 2.94/21 Repels Nc4 *(16...h5!= -0.03/20 17.h3 h4)* 17.b4+- Ra8 4.49/20 *(17...Ra6 2.85/20 18.a4 Bd7 19.exd5 Nxd5)* 18.Qf3 1-0 So,W (2772)-Svidler,P (2714) Saint Louis Blitz 2021 (9)]

[9...Bd7= 0.01/21 deserves consideration.]

10.Kh1 g5 11.Bg3 0-0-0 12.Bb5 0.01/19

[12.b4!± 0.41/21 axb4 13.cxb4 Nxb4 *(13...Bxb4 14.Qa4=)* 14.Nb3]

12...Bd7 0.92/20

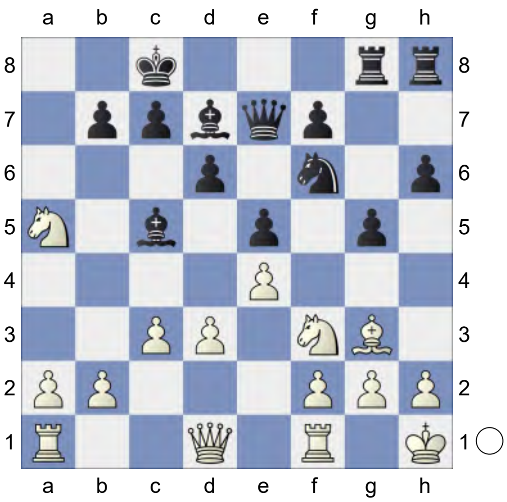
[12...Na7= 0.01/19 remains equal. 13.Qa4 Nxb5 14.Qxb5 Kb8]

13.Nc4 Rdg8 1.76/21

[13...h5!± 0.69/19]

14.Bxc6+- Bxc6 15.Nxa5 Bd7 1.93/23

[15...h5± 1.41/21]



16.Qb3 1.21/23

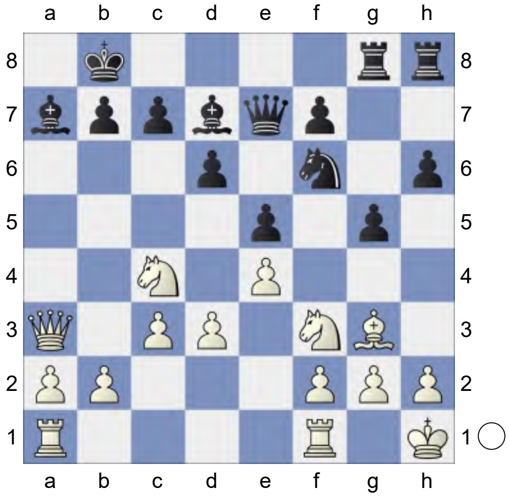
[16.d4!+- 1.93/23]

16...Bb6 2.29/22

[16...b6± 1.21/23]

17.Nc4 Ba7 18.Qa3 Kb8

(Diagram)



19.Bxe5!→ Black is in trouble. **19...g4** 2.26/22

[19...h5 1.61/22 20.Bd4 *(20.Nxd6 g4±)* 20...c5]

20.Bd4 c5 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Nfd2 h5 23.Ne3 1.15/20

[23.b4+- 1.85/20]

23...h4± 24.Ndc4 Bc6 1.96/23

[24...Rh5± 1.00/21 is a better defense.]

25.f4 1.07/23

[White should play 25.Kg1+- 1.96/23]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

25...gxf3? 4.42/23

[25...h3± 1.07/23 26.g3 Qe7]

26.Rxf3+- Qg5 27.Qb3

[27.Nxd6 h3 28.g3 *(28.Nxf7?* too greedy. *hxg2+ 29.Kg1 Qh5-+; 28.gxh3 Qd8±)* 28...Qh5=]

27...d5 6.60/24

[⌓27...Ka8 4.09/22 28.h3 *(28.Rxf7 h3±; 28.Nxd6 c4±)* 28...d5]

28.Na5 c4 29.Nxc6+ Ka8 30.Qa4 bxc6 31.Qxc6+ 10.48/5

[⌓31.Rxf7 #4/10 Qe7 32.Rxe7 Kb8 33.Qxa7+ Kc8 34.Qc7#]

31...Kb8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.88

32.Rxf7
1-0

261 **C50**
☐ **Dardha,Daniel** **2582**
■ **Le,Quang Liem** **2645**
WchT Rapid London (12.3) 13.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.a4N

7.h3 is setting a new trend.7.h3 setzt einen neuen Trend.

[7.h3 h6 8.b4 *(8.Be3 b6 9.a3 Bb7 10.Ne2 Re8 11.b4 Bd4 12.Nexd4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Bxd4 c5 15.Bb2 Bc6 16.Qf3 Kf8 17.b5 Bb7 18.Rfe1 d5 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Bxd5 Bxd5 21.exd5 Qd6 22.c4 Rad8* 1-0 (43) Saraci,R (1757)-Martinez Hengevoss,T Olympiad Women-45 2024 (2.65)*)* 8...Bb6 9.a3 a6 10.Bb3 Ba7 11.Bc4 Bb6 12.Bb3 Ba7 13.Bc4 Bb6 14.Bb3 Ba7 15.Bc4 ½-½ Hoyos Hernandez,J-Munoz Molina,P COL-ch Boyaca 2022 (5)]

[7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 a6 9.Nd5 b5 10.Nxf6+ gxf6 11.Bd5 Bd7 12.Qd2 Kg7 13.c3 b4 14.Rac1 a5 15.d4 Bb6 16.Qe3 Qe7 17.Ne1 Rg8 18.f4 exd4 19.cxd4 Bxd4 20.Qxd4 Nxd4 21.Bxa8 Rxa8 0-1 (25) Gomez,D-Dworakowski,L Corus Wijk aan Zee 2004 (8)]

7...Be6 **8.Bxe6N**

[8.Bg5 Ne7 0.69/20 Inhibits Nd5. *(8...h6= 0.07/21 9.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 9.Bxf6± gxf6 10.Nh4 aiming for Bxe6. Kh8 0.92/20 *(10...Ng6!± 0.44/20* is superior. *11.Nf5 c6)* 11.Kh1

0.49/22 (*11.Qf3± 0.92/20*) 11...Ng6⩲ 12.Nf5 c6 13.Qf3 Bb4 14.Ne2 0.60/20 0-1 (39) Gukesh,D (2736)-Sadhwani,R (2603) Chess.com U20 Speed blitz 2023 (3.1) (*14.Ba2± 0.99/21*)]

8...fxe6 9.Ne2 The position is equal. **9...a5 10.Ng3 Qe8 11.c3 Bb6 12.Re1 Ng4 13.Be3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Qg6 15.Kh1 Rf6 16.d4 Raf8 17.Rf1 h5 18.Qe2** -0.97/23

[18.Qe1!= -0.27/21]

18...Qg4!⩱ Black is more active. **19.Nd2 Qxe2 20.Nxe2 exd4 21.exd4** -1.37/27

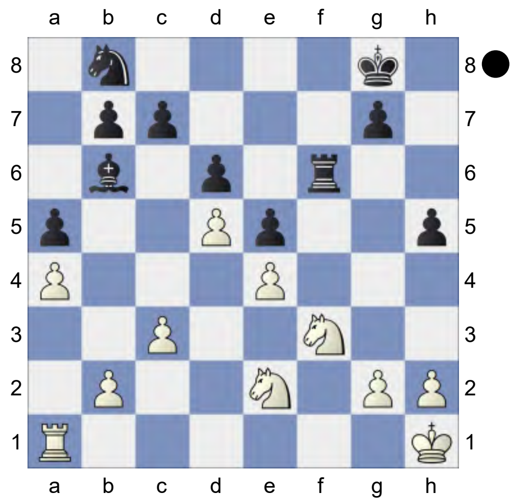
[⌓21.Rxf6 -0.71/22 Rxf6 22.exd4]

21...e5 -0.67/27

[21...Rf2⩱ -1.37/27 22.Rae1 Rxf1+ 23.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 24.Nxf1 e5 25.dxe5 (*25.d5 Nb8=*) 25...Nxe5]

22.d5⩱ Nb8 23.Rxf6 Rxf6 Loses the game. **24.Nf3?** -2.44/23

[White should try 24.Rf1!⩱ -0.69/23]

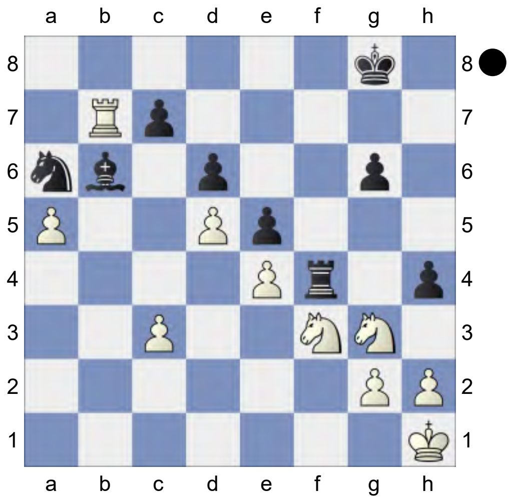


24...Na6!-+ 25.Ng3 g6 26.Rb1 Rf4 27.b4 h4 28.bxa5 Bxa5 29.Rxb7 Bb6 -1.61/24 Wards off Ra7

[⌓29...hxg3 -3.19/24 30.Ra7 Rxe4 31.hxg3 Rxa4 32.Rxa6 Kg7]

30.a5

(Diagram)



Bc5

[30...Bxa5 31.Ra7 hxg3 32.Rxa6 Bxc3 33.Ra8+ Kg7 34.Ra7⩱]

31.Nf1 Rxe4 32.h3 -2.45/22

[32.Rb1⩱ -1.58/24 might work better.]

32...Ra4 33.Rb1 -3.71/22

[⌓33.g4 -2.43/22 Rxa5 34.Nxh4]

33...Bf2

[33...Rxa5 34.N1d2⩱]

34.N1h2 e4? -1.84/24

[34...Rxa5? 35.Ng4 Bg3 36.Ng5⩱]

[34...Bg3 -4.64/24 35.Ng5 Nc5 (*35...Rxa5? 36.Ng4-+*)]

35.Ng5? -6.91/22

[35.Ng4 -1.84/24]

35...e3 Black is clearly winning.

[35...Rxa5 36.Nxe4 Ba7 37.Nf3=]

[35...Nc5 36.Ng4 e3 37.g3⩱]

36.Ng4 Bg3 Threatens to win with ...e2.

[36...Rxa5 37.Ne4⩱]

37.Ne4 e2

[37...Rxe4? loses. 38.Nf6+ Kf7 39.Nxe4+-]

[Less strong is 37...Rxa5 38.Nxe3 (*38.Nxg3 hxg3 39.Nxe3 Nc5⩱*) 38...Nc5 39.Nf6+ Kf7 40.Rf1⩱]

38.Nxg3 hxg3 39.Ne3 Nc5 40.Nc2

Weighted Error Value: White=0.84/Black=0.21 (precise)

40...Nd3
0-1

262 **C50**
☐ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Grischuk,A** **2732**
Levitov Chess Week Rapid (11.1)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.0-0 d6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.c3 Recently 8.a3 got a lot of attention. 8.a3 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **8...Bg4N**

[8...0-0 9.b4 *(9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Re1 Bg4 11.Bb3 Qd7 12.h3 Bh5 13.Kh1 Kh8 14.Qe2 g5 15.Qe3 Bg6 16.Nh2 Kg7 17.Bc2 b5 18.Bd2 d5 19.Red1 d4 20.Qe1 Nh5 21.a4 dxc3 22.bxc3 b4 23.Nf3 Nf4* 1-0 (49) Eljanov,P (2692)-Topalov,V (2780) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2008 (12) *24.Bxf4 gxf4 25.d4 Bh5 26.dxe5 Qe6 27.Nd4 Nxd4 28.Rxd4 bxc3 29.Rb1 Kh7 30.Bb3 Qe7 31.Qxc3 Qxe5 32.Rc1 f3 33.g4 Bg6 34.Rb4 Qg5 35.Rb5 Qe7 36.Rxb7 h5 37.gxh5 Bxe4 38.Bc2 Qe6* 1-0 (49) Ornolfsson,M (2694)-Uzhva,A (2689) USSR Ch., (Game 48) 2004 (6)*)* 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.a4 Ne7 13.b5 Ng6 14.c4 Qe7 15.Bd2 Nd7 16.g3 Nc5 17.Ne1 Qf6 18.Be3 Nd7 19.Kg2 Kh7 20.Nf3 Nc5 21.Bxc5 dxc5 22.Ra3 Rf7 23.Re1 1-0 (66) Van Foreest,J (2694)-Gagunashvili,M (2556) Santiago de Compostela Bicapawn GP Rap rapid 2022 (5)]

9.b4 Qd7 White has an edge. **10.Nxb6N**

[Vorgänger: 10.h3 aiming for Nxb6!. Bh5 11.Re1 -0.23/22 *(11.Qe2⩲ 0.38/21)* 11...0-0 0.20/21 *(⌓11...g5 -0.23/22)* 12.Nxb6= axb6 13.Bb3 b5 14.Qe2 Ne7 15.d4 -0.01/21 *(15.Kh2⩲ 0.38/20)* 15...exd4!= 16.cxd4 ½-½ Lange,S (2113)-Kluge,B (2167) DESC SMT10 email 2015 (1)]

10...axb6 11.a4 -0.25/21

[11.h3 0.17/21 Bh5 *(11...Bxh3? 12.gxh3 Qxh3 13.Nh2+-)* 12.a4]

11...0-0 0.13/19

[⌓11...Ne7 -0.25/21]

12.Bb5 Qc8 13.Re1 Ne7 14.h3 Bd7

[14...Bh5 with more complications. 15.d4 d5 16.dxe5 Nxe4 17.Ra3 c5]

15.Bxd7 Qxd7 16.d4 Ng6 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Nxe5 dxe5 19.Qxd7 Nxd7 20.Be3 Rfd8 21.c4 Nf8 22.c5 bxc5 23.bxc5 -0.43/24

[23.Bxc5= 0.01/25 Ne6 24.Be3]

23...c6 0.01/26

[23...Ra7⩱ -0.43/24 should be considered.]

24.Reb1= Rd7 25.a5 Ne6 26.Rb6 Rc7 27.g3 g5 28.Kf1 f6 29.Ke2 Kf7 30.Kd3 h5 31.Kc4 Ke7 32.h4 -0.65/27

[32.Ra2= 0.01/27]

32...g4 0.01/28

[32...gxh4⩱ -0.65/27 33.gxh4 Rg8]

33.a6 The position is equal. **33...Rxa6 34.Raxa6 bxa6 35.Rxa6** Endgame KRB-KRN **35...Kd7 36.Ra2 Rb7 37.Ra8 Nd8 38.Bd2 Rb2 39.Kc3 Rb5 40.Be3 Rb1 41.Kc2 Rb5 42.Kd3 Rb3+ 43.Kc4 Rb1 44.Kc3** An uneventful encounter.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.10 (very precise)
44...Rb5
½-½

263 **C54**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2777**
■ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**
chess.com SpeedChess 2023 blitz (1.21)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a6 8.0-0 d6 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 10.h3 injects fresh life into this line. 10.h3 bringt frisches Leben in diese Variante. **10...Ne7 11.Nf1** -0.01/20

[11.d4± 0.50/21]

11...Ng6 12.Bb3 -0.11/19

[12.a5 0.26/20 was preferable. Ba7 13.Be3]

12...Nh5 0.59/22

[12...a5= -0.11/19]

13.d4 Qf6 14.Ne3 Prevents Bg4

14...Nhf4 15.g3N

[Vorgänger: 15.Bb2 -0.01/20 15.Bc2 0.53 Re8 16.Bc2 Be6 17.c4 exd4 18.Nxd4 Qg5 19.Nf3 Qh5 20.Nd4 0.01/23 *(20.a5!± 0.40/24 Ba7 21.Nd4)* 20...Qg5= White must now prevent ...Nxg2!. 21.Nf3 1-0 Natacheev,P (2246)-Abelguzin,D (2150) Samara Polugaevsky Memorial 4th 2014 (5)]

15...Nh3+ 16.Kg2 c6 Prevents Nd5.

17.Bc2 Ng5 1.29/21

[17...Re8= 0.26/19]

18.Nxg5!± hxg5 19.Nc4 0.53/21

[White should try 19.Ng4± 1.11/20 Qe7 20.Bb2]

19...Bc7 20.Qh5 g4 21.dxe5? -4.74/22 Active counter play!

[21.Be3± 0.58/21 stays ahead.]

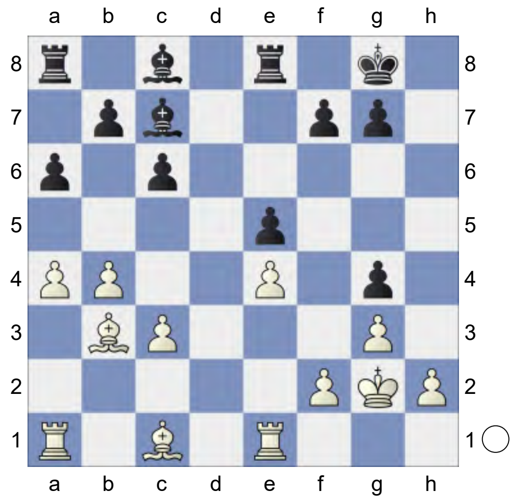
21...Nxe5? 0.17/21

[21...Qf3+!-+ -4.74/22 22.Kg1 Qxc3 *(22...dxe5 23.Be3±)*]

22.Nxe5= Qxe5 23.Qxe5 dxe5 24.Bb3 Re8 0.85/25

[24...Kh7± 0.43/23]

(Diagram)

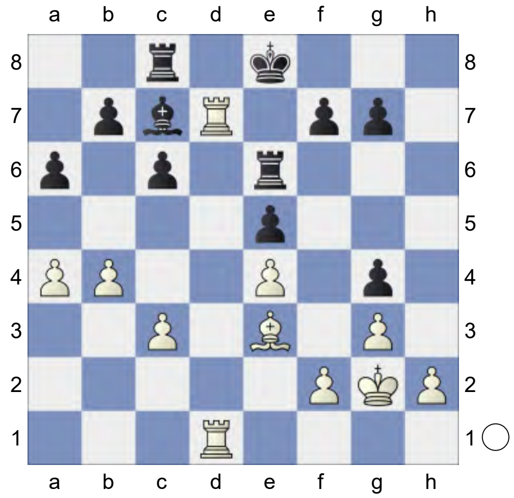


25.Rd1!± Be6 1.34/28

[25...Rd8⩲ 0.70/23]

26.Bxe6 Rxe6 27.Rd7 Rc8 28.Be3 Kf8 29.Rad1 Ke8? 3.16/26

[29...b6± 1.30/25 was worth a try.]



30.Bg5!+- Black must now prevent Rxc7!. **30...f6?** 7.36/27

[30...Kf8 2.88/24 31.a5 c5 32.bxc5 Rc6]

31.Rxg7! White is clearly winning. **31...Rd8 32.Rxd8+ Bxd8** Endgame KRB-KRB. White is a pawn up. **33.Be3 Rd6 34.Rxb7 Rd3 35.Ra7 Rxc3 36.Rxa6 Rc4 37.a5 Rxb4 38.Ra8 Kd7 39.a6 Ra4 40.a7 Be7 41.Rb8 c5** Quite a comeback for White.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.79

42.a8Q

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264 **C50**

☐ Alekseenko,Kirill **2679**

■ Sadhwani,Raunak **2654**

Chess.com Play In Match Div 3 rapid (1.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 Harry Grieve **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a3 h6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 d6 9.0-0** 0.02/20

[9.d4⩲ 0.40/20]

9...Be6N

[9...0-0 10.d4 b5 *(10...exd4 11.exd4 Nxe4 12.Nxe4 d5 13.Bd3 dxe4 14.Bxe4 Qd6 15.c3 Bd7 16.Bc2 Rae8 17.Nd2 Qd5 18.Rf2 Na5 19.a4 Nc4 20.Bb3 b5 21.Qf1 Be6 22.axb5 axb5 23.Re1 Qc6 24.Nxc4 bxc4 25.Bd1* Praggnanandhaa,R (2690)-Svidler,P (2688) HUN-ch Rapid 2023 (10) 1/2-1/2) 11.Ba2 Bg4 12.Qd3 Bxf3 13.Rxf3 Ne7 14.Ne2 *(RR 14.Rxf6 gxf6 15.Rf1)* 14...Qc8 *(RR 14...c5 15.Ng3 c4 16.Qe2 Nh7 17.b3 Qb6)* 15.Ng3 Qg4 16.Raf1 Qh4 17.c4 bxc4 18.Qxc4 c6 19.Qb4 Rad8 20.h3 a5 *(RR 20...Qg5 21.Qb7 Rde8 22.Qxa6 d5)* 21.Qxa5 d5 22.exd5 exd4 23.dxc6 dxe3 24.Qc5 Adams,M (2672)-Royal,S (2504) British Championships 2024 (9) 1/2-1/2]

[RR 9...0-0 10.d4 b5 11.Ba2 Bg4

12.Qd3 Bxf3 13.Rxf3 Ne7 14.Ne2 Qc8 15.Ng3 Qg4 16.Raf1 Qh4 17.c4 bxc4 18.Qxc4 c6 19.Qb4 Rad8 20.h3 a5 21.Qxa5 d5 22.exd5 exd4 23.dxc6 dxe3 24.Qc5 Adams,M (2672)-Royal,S (2504) British Championships 2024 [Harry Grieve] ½-½ (41)]

10.Nd2 0-0 11.Qf3 b5 12.Bb3 Na5 13.Ba2 Bxa2 14.Nxa2 c5 15.Rf2 Nc6 16.Raf1 Nh7 17.Nc3 Ra7 18.Qg3 Qg5 19.Qh3 Ne7 20.Rf3

[20.Nd5 is interesting. is interesting. Qg6 21.b3 Ng5 22.Qg4]

20...Qg6 21.Rg3 Ng5 22.Qh4 -0.55/21

[White should try White should try 22.Qg4= 0.07/22]

22...Qe6 0.01/22

[22...f5!∓ -0.55/21]

23.Nf3 Nxf3+ 24.Rgxf3 b4 25.Nb1 -0.44/22

[25.Nd5= 0.21/22]

25...Qa2 -0.01/22

[25...c4∓ -0.44/22]

26.Qf2! Ng6 0.46/22

[26...Qxb2= -0.22/23 27.Rxf7 Rxf7 28.Qxf7+ Kh7]

27.axb4 -0.67/24

[27.b3!± 0.46/22]

27...cxb4∓ 28.Nd2 d5 0.14/21 Prevents Nd2-c4. Black is more active. Prevents Nd2-c4. Black is more active.

[Better is Better is 28...Qxb2∓ -0.83/22 29.Nc4 Qc3]

29.exd5= Qxd5 30.h4 Ne7 31.h5 Rc7 32.e4

[32.Ne4 looks sharper. looks sharper. f6 33.Nxf6+ gxf6 34.Rxf6 Rxf6 35.Qxf6 Kh7 36.e4]

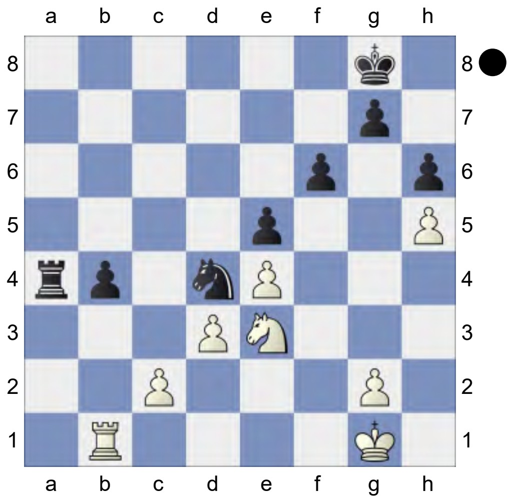
32...Qc5 0.37/24

[32...Qe6= 0.01/22 33.Nc4 b3]

33.Nc4± Qxf2+ 34.R3xf2 Nc6 35.Ra1 a5 36.b3 0.01/27

[36.Kf1± 0.37/22]

36...Ra8= 37.Kh2 Nd4 38.Ra2 f6 39.Nb6 Rb8 40.Nd5 Rc5 41.Ne3 Ra8 42.Kg1 a4 43.bxa4 Rca5 44.Rf1 Rxa4 45.Rxa4 Rxa4 Endgame. KRN-KRN Endgame. KRN-KRN **46.Rb1**



b3! 47.c3

[47.cxb3 Rb4]

47...Ne2+ 48.Kh2 Nf4 49.Rxb3

[49.c4 feels hotter. feels hotter. Rb4 50.c5 Kf7 51.c6]

49...Nxd3 50.Rb8+ Kh7 51.c4 Nf4 52.Rb7 Nxh5 53.g3 -1.04/26

[53.Nf5= -0.01/26 keeps the balance. keeps the balance.]

53...Kg6 0.00/25

[Black should play Black should play 53...Ra2+∓ -1.04/26 54.Kh3 Nf4+ 55.gxf4 Ra3]

54.Kh3? -2.96/26

[54.Rb3= 0.00/25]

54...Kg5? 0.01/25

[54...Ra3-+ -2.96/26 55.Nf5 Kg5]

55.Rc7? -4.27/25 This costs White the game. This costs White the game.

[55.c5= 0.01/25 Ra3 (*55...Rxe4 56.Rb3=*) 56.Nd5 Rxg3+ 57.Kh2]

55...g6 -2.13/24

[⌓55...Ra3 -4.27/25 56.Nf1 Nf4+ 57.Kh2 Ra2+ 58.Kh1 Ne6]

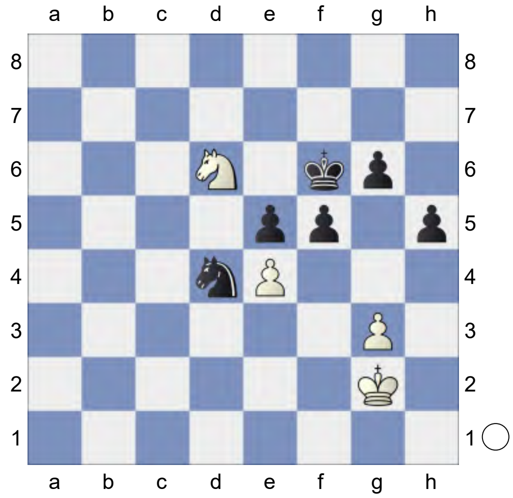
56.Nf1-+ Ra3 57.c5? -4.64/26

[57.Kg2 -1.68/23]

57...Nf4+ 58.Kh2 Ne6 59.Rc6 Nd4 60.Rb6 Rc3 61.Rb2 Rxc5 62.Kh3 Rc2 63.Rxc2 Nxc2 KN-KN KN-KN **64.Nd2 Nd4** Prevents Nd2-f3+. Prevents Nd2-f3+. **65.Nc4 h5 66.Nd6** -7.39/29

[⌓66.Kg2 -4.50/29]

66...f5 67.Kg2 Kf6



Strongly threatening ...Kf6-e6. **68.Ne8+** -11.37/30

[⌓68.exf5 -4.24/27 gxf5 69.Nc4]

68...Ke7 69.Nc7 fxe4 70.Kf2 Nf5 71.Nd5+ Ke6 72.Nc3 Nd6 ...Ke6-f5 would now be deadly. ...Ke6-f5 would now be deadly. **73.Nd1 Kf5** Threatens to win with ...Kf5-g4. Threatens to win with ...Kf5-g4. **74.Ne3+ Kg5 75.Kg2 Nf5 76.Nc4 Kf6 77.Nd2 Nd6 78.Kf2 g5 79.Ke3 Kf5 80.Kf2 Kg4** And now ...h5-h4 would win. And now ...h5-h4 would win. **81.Kg2 e3 82.Nf1 Nc4 83.Nh2+ Kf5 84.Kf3 g4+** Black mates. **85.Ke2 Ke4 86.Nf1 Kd4 87.Nh2 Nd2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.27 (precise) Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.27 (precise)

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265 C50

□ **Praggnanandhaa,R 2727**

■ **Grischuk,A 2732**

Tata Steel IND Blitz Open (15.2) 09.09.23

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.a3 d6 7.Na4 now scores much better than the old 7.h3. punktet besser als das ältere 7.h3. **7...Bb6 8.h3 Be6** The position is equal. **9.Bxe6**

[9.Bb5 0-0 10.c3 Ne7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.0-0 d5 14.Bc2 b5 15.d4 Nxe4 16.dxe5 c6 17.Qe2 Re8 18.Re1 Qc7 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.f3 Nc5 21.f4 Ne4 22.Bxe4 dxe4 23.Qxe4 c5 1-0 (43) Fedoseev,V (2680)-Mamedyarov,S (2738) ChessKid Cup Div 2 W rapid 2023 (5.5)]

9...fxe6 10.0-0 Qd7N

[10...0-0 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 *(12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5* 1-0 (64) Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2) *)* 12...Kh8 13.Ra2 Qf7 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Ne7 17.a5 Ra8 18.Qb3 bxa5 19.Rxa5 Ng6 20.d4 Nd7 21.Be3 b6 22.Ra2 Rxa2 23.Qxa2 exd4 24.cxd4 Nf6 25.Qc2 0-1 (62) Kosteniuk,A (2521)-Goryachkina,A (2584) Candidates (Women) Pool-B 2022 (1.3)]

11.c3N

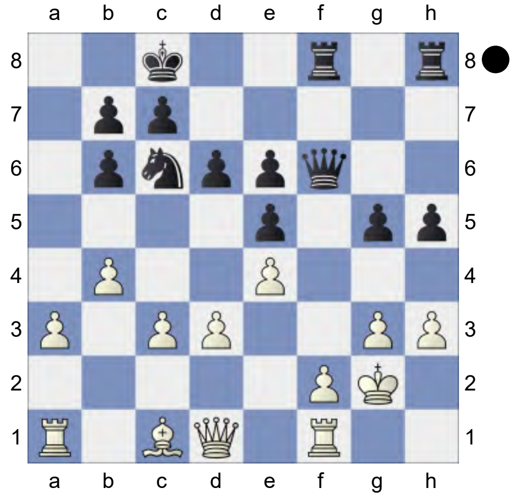
[Vorgänger: 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Re1 0-0 13.Nh4 Qf7 14.Re3 Rad8 15.Rg3 -1.10/19 (*15.Nf3=* -0.22/15 remains equal.) 15...Qh5 -0.39/20 (Better is *15...Nh5⩱* -1.10/19 *16.Rf3 Nf4*) 16.Qe1? -4.11/15 (*16.Qxh5⩱* -0.39/20 *Nxh5 17.Rg4*) 16...Qxh4-+ 17.Qe3 0-1 Gossing,M (762)-Pflugradt, N (1120) GER-ch U10 Willingen 2015 (6)]

11...g5 0.45/20

[11...0-0= 0.08/17]

12.Nh2⩲ 0-0-0 13.b4 Qg7 14.Ng4 h5 15.Nxf6 Qxf6 16.Nxb6+ axb6 17.g3 Rdf8 18.Kg2 -0.25/19

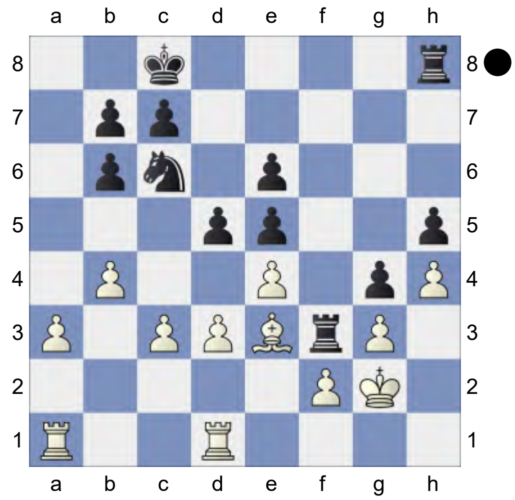
[18.a4⩲ 0.43/16]



18...g4!= 19.h4 Qf3+ 20.Qxf3 Rxf3 21.Rd1 White is weak on the light squares **21...d5 22.Be3** -1.76/19

[22.b5⩱ -0.57/18 Na5 23.Ra2]

(Diagram)



22...d4!-+ 23.cxd4 -3.06/19

[⌓23.Bg5 -1.88/19]

23...exd4 24.Bf4 e5 25.Bg5 Nd8 -1.49/20

[25...Rhf8 26.Ra2⩱]

[25...Kd7-+ -2.74/19 26.Rab1 b5]

26.Bxd8⩱ Rxd8 Endgame KRR-KRR **27.a4 Kd7** -1.08/19

[⌓27...Rd6 -1.51/20 28.b5 Rdf6]

28.Rd2 Ra8 -1.13/20

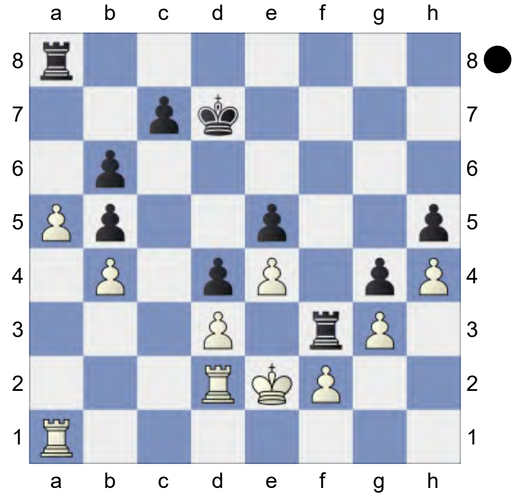
[⌓28...Rdf8 -1.50/21 29.Ra3 Rd8]

29.Kf1 b5 -0.69/21 Black is more active.

[29...Rf6⩱ -1.06/20 30.Rc2 c6]

30.a5⩱ b6↑ White is under pressure. **31.Ke2?** -3.99/24

[31.Rda2⩱ -0.48/20]



31...bxa5!-+ Deflection **32.bxa5 c5?** -0.83/20

[32...c6-+ -3.31/22 has better winning chances. ...Kd6 is the strong threat. 33.Rb2 Kd6]

33.a6∓ c4 34.Ra5? -4.04/18

[34.dxc4∓ -1.12/17 was forced. bxc4 35.Rda2]

34...c3 35.Rd1 -9.82/21

[35.Rda2 -3.30/18 Raf8 (*35...Kc6 36.a7=*) 36.Ke1]

35...Kc6 36.Rb1 Rh8? 0.01/25

[36...Raf8-+ -14.48/25 37.Rf1 Kb6]

37.Rf1 -14.18/23

[37.Raxb5= 0.01/25 Rhf8 38.Rb6+ (*38.Rxe5?* is the wrong capture. *Rxf2+ 39.Kd1 c2+ 40.Kc1 cxb1Q+-+*) 38...Kc7 39.Rb7+ Kc6 40.R1b6+ Kc5 41.Ke1 (*41.Rb5+ Kd6=*)]

37...Kb6-+ 38.Raa1 Ra8 39.Rfb1 Rxa6 40.Rxa6+ Kxa6 KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **41.Ra1+ Kb6 42.Ra8 b4** (-> ...Kb5) **43.Re8 Kb5 44.Rxe5+ Ka4** (-> ...b3) **45.Rd5 b3 46.Rxd4+ Ka3** (-> ...b2) **47.Rd8**

Weighted Error Value: White=1.09/ Black=0.58

47...c2 -27.67/25

[⌓47...b2 -#15/21 48.Ra8+ Kb3 49.e5 b1Q (*49...b1B? 50.Rb8+ Kc2 51.Rd8-+*) 50.Rb8+ Kc2 51.Rxb1 Kxb1 52.e6 c2 53.e7 c1Q (*53...c1R 54.e8Q=*) 54.e8Q Qc2+ 55.Ke1 Qxf2+ 56.Kd1 Rxd3#]

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266 C54

□ Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2727

■ Vitiugov,Nikita 2719

ESP-chT CECLUB Honor (2.4) 17.09.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 g5 9...Qe7 might become the main line .9...De7 könnte zur Hauptfortsetzung werden. **10.Bg3** The position is equal. **10...Bg4 11.Kh1 Qd7 12.b4 0-0 13.h3N**

[Vorgänger: 13.Bb3 Rae8 14.Qc2 Bh5 15.a4 Bg6 16.b5 -0.55/21 (*16.a5=* 0.03/19) 16...Nd8 0.14/21 (Black should play *16...Na5∓* -0.55/21) 17.Nc4 aiming for Bxe5!. Ne6 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Rab1 -0.78/18 0-1 Gabrielian,A (2464)-Lysyj,I (2603) RUS-chT Blitz 2021 (2.4) (*19.Nfxe5=* 0.01/23 *dxe5 20.Nxe5*)]

13...Bh5 14.a4 Rae8 15.Qc2 Bg6 16.Rab1 Nd8 17.b5 axb5 18.Rxb5 c6 19.Rbb1 -0.33/18

[19.Ra5= 0.08/18 Bb6 20.Ra8]

19...Kg7 20.d4 exd4 0.48/20

[20...Nh5!= -0.20/20]

21.Bd3!± Ne6 0.92/22

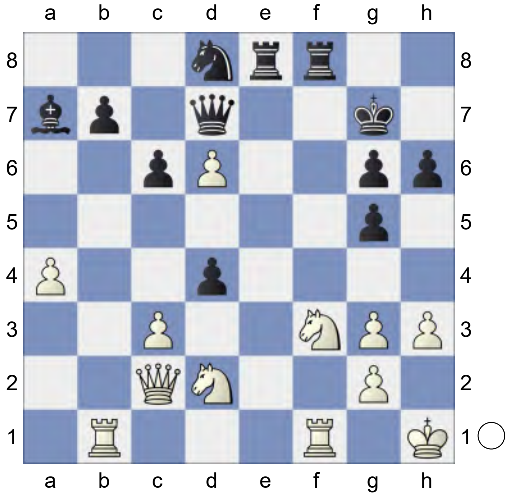
[21...Nh5± 0.35/18]

22.e5± Nh5 23.Bxg6

[23.exd6 Bxd3 24.Qxd3 Nef4

25.Bxf4 Nxf4∓]

23...fxg6 24.exd6 Nxg3+ 25.fxg3 Nd8



26.Nc4 0.24/20

[26.cxd4 Qxd6 27.Kh2 Re2⩲]

[26.Nxd4 Qxd6 27.Rxf8 Qxf8=]

[26.Ne4!± 1.30/21]

26...b5 1.45/25

[26...Qf5!= 0.24/20 27.Qxf5 *(27.Nxd4 Qxf1+ 28.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 29.Kh2 Ree1∓)* 27...Rxf5]

27.axb5 0.53/23

[27.Qxg6+± 1.45/25 Kxg6 28.Nce5+ Rxe5 29.Nxe5+ Discovered Attack Kg7 30.Nxd7 Rxf1+ 31.Rxf1 dxc3 32.Ne5]

27...cxb5⩲ 28.Na3↑ White fights for an advantage. Excellent horsemanship.

28...g4 29.hxg4 White is more active.

[29.Nxd4?! Bxd4 *(29...Qxd6 30.Naxb5 Qxg3 31.Nxa7±; 29...Rxf1+ 30.Rxf1 b4 31.Nab5=)* 30.cxd4 *(30.Rxf8 Rxf8 31.cxd4 Qxd6∓)* 30...Qxd6 *(30...gxh3? 31.Qc7+-; 30...Rxf1+ 31.Rxf1 Qxd6 32.Nxb5=)* 31.Rxf8 *(31.Nxb5 Rxf1+ 32.Rxf1 Qd7⩲)* 31...Rxf8 32.Nxb5 Qxg3=]

29...Qxg4? 3.29/23

[29...b4± 0.72/22 30.cxb4 Bb8]

30.cxd4+-

[30.Rxb5 Rxf3 31.Rfb1 *(31.Rxf3? Re1+ 32.Kh2 d3-+)* 31...Rf7 *(31...Rxc3? 32.Qa4-+; 31...Rxg3? 32.Rb7+ Kh8 33.Qf2-+)* 32.cxd4 Qxg3-+]

[30.Nxb5 Qh5+ 31.Nh4 g5∓]

30...b4 31.Nh2? 0.22/22

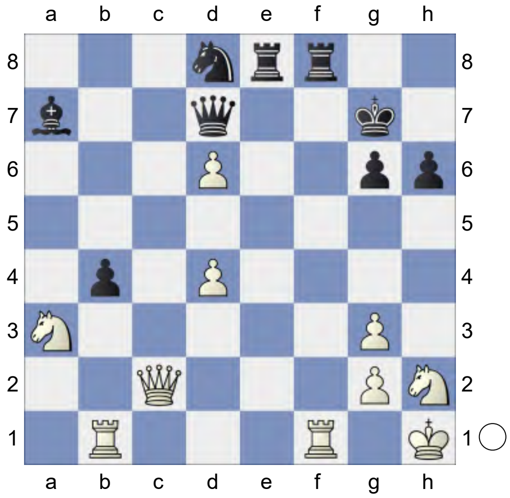
[31.Rxb4 Rxf3 32.gxf3 *(32.Rxf3? Re1+)* 32...Qh3+ 33.Kg1 Qxg3+ 34.Qg2 Qf4=]

[31.Nb5+- 3.27/21]

31...Qd7? 3.13/25

[31...Rxf1+ 32.Rxf1 Qd7 33.Qc7 Qxc7 34.dxc7]

[31...Qxg3= 0.22/22 and Black stays safe. 32.Qc7+ Nf7]



32.Qc7!

[32.Rxb4 Qxd6 *(32...Rxf1+ 33.Nxf1 Qxd6 34.Qb1=)* 33.Rxf8 Rxf8=]

32...Qxc7 33.dxc7 Ne6 34.Nb5

[34.Rxb4 Bxd4 35.Nb5 Be5+-]

34...Rxf1+ 35.Nxf1 Bxd4 36.Nd6

[36.Rxb4 Be5+-]

36...Nxc7 37.Nxe8+ Nxe8 38.Rxb4 Endgame KRN-KBN **38...Bc5 39.Rb5 Bd6 40.Kg1 h5 41.Kf2 Nf6 42.Kf3 Ng4 43.Rb3 Kh6 44.Nd2 Bc7 45.Ne4 Be5 46.Rb5 Bc7 47.Ke2 Be5 48.Kd3 Kg7 49.Rb7+ Kh6 50.Rb6 Kg7 51.Rb5 Kh6 52.Ke2 Kg7 53.Kf3**

Nh2+ 54.Ke2? -0.01/26

[Better is 54.Ke3+- 3.38/28 Ng4+ 55.Kd3]

54...Ng4= 55.Rb3 Kh6 56.Nc5 Kg5 57.Ne4+? -0.01/25

[57.Ne6++- 3.60/24 Kh6 58.Nf4]

57...Kh6! 58.Rf3 Repels Nf6 **58...Nh2 59.Ra3 Ng4 60.Rb3 Nf6 61.Nf2 Ng4 62.Nh3 Nf6 63.Kf3** 1.43/24 Prevents Ne4.

[63.Re3+- 3.19/24 and White stays clearly on top. Ng4 64.Rd3]

63...g5± 64.Nf2 g4+ 65.Ke2 Kg6 66.Ra3 Kf5? 4.01/25

[66...Kf7± 1.57/28 67.Nh1 Kg6]

67.Nd1 2.32/25

[⌓67.Ra5 4.01/25]

67...Ne4 68.Ne3+ Ke6 69.Nf1 Nd6 70.Kd3 Nf5 71.Ra5 Kf6? 5.53/27

[71...Bg7 2.33/28 is more resistant. 72.Ra6+ Ke5]

72.Ke4+- White is clearly winning.

72...Nd6+ 73.Kd5 Nf7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/ Black=0.24 (precise)

74.Ra6+

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267 C54

☐ Firouzja,Alireza 2777

■ Nakamura,Hikaru 2787

Bullet Chess Winners blitz (4.6) 20.7.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 d6 6.c3 h6 7.Bh4 a5

[7...a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.0-0 Qe7 0.23/21 (*9...g5* -0.25/19 should be considered. *10.Bg3 Be6*) 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Bg3 Nh7 12.b4 Nf8 13.d4 and b5 would now be decisive Ng6 White should prevent ...g4. 14.b5 ½-½ Firouzja,A (2804)-Nakamura,H (2736) Wch Rapid Warsaw 2021 (10) Na5 15.h3! h5]

8.0-0 Qe7N

[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

9.Nbd2!? Recently 9.a4 got a lot of attention. Exploring less charted territory. 9.a4 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **9...Bg4** 0.47/19

[9...Bb6 0.78/19 9...Bd7 0.07 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Bxc6 0.36/21 (*12.Re1±* 0.73/19) 12...Bxc6± 13.Nxa5 Bxf2+? 2.42/22 (*13...Bd7!±* 0.56/21) 14.Rxf2+- ½-½ Verdu Vazquez,S (2046)-Garijo Martinez,J (2101) Valencia Autonomico Norte-A 2009 (4.6) Rxa5

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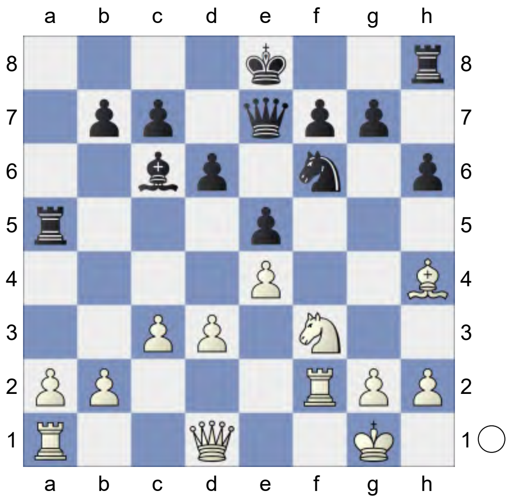

15.Nd2? 0.26/21 (Better is *15.Bxf6!+-* 2.27/20 *gxf6 16.Nh4*) 15...g5!= 16.Bg3 d5? 2.86/22 Wards off Nc4 (*16...h5!=* 0.01/21 *17.Rf5 h4*) 17.b4+- Ra8? 4.70/20 (*17...Ra6* 2.78/19 *18.a4 Bd7*) 18.Qf3]

[9...Bd7= 0.01/20]

10.Kh1N g5 11.Bg3 0-0-0 12.Bb5 Bd7 0.95/20

[12...Na7= -0.01/17 remains equal. 13.a4 c6]

13.Nc4 0.27/20

[13.Rb1± 0.95/20]

13...Rdg8 1.70/23

[13...h5!= 0.27/20 and Black has nothing to worry.]

14.Bxc6+- Bxc6 15.Nxa5 Bd7 16.Qb3 Bb6 2.41/20

[16...b6± 1.53/19]

17.Nc4 Ba7 18.Qa3 Kb8

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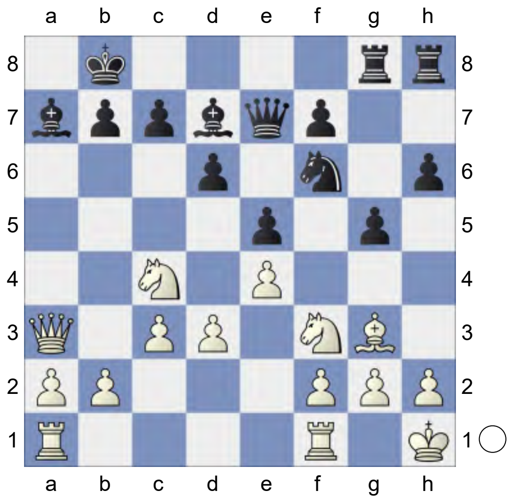

19.Bxe5!→ White attacks with force.

19...g4 2.53/19

[19...h5 1.86/18 20.Nfd2 (*20.Nxd6 g4±*) 20...h4]

20.Bd4 c5 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Nfd2 h5 23.Ne3 1.28/18

[23.Rab1+- 2.73/18 has better winning chances.]

23...h4± 24.Ndc4 Bc6 1.98/23

[24...Rh5± 0.96/18]

25.f4+- gxf3? 4.29/23

[25...h3± 1.40/23 might work better. 26.g3 Qe7]

26.Rxf3 Qg5 27.Qb3

[Less strong is 27.Nxd6 f5 28.Nf7 (*28.Rxf5? loses. Qxe3 29.c4 h3-+; 28.Ndxf5 c4+-*) 28...Qg7+-]

27...d5? 6.63/24

[27...Ka8 3.92/21 28.h3 (*28.Rxf7 h3±; 28.Nxd6 c4±*) 28...Qg6]

28.Na5 c4 29.Nxc6+ Ka8 30.Qa4

Predecessor: **30...bxc6 31.Qxc6+** 10.53/5

[⌓31.Rxf7 #4/10 Qe7 32.Rxe7 Kb8 33.Qxa7+ Kc8 34.Qc7#]

31...Kb8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/ Black=0.83

32.Rxf7

1-0

268 **C50**
☐ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2677**
■ **Svane,Rasmus** **2633**
Crunchlab PlayIn Match D3 rapid (1.3)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.a3 0-0 7.0-0 d6 8.Na4 Bb6 9.b4N**

[9.h3 Be6 10.Bxe6 (*10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Re1 Qe8 13.c3 Qg6 14.Be3 Nh5 15.Nh4 Qf7 16.a4 Ne7 17.g3 Nf6 18.Kh2 d5 19.f3 Rad8 20.Qe2 Nh5 21.Rf1 Ng6 22.Ng2 Nf6 23.Bg1 Rd7 24.Ne3 Rfd8* Vaisman,V (2601)-Voelkl,S (2600) (m/ 1) 100/177 2007 (11) 1-0 *25.Rad1 c6 26.b4 Ra8 27.Ra1 Kh7 28.Ng4 Qe7 29.Bxb6 Nxg4+ 30.fxg4 d4 31.cxd4 exd4 32.Bc5 Qg5 33.h4 Qe3 34.Qxe3 dxe3 35.d4 e5 36.h5 Nh8 37.dxe5 Re8 38.Rae1 Nf7 39.Bxe3 Nxe5* Paravyan,D (2601) - Svane,F (2600) Titled Tuesday intern op 11th Apr Early blitz 2023 (11) 1-0*)* 10...fxe6 11.c3

A) 11...Qd7 12.b4 Rf7 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Ne7 15.Be3 Ng6 16.a5 *(*RR *16.Nh2 Raf8 17.Ra2 d5 18.exd5 exd5 19.a5 d4 20.Bd2 e4 21.axb6 dxc3 22.Bxc3)* 16...bxa5 17.bxa5 d5 18.exd5 exd5 19.d4 exd4 20.Qxd4 Qc6 21.Rfd1 Re8 22.Qd3 Ne5 23.Nxe5 Rxe5 Alekseenko,K (2679)-Duda,J (2732) Chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (61);

B) 11...Qe8 12.b4 Ne7 13.c4 *(13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2 Qd7 25.Be3 Nh7 26.Kg2 d4 27.cxd4 exd4* Van Foreest, J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) NED-ch KO Utrecht 2023 (4.5) 0-1*)* 13...Bd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.f4 Kh7 16.Bd2 e5 17.c5 b6 18.Nb2 b5 19.a4 a6 20.Qb3 Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.f5 Qd7 23.Nd1 d5 Piccoli,L (2220)-Proudian,A (2431) Niteroi op 3rd 2023 (4) 1/2-1/2]

9...Re8!? An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **10.Re1** White is slightly better. **10...Be6N**

[RR 10...Ne7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Bb2 *(*RR *12.Nh4 Bg4 13.Qd2 Qd7 14.f4 exf4 15.Qxf4 d5 16.Bb3 dxe4 17.dxe4 Qd4+ 18.Be3 Qxe4)* 12...Ng6 13.h3 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.c4 Nh7 16.d4 Ng5 17.Nxg5 Qxg5 18.Re3 exd4 19.Qxd4 Nf4 20.g3 Nxh3+ 21.Kg2 Nf4+ 22.Kf1 Nh5 23.Qd5 c6 24.Qxg5 hxg5 25.Rd1 Amar,E (2540)-Krishnan,R (2206) Fagernes 2024 ½-½ (42)]

11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 Ne7N

[Vorgänger: 12...Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qd1 Qd7 16.f4 -0.43/22 *(16.a4=* 0.28/19 *)* 16...exf4∓ 17.Bxf4 b5 18.cxb5 Qxb5 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Kovalev,V (2623) Chess.com Rapid Wk23 Swiss 2022 (7) 0-1]

13.Bb2 Ng6 14.Rc1 c6 15.g3 Bc7 16.Kg2 Qd7 17.Qb3 -0.49/19

[17.Nc3= -0.03/20 might be stronger.]

17...Rd8 18.b5 -0.74/18

[18.h3= -0.29/18 is more appropriate.]

18...Nh5 19.d4 Ba5 20.Re3 exd4 21.Nxd4

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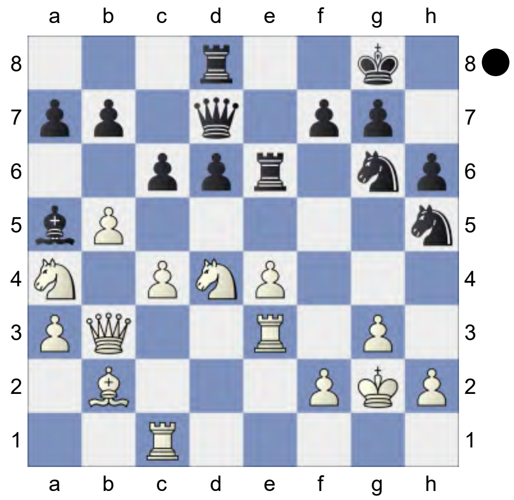

Bd2! ...c6xb5! is the strong threat.

22.Nxe6

[22.bxc6 bxc6]

22...Qxe6 23.Rc2 -1.26/22

[23.bxc6!∓ -0.43/20 Bxc1 *(23...bxc6 24.c5±)* 24.Bxc1 bxc6 25.Nb2]

23...Bxe3∓ 24.Qxe3 a6 -0.01/21

[24...Nhf4+∓ -1.21/21 25.Kg1 *(25.gxf4? Qg4+ 26.Kf1 Qd1+ 27.Kg2 Qxc2-+)* 25...Nh3+ 26.Kh1 Ng5]

25.bxc6 -0.51/22

[25.Rd2= -0.01/21]

25...bxc6 0.01/21

[Better is 25...Nhf4+∓ -0.51/22 26.Kg1 *(26.gxf4? Qg4+ 27.Kh1 Qd1+ 28.Kg2 Qxc2-+)* 26...bxc6]

26.Qf3? -2.89/24

[26.h3= 0.01/21 and White stays safe.]

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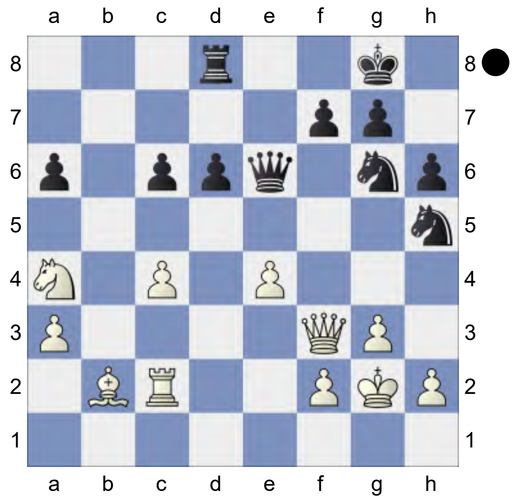


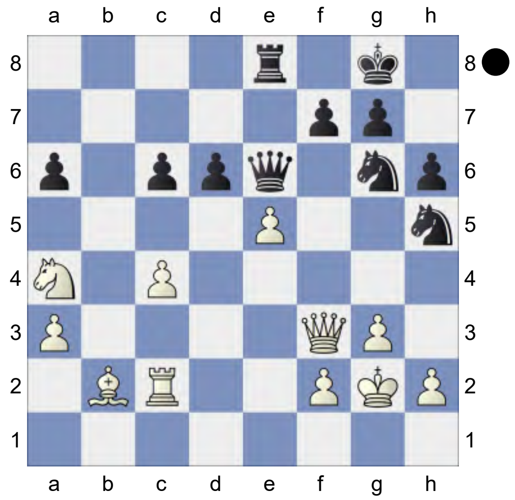
26...Re8? -0.13/21

[26...Nhf4+!-+ -2.89/24 27.Kg1 d5]

27.e5? -6.04/21

[27.Qxh5? too greedy. Qxe4+ 28.Qf3 Qxc2-+]

[27.Qf5= -0.13/21 Qe7 *(27...Qxe4+ 28.Qxe4 Rxe4 29.Rd2=)* 28.Kf1 *(28.Qxh5? Qxe4+ 29.Qf3 Qxc2-+; 28.e5 Nhf4+ 29.Kg1 Ne6∓)*]



27...Nh4+!-+ Clearance **28.gxh4 Qg6+ 29.Kh3 Qxc2 30.exd6 Qxa4 31.d7 Rd8 32.Qe3 c5 33.Kg4 Qxd7+ 34.Kxh5 Qf5+** Weighted Error Value: White=1.04/Black=0.52

0-1

269 C54
☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar 2712**
■ **Radjabov,Teimour 2745**
Tata Steel India blitz (8) 08.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 Ba7

[6...d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7 0.44/22 *(8...Ba7= 0.08/20)* 9.Nbd2± Ba7 10.a4 g5 11.Bg3 Rg8 0.81/19 *(11...Bg4= 0.23/19 remains equal.)* 12.b4± h5 13.h4 Bg4 0.98/19 *(13...gxh4!± 0.35/21 14.Bxh4 Rg4)* 14.Qe1 gxh4 15.Bxh4 0-1 Erigaisi,A (2702)-Radjabov,T (2747) Global Chess League rapid 2023 (1.3)]

7.Bg5 7.a4 gains popularity.7.a4 wird beliebter. **7...d6 8.Nbd2** has lost popularity (8.a4).verliert an Beliebtheit (8.a4). **8...Ne7N** 0.56/22

[Vorgänger: 8...h6 9.Bh4 0-0 10.b4 g5 11.Bg3! Kg7 12.Bb3 Nh7 13.Nc4 h5 14.h4 g4 0-1 Firouzja,A (2785)-Nakamura,H (2775) Norway Chess Armageddon 11th rapid 2023 (6)]

[8...h6= 0.10/22 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 b5]

9.d4 White is slightly better. **9...Ng6 10.h3 h6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Re1 c6** 0.42/19

[12...exd4!= 0.02/19 13.Bxd4 *(13.cxd4 d5=)* 13...c5 14.Bxf6 Qxf6]

13.Bd3 Re8 14.Qc2 Be6 15.c4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bd7 17.Rad1 Qc7 18.Bf1 Re5 0.45/20

[18...Rad8= -0.01/20]

19.g3 -0.01/19

[19.N4f3± 0.45/20 is more appropriate. Ree8 20.Bxa7 Rxa7 21.c5 dxc5 22.Qxc5]

19...Rae8= 20.Bg2 Qb8 21.f4 -0.42/19

[21.b4= 0.30/18]

21...Rh5 0.76/19

[21...R5e7∓ -0.42/19]

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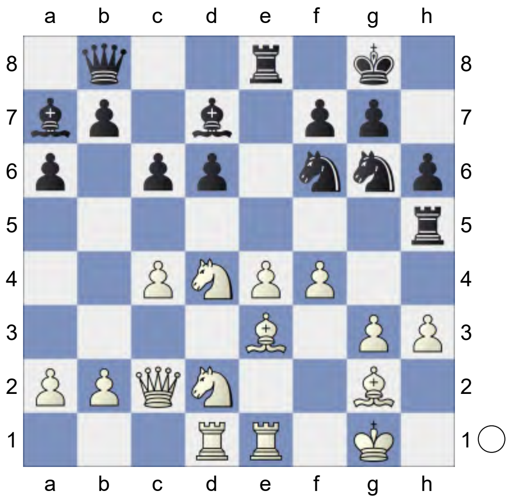

22.f5!± Ne5 23.Nf1 0.15/21
[23.N2f3± 0.51/21]
23...b5 24.cxb5 axb5 25.b3? -1.76/20
[25.Nf3± 0.44/22 stays ahead.]
25...c5? 0.01/22
[25...d5-+ -1.76/20 26.g4 Nfxg4 27.hxg4 Nxg4]
26.Ne2 -1.48/21
[26.Nf3!= 0.01/22 was the only way to keep the balance.]
26...c4 -0.57/22
[26...d5∓ -1.48/21 Hoping for ...dxe4. 27.Nf4 d4]
27.Nf4!∓ Rg5 28.Bxa7 Qxa7+ 29.Qf2 Qb8 -0.23/19 Black is more active.
[29...Qa6∓ -0.68/20]
30.Qd4= Bc6
[30...d5 simplifies 31.exd5 Rxf5 32.bxc4 Nxc4 33.Rxe8+ Nxe8 34.Nd3 Rg5]
31.Qxd6 Qa7+ 32.Qd4 Qxa2 Black continues to play with concentration. **33.Ra1?** -3.41/21
[33.bxc4!= -0.13/21 and White stays safe. bxc4 (*33...Nxc4 34.e5+-; 33...Qxc4 34.Qxc4 Nxc4 35.Rd4±*) 34.Re3]
33...Qxb3-+

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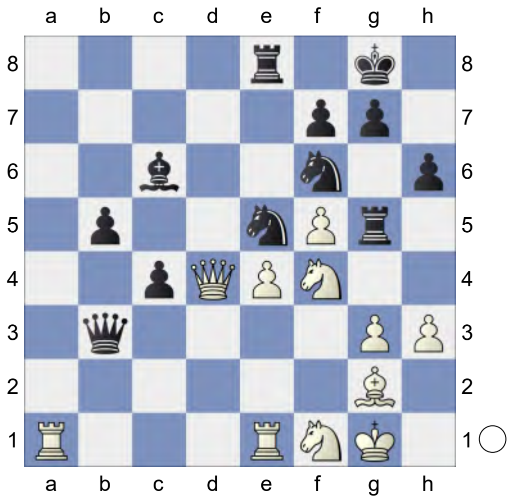


34.Reb1? -10.63/22
[34.Re3 -3.07/20 Qb4 35.Ra7]
34...Nf3+ Black is clearly winning.
35.Bxf3 Qxf3 36.Ng2 Bxe4 37.Rb2 Qxf5 38.g4 Qc5 39.Qxc5 Rxc5 40.Nge3 c3 41.Rb4 Bd3 42.Rc1 Rd8 43.Rb3 Ne4 44.Rb4 g6 45.Nh2 Nd2 46.Kf2 Kg7 47.h4 c2 48.h5 Re5 49.Nf3 Nxf3 50.Kxf3 Rd6 51.Nxc2 Rc5 52.Rb2 Rdc6 53.hxg6 Bxg6 54.Rcb1
Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=0.37
54...Bxc2
0-1

270 **C54**
☐ **Rapport,Richard** **2715**
■ **Vocaturo,Daniele** **2600**
Olympiad-45 Budapest (4.2) 14.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
Game was played at (relatively) late stage of the event. Nepomniachtchi was "almost there", while Alireza was trying to finish a bad event on a good note. In the sixth round came an important clash

against the young and talented GM Sindarov, member of the Uzbekistan team that won gold medal in the last Olympiad. John Burke had a very good tournament and he proved that sometimes rating is just a number. His minus 1 score still sufficed for a 2658 performance, a TPR 100 points above his rating. This was a very nice attacking game, worthy of sharing. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.h3 Nf6 5.d3 a6N**

[5...d6 6.Nc3 a6 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 1-0 (50) Dardha,D (2606)-Ismayil,M (2002) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Late blitz 2022 (1)]

[5...0-0 6.Nc3 (*6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.0-0 b6 9.Nc3 Bb7 10.Nd5 Qe6 11.Nh4 Ne7 12.Nxe7+ Qxe7 13.Nf5 Qg5 14.c3 d5 15.h4 Qd8 16.Qg4 Qf6* 1-0 Burke,J (2554)-Xiong,J (2700) (ch) 150/109 2021) 6...Na5 (*6...a6 7.a4 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Be6 10.Nd5 g5 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6 12.Bxe6 Qxe6 13.Bg3 Ne7 14.h4 g4 15.Nd2 h5 16.0-0 f5 17.exf5 Nxf5 18.Ne4 Ba7 19.Kh2 d5 20.Ng5 Qf6 21.Qe2* ½-½ (42) Supi,L (2608)-Sindarov,J (2654) II Wijk aan Zee 2023) 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 15.Ne2 c6 16.b4 Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 0-1 (38) Firouzja,A (2793)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2766) (ct) Madrid 2022]

6.c3 Ba7 7.Bb3 d6 8.Nbd2 Qe7 **9.a4!?** Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **9...Be6N**

[Vorgänger: 9...h6 10.Nf1 Nh5 11.Ne3 Nf4 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nd8 14.0-0 0-0 0.49/21 (Black should play *14...f5=* -0.17/20) 15.Qe2 -0.03/20 (*15.Re1±* 0.49/21) 15...f5 0-1 Zavarce Sayago,O (2124)-Romero Barreto,J (2049) Caribbean-ch U20 2010 (7)]

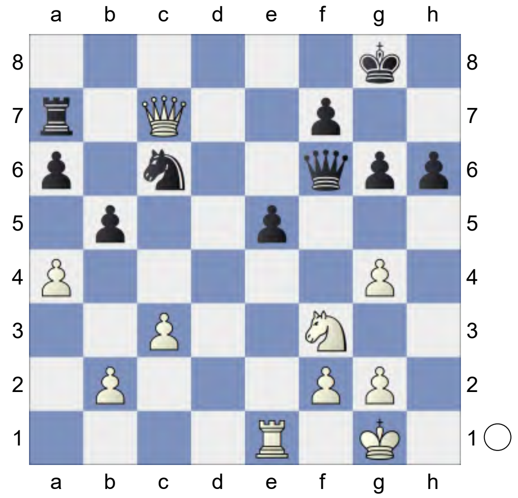
10.0-0 h6 The position is equal. **11.Bxe6 Qxe6 12.Re1 0-0 13.Nf1 d5 14.exd5 Qxd5 15.Be3 Rfd8! 16.Bxa7**

[16.Qd2 simplifies Qxd3 17.Qxd3 Rxd3 18.Bxa7 Rxa7 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.Rxe5 Ra8 21.Ne3]

16...Rxa7 17.Ne3 Qxd3 18.Qb3 Re8 19.Rad1 Qg6 20.Nh4 Qh7 1.17/24

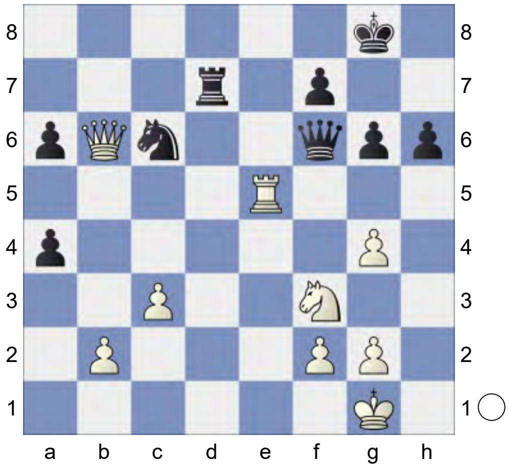
[20...Qg5= -0.09/24 remains equal. 21.Nf3 Qf4]

21.Ng4± Nxg4 22.hxg4 g6 23.Rd7 Qg7 24.Nf3↑ Black is under strong pressure. White has more active pieces. **24...Qf6 25.Rxc7 Re7 26.Qb6 Rxc7 27.Qxc7 b5**



28.Qb6 Strongly threatening Rxe5!. **28...bxa4 29.Rxe5!** This move loses the game for Black. **29...Rd7** 2.45/28

[29...a3± 1.22/28]



30.Re8+!+-

[30.Qxa6? too greedy. Nxe5 31.Qxa4 Rd8 *(31...Nxf3+? 32.gxf3 Qe7 33.Kg2-+)* 32.Nxe5 Qxe5-+]

30...Kg7 31.Qxa6 Rd1+ 2.54/29

[⌓31...Ra7 1.81/26 32.Qc8 Qd6]

32.Re1 Rxe1+ 33.Nxe1 Endgame KQN-KQN. White is a pawn up. **33...Qe6** 3.46/25

[⌓33...Qe5 2.11/26 34.Nf3 Qe4]

34.Kf1 Qd5 5.38/25

[34...Ne5 3.48/24 might work better. 35.Qxa4 Nxg4]

35.Qxa4 White is clearly winning. **35...Ne5 36.Qd4 Qxd4 37.cxd4 Nxg4** KN-KN. White is a pawn up. **38.Ke2 Kf8 39.Nd3 Ke7 40.Ne5 Nf6 41.Kd3 Ke6 42.b4 Nd5 43.Kc4 g5**

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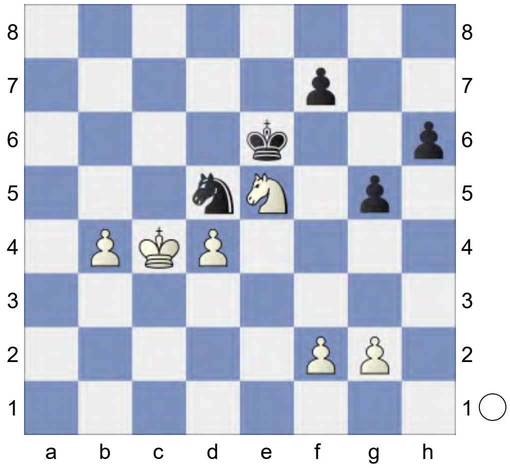

44.Nxf7! Deflection **44...Nb6+ 45.Kb5 Nc8 46.Nxh6 Kd5 47.Nf5 g4 48.f3 gxf3 49.gxf3 Na7+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.55

50.Ka6

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☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2727**

■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2716**

Tata Steel India blitz (7) 08.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 *(6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6 #1*)* 6...h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4)

Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

6.Nbd2 0-0 7.h3 Bb6 Recently 7...a5 got a lot of attention. 7...a5 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **8.Bb3 Be6 9.0-0 Bxb3 10.Qxb3 d5** Prevents Nc4 **11.exd5N**

[Vorgänger: 11.Qc2 Qd7 12.b4 dxe4 13.dxe4 Qe6 14.Qb3 Qxb3 15.axb3 Rfe8 0.47/23 (*15...a6= 0.01/23* might be stronger.) 16.Re1 Nh5 0.82/23 (*16...a5= 0.18/23*) 17.Nc4 and b5 would now be decisive f6 1.23/24 1-0 Krause,B (2447)-Huesmann,T (2129) Pfalz op 10th 2019 (5) (Black should try *17...a6!± 0.56/23*)]

11...Qxd5 The position is equal. **12.Qxd5 Nxd5 13.Nc4 f6 14.a4 a5 15.Nxb6 Nxb6 16.Be3 Nd5 17.Rfe1 Rad8 18.Rad1 Rd7 19.d4 exd4 20.Bxd4 Rfd8 21.Bc5 b6 22.Ba3 Kf7 23.Re4 g5 24.g3** Inhibits Nf4. **24...h6 25.Rde1 h5 26.Rc4 Nb8** White is now going downhill. **27.Nd4?** -1.63/24

[27.b4= -0.01/22]

27...c5-+ 28.Nf5 -4.08/23

[28.Nf3∓ -1.05/20 was the crucial defense.]

28...Nc6

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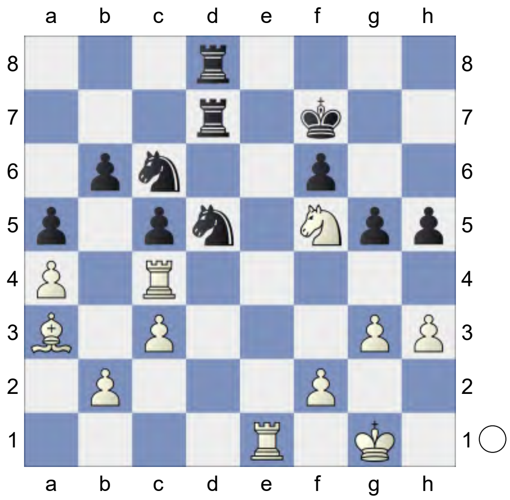


29.Rce4 -4.85/22

[29.Bxc5 -3.30/21 was worth a try. bxc5 30.Rxc5]

29...Ne5 30.Kg2 Wards off Nf3 **30...Kg6 31.Ne3 Nxe3+ 32.R1xe3 Kf5** -2.39/25

[⌓32...Rd2 -5.02/22 33.Kf1 Rc2]

33.Re2? -4.86/24

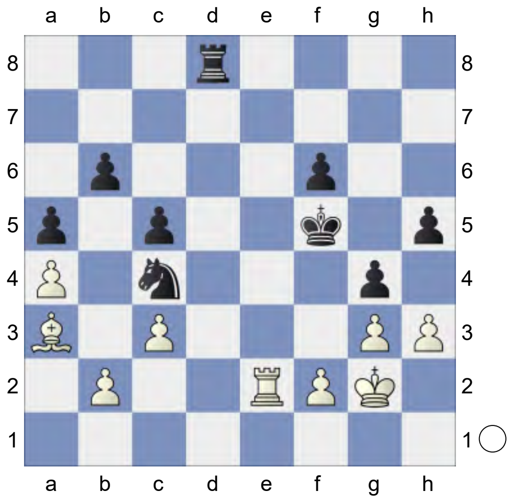
[33.b4 -2.39/25 axb4 34.cxb4]

33...Rd3 34.R4e3 -6.64/24

[⌓34.f4 -4.35/24 gxf4 35.Rxf4+ Kg6 36.Ref2]

34...Rxe3 35.Rxe3 Endgame KRB-KRN **35...Nc4 36.Re2 g4**

[36...Rd3? 37.g4+ hxg4 38.hxg4+ Kg6 39.Re6-+]



37.hxg4+ hxg4 38.Re7 -7.17/25

[⌓38.f3 -4.37/26 gxf3+ 39.Kxf3]

38...Rd1 39.Rc7 Ne5 (-> ...Nf3) **40.Rh7 Nf3 41.Rh1** Prevents Rg1+ **41...Ne1+ 42.Kh2 Ke4 43.b4 Nf3+** -4.05/5

[⌓43...axb4 -22.34/34 (-> ...Nf3+) 44.cxb4 Kf3]

44.Kg2 Rxh1 Black is clearly winning. **45.Kxh1 Kd5**

[Stronger than 45...axb4 46.cxb4 cxb4 (*46...c4 47.a5=*) 47.Bxb4=]

46.bxa5 bxa5 47.Kg2 Nd2 Strongly threatening ...Kc4. **48.Kg1 Kc4 49.Bc1** Weighted Error Value: White=1.09/Black=0.41

49...Kxc3

0-1

272 **C54**

☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2727**

■ **Harikrishna,Pentala 2711**

Tata Steel India blitz (5) 08.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Nbd2 a5 7.h3 7.Nf1 gains popularity. 7.Sf1 wird beliebter. **7...h6 8.Nf1 Ba7** The position is equal. **9.Bb3 Be6N**

[Vorgänger: 9...Ne7 10.Ng3 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.d4 c6 13.Re1 Re8 14.Be3 Qc7 15.Qd2 Strongly threatening Bxh6!. Kh7 1-0 Andriasian,Z (2625)-Makhnev,D (2507) Wch Blitz Almaty 2022 (5)]

10.Bc2 -0.21/21

[⌓10.Ng3 0.19/20]

10...d5= Threatens to win with ...dxe4. **11.exd5 Qxd5 12.Ng3 0-0** 0.04/21

[12...0-0-0∓ -0.50/21]

13.0-0 Rfe8 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Qd6 17.Qd2 Nd5 18.Ree1 Kh8 0.30/20

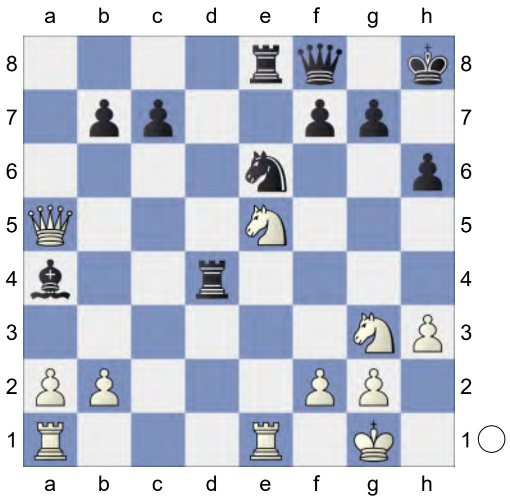
[18...Nf4∓ -0.32/19]

19.Ne4 Qf8 20.Ba4↑ White is pushing. **20...Bd7 21.Ng3 Nf4 22.d4 Nxd4** 0.97/25 **23.cxd4** 0.52/20

[23.Bxd7? Nxf3+ 24.gxf3 Re7-+]

[Better is 23.Nxe5± 0.97/25 Rxe5 24.Rxe5 Nf3+ 25.gxf3 Nxh3+ 26.Kh2 Bxa4 27.Qe3]

23...Bxa4± 24.Nxe5 Ne6 25.Qxa5 Rxd4



26.b3! White is more active. **26...b6?** 3.13/25

[26...Bc6± 0.84/22]

27.Qc3+- Bb5 28.Nf5 1.56/22

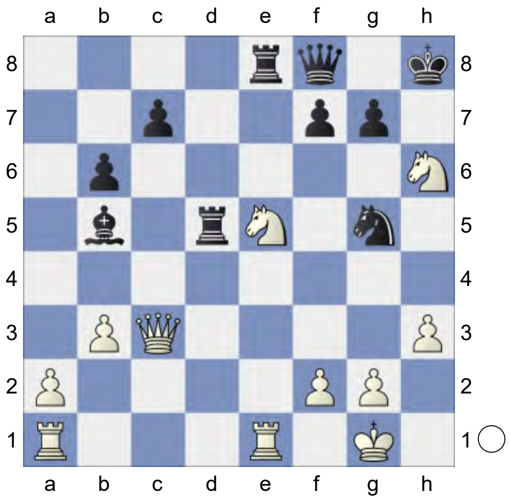
[28.a4+- 3.27/26 and White stays clearly on top.]

A mistake that costs the game. **28...Rd5** 5.02/24

[28...Qb4± 1.56/22 is tougher. 29.Nxf7+ Kh7]

29.Nxh6 Excellent horsemanship. White is clearly winning. **29...Ng5** 9.45/22

[⌓29...Nf4 4.90/25 30.Nhxf7+ Kg8]



Prevents Qf3 **30.Nhxf7+!** Double Attack **30...Kg8 31.Nxg5 Rc5 32.Qg3 Qf6 33.Nef3 Rd8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.82

34.Ne4

1-0

273 **C54**

☐ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2782**

■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2744**

Zagreb SuperUnited Rapid (7) 07.07.23

[Mon hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Let us see a well played game in the same Be6, fxe6 structure. **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4!** outshines the older 7. Bb3. erfolgreicher als das alte 7.Lb3. outshines the older 7.Bb3.erfolgreicher als das alte 7.Lb3. **7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3** White is slightly better. **9...h6 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Re1 Ne7**

[12...Nh5 13.Ra2 Nf4 14.Nc4 b5 15.Ne3 Qd7 16.Ng4 Rae8 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.fxe3 Ng6 19.h4 Qe7 20.g3 Rf7 21.Rf1 Nf8 22.axb5 axb5 23.d4 exd4 24.exd4 Nd8 25.Qd3 Qd7 26.e5 d5 27.Ra5 Mu,K (2715)-7.♗g2 ♘c6 8.h3 ♕c7 (2535) Uxbridge 108/ (288) 2018 Sicilian Sveshnikov MBM [Leykekhman,D] 1-0 (47)]

13.Nf1 Ng6 14.Ng3N

[14.Ra2 Nh5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Nhf4 17.d4 13) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - An-Italian 4...Bc5 - Ancient Be6 Qf6 18.Kh2 exd4 19.cxd4 e5 20.d5 c6 21.g3 cxd5 22.gxf4 d4 23.Rea3 Nxf4 24.Ne1 d5 25.Ng3 Rac8 26.Ng2 Kh8 27.Qg4 d3 28.Nxf4 exf4 29.Nh5 Qg5 30.Rxd3 dxe4 31.Rd6 Qxg4 32.hxg4 Model Games-Carlsen,M (37)]

[14.N1h2 Qd7 15.g3 c5 16.Be3 cxb4 17.Bxa7 Rxa7 18.cxb4 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Rxa7 Qxa7 21.Qb3 Qd7 22.Kg2 6. Italian 6...a6 − 10...Be-Italian 6...a6 − 10...Be6 â]

[RR 14.N1h2 Rf7

A) RR 15.Ra2 d5 (*RR 15...Qd7*) 16.Qb3 c5 (*RR 16...Qe7*) 17.bxc5 Bxc5 18.d4 (*RR 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Rc2*) 18...Ba7 (*RR 18...dxe4 19.dxc5 exf3*) 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxe5 (*RR 20.c4 Nf6 21.dxe5*) 20...Nxe5 21.Rxe5 Nxc3;

B) 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 (*RR 20.Qxb7 Rb8 21.Qa7 c5; RR 20.Rae1*) 20...Raf8 (*RR 20...dxe4 21.Rxe4 Qc6*) 21.Rd1 (*RR 21.Qxb7 Rb8 22.Qa7 c5; RR 21.Rae1*) 21...dxe4

B1) RR 22.Rxe4 Rxf3 23.Nxf3 Rxf3 24.dxe5 (*RR 24.Qxb7 Nc5*);

B2) 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 (*RR 22...Ngxe5 23.dxe5 Qxe5*) 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5 Rxf2 26.Rxe4 Ra2 27.b6 cxb6 28.axb6 Rff2 Saric,I (2659)-Keymer,V (2721) Budva 2023 Mega2024 Update 03 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (67)]

14...d5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 c6N

[Predecessor: 16...a5 17.Qb3 c6 18.Rae1 -0.18/17 (*18.bxa5* 0.28/20 deserves consideration. *Qxa5 19.Ree1*) 18...axb4= 19.cxb4

A) 19...d4!? 20.R3e2 (*20.Qxe6+ Kh7∓*) 20...Nd7∓;

B) 19...Kh8 20.d4 exd4 21.Nxd4 Nf4 22.e5 Nd7 ½-½ Liang,J (2530)-Chandra,A (2468) Saint Louis Spring-B 2023 (7)]

17.Qc2 a5 18.Rb1 -0.15/20

[18.d4 0.19/19 was preferrable.]

18...axb4= 19.cxb4 d4 20.Ree1 Nh7 21.Qd1 -0.70/23

[⌓21.Qb3 -0.35/21 Ng5 22.Nh2 (*22.Nxg5 Qxg5 23.Rb2 h5∓*)]

21...Rf7 -0.20/18

[21...Ng5∓ -0.70/23 22.Nh2 Nf4]

22.Nf1 Ng5 23.N1h2 Nxf3+ 24.Nxf3 Qe7 aiming for ...Ra8-f8. **25.Rb2 Raf8 26.Nh2 Nf4 27.Kh1 c5** -0.10/21

[27...b5!∓ -0.59/18 is more appropriate. 28.axb5 (*28.Ng4 h5∓*) 28...cxb5]

28.b5

[28.Ng4 cxb4 29.Rg1 Qd6∓]

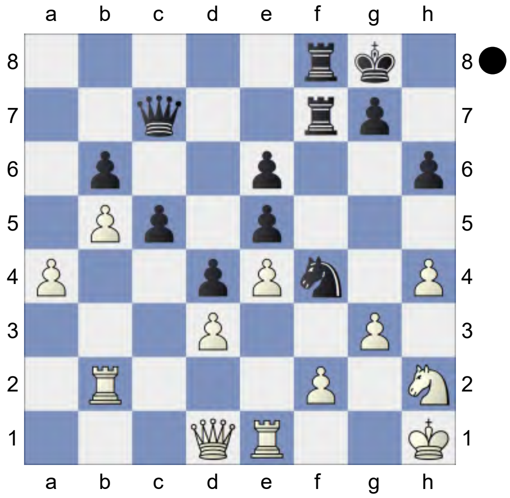
28...b6 29.h4 Qc7 -0.01/21

[Don't play 29...Qxh4 30.g3 Qh3 31.gxf4±]

[29...Ng6!∓ -0.62/20 30.Qg4 Nxh4]

30.g3 -0.38/20

[30.a5= -0.01/21]



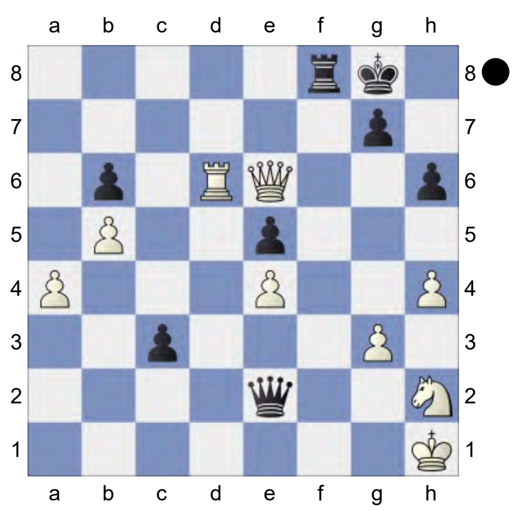
30...Nxd3!∓ 31.Qxd3 Qd3-c4 is the strong threat. **31...c4 32.Qf1 d3 33.Rd2 c3**

[33...Qc5!? 34.f3 Rd7=]

34.Rxd3 Black must now prevent f2-f3. **34...Rxf2 35.Qh3 Qc4 36.Rd6** -1.35/26

[36.g4!= -0.18/25 c2 37.Rc3]

36...Re2!∓ 37.Rxe2 Qxe2 38.Qxe6+



Kh8 0.01/26

[38...Kh7!∓ -1.29/28 39.Qg6+ *(39.Rxb6? Qxe4+ 40.Kg1 c2-+)* 39...Kh8]

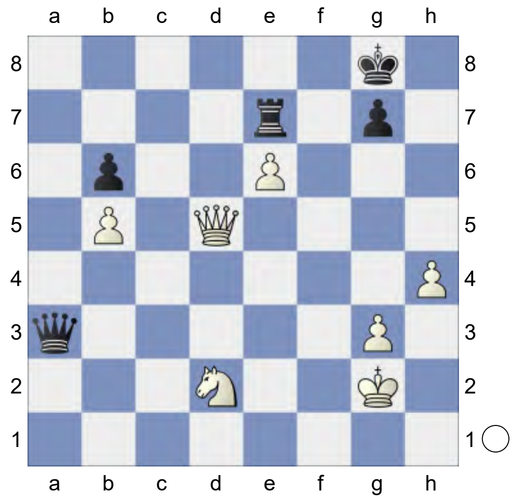
39.Qxe5= c2!

[39...Qe1+? 40.Kg2 Kh7 41.Rd7 Qf2+ 42.Kh3+-]

40.Rxh6+! Kg8⇄ Black puts up resistance **41.Qd5+ Rf7 42.Rc6 Qd1+ 43.Kg2** White wants to mate with Rc6-c8+. **43...c1Q 44.Rxc1** The board is on fire. **44...Qxc1** Endgame KQR-KQN **45.Nf3 Qc2+ 46.Nd2 Qxa4 47.e5** Hoping for e5-e6. **47...Qa3?** 4.03/25 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[47...Qd1= -0.01/25]

48.e6+- Re7



49.Ne4 Prevents Qa3-c5. **49...Qb2+ 50.Kh3** Qd5-d8+ would kill now. **50...Qe2 51.Qd8+ Kh7 52.Qxe7** Intending Ne4-g5+ and mate.

[Weaker is 52.Ng5+ Kg6=]

52...Qxe4 KQ-KQ **53.Qf7 Qh1+ 54.Kg4** And now Qf7-f5+ would win. **54...Qe4+ 55.Kg5** White threatens Qf7-f5+ and mate. **55...Qe3+ 56.Qf4 Qa3 57.Qe4+** White mates. **57...Kg8 58.e7 Qxg3+ 59.Kh5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.42

1-0

274 **C54**

☐ **Ter Sahakyan,Samvel** **2608**

■ **Eljanov,Pavel** **2672**

CZE-chT 2425 (1.1) 02.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.0-0N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3

Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6...d6 7.Re1 a5 is now debated instead of 7...a6.wird nun anstelle von 7...a6 disktutiert. **8.Nbd2 Be6 9.Bb5 Qb8 10.Nf1 Qa7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Nxe3 Ne7 13.Ba4** has lost popularity (13.a4). verliert an Beliebtheit (13.a4). **13...h6 14.Bc2 Ng6 15.d4 a4 16.Qd2N**

[16.Nf5 Rfd8 17.Qd2 b5 18.Rad1 -1.28/21 (*18.a3=* -0.14/21 keeps the balance.) 18...Bxa2∓ 19.Nxh6+ -2.06/18 (*19.d5∓* -1.18/20 *Qb7 20.Rc1*) 19...gxh6-+ 20.Qxh6 and Nh4 should not be overlooked c5 21.dxe5 dxe5 22.Nxe5 -2.54/25 (*22.Rxd8+* -1.96/25 was called for. *Rxd8 23.Nxe5* Decoy *Nxe5 24.Qxf6*) 22...Rxd1-+ 23.Rxd1 Nxe5 24.Qxf6 ½-½ (60) Vachier Lagrave,M (2784)-Aronian,L (2781) Chess.com Speed blitz 2020 (2.13)]

16...b5 17.d5 Bd7 18.Rad1 Rfd8 19.g3 c6 20.Qe2 a3 21.b3 cxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxd5 Qc7 24.Red1 Bg4 25.R5d3 Nf8 26.Re3 b4 27.cxb4? -2.08/22

[27.c4!∓ -0.31/20]

27...Ne6-+ 28.Qc4 Prevents Nd4 **28...Qb6 29.Bd3?** -3.96/25

[29.Qd5 -2.30/23]

29...d5 30.exd5 Bxf3 31.Rxf3 Nd4 32.Be4 Rac8

[32...Nxf3+ 33.Bxf3 Rab8 34.Qe2∓]

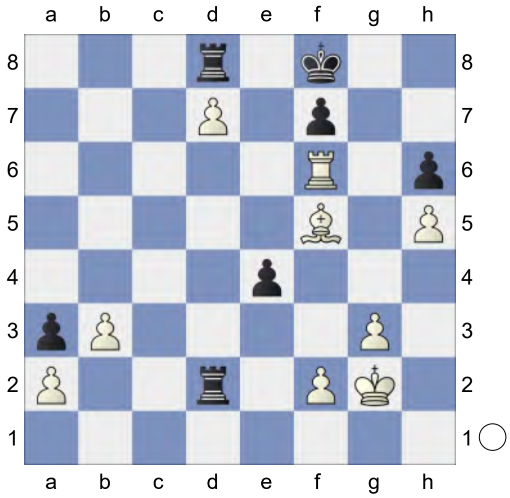
33.Qd3 Nxf3+ 34.Qxf3 Qxb4 35.h4 Qd6? -0.57/23

[35...g6-+ -2.37/23 ...Kg7 would now be deadly. 36.h5 Rc3 (*36...f5 37.Bb1∓*)]

36.h5∓ Qf6 37.Qxf6 gxf6= Endgame KRR-KRB **38.d6 Rb8 39.Bf5 Rb4 40.d7 Rd4⇄** Black is fighting back **41.Rc1 Kf8 42.Rc6 Rd1+ 43.Kg2 Rd2**

[Don't play 43...Ke7?! 44.Ra6±]

44.Rxf6 e4



Deflection **45.Bxe4** -0.52/29

[45.Rxh6? e3 46.Bg4 (*46.Rh8+? Ke7-+*) 46...Rxa2-+ (*46...Rxf2+? 47.Kg1-+*)]

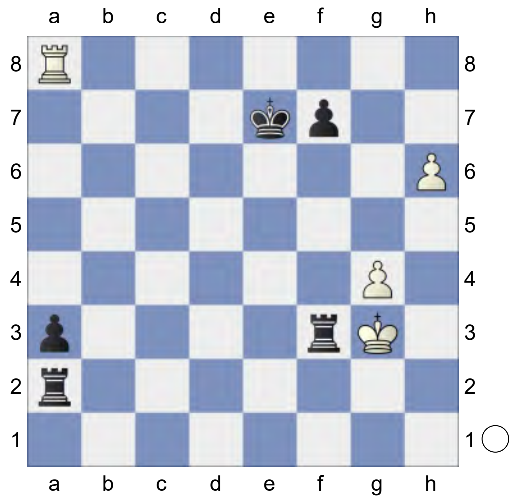
[45.Kg1= -0.01/25]

45...R8xd7 -0.01/23

[45...Kg7!∓ -0.52/29 46.Ra6 R8xd7 47.Rxa3 Re2]

46.Rxh6 Rxa2 47.Ra6 Rdd2 48.g4 Rxf2+ 49.Kg3 Rfb2 The position is equal. **50.Ra8+ Ke7 51.h6 Rxb3+ 52.Bf3 Rxf3+**

(Diagram)



Deflection **53.Kxf3** KR-KR **53...Rh2 54.g5**

[54.Rxa3? too greedy. Rh3+ (*54...Rxh6 55.Ra8=*) 55.Kf4 Rxa3-+]

54...a2 55.Kg3 Rh5 56.Kg4 Rh2 57.Ra7+ Kf8 58.Ra8+ Black had all chances to win.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)

58...Ke7

½-½

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☐ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2782**

■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**

FIDE World Cup (7.3) 21.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 d6 7.Re1! 7.Re1 is better than 7.Nbd2. 7.Te1 ist besser als 7.Sbd2. **7...0-0 8.h3 a6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7**

[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

11.Bb3N

[11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa Vergani Cup 2023 (2) 26.g3 Qe7 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Nf3 Nc7 29.Ne3 Ng4 30.Nxg4 Bxg4 31.Nd2 g5 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Nc4 Qh6 34.Ne3 Bc8 35.Bg2 Nb5 36.Rbb1 Qf6 37.Kf1 Be6 38.Rbd1 Qe7 39.Qb2 Rxd1 40.Rxd1 Rd8 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2)]

11...Ng6 12.Nf1 c6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Be3 Bb8 15.Bc2 Re8 16.a5 Bc7 17.b4 Be6 18.Bd2N

[Vorgänger: 18.Qe2 Qd7 19.Rad1 Rad8 20.Qf1 Qc8 21.Bc1 c5 22.Ba4 Rf8 Hoping for ...cxb4. 23.Bd2 Qb8 24.Rb1 -0.86/22 0-1 Bhavesh,M (2051)-Oliva Castaneda,K (2467) Barcelona Sant Marti op 21st 2019 (1) (*24.c4∓* -0.34/21)]

18...Qc8 19.Qe2 Bd6 20.c4 dxc4 21.dxc4 Nf4 0.47/23

[21...c5= 0.01/24]

22.Qf1!± c5 23.b5 axb5 24.cxb5 c4 25.Bc3 0.11/21

[25.Red1± 0.50/21]

25...Bd7 0.78/21

[25...Nd7!= 0.11/21 remains equal.]

26.Red1± Qc5 27.Rab1 0.27/22

[27.b6± 0.86/20]

27...Bf8=

[27...Bxb5? 28.Bb4 Qxb4 29.Rxb4 Bxb4 30.Rb1+-]

28.b6! g6 0.73/20

[28...Rxa5⩲ 0.37/20 29.Bb4 *(29.Bxa5 Qxa5 30.Ne2 Nxe2+ 31.Qxe2 c3=)* 29...Qxb4 30.Rxb4 Bxb4]

29.Qe1± Bg7 1.71/21

[29...h5!⩲ 0.63/21]

30.Qd2 0.94/21

[30.Ne2+- 1.71/21 and Nxf4 would now be decisive Nd3 31.Bxd3 cxd3 32.Rxd3]

30...Rad8? 3.52/20

[30...h5± 0.94/21 is a better defense.]

31.Qd6? 1.27/24

[31.Nxe5+- 3.52/20 has better winning chances. Nxg2 32.Bd4 *(32.Kxg2 Bxh3+* Discovered Attack *33.Kxh3 Rxd2=)*]

31...Qxd6 32.Rxd6 N6h5 33.Nxh5 Ne2+ 34.Kf1! Nxc3 35.Nxg7 Kxg7 36.Ra1 Bb5 37.Rxd8 Rxd8 38.Ke1 0.37/24

[38.Nxe5? Rd2 39.Nxf7 *(39.Rc1? Na2-+)* 39...Kxf7-+]

[38.Ra3± 1.08/26 Nb1 39.Ra1 *(39.Bxb1 Rd1+ 40.Ke2 Rxb1±)* 39...Nd2+ 40.Ke1 Nxf3+ 41.gxf3]

38...Ba6 1.04/21

[38...f5!⩲ 0.37/24]

39.Nxe5 Re8 1.68/20

[39...g5± 1.02/19]

40.Kd2? 0.09/20

[40.f4+- 1.68/20]

40...Nxe4+= 41.Bxe4 Rxe5 Endgame KRB-KRB **42.Bf3 Rb5 43.Kc3 Rb3+** 1.52/26

[43...Kf6!= 0.24/21]

44.Kd4± White is more active. **44...Kf6** 1.58/22

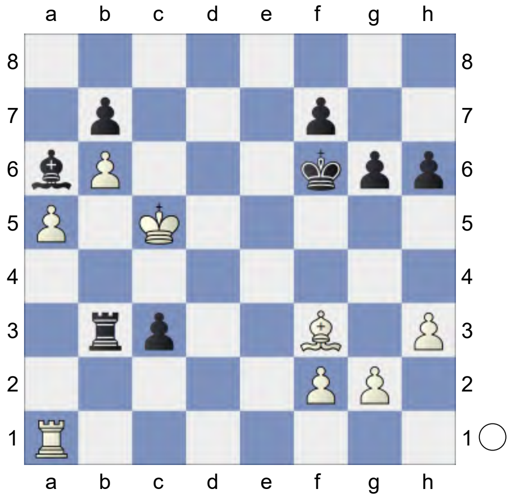
[Better is 44...Kf8 1.17/25]

45.Kc5 0.25/19

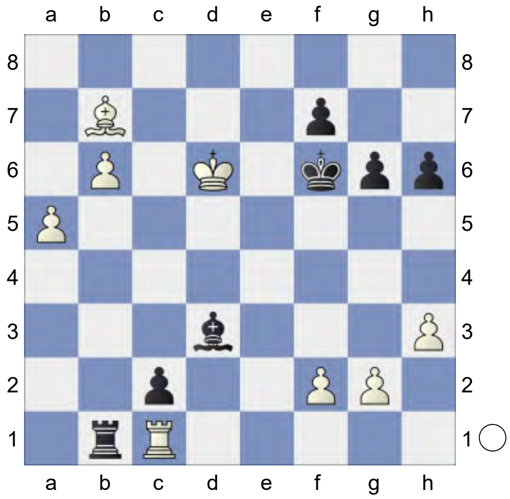
[45.Ra4± 1.58/22]

45...c3 5.26/25

[45...Ke7!= 0.25/19 and Black has nothing to worry.]



46.Kd6!+- c2 47.Rc1 Bd3 48.Bxb7 Rb1

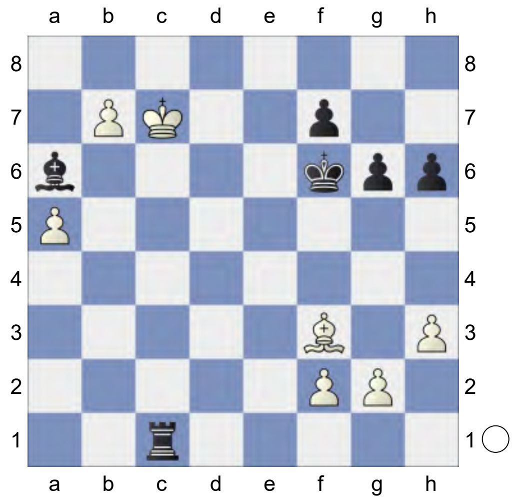


49.Rxc2 Bxc2 50.Bf3 Bd3 51.b7 Ba6 6.52/24

[⌓51...g5 4.61/22 52.Kc7 Ke6]

52.Kc7 Rc1+

(Diagram)



53.Bc6! Bxb7 54.Kxb7 KR-KB **54...Rc2 55.f4** 0.01/29

[White should try 55.a6+- 6.21/26 Rb2+ 56.Kc7 Rxf2 *(56...Ra2? 57.Kb6+-)* 57.a7]

55...Kf5 56.a6 Rb2+ 57.Kc7 Ra2! 58.Kb6 Kxf4

[58...Rb2+? 59.Ka5 Ra2+ 60.Ba4± *(60.Kb6 Kxf4 61.a7 g5±)*]

59.Bd5 Rxa6+ 0.01/22 **60.Kxa6±** KB-K3P **60...Kg3 61.Kb5**

[61.Bxf7 Kxg2 62.Be6 *(62.Bxg6 Kxh3 63.Be4 h5=)* 62...Kg3±]

61...f5 62.Kc5 g5! 63.Kd4 g4! 64.hxg4 fxg4= KB-KPP **65.Ke5 h5 66.Kf5**

[66.Bb7!?]

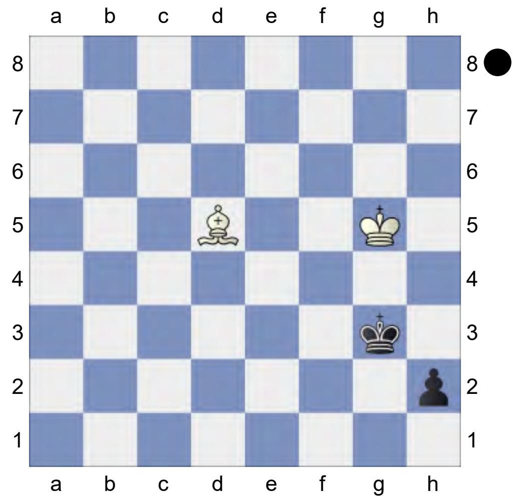
66...h4 67.Kg5 h3 68.gxh3 gxh3 The position is equal.

[68...Kxh3!? 69.Be6 Kg2= *(69...Kh2 70.Kxg4=)*]

69.Bc6 h2 70.Bd5

[70.Bh1!?]

(Diagram)



70...h1Q! Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/ Black=0.42

71.Bxh1

½-½

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☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2688**

■ **Murzin,Volodar 2588**

Wch Rapid New York (12) 28.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4

17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bf5 0.44/21

[10...f5= 0.04/19]

11.0-0⩲ **Nxc3!?** A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **12.bxc3** White is better. **12...f6** Inhibits Bg5. **13.Qd2N**

[13.exf6 0.48/18 13.a4 0.96 Qxf6 14.Be2 0.15/21 (*14.a4⩲* 0.55/22) 14...h6 0.60/21 (*14...Be4=* 0.15/21) 15.a4 0.06/21 (*15.Bf4⩲* 0.60/21) 15...Rae8 0.57/20 (Black should play *15...Be4=* 0.06/21) 16.Qb3 0.18/20 (*16.Bf4⩲* 0.57/20) 16...Be6 0.57/21 (*16...Qf7=* 0.18/20 was preferable.) 17.Bb5 -0.01/22 (*17.Rae1⩲* 0.57/21) 17...Na5= 18.Qb4! c6 19.Bd3 ½-½ (35) Gottumukkala,A (1785)-Bagchi,S (1995) Vancouver op 2020]

13...Be4 aiming for ...Bxf3. **14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.exf6 Bxf3**

[15...Qxf6 16.Ne5⩲]

16.fxg7 Rf7 17.gxf3 Qf6

[17...Rxg7+? 18.Kh1+-]

18.f4 Qf5 (-> ...Qg4+)

[18...Qxg7+ 19.Kh1 Kh8 20.Rg1±]

19.Kh1 0.57/24

[19.Qe2± 1.25/23]

19...Rxg7 1.20/22

[19...Re8!⩲ 0.57/24 20.f3 Re6]

20.Qe2± Kf7 1.86/22

[20...Re8± 1.16/23 21.Qf3 Rg6]

21.Qf3 0.66/23

[21.Rg1+- 1.86/22]

21...Rag8 1.23/22

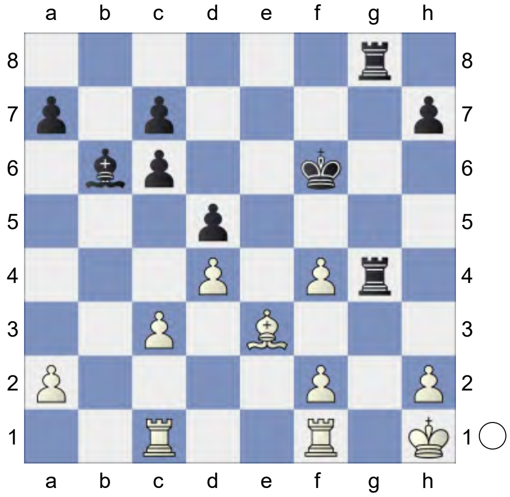
[21...Ba5!⩲ 0.66/23]

22.Rae1 0.83/22

[⌓22.Rfe1! 1.23/22]

22...Qg4 23.Qxg4 Rxg4 24.Rc1 Kf6 1.46/22

[⌓24...Ke6 0.75/22]



25.c4! Kf5? 2.93/22

[25...dxc4± 1.15/21 might work better. 26.Rxc4 Kf5]

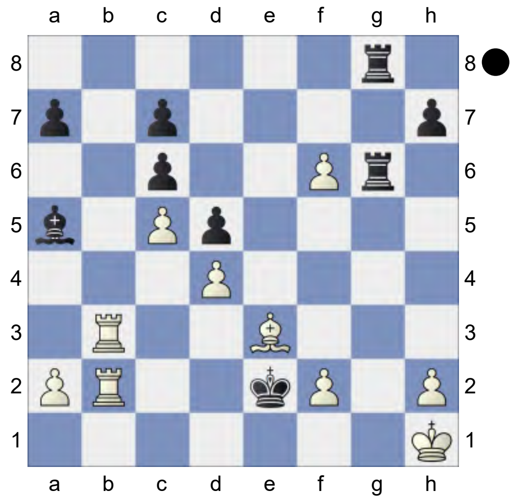
26.c5+- Ba5 27.Rb1 Inhibits Rb8. **27...Rg2 28.Rb3 Ke4 29.Rfb1 Kf3?** 8.20/21

[29...Kf5 1.80/23 30.Ra3 Bb4 31.Rxa7 (*31.Rxb4? Rg1#*) 31...R2g7]

30.f5 Ke2 31.f6 Threatens to win with f7. **31...R2g6 32.R3b2+ Kf3 33.Rb3?** -0.01/19

[White should try 33.Rb7+- 5.50/25]

33...Ke2!= 34.R1b2+?? -7.77/23
[34.f7+- 7.31/26]



34...Kf1!-+ Black is clearly winning. **35.Rb1+ Be1 36.Rxe1+ Kxe1** Endgame KRR-KRB **37.Rb1+ Ke2 38.Bf4 Rxf6**

[38...Kxf2 39.Bg3+ Ke2 40.Be5∓]

39.Bg3 Kd3 40.Rb4 Rg4 41.Rb7 Rf7 42.f4 h5 43.Kg2 h4 Pin **44.Kf3 hxg3 45.Kxg4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/Black=0.42

45...g2

[Not 45...Kxd4 46.hxg3 Kxc5 47.f5∓]

0-1

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☐ **Caruana,Fabiano** **2786**
■ **Najer,Evgeniy** **2648**
FIDE Grand Swiss (6) 30.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.Bg3 d6 8.a4 0-0** The position is equal. **9.Nbd2N**

[RR 9.h3 Be6 *(9...a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7 24.h4* Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand, V (2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3) 0-1*)* 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 Quickstarter-Italian: 1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3. B]

[RR 9.a5 Be6 10.Bxe6 *(RR 10.Nbd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.0-0 Qa2 15.Qc1 Nh5 16.Ne3 Nxg3 17.hxg3)* 10...fxe6 11.0-0 *(RR 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 24.Nexg4 R2f4 25.c4 bxc4)* 11...b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 *(RR 22...Rf8)* 23.f4 Nh5 Caruana, F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.7) 1/2-1/2 Caruana, F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.7) 1/2-1/2 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (66) *(RR 23...Rc5)*]

[RR 9.a5 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2]

[RR 9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7

14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7]

[RR 9.a5 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 23.f4 Nh5 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (66)]

[RR 9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7]

9...g6N

[RR 9...Kh8 10.c3 Ng8 (RR *10...Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4 Bf6 25.axb5*) 11.a5 a6 12.Qb3 f5 13.exf5 Bf6 14.Be6 Nge7 15.Ne4 Nxf5 16.Bxc8 Qxc8 17.0-0 Be7 18.Rfe1 Rb8 19.Qa4 d5 20.Ned2 Nxg3 21.hxg3 Qf5 22.Nf1 Bc5 23.Ne3 *(RR 23.Rad1)* 23...Qxd3 24.Rad1 Firouzja,A (2763)-Lazavik,D (2566) Toronto 2023 Mega2024 Update 06 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (52)]

10.a5 Rb8 11.h3 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Bh2 0.01/20

[13.c3± 0.42/20 should be considered. should be considered.]

13...Bd7 14.0-0 Nh5 15.Re1 Bg5 16.Nf1 Bf4 17.Ne3 Bxh2+ 18.Kxh2 Nd4 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Ng4

[20.Nf5 looks sharper. looks sharper. Qg5 21.h4 Qf6 22.Kg1]

20...Kg7 21.Ra7 -0.01/22

[21.e5± 0.49/21]

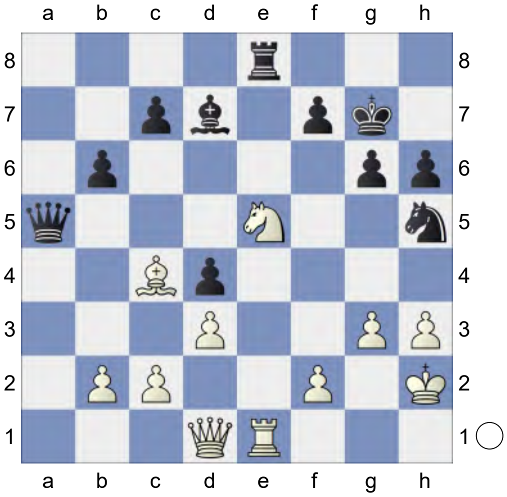
21...Ra8= 22.Rxa8 Qxa8 23.g3 Prevents Nh5-f4 Prevents Nh5-f4

23...Re8 0.12/21

[⌓23...Bxg4 -0.25/21 24.Qxg4 Qa5]

24.e5 dxe5 25.Nxe5 Qa5 1.33/25

[25...Qd8= 0.01/24 keeps the balance. keeps the balance.]



26.Re4 0.43/23

[White should play White should play 26.Qf3!± 1.33/25 Re7 (*26...Rxe5 27.Qxf7+ Kh8 28.Qg8#*) 27.Nxg6 Qxe1 28.Nxe7 Qxe7 29.Qxh5]

26...Nf6? 3.24/25 This move loses the game for Black. This move loses the game for Black.

[26...Rxe5 27.b4 (*27.Rxd4? Bc6-+*) 27...Qxb4 28.Rxe5±]

[26...Be6!± 0.43/23]

27.Nxd7+-

[27.Rxd4? Qxe5 (*27...Rxe5? 28.c3-+*) 28.Rf4 g5-+ (*28...Qxb2? 29.Bb3-+*)]

27...Nxe4 28.dxe4 Rxe4 29.Qf3 Qf5 30.Qxf5 gxf5 31.Nb8

[31.Bd3 Re7±]

31...f4 32.g4 h5? 4.29/24

[32...f3 2.48/22 was worth a try. was worth a try. 33.Nc6 (*33.Kg3 Re2±* Promotion Promotion) 33...Kh8]

33.Nc6

[Less strong is Less strong is 33.gxh5 Re5 34.b3 (*34.Nc6? Rc5-+*) 34...Rc5+-]

33...hxg4 34.hxg4 White is clearly winning. **34...Kf6 35.Kg2 Re1 36.Kf3**

[Don't take Don't take 36.Nxd4 Re4+-]

36...Rd1 37.Bd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.39 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.39

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☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2712**

■ **Harikrishna,Pentala** **2711**

Tata Steel India blitz (3) 08.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 a5 7.0-0 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 8...0-0 is setting a new trend. 8...0-0 setzt einen neuen Trend.

9.Re1N

[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3) 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

[9.Nbd2 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 (*15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020) 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020]

9...0-0 0.38/19

[9...Qe7= -0.12/20]

10.Nbd2± Be6 11.a3N

[Vorgänger: 11.Bb5 g5 12.Bg3 Nh7 0.60/21 (*12...Rb8=* 0.22/20) 13.h3± Ne7 14.d4 f6 15.Bc4 Bf7 16.Bxf7+ Rxf7 17.Nc4! 1-0 Van Foreest,J (2702)-Sargissian,G (2681) Wch Rapid Warsaw 2021 (5)]

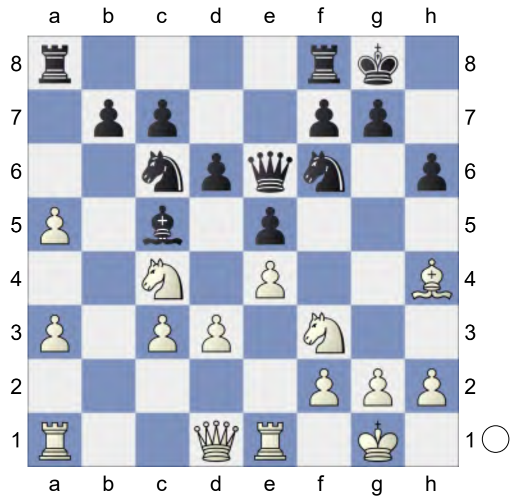
11...Qe7 12.b4 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qe6 14.bxa5 0.07/22

[14.Nxa5± 0.59/21 Nxa5 15.Bxf6]

14...Bc5 1.11/22

[14...Nd7= 0.07/22]

(Diagram)



15.Qb1 -0.16/21

[White has to play 15.d4!± 1.11/22 and d5 should not be overlooked Qxc4 16.Bxf6]

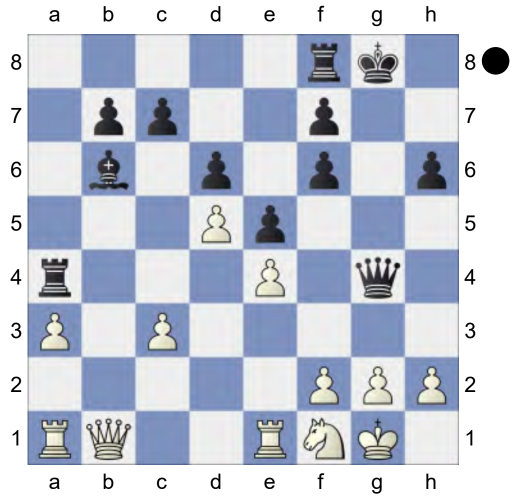
15...Nxa5= 16.Nxa5 Rxa5 17.d4 -0.92/24

[17.Bxf6!= -0.12/21 Qxf6 18.Qxb7]

17...Bb6∓ 18.d5 Qg4 -0.13/23

[18...Qe7∓ -1.03/24 Hoping for ...g5. 19.Bxf6 Qxf6]

19.Bxf6= gxf6 20.Nd2 Ra4 Inhibits Nc4. **21.Nf1**



f5! 22.exf5 Rf4 0.01/23

[22...Rfa8!∓ -0.60/21]

23.Ne3

[23.Ra2 simplifies Qxf5 24.Qxf5 Rxf5 25.Re4]

23...Bxe3 0.40/25

[23...Qg5= 0.01/22]

24.fxe3⩲ Rxf5 25.Qxb7 Rg5 26.Ra2 0.08/22

[26.Qb2± 0.71/23]

26...Qc4= Repels a4 **27.Rc2 f5 28.Qc6 Qxc6 29.dxc6** Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **29...Ra8 30.Rb1 Ra6 31.a4 Rg4 32.c4**

[32.Rb8+ Kf7 33.Rh8 Rxc6∓ *(33...Raxa4 34.Rh7+ Rg7 35.Rxh6=)*]

32...Rxc6 33.a5 Rgxc4 34.Rxc4 Rxc4 KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **35.Ra1**

[35.a6!? Ra4□ 36.Rb7=]

35...Rb4! 36.a6 Repels Rb7 **36...Rb8! 37.Kf2 Kf7 38.Kf3**

[38.a7!? Ra8□ 39.Kf3=]

38...Ke6 39.g4 fxg4+ 40.Kxg4 c5 41.e4 Ra8 42.Kh5 -0.47/27

[42.a7= 0.00/26]

42...c4 -0.01/26

[42...d5!∓ -0.47/27 43.exd5+ Kxd5]

43.Kxh6 -0.54/26

[43.a7!= -0.01/26]

43...c3 -0.01/24

[43...d5!∓ -0.54/26 44.exd5+ Kxd5]

44.h4 -0.63/27

[White should play 44.a7= -0.01/24]

44...c2 -0.01/27

[Better is 44...d5!∓ -0.63/27 45.exd5+ Kxd5]

45.Rc1! The position is equal. **45...Rxa6**

[45...Kf6 is more complex. 46.Rf1+ Ke7 47.Rc1 Rxa6 48.Rxc2 Ra4]

46.Rxc2 d5 47.exd5+ Kxd5+ 48.Kg7 e4 49.h5 e3 50.h6 Ra7+ 51.Kg6 Ra6+ 52.Kg7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)

52...Ra7+

½-½

279 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2929**
■ **MothAndTheFlame** **2906**
Blitz 07.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

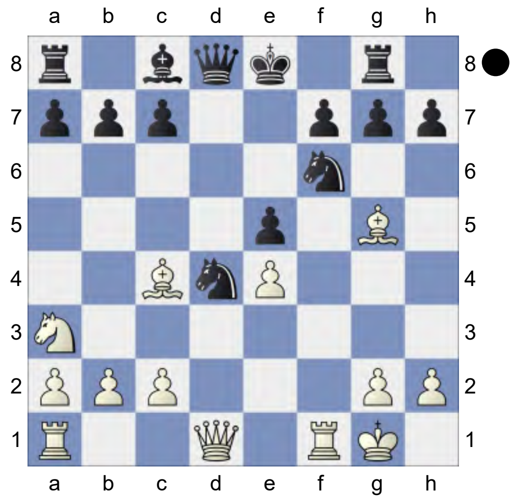
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Rg8**

[9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

10.Na3N -0.78/18

[10.Qd3= -0.10/20 remains equal.]

[10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Qh5 Rg6 12.Qxh7 Be6 13.Na3 Bxc4 14.Nxc4 Ne2+ 15.Kh1 Qd4 16.Rad1 Qxe4 17.Rf3 b6 18.c3 Nf4 19.Ne3 Ke7 20.Rxf4 Qxe3 21.Rff1 Qe4 22.Qh3 Rh8 23.Rd7+ Ke8 24.Qxh8+ Kxd7 1-0 Dolzhikova,K (2345)-Klek,H (2291) Bielefeld (Women) rapid op 2024 (3)]



10...Be6 0.11/20

[10...Qe7!∓ -0.78/18]

11.c3= Bxc4 White is slightly better. **12.Bxf6** -0.46/22 **gxf6** 0.26/18

[12...Ne2+∓ -0.46/22 13.Kh1 Qxd1 *(13...gxf6 14.Nxc4 Qxd1 15.Raxd1=)* 14.Rfxd1 gxf6 15.Nxc4 Nf4]

13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Qf3 White has compensation.

[14.Qa4+ Kf8 15.Qb4+ Kg7 16.Qxb7]

[14.Qxd8+ Rxd8 15.Rxf6 Rg4=]

14...Qe7 15.Ne3 0-0-0 16.Nd5 Qc5+ 17.Kh1 Nf4! 18.b4

[18.Nxf4 exf4 19.Qxf4 Qg5 20.Qxg5 fxg5 21.Rxf7 Rd2 22.b3]

18...Qd6 19.Rad1 Qe6

[19...Nxd5 simplifies 20.Rxd5 Qe6 21.h3 Rg6]

20.Rd2

[20.a4 looks sharper. a6 21.Nxf4 exf4 22.Rxd8+ Kxd8 23.Qxf4 Rg4 24.Qxf6+ Qxf6 25.Rxf6 Rxe4 26.Kg1]

20...c6 21.Nxf4 exf4 22.Rxd8+ Rxd8 23.Qxf4 Endgame KQR-KQR **23...Rd3 24.Qh4**

[24.Qxf6? Qxf6 *(24...Qxe4 25.Qxf7 Rd7 26.Qf8+ Kc7 27.h3±)* 25.Rg1 Qxc3-+ *(25...Rxc3? 26.a4-+)*]

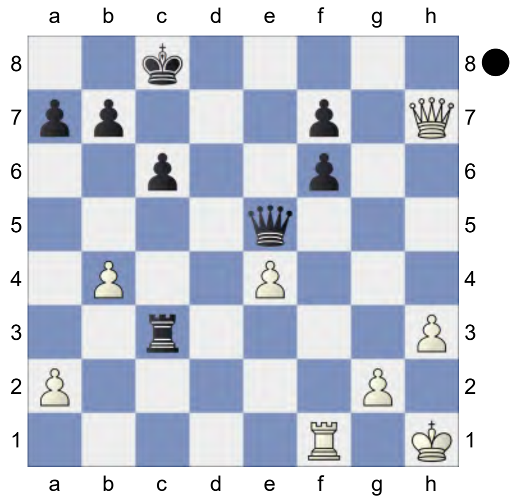
24...Rxc3 25.h3 Qe5 0.51/22

[25...Rc4= 0.00/22]

26.Qxh7±

[26.Rxf6? Rc1+]

(Diagram)



and Qg8+ would now be decisive Black cannot hold the game after this. **26...Rc2?** 4.54/19

[Black should try 26...Rd3⩲ 0.69/20]

27.Qg8++-

[Less strong is 27.Qxf7 Qxe4 28.Qg7 *(28.Qxf6? Qxg2#; 28.Qg8+ Kc7⩲)* 28...Rd2⩲]

27...Kc7 28.Qxf7+ Kb6 29.Qxf6

[29.Rxf6? is the wrong capture. Qg3-+ *(29...Qxe4 30.Rf3=)*]

29...Qg3 6.93/18

[⌓29...Qb5 4.00/20 30.a3 Qd3]

30.Qf3 Qg5 31.a4 a5 32.bxa5+ Kxa5 7.97/21

[⌓32...Ka7 4.11/19 33.a6 Rc1 34.axb7 Rxf1+ 35.Qxf1 Kxb7 36.Qf7+ Ka6 37.Qc4+ Kb7 38.Qb3+ Kc7]

33.Qf5+ Qxf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.74

34.exf5

1-0

280 C50
☐ Maghsoodloo,Parham 2702
■ Duda,Jan Krzysztof 2732
World-chT Rapid (11) 28.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.a4 a6** 6...h6 is the hot move. 6...h6 ist der hippe Zug .6...h6 is the hot move. 6...h6 ist der hippe Zug. **7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2**

[8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6 1-0 Quinn,R (2133)-Keller,P (2358) Dublin Irish New Year IM 2023 (6)]

8...0-0 The position is equal. **9.h3**

[9.b4 h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 0-1 Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

9...Re8N

[9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7 Italian Game-4. 0-0 2018]

10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 Threatens to win with ...Nh5-f4. **15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3N** -0.08/20

[Vorgänger: 19.Qxc7 Rf6 20.Rf1! *(20.Qxb7? Qxf2+ 21.Kh2 Qf4+ 22.Kg1 Rf8-+; 20.Nf3 Rxf3 21.gxf3*

Nf4=)

A) 20...axb5 21.axb5 *(21.Qxb7 Qd8±);*

B) 20...Nf4 21.Nf3 -0.01/24 *(21.Nb3⩲ 0.46/21 Qd6 22.Qxb7)* 21...Nxh3+!= 22.Kh2 Rxf3! 23.gxf3 Nf4 24.Qxb7? -7.15/24 *(24.bxa6= -0.01/23 bxa6 25.Rad1)* 24...Qd8-+ (→ ...Qd8-h4+) 25.Rfc1 ½-½ Mons,L (2530)-Schroeder,J (2568) Hobbits Invitational blitz 2021 (1.5)]

19...Qd8 20.g3! Rh6 White must now prevent ...Qd8-c8. **21.Kg2?** -1.25/22

[21.bxa6= 0.26/20 Raxa6 22.Qc5]

21...Qg5!∓ 22.Rh1 Rd8 -0.14/21

[22...Nf4+∓ -1.13/21 23.Kf1 Ne6 *(23...Nxh3 24.bxa6 bxa6 25.a5∓; 23...Rxh3 24.Rxh3 Nxh3 25.Qxc7=)*]

23.d4 -0.64/20

[23.h4= -0.14/21 Qf6 24.Qxc7]

23...Rg6 0.01/21

[23...exd4∓ -0.64/20 24.Qxc7 Rhd6 *(24...axb5 25.h4=)*]

24.Kh2 c6

[24...Nxg3!? 25.Rhg1☐ Pin Nf1+ 26.Raxf1 Qf4+ 27.Kh1 Qf3+ 28.Kh2 Qf4+ 29.Kh1 Qf3+ 30.Kh2 Qf4+=]

25.bxa6 bxa6

[25...Nxg3!? 26.Rhg1☐ Pin Nf1+ 27.Raxf1 Qf4+ 28.Kh1 Qf3+ 29.Kh2 Qf4+ 30.Kh1 Qf3+ 31.Kh2 Qf4+=]

26.dxe5 Qxe5 0.76/22

[26...Nxg3!= 0.01/24 27.Rhg1 Pin Nf1+ 28.Raxf1 Qf4+ 29.Kh1 Qf3+ 30.Kh2 Qf4+ 31.Kh1 Qf3+ 32.Kh2 Qf4+]

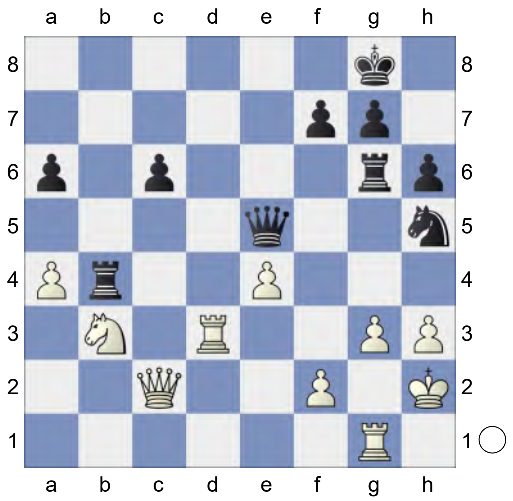
27.Rad1 Rb8 28.Rhg1 h6 29.Rd3 0.39/21

[29.Rd2!± 0.75/23]

29...Rb4 1.03/21

[29...Qxe4? perishes. 30.Rd8+ Rxd8 31.Qxe4+-]

[29...Rd6⩲ 0.39/21]



30.Re3 -0.01/21

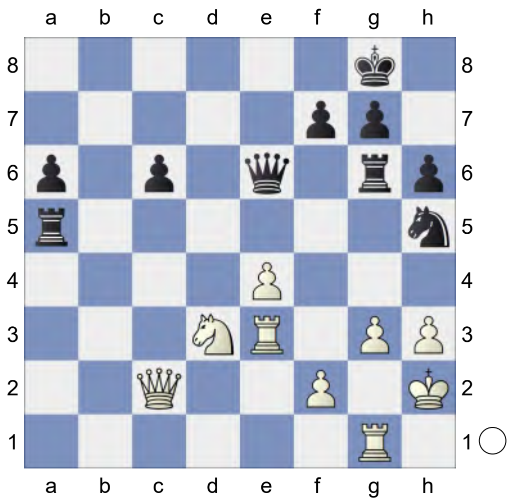
[30.Re1!± 1.03/21]

30...Rxa4 0.44/23

[30...Nf6!= -0.01/21]

31.Nc5⩲ Ra5 32.Nd3 White has compensation. **32...Qe6** 2.21/22

[Black should play 32...Qc7!⩲ 0.32/21]



33.e5!+- Ra2 34.Qd1 0.81/23

[34.Qc1+- 2.12/22 has better winning chances.]

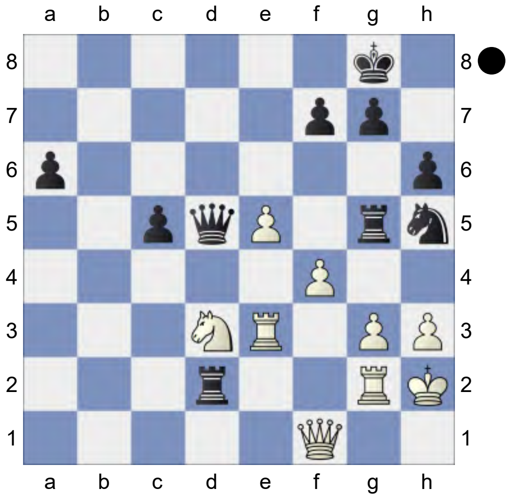
34...Rg5± 35.Rg2 g3-g4 would now be deadly. **35...Qd5!** Strongly threatening ...Nh5-f4! **36.Qb1 Rd2 37.Qf1** -0.85/23

[37.Ne1= 0.26/24 keeps the balance.]

Rd1 (*37...Rxe5?* is the wrong capture. *38.Qb8+ Qd8 39.Qxd8+ Rxd8 40.Rxe5+-)* 38.Qc2]

37...c5→ Black has some attack. Black is much more active. **38.f4?** -6.32/24

[38.Qb1∓ -0.70/22]



38...Rxg3!-+ Pin. Black is clearly winning. **39.Rxd2**

[39.Rexg3 Nxg3]

39...Rxe3 40.Qd1 Ng3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.57/Black=0.27 (precise)

0-1

281 **C54**

☐ **Duda,Jan Krzysztof** **2732**

■ **Gukesh,Dommaraju** **2744**

Zagreb SuperUnited Rapid (9) 07.07.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 **7.a4!** is now more promising than 7.Bb3. im Vergleich zu 7.Lb3 vielversprechender. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3 h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 ½-½ (45) Vachier Lagrave,M (2791)-Aronian,L (2809) 5th Sinquefield Cup 2017 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 Be6N

[10...Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2)]

[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

[10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7. ♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7

[12...Nh5 13.Ra2 Nf4 14.Nf1 Qf6]

13.Nf1 Ng6 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 b5N 0.48/20

[Predecessor: 15...a5 16.Qb3 Qe7 17.d4 axb4 0.61/21 (*17...exd4=* -0.11/20 *18.Nxd4 Nf4)* 18.Qxb4 -0.01/20 (*18.dxe5±* 0.61/21 *Nxe5*

19.Nxe5 dxe5 20.cxb4) 18...exd4= 19.cxd4 b6 20.Ng3 Ra5 21.Qc4 Nf4 1-0 Karjakin,S (2752)-Kovalev,V (2648) Titled Tuesday intern op 6th June fin blitz 2020 (1.1)]

[15...Qe8= 0.08/21]

16.g3 Qd7 17.N1d2 a5 18.bxa5 Rxa5 19.axb5 Rxa1 20.Qxa1 Qxb5 21.Qa2 Re8 22.d4 Kh8 23.c4 Qc6 24.dxe5 dxe5 25.Kg2 Rd8 26.Qa1 Kh7 27.Qe1 Ra8 28.Rb3 Ra2 29.Qe3 Qa8 30.Rb5 Qd8 31.Qc3 Qa8 32.Qe3 -0.01/24

[32.Qd3± 0.40/24]

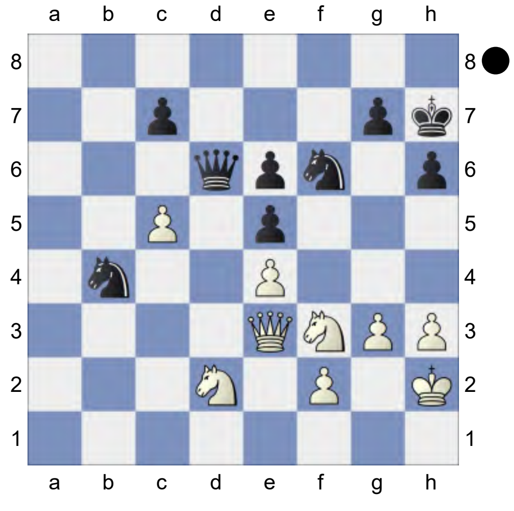
32...Qd8= 33.Rb7 Qd6 34.Ra7 Nf4+ 1.20/27 **35.Kh2** -0.01/22

[35.gxf4± 1.20/27 exf4 36.Qb3 Rxa7 37.e5]

35...Rxa7 36.Qxa7

[36.gxf4 is interesting. Ra3 37.fxe5 Qf8 38.Qf4]

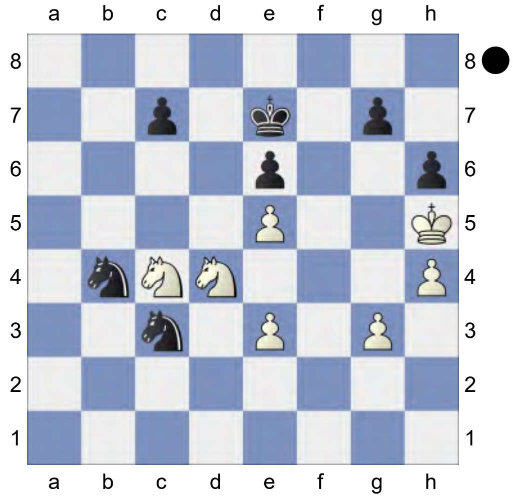
36...Nd3 37.Qe3 Nb4 38.c5



Deflection **38...Qd3 39.Nxe5 Qxe3 40.fxe3** Endgame KNN-KNN. White is a pawn up. **40...Kg8** 0.38/31

[40...Na6= 0.01/28 is superior.]

41.Kg2± Kf8 42.Kf3 Ke7 43.Nb3 Nd7 The position is equal. **44.Nc4 Nd3 45.e5 N7xc5 46.Nd4 Nb4 47.h4 Nd7 48.Ke4 Nc5+ 49.Kf3 Na4 50.Kg4 Nc3 51.Kh5**



and Kg6 would now be decisive **51...Kf7 52.g4 Nd3 53.g5 hxg5 54.Kxg5 Nd5 55.Nc6 Nb6 56.Na3 Nd7 57.Nb5 N3xe5 58.Nxe5+ Nxe5 59.Nxc7=** KN-KN **59...Nf3+ 60.Kg4 Ne5+ 61.Kg5 Nf3+ 62.Kg4 Ne5+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

63.Kg5

½-½

282 **C54**

☐ **Vokhidov,Shamsiddin** **2668**

■ **Salgado Lopez,Ivan** **2609**

ESP-chT CECLUB Honor (3.15) 14.10.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D

2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.0-0N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6...d6 7.Re1 a5 now supersedes 7...a6. löst 7...a6 inzwischen ab. **8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Ba7** The position is equal.

[9...g5!? 10.Bg3 Bg4=]

10.Nbd2 g5 11.Bg3 Nh7 12.Nf1 h5! 13.h3 Qf6 0.03/22

[13...h4∓ -0.33/24 14.Bh2 g4 15.hxg4 Bxg4]

14.Ne3 Qg7N 0.80/19

[14...Bxe3 15.fxe3 h4 16.Bf2 Qh6 17.a4 Kh8 18.Nh2 Ne7! 19.Ng4 Qg6 20.b4 -0.81/21 (*20.Qf3∓ -0.44/21*)

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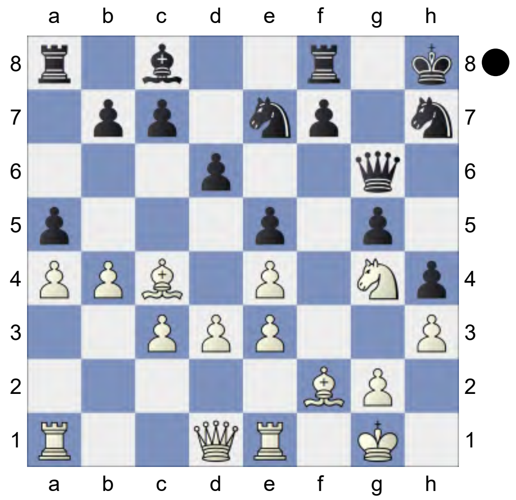


20...Ng8! 0-1 (54) Limanskis,N (2410)-Seryakov,O (2394) Champion's League 2019/A email [3]]

[14...Bxe3= -0.16/25 keeps the balance. 15.fxe3 (*15.Rxe3 Bd7=*) 15...Qh6]

15.Bb5 0.11/20

[15.d4!± 0.80/19]

15...Ne7 0.61/21

[15...Bxe3= 0.11/20 16.Rxe3 Ne7]

16.d4± g4 17.hxg4 hxg4 18.Nh2 White is more active. **18...exd4 19.cxd4 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Nxf5**

[21.Qxg4 Qxg4 (*21...Bxd4 22.Qxg7+ Kxg7 23.Nxf5+ Bxf5 24.Re7+ Rf7 25.Re2=*) 22.Bc4+ Kh8 23.Nhxg4 Nxg3 (*23...Bxd4 24.Rad1=*) 24.fxg3 Bxd4∓]

[21.Nexg4 Nxg3 22.Qb3+ Kh8 23.Qxg3 Bxd4∓]

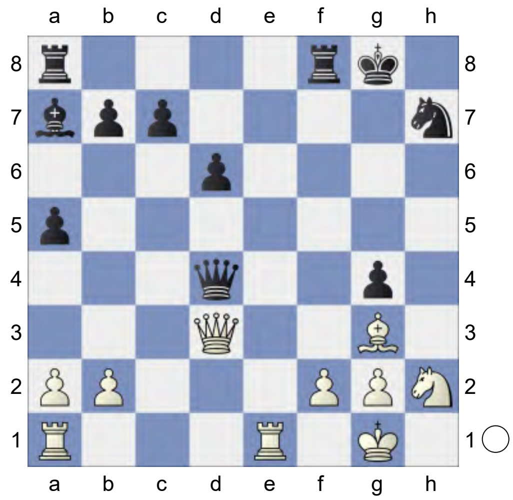
21...Bxf5 22.Bd3 Bxd3 23.Qxd3

[23.Qb3+ simplifies Rf7 24.Qxd3 Qxd4 25.Qxd4 Bxd4 26.Nxg4 Bg7 27.Rac1]

23...Qxd4

[23...Bxd4 24.Re4 Bxb2 25.Rae1±]

(Diagram)



24.Qb3+ Kh8 25.Rad1 0.28/21 Chess con chili.

[25.Qxb7 Bb6=]

[25.Rac1± 0.77/21]

25...Qg7= 26.Qxb7 0.01/22

[26.Rd5± 0.49/20]

26...Nf6 27.Qb5 -0.24/25

[27.Re6± 0.34/24]

27...Bc5 28.Re2 Rab8 29.Qxa5 Nh5 30.Nf1 -1.83/25

[30.Kh1!= -0.21/22 and White is okay. Nxg3+ 31.fxg3]

30...Ra8? 1.27/21

[30...Rxb2-+ -1.83/25 31.Be5 Pin, Double Attack Rxe2 32.Bxg7+ Nxg7]

31.Qc3 0.22/20

[White should play 31.Qe1± 1.27/21]

31...Nxg3? 2.33/24

[31...Qxc3!= 0.22/20 and Black has nothing to worry. 32.bxc3 Rae8]

32.Qxg3+- Strongly threatening Rd5.

[32.Nxg3 Qxc3 33.bxc3 Rae8±]

32...Rxa2? 5.79/24

[32...Rf5 2.20/22 33.Ne3 Re5]

33.Rd5 White is clearly winning.

33...Qh6 Dodges Qh4. White must now prevent ...Ra1. **34.Qc3+ Kh7 35.Rxc5 dxc5 36.Re7+**

[36.Qxc5 Qf4±]

36...Kg8 37.Qc4+

[Worse is 37.Qxc5 Qf4= *(37...Rxb2?* perishes. *38.Qd5+ Kh8 39.Qe5+ Kg8 40.Qxb2+-)*]

[37.Rxc7 Qf6 38.Qc4+ *(38.Qxc5 Rxb2 39.Qd5+ Rf7±)* 38...Kh8 39.Qxc5 *(39.Qxa2 Qxf2+ 40.Kh2 Qf4+ 41.Ng3 Qxc7∓)* 39...Ra5=]

37...Kh8 38.Qxa2 g3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.70

39.f3

[39.Rxc7? gxf2#]

[Not 39.fxg3 Rxf1+ Decoy 40.Kxf1 Qf6+ 41.Kg1 Qxe7±]

1-0

283 **C50**

☐ **Aronian,Levon** **2745**

■ **So,Wesley** **2760**

Superbet Blitz 2023 (5.3) 24.05.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 John Watson Marchand,A/Primel,D

1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3

[5.d3 h6 6.c3 d6 7.Nbd2 a5 8.Re1 0-0 9.Nf1 Ba7 10.Ng3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 a4 14.d4 Qe8 15.Qd3 1-0 Aronian,L (2785)-So,W (2778) Chess.com Rapid Wk5 KO 2022 (2.1)]

5...d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.d3 Na5 7...h6 is a critical line. 7...h6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

[RR 7...0-0 8.c3 Ne7 9.Re1 Ng6 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Bb3 Re8 12.Bd2 h6 13.a4 Bd7 14.h3 Bc6 15.Bc2 d5 16.b4 dxe4 17.dxe4 Bd7 18.Be3

Be6 19.Nd2 Qe7 20.Qe2 Red8 21.Red1 Nd7 22.Qf3]

8.Bb3 White is slightly better. **8...h6 9.c3N**

[Vorgänger: 9.h3 Nxb3 10.Nxb6 -0.41/22 (*10.axb3= 0.26/22 Ba5 11.Nc3*) 10...axb6∓ 11.cxb3 0-0 12.b4 Re8 13.b3 -0.60/19 (*13.Bd2= -0.17/21*) 13...Nh7 14.d4 exd4 15.Qxd4 0-1 Lugovskoy,M (2443)-Zakaryan,D (2407) South FR-ch Maikop 2018 (9)]

9...Nxb3 10.axb3 Bg4N

[RR 10...Bd7 11.Nxb6 axb6

A) RR 12.Rxa8 Qxa8 13.Nh4 g5 14.Qf3 Ke7 15.Nf5+ Bxf5 16.exf5 (RR *16.Qxf5 Qc8*) 16...Qc8 17.h3 Rg8 18.Bd2 h5 19.g4 Qd7 20.c4 Qc6 21.Qg3 b5 22.Be3 h4 23.Qg2 Beliavsky,A (2619)-Inarkiev,E (2674) Aix les Bains 2011 CBM 142 Extra [Marchand,A/Primel,D] ½-½ (58) Qxg2+ 24.Kxg2 bxc4 25.bxc4 c5 26.b4 b6 Beliavsky,A (2619) -Inarkiev,E (2674) EU-ch 12th Aix les Bains 2011 (10) 1/2-1/2;

B) 12.Be3 0-0 13.h3 Re8 14.Qc2 Bc6 15.b4 Rxa1 16.Rxa1 d5 17.Nd2 Qd7 18.Re1 Rd8 19.f3 dxe4 20.dxe4 Qe6 21.Nf1 Ne8 22.Rd1 Ra8 23.Ng3 Ba4 24.Qc1 Bxd1 25.Qxd1 8.Bh4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2603)-Behrmann (2553) Baku op 2010 (2.19) 0-1 8.Bh4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2603)-Behrmann (2553) Baku op 2010 (2.19) 0-1 Sadhwani,R (2603)-Lazavik,D (2553) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (50) 8. ♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2603)-Behrmann (2553) Baku 2023 Steinitz/Chigorin [John Watson] 0-1 (50) Nd6 26.b3 f6 27.c4 Rd8 28.Qc2 Nf7 29.Nf5 Kh7 30.h4 g6 31.Ng3 Qd7 32.Qf2 h5 33.Kh2 Qd3 34.f4 Nh6 35.Nf1 Ng4+ 36.Kg3 Qxe4 37.fxe5 Rd3 38.exf6 Nxe3 39.Nxe3 Qxe3+ 40.Qf3 Sadhwani,R (2603)-Lazavik,D (2553) Chess.com U20 Speed blitz 2023 (2. 19) 0-1]

11.h3 Bh5 12.g4 aiming for Na4xb6! aiming for Na4xb6! **12...Bg6 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.Rxa8 Qxa8 15.Nh2** -0.24/19

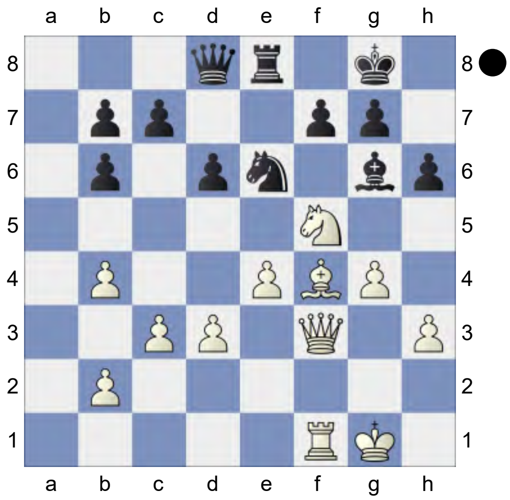
[Better is Better is 15.Nh4 0.30/19]

15...0-0 16.f4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Nd7 -0.02/20

[17...Qa2∓ -0.43/22 should be considered. should be considered. 18.h4 Qxb2]

18.Nf3= Re8 19.Nd4 Qd8 20.Nf5 Nc5 21.b4 Ne6 22.Qf3 -0.54/22

[22.Bg3= 0.01/22]



22...d5 -0.11/21 **23.exd5** -0.85/21

[23.e5= -0.11/21 keeps the balance. keeps the balance.]

23...Nxf4∓ 24.Qxf4 Qxd5 25.d4 c6 26.Ng3 Qb3 Black is more active. Black is more active. **27.Qd2 b5 28.h4** -0.85/23

[28.Kh2= -0.24/22]

28...f6 -0.15/24

[28...Qe6∓ -0.85/23 29.Qf4 Qe7]

29.Kh2= Bf7 30.Rf2 Qe6 31.Qf4 Qd5 32.Nf5

[32.h5 simplifies simplifies Qg5 33.Qxg5 fxg5 34.Kh3]

32...Re4 33.Qb8+ -0.54/23

[White should try White should try 33.Qf3!= -0.01/25]

33...Kh7∓ 34.Qg3 Re1 -0.40/24

[34...Bg6∓ -0.77/24 35.h5 Be8 *(35...Bxf5 36.Rxf5 Qc4 37.Rf2∓)*]

35.Rg2 -1.71/25

[35.Qf3!∓ -0.40/24]

35...Re4?→ -0.01/23 Black mounts an attack. Black mounts an attack.

[35...Qe4-+ -1.71/25 36.g5 fxg5 37.hxg5 Bd5 38.g6+ Kh8 39.Qb8+ Bg8]

36.Qc7

[36.Nd6 simplifies simplifies Re7 37.g5 fxg5 38.hxg5 Qxg5 39.Qxg5 hxg5 40.Rxg5 Bd5 41.Re5]

36...Qe6 Threatens to win with ...h6-h5. Threatens to win with ...h6-h5.

[36...h5!? 37.Nd6□ *(37.Qxb7?* perishes. perishes. *g6-+)* 37...Re3 38.Nxf7 Qe4 39.Ng5+ *(39.gxh5?* gets mated. gets mated. *Qxh4+ 40.Kg1 Re1#)* 39...fxg5-+]

37.Qxb7? -2.88/26

[37.Nd6!= -0.01/25 Rxg4 38.Rxg4 Qxg4 39.Nxf7]

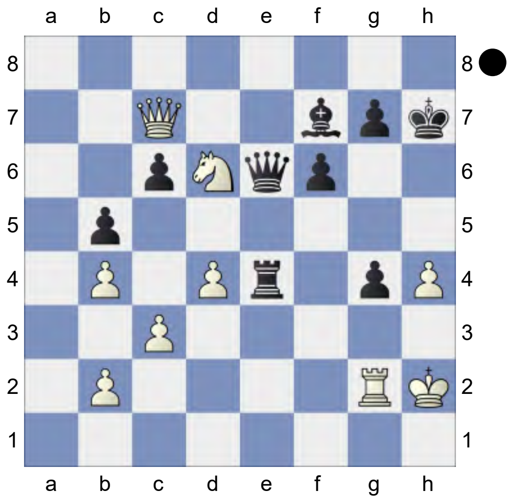
37...h5 -1.53/28

[Black should play Black should play 37...g6-+ -2.88/26 38.Ng3 Rxg4]

38.Qc7∓ hxg4 39.Nd6 -#8/18

[39.Rf2-+ -1.90/27]

(Diagram)



39...g3+! Discovered Attack Discovered Attack **40.Rxg3 Rxh4+ 41.Kg2 Qe2+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/ Black=0.28 (precise)

Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/ Black=0.28 (precise)

0-1

284 **C54**

☐ **Xue,Haowen** **2518**

■ **Ding,Liren** **2734**

CHN-ch Rapid/Blitz 4th (3.3) 14.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6

11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 a5 7...a5 is setting a new trend.7...a5 setzt einen neuen Trend. **8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6** The position is equal. **10.Bb5 Qb8 11.Nf1 Qa7! 12.d4 exd4 13.Bxc6 dxc3 14.Ba4 Bxf2+ 15.Kh2 Bxe1 16.Qxe1 d5 17.Be3** 0.01/21

[17.e5± 0.41/24 cxb2 18.Bxb2]

17...Qa6=

[17...c5 18.e5 cxb2 19.Rb1-+]

18.e5 Ne4 19.bxc3 Qc4 20.Bb3 This pair of bishops is nice. **20...Qxc3 21.N1d2! Rfe8! 22.Rc1 Qb4 23.a3N** Wards off c5. Deflection

[23.Bc2 Black should prevent a3!. Bf5 24.Nd4 0.01/20 (White should try *24.Bxe4± 0.53/23 dxe4 25.Nd4*) 24...Bg6= Threatens to win with ... Nxd2. 25.Rb1 Qe7 26.Bf4! Qc5 27.N2f3 And now e6! would win. Qc4 28.Bb3 ½-½ Ozen,B (2252)-Nimylovych,T (2227) FICGS rapid M 000138 email 2022 (1)]

23...Qxa3 24.Nd4 Qb4 25.Rxc7? -3.39/25

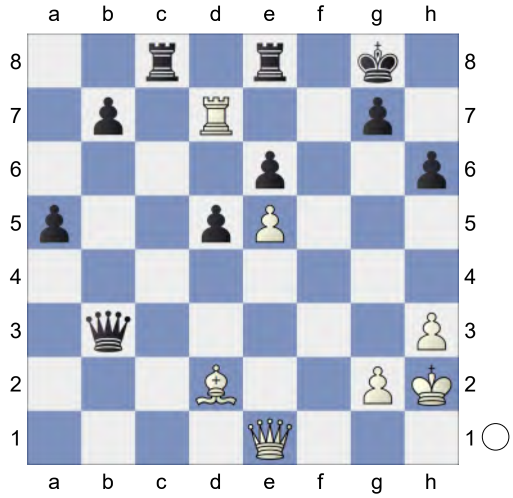
[25.Nxe6!= 0.21/23 and White is okay. fxe6 26.Nxe4 Qxe1 (*26...Qxb3 27.Nf6+ Kh8 28.Bxh6+-; 26...Qxe4 27.Qg3±*) 27.Rxe1]

25...Rac8 26.Nxe6 fxe6 27.Rd7 Nxd2? 0.01/25

[27...Qc3-+ -3.75/24 28.Bd1 Qxe5+ 29.Kg1 Ng5]

28.Bxd2→ White has some attack. **28...Qxb3** 14.16/33

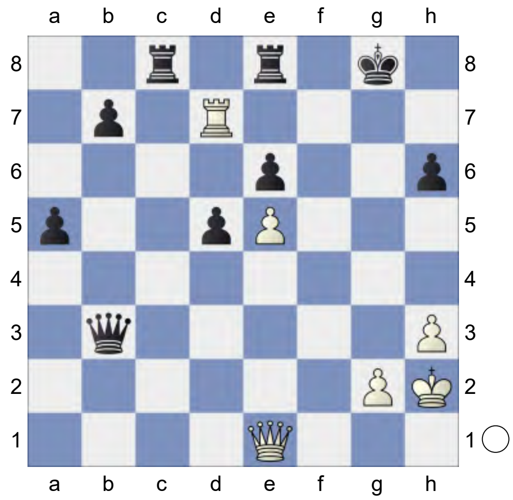
[28...Qb5= 0.01/21 29.Rxg7+ Decoy Kxg7 30.Bxh6+ Decoy Kxh6 31.Qh4+ Kg7 32.Qg5+ Kf7 33.Qf6+ Kg8 34.Qg6+ Kf8 35.Qf6+ Kg8]



29.Bxh6!+- Threatening mate with Qh4!. **29...gxh6**

[29...Qb4 30.Rxg7+]

(Diagram)



30.Qh4! Qe3
Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.70
31.Qf6
1-0

286 **C50**
☐ **So,Wesley** **2757**
■ **Lazavik,Denis** **2578**
chess.com SpeedChess 2024 (1.5)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.Bg3 d6 8.a4 0-0 9.h3**

[9.a5 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 23.f4 Nh5 ½-½ Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.7)]

9...Kh8N now scores much better than the old 9...Be6. punktet besser als das ältere 9...Le6.

[9...a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7 24.h4 0-1 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V (2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3)]

[9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 #6 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 Nf6]

[9...Re8 10.0-0 Bf8 11.c3 Be6 12.Nbd2 Qd7 13.Re1 Rad8 14.Bh4 Be7 15.a5 a6 16.Bg3 Bf8 17.b4 #5 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 Nf6]

10.a5 a6 0.35/20

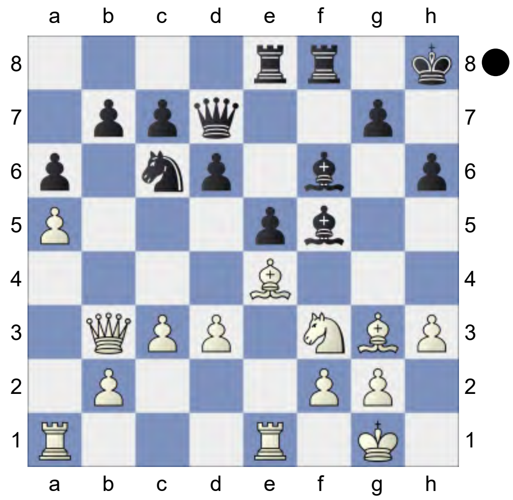
[10...Nh5= -0.03/20 feels stronger.]

11.0-0⩲ Nh7 12.Nc3 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.Nd5 Nf6 15.Re1 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Qd7 17.c3 Bf6 18.Be4N

[Vorgänger: 18.Nh2 Nd8 0.65/22 *(18...Rae8=* 0.01/19 *)* 19.Ng4⩲ Qb5 20.Be4 0.01/22 *(20.c4!⩲* 0.52/22 *Qxb2 21.Nxf6 Rxf6 22.d4 Qxd4 23.Qxd4 exd4 24.Re8+ Kh7 25.Rae1)* 20...Bxe4= 21.Rxe4 Ne6 22.b4 Rae8 23.h4 0.09/20 *(23.Nxf6⩲* 0.46/20 was preferrable. *Rxf6 24.f3)* 23...Bd8= 24.Qd2 ½-½ Ostrovskiy,A (2414)-Burke,J (2518) New York Int op 11th 2018 (5) Prevents Ne6-f4]

18...Rae8 19.Qb3

(Diagram)



Black must now prevent Be4xf5. **19...Nd8 20.Bxf5 Qxf5 21.Re3 Qe6 22.Qa4 Qf7 23.Rae1 Re7** 0.55/21

[23...Nc6= 0.16/21]

24.d4± exd4 25.Rxe7

[25.cxd4 Nc6∓]

25...Bxe7 26.Qxd4 -0.01/24

[26.cxd4 Nc6∓]

[26.Nxd4± 0.48/23 should be considered. Bf6 27.f3]

26...Bf6 27.Qe4 Nc6 28.Bh4

[28.Qa4 simplifies Re8 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Qc4]

28...Nxa5 29.Bxf6 Qxf6 30.Nh4

[30.Qb4 simplifies Qf5 31.Ra1 Nc6 32.Qxb7 Ne5 33.Nxe5 Qxf2+ 34.Kh2]

30...Qxf2+ 31.Kh2! Rf6 Threatens to win with ...d6-d5.

[31...Qxb2 32.Ng6+ Kg8 33.Qe6+ Kh7 34.Nxf8+ Kh8 35.Qg6 *(35.Ng6+ Kh7 36.Ne7 Qb3 37.Qg6+ Kh8 38.Nf5 Qg8 39.Re8* Pin *d5 40.Qxg7#* Pin*; 35.Ng6+ Kh7 36.Ne7 Qb3 37.Qg6+ Kh8 38.Nf5 Qg8 39.Re8* Pin *d5 40.Qxg7#* Pin *)*]

[31...Qf4+? 32.Qxf4 Rxf4 33.Ng6+ Kg8 34.Nxf4+-]

32.Re2 Qf1

[32...Qf4+? 33.Qxf4 Rxf4 34.Ng6+ Kg8 35.Nxf4+-]

33.Re3 Nc6 aiming for ...Nc6-e5.

[33...Qb5 simplifies 34.Ng6+ Kh7 35.Ne7+ Kh8]

34.Ng6+ Rxg6 0.93/23 **35.Qxg6=** Endgame. KQR-KQN **35...Ne5 36.Qe8+** 0.61/22

[36.Qe4± 1.00/24]

36...Kh7± 37.Rg3 Strongly threatening Qe8-c8. **37...Qf6 38.Qc8** -0.01/23

[38.Qa4± 0.57/22]

38...h5↑ Hoping for ...h5-h4. Black has some pressure. **39.Qxb7**

[39.Qxc7? h4 40.Rg4 Nxg4+ 41.hxg4 Qf4+ 42.Kh1 Qc1+ *(42...Qxg4 43.Qxd6 Qe4 44.Kh2∓)* 43.Kh2 Qxb2∓]

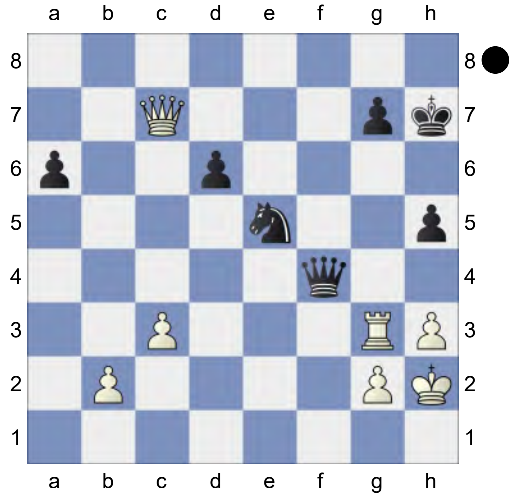
39...Qf4 Repels Qb7-e4+. (→ ...h5-h4)

[39...Qh4 40.Qxc7 *(40.Qxa6 Qf4=)* 40...Ng4+ 41.Rxg4 hxg4 42.Qxd6±]

40.Qxc7

[40.Qxa6 h4 41.Kg1 hxg3 *(41...Qxg3? 42.Qf1-+)* 42.Qe2 Qc1+ 43.Qf1 Qe3+ *(43...Qxb2? 44.Qf4-+; 43...Qc2? 44.Qf4-+)* 44.Kh1 Qf2 45.Qb1+ g6 46.h4 Qe2 *(46...Ng4* is a self mate. *47.h5 Kh8 48.Qa1 Ne3 49.Qa8+ Kg7 50.h6+ Kh7 51.Qg8+* Decoy *Kxg8 52.h7+ Kxh7 53.b4 Qxg2#)* 47.Qc1 Nd3 48.Qb1 Ne1 *(48...Nxb2 49.h5 Qxh5+ 50.Kg1 Qe2 51.Qc1 Nd3 52.Qb1 Ne1 53.Qb7 Qf2+ 54.Kh1 Qf1#; 48...Nf4* leads to mate. *49.Qg1 Nd3 50.Qb1 Ne1 51.Qxg6+* Remove Defender, Decoy *Kxg6 52.h5+ Kxh5 53.Kg1 Qxg2#; 48...Nxb2 49.h5 Qxh5+ 50.Kg1 Qe2 51.Qc1 Nd3 52.Qb1 Nf4 53.Qf1; 48...Nf4 49.Qg1 Nd3 50.Qb1 Ne1 51.Qxg6+* Remove Defender, Decoy *Kxg6 52.h5+ Kxh5 53.Kg1 Qxg2#)*]

[40.Qb4!? Nc4□ 41.h4∓]



40...Ng4+! 41.hxg4 h4 Pin **42.Qc6 Qxg3+ 43.Kh1 Qe1+** -0.51/5

[Black should try 43...a5= -0.01/23]

44.Kh2∓ Qg3+ The position is equal. **45.Kh1 Qe1+ 46.Kh2 Qg3+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.10 (very precise)

½-½

285 **C50**

☐ **So,Wesley** **2757**

■ **Lazavik,Denis** **2578**

chess.com SpeedChess 2024 (1.13)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.h3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.a3 Re8!** is currently scoring better than 9...Be6. wohl besser als 9...Le6. **10.b4 a6N** The position is equal.

[10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6

A) 12.c4 Ne7 13.Re1 (*13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Qg6+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rae8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6* Wafa,S (2137)-Stefanova,A (2416) Olympiad Women-45 2024 (2.13) 0-1) 13...c6 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 25.a5 Nc4 26.Ra4 Nxe3 Esipenko,A (2683)-Nakamura,H (2780) AI Cup Play In rapid 2023 (6) 1/2-1/2 27.Rxe3 Rd8 28.g3 Rd1+ 29.Kg2 Rd2 30.Rc4 Nd4 31.Rcc3 Ra2 32.Red3 Ra4 33.Rd2 b6 34.axb6 axb6 35.f4 Kg7 36.Kf2 Rb4 37.fxg5 hxg5 38.Rxd4 Rxd4 39.Rxc6 Esipenko,A (2682)-Matinian,N (2475) chess.com 145/ 146 2020 1-0;

B) 12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

11.Nxb6 cxb6 12.Re1 b5 13.Bb3 Be6 14.c4N

[Vorgänger: 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Bb2 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.c4 Qd6 0.38/20 (*17...bxc4=* 0.01/22 *18.dxc4 Qxc4*) 18.Qb3 -0.01/21 (*18.Re3±* 0.38/20 deserves consideration.) 18...Nh5 0.43/23 (*18...Rd8=* -0.01/21) 19.c5± Qe7! 20.d4 exd4 Strongly threatening ...Nh5-f4. 21.Rxe6 Qxe6 22.Qxe6 fxe6 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.Bxd4 Kollars,D (2648)-So,W (2757) Chess.com Classic Div 2 L rapid 2024 (2.2) 1/2-1/2]

14...bxc4 15.dxc4 b5 16.Qd3 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4N

[RR 17...d5 18.exd5 Bxd5 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 Nxd5 21.Bb2 f6 22.Rac1 Nce7 23.g3 Nb6 24.Nd2

Rec8 25.Kf1 Kf7 26.Ke2 a5 27.Rxc8 Nexc8 28.bxa5 Rxa5 29.Rc1 Ra7 30.Nc4 Nxc4 31.Rxc4 Nd6 32.Rb4 Navara,D (2681)-Lazavik, D (2578) Chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (72)]

18.Qxc4 Qd7 19.Bb2 Qb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 0.62/21

[20...Ne7= 0.19/21]

21.Qd3⩲ Red8 22.Qe2 -0.01/21

[22.Nh4⩲ 0.55/20]

22...Ne7= 23.Nd2 Ng6 24.g3 Rxc1 25.Rxc1 Nf8 26.Qc4 Ne6 Wards off Qc4-c7 **27.Qc6 Qa7 28.Kg2** -0.20/22

[28.Rc2 0.17/23 is more appropriate.]

28...Kh7 0.23/21

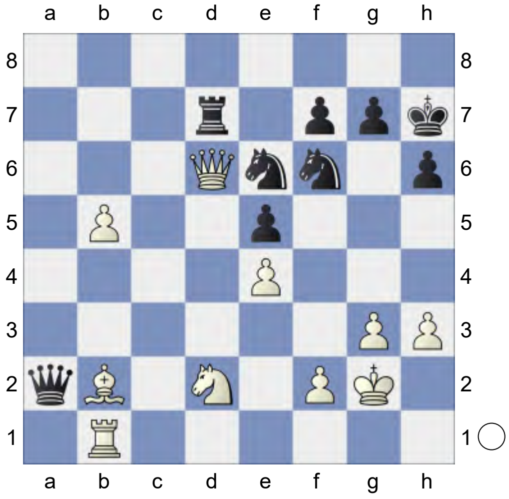
[⌓28...h5 -0.20/22]

29.a4 Rd7 30.b5 axb5 31.axb5 Qa2 32.Rb1 Rc7 33.Qxd6 -1.99/25

[33.Qa6= -0.01/25 and White is okay. Qxa6 34.bxa6]

33...Rd7? 0.84/23

[33...Rc2!-+ -1.99/25 34.Qa3 *(34.Bxe5? Rxd2-+)* 34...Qxa3 35.Bxa3 Rxd2]



34.Qa6!±

[34.Qb4? Rxd2 35.Qxd2 Qxb1-+]

34...Qxa6 35.bxa6 Rxd2 36.a7 Nc7 37.Bxe5 Ra2! 38.Bxc7 Rxa7⩲ Endgame. KRB-KRN **39.Bb8 Ra2** 1.03/23

[39...Ra8⩲ 0.59/21]

40.Rb4⩲ Nd7 41.Bf4 Ra7 1.18/20 Prevents Rb4-b7

[Black should try 41...Nc5 0.78/23]

42.Be3 Rc7 1.44/21

[⌓42...Ra2 1.04/22]

43.g4 0.75/22

[White should play 43.f4 1.44/21]

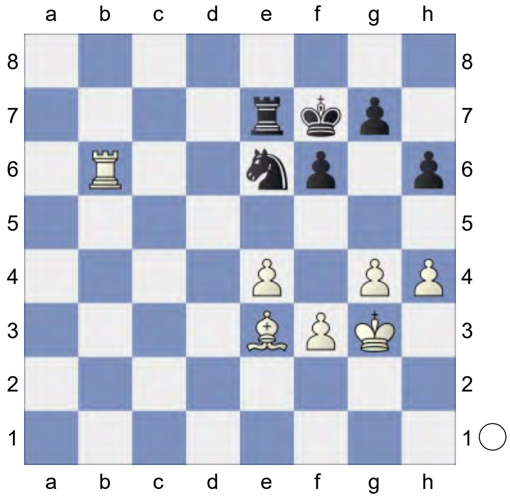
43...f6 1.25/22

[⌓43...Ne5 0.75/22]

44.Bf4 0.77/22

[Better is 44.f4 1.25/22]

44...Ra7 45.h4 Nf8 46.Rb6 Re7 47.f3 Ne6 48.Be3 Kg8 49.Kg3 Kf7



50.g5 0.66/27 **hxg5⩲ 51.hxg5 Nxg5 52.Bxg5 fxg5** KR-KR **53.Rb5 Ra7 54.Rxg5 g6 55.Rb5 Ra3 56.Kg4 Re3 57.Rb7+ Kf6** 1.16/30

[57...Ke6!⩲ 0.50/30]

58.Rb6+ 0.58/29

[58.Kf4⩲ 1.16/30 Re1 59.Rb6+ Kg7 60.Ke5]

58...Kf7 59.Rb4 Ra3 60.e5 Re3? 5.77/30

[60...Ra1⩲ 0.32/30]

61.Rb7++- Ke6 62.Rb6+? 0.28/30 **Kf7!= 63.Rb7+ Ke6 64.f4+-** 6.02/32 White is clearly winning. **64...Re1**

65.Kg5 Rb7-b6+ is the strong threat. **65...Rg1+ 66.Kh6** Rb7-b6+ would now be deadly. **66...Rg4 67.Rb6+** Skewer **67...Ke7 68.Rf6**

[68.Rxg6 Rxf4 69.Kg5 Rf2=]

68...Kd7 69.Kh7

[And not 69.Rxg6 Rxf4 70.Kg5 Rf2=]

69...Ke7 70.Kg7

[Weaker is 70.Rxg6 Rh4+ 71.Rh6 Rxf4=]

70...Ke8 71.Rf7 Threatens to win with e5-e6.

[Not 71.Rxg6 Rxf4 72.Re6+ Kd7 73.Rd6+ Ke7=]

71...Rg1 72.Kf6 g5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.35. Loss on time!?

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287 **C50**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2785**
■ **So,Wesley** **2760**
Superbet Classic 2023 (1.5) 06.05.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Crusi More,R **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6**

[4...Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.Re1 a6 9.a4 a5 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.b3 Re8 12.Bb2 d5 13.Bb5 dxe4 14.dxe4 Nh5 15.Nc4 Qf6 16.Bxc6 bxc6 17.Ncxe5 Bxh3 18.Nd3 Qg6 19.Nh4 Firouzja,A (2778)-So,W (2771) Sinquefield Cup 9th 2022 (8) 1-0 1-0 Firouzja,A (2778)-So,W (2771) Sinquefield Cup 9th 2022 (8)]

5.c3 Bb6 6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2

[7.Re1 Nge7 8.b4 Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2) 1-0 1-0 Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2)]

[RR 7.a4

A) 7...a5 8.Nbd2 (RR *8.Be3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Nf6 10.Qc2 g5 11.d4 g4 12.Ne1 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf7+ Kf8 16.Ba2 Qe7 17.Kh1 h5 18.Nd3 h4 19.Nf4 Rh6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ng6+ Rxg6 22.Qxg6 Bxb2*) 8...Nge7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Re1 (RR *10.Nc4*) 10...Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Be3 Ng6 (RR *12...f5*) 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.Ne3 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Qxh4 16.g3 Qf6 17.f4 exf4 18.Rf1 Qg5 19.Rxf4 Bh3 20.Nd5 (RR *20.Rxf7 Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 Rxf7*; RR *20.Bxf7 Rxf7 21.Ng2 Qg6*) 20...Ne5 (RR *20...Ne7*) 21.Nxc7 Bg4 So,W (2757)-Dubov,D (2707) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (44) (RR *21...b6*);

B) 7...Nge7 8.d4 (RR *8.b4 a6 9.a5 Ba7 10.Be3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Kh8 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4*) 8...exd4 9.Nxd4 0-0 10.Be3 Bxd4 11.Bxd4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.Be3 Kh8 14.Nd2 e5 15.Qg4 Qe8 16.Rfd1 Ng8 17.Nf1 Nf6 18.Qh4 Na5 19.f3 Ng8 20.b4 Nc4 21.Qf2 Qe6 Gkavardinas,A (2208)-Raczek,K (2443) Stockholm 2025 0-1 (91)]

7...Nf6 8.Bb3N White has an edge.

[RR 8.b4 0-0 9.Re1

A) RR 9...Ne7 10.d4 exd4 (RR *10...Ng6 11.Bf1*) 11.cxd4 Nc6

(RR 11...d5 12.e5 dxc4 13.exf6 gxf6 14.Nxc4);
B) 9...Ng4 10.Re2 Ne7 11.d4 *(RR 11.Bb3)* 11...exd4 *(RR 11...Ng6 12.Re1 c6 13.h3 Nf6 14.Bf1; RR 11...d5)* 12.cxd4 Ng6 *(RR 12...d5 13.Bb3 dxe4 14.Nxe4)* 13.h3 Nf6 14.a4 a5 15.b5 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Qb3 Ndf4 18.Re4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Ba3 Re8 21.Rae1 Qd7 22.Qe3 Red8 10 Mihai,E (2189)-Egger,R (2064) corr MT/Stern/pr pr 10 2019 1/2-1/2 Porat,Y (2189)-Deutsch,L (2064) Reykjavik 2019 CYB 12 [Crusi More,R] ½-½ (65) ½-½ Mihai, E (2189)-Egger,R (2064) corr MT/ Stern/pr pr 2019]

8...a5!? A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3N**

[Predecessor: 13.a4 Rf7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Qd7 16.Nh4 Rd8 17.Ng6 b6 18.Nd2 Qe8 19.Rg3 Achilles,E (2434) -Susedenko,V (2443) GER M/06-B email 2017 1/2-1/ 2 ½-½ Achilles,E (2434)-Susedenko,V (2443) GER M/06-B email 2017]

13...Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 0.37/22

[19...Nh5= 0.01/21]

20.Nb1!⩲ Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 0.77/21

[23...Rfe8⩲ 0.40/22]

24.R1c2 0.39/23

[24.Qd3± 0.77/21]

24...Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 0.18/21

[26.Rc5± 0.71/23]

26...Re8 0.63/21

[26...Re4= 0.18/21 might be stronger.]

27.Rc5 0.27/22

[27.Rc1⩲ 0.63/21]

27...Qd6= 28.Rcc3

[28.Qxa4? Qxc5 29.Qd1 Qd6-+]

28...Rfe4 29.g3

[29.Qxa4? Re1+ 30.Nxe1 Rxe1#]

29...Re2 30.Rd2

[30.Qxa4 is more complex. Rxb2 31.Re3 Re4 32.Qd1]

30...Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 0.72/23

[31...Qe6= 0.07/24]

32.Kg2 0.13/23

[32.Qd1!± 0.72/23]

32...Qb1! 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 Inhibits Qd2-d1. **35.h4 Re7 36.Rc1** 0.01/25

[36.Rc2⩲ 0.40/22 was preferrable.]

36...Qf5 37.Qd1 g5 38.hxg5

[38.Qxa4? Rf7 39.Rc3 g4-+]

38...hxg5 39.Qd2

[39.Qxa4? Rf7 40.Qd1 Qe4-+ *(40...g4? 41.Nh2-+)*]

39...g4 White is weak on the light squares **40.Nh4 Qe4+ 41.Kh2?** -1.95/23

[41.Kg1= -0.07/23 and White has nothing to worry.]

41...Qxd4-+

[41...Nxd4 42.Qg5+ Kf7 43.Rc3=]

42.Qg5+ Rg7 43.Qf5 Rf7↑ Skewer. Black has strong initiative. **44.Qg5+ Kf8! 45.Kh1 Qe4+**

[45...Rxf2 46.Re1 Qf6 *(46...Rxb2 47.Qf5+)* 47.Qxg4=]

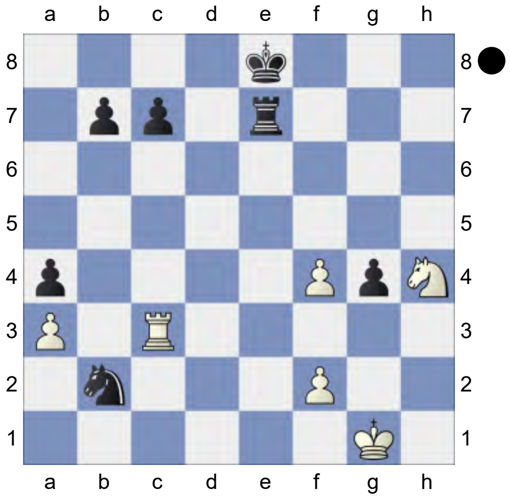
[45...Qxf2 46.Qxg4 Ne7 *(46...Qxb2? 47.Ng6+ Kg7 48.Re1+-)* 47.Qd7∓]

46.Kg1 Ke8! 47.Qd2 -2.23/23

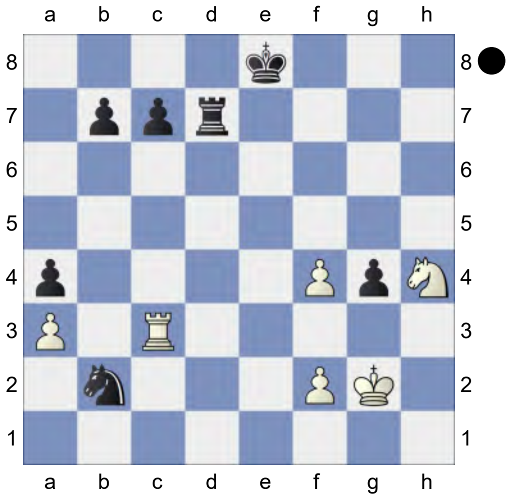
[47.Qg8+∓ -1.50/23 Rf8 48.Qg6+ Qxg6 49.Nxg6]

47...Re7! 48.Rd1 d4 49.Qg5 Ne5

50.Qd2? -3.67/22
[50.Qf4 -1.89/24 Qxf4 51.gxf4]
50...d3 51.Qf4 Qxf4 -1.36/22
[51...Nc4-+ -2.82/22 is more deadly. 52.Qxe4 Remove Defender Rxe4 53.Rxd3 Nxb2]
52.gxf4 Endgame. KRN-KRN **52...Nc4 53.Rxd3 Nxb2 54.Rc3**



Rd7! Hoping for ...Nb2-d3. **55.Kg2** -2.53/21
[55.Ng2∓ -1.34/21]



55...Nd3! 56.Kg3 c5 Threatens to win with ...b7-b5. **57.Kxg4?** -4.84/21
[57.Ng6 -2.55/22 keeps fighting.]
57...b5!
[57...Nxf2+ 58.Kf3 Nd3 59.Ke3=]
58.Nf5 Kf7 Strongly threatening ... b5-b4! Strongly threatening ...b5-b4!
[58...Nxf2+ 59.Kf3 Nd3 60.Ke3∓]
59.Kg5 Rd5 ... b5-b4! would now be deadly. ...b5-b4! would now be deadly.
60.Rc2 Ne1? -0.61/25 **61.Rc3** -1.16/24 **Nd3** 0.01/19 Black is more active.
[61...c4∓ -1.16/24 62.Kg4 Rd8]
62.Rc2!= b4-+ -5.15/21 Black is clearly winning. **63.axb4 cxb4** aiming for ...b4-b3. **64.Rc7+ Ke8 65.Kf6** Nf5-g7+ would kill now. **65...Kd8**
[65...Nxf2 66.Ng7+ Kd8 67.Ne6+ Ke8 68.Re7#]
66.Ra7 b3 And now ...b3-b2 would win.
[66...Nxf2 67.Rxa4 Rb5 68.Ra8+ Kc7 69.Nd4 Rb6+ 70.Kf5=]
67.Ne3 Rd6+ 68.Kf5 b2
[68...Nxf2 69.Rxa4 Nd3 70.Ra3∓]
69.Rb7 Rd4
[69...Nxf2 70.Rxb2 Nd3 71.Rd2∓]
70.Nc2 Rxf4+
[70...Nxf2? perishes. 71.Nxd4 Nd3 72.Nc2+-]
71.Kg5 Rxf2
[71...Nxf2? too greedy. 72.Kxf4 Kc8 73.Rb5+- *(73.Rxb2 Nd3+ 74.Ke3 Nxb2=)*]
72.Na3 Rf1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.30
0-1

288 **C51**
☐ **No-StockFish-Bots** **3063**
■ **Phalanx-XXV** **2471**
Blitz 08.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6

8.dxe5 Nc6

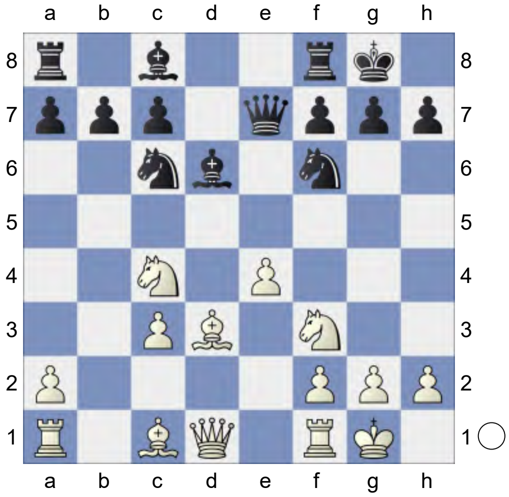
[8...dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Qd6 *(11...c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6* 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024*)* 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 ½-½ (60) Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

9.exd6 Bxd6N The position is equal.

[9...cxd6 10.0-0 Nf6 11.Nd4 0-0 12.Nd2 d5 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.e5 Nd7 15.Re1 Nc5 16.Bc2 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Nb3 Rf7 19.Nxc5 Bxc5 20.Qh5 h6 21.Qg6 Rxf2 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.Rxe3 Rxc2 24.Qxc2 1-0 (35) Losev,D (2340)-Frog,I (2225) Moscow op 1989]

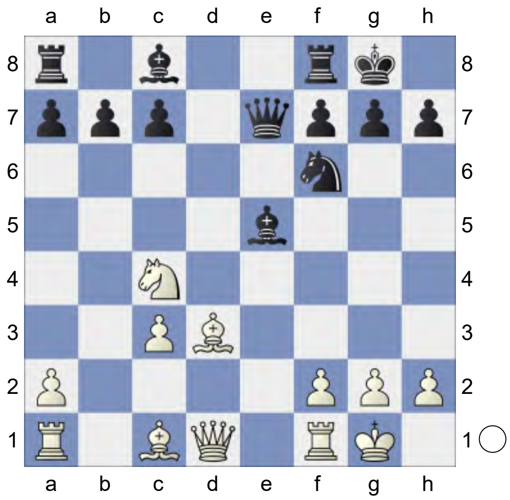
10.Na3 Nf6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Nc4 e5 is the strong threat. **12...Qe7** 2.26/17

[12...Bg4⩲ 0.38/20]



13.e5!+- Deflection **13...Nxe5 14.Nfxe5 Bxe5**

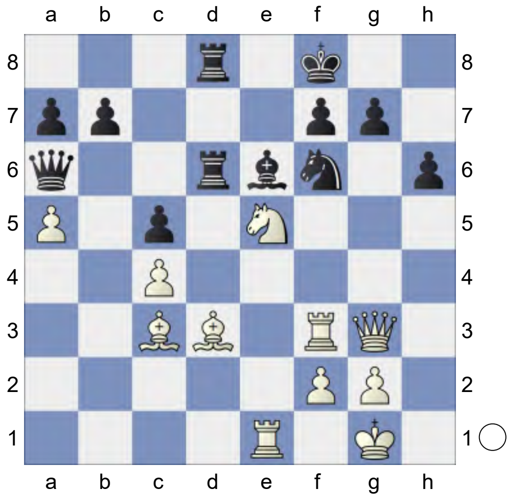
(Diagram)



15.Ba3! c5 16.Re1 Bxh2+ 17.Kxh2 Be6 18.Kg1 Qc7 19.Ne5 Rfd8 20.c4 Rd6 21.Qf3 Rad8 22.Bb2 Qb6 23.Bc3 Qa6 24.Re3 Bc8 25.a4 Be6 26.a5 Kf8 27.Rae1 Kg8 28.Qg3 h6 6.90/17

[⌓28...Rd4 4.59/15 29.Nf3 Pin Qd6 30.Nxd4 *(30.Bxd4 Qxg3 31.fxg3 cxd4+-)* 30...Qxg3 31.Nxe6 *(31.Rxg3 cxd4 32.Bd2 Rc8+-)* 31...Qxe3 32.Rxe3 fxe6]

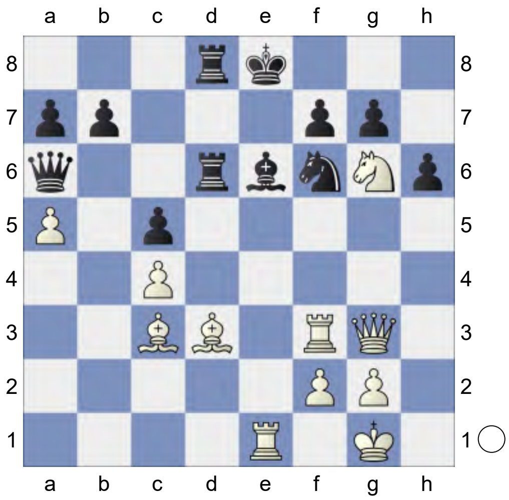
29.Rf3 Kf8



30.Ng6+! Ke8

[30...Kg8 31.Rxf6]

(Diagram)



31.Bc2! b5

[31...Qxc4 32.Ne5]

32.cxb5 Qc8 33.Nf4 Kf8 34.Bxf6 gxf6 35.Qh4 Ke8 36.Qxf6 White mates. **36...Qc7 37.Nxe6 fxe6 38.b6 Kd7 39.Qg7+ Kc6 40.Ba4+ Kb7 41.Qxc7+ Ka6** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.62

42.Qxa7# Normal

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289 **C54**

☐ **proteussfx-ai** **3165**

■ **admete_bot** **2421**

Blitz 01.01.2024

[Kitty Kat]

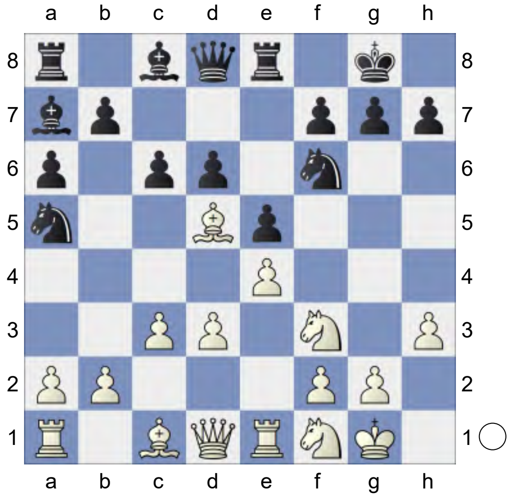
C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) San Francisco 2012 [Kostya] 0-1 (50)]

[6.Nbd2 a5 7.c3 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (54)]

[6.Nc3 Bg4 *(6...h6 7.h3 g5 8.Na4 g4 9.hxg4 Bxg4 10.Nxc5 dxc5 11.c3 Qd6 12.Be3 0-0-0 13.Qe2 Rdg8 14.Rad1 Rg7 15.Kh1 Rhg8 16.d4 Nxe4 17.dxc5 Qg6 18.Bd3 Qh5+ 19.Kg1 Bxf3 20.Qxf3 Qxf3 21.g3 Amateur-Anderssen,A Rotterdam 1861 0-1)* 7.Be3 Nd4 8.Bxd4 Bxd4 9.Ne2 Bb6 10.Ng3 h5 11.Nf5 d5 12.Bb3 dxe4 13.dxe4 Qxd1 14.Raxd1 Nxe4 15.Ne3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 f6 17.h3 Bd7 18.Bf7+ Ke7 19.Nh4 Bb5 20.Bd5 Nd6 Korganoff, B-Soultanbeieff,V Brussels 1945 EXT 2015 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (38)]

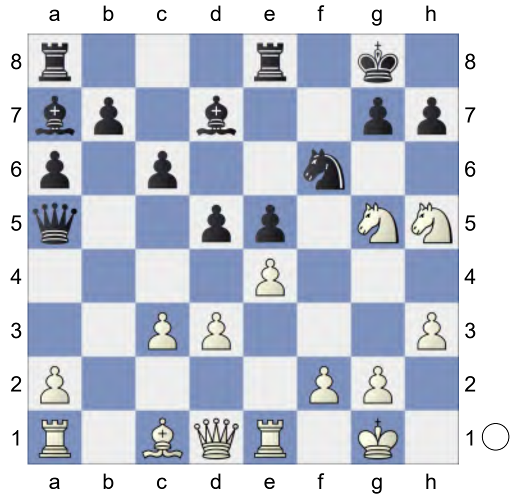
6...0-0 7.h3 a6 8.Re1 Re8 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Nf1 The position is equal. **10...Na5 11.Bd5 c6**



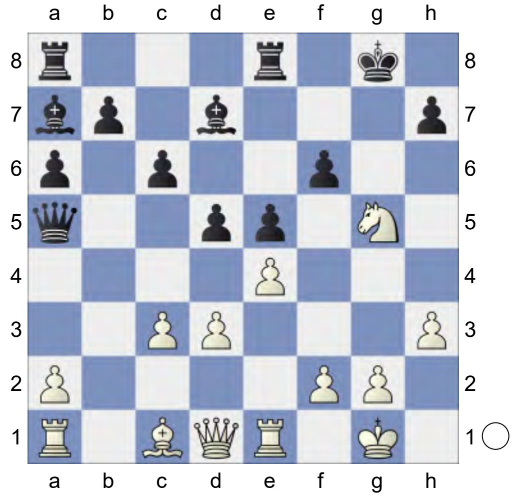
12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.b4 Kg8 14.Ng3 Be6 15.Ng5! Bd7 16.bxa5 Qxa5 17.Nh5 d5? 2.85/19

[17...Qxc3? 18.Nxf6+ gxf6 19.Nxh7

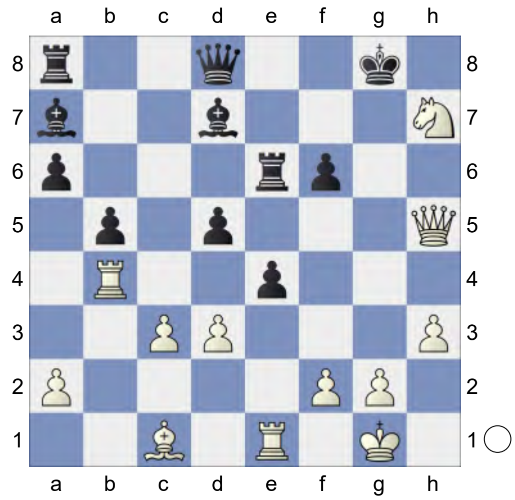
Qxe1+ 20.Qxe1+-]
[Black should play 17...Rf8⩲ 0.49/19 18.Nxf6+ Rxf6 19.Qb3+ Kh8]



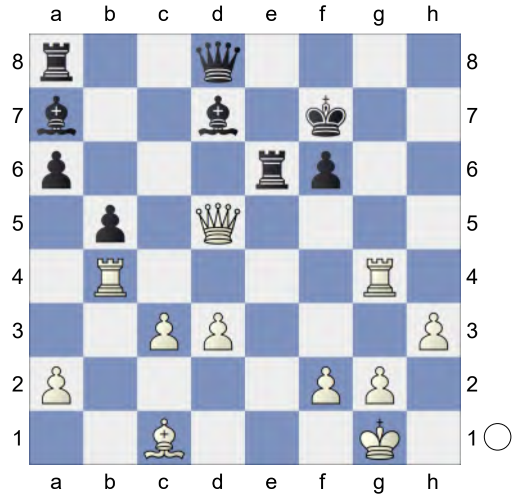
This costs Black the game. **18.Nxf6+!+- gxf6**



19.Nxh7 Qd8
[19...Kxh7? 20.Qh5+ Kg8 21.Bh6+-]
[19...Re6 20.Qh5]
20.Qh5 Hoping for Qg6+. **20...Re6 21.Rb1** Dancing on a razor blade. **21...b5** 7.61/23
[⌓21...Qe7 4.01/20 22.Rxb7 Qxh7 23.Qxh7+ Kxh7]
22.exd5 cxd5 23.Rb4 White threatens Rg4+ and mate. **23...e4**
(Diagram)



24.Qxd5! Kxh7
[24...Rc8 25.Rbxe4]
25.Rexe4 Kg7 26.Rg4+ Kf7



27.Rg7+!! Kf8
[27...Kxg7 28.Rg4+]
28.Rbg4 Bxf2+ 29.Kxf2 Qb6+ 30.d4 Re2+ 31.Kg3 Re3+ 32.Kh4 Rxh3+ 33.gxh3 White mates. **33...Qe6 34.Rg8+ Qxg8 35.Rxg8+ Ke7 36.Ba3+ b4 37.Bxb4#** Normal Normal. Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.63
1-0

290 **C50**
□ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2682**
■ **Jacobson,Brandon** **2583**
Wch Blitz New York (7) 30.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.Be3

[6.Nd5 Nxd5 7.Bxd5 d6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 0-0 10.0-0 Nb8 11.b4 Nd7 12.Qd2 c6 13.Bb3 a5 14.a3 Nf6 15.h3 h6 16.Rab1 b5 17.Qc3 Bd7 18.Rf2 Qb6 19.Re1 Rfe8 20.Nh4 c5 1-0 (37) Kramnik,V (2800)-Aronian,L (2794) FIDE Berlin Candidates 2018 (10.2)]

6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 d6 8.Ng5!? The position is equal.An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante.

8...Rf8N 0.93/20

[8...0-0 9.0-0 h6? 2.37/24 *(9...Ne7= 0.16/20* and Black is okay.*)* 10.Nxf7!+- Rxf7 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7 12.Nd5 Kg6 Against Qh5+ 13.Rxf6+! gxf6 14.Qf3! Black must now prevent Rf1. Be6 2.21/25 *(14...h5* 1.83/25 *)* 15.Rf1+- Bxd5? 5.08/24 *(15...Kg7* 2.44/27 was called for.*)* 16.exd5+- Ne7 31.48/30 Inhibits Qf5+. *(⌓16...Qe7* 5.01/23 *17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Qxc6 Rb8)* 17.Qxf6++- Kh7 18.Qe6 1-0 Bartel,M (2621)-Tari,A (2635) POL-chT Ekstraliga 2023 (8.4)]

[8...0-0= 0.12/22 remains equal.]

9.0-0± Na5 1.47/23

[⌓9...Bg4 0.86/21 10.Qe1 h6 11.Rxf6 hxg5 *(11...gxf6 12.Nh7=)*]

10.Bxf7+ Rxf7 11.Nxf7 1.00/25

[11.Nd5 1.45/25]

11...Kxf7 12.Nd5 Kg8 1.41/26

[⌓12...Be6 0.99/27]

13.Nxf6+ gxf6 14.Qh5 0.82/27

[⌓14.Qe1 1.38/25 Nc6 15.Qh4]

14...Qe7 15.Rf3 White has strong compensation. **15...Be6 16.Raf1 Rf8 17.Qh6 Nc6 18.Rxf6 Rxf6 19.Rxf6**

[19.Qxf6 simplifies Qxf6 20.Rxf6 Bxa2 21.Rf1]

19...Bf7 20.Qg5+ 0.33/25

[20.Rf3± 0.78/22]

20...Kh8 21.h4 0.07/24

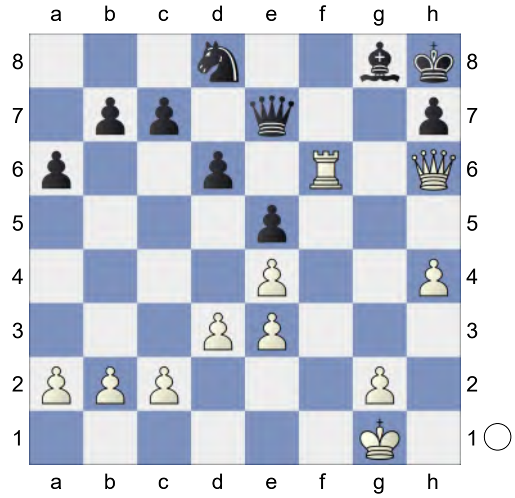
[White should try 21.g4⩲ 0.58/25]

21...Nd8 0.67/24

[21...Bg6!= 0.07/24]

22.Qh6 Bg8? 4.38/23

[Black should play 22...Kg8⩲ 0.53/23]



23.Qf8? 1.47/23

[23.Rf8!+- 4.38/23 and the rest is easy.]

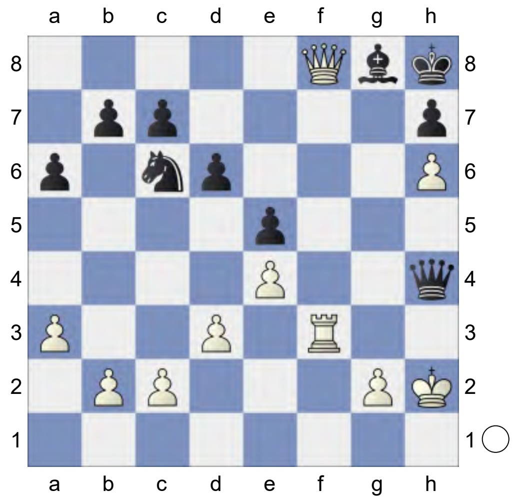
23...Nc6? 6.50/24

[23...Qxf8± 1.47/23 24.Rxf8 Ne6]

24.a3+- Qg7 25.h5 Qg5 26.h6 Qxe3+ 27.Kh2 Qg5 28.Rf5 Qh4+ 29.Kg1 Qe1+ 30.Rf1 Qe3+ 31.Kh2 Qg5 Against Qg7+ **32.Rf3?→** 1.00/24 White is out for blood. Active counter play!

[32.Qf6++- 3.96/26 and White stays clearly on top. Qxf6 33.Rxf6]

32...Qh4+±



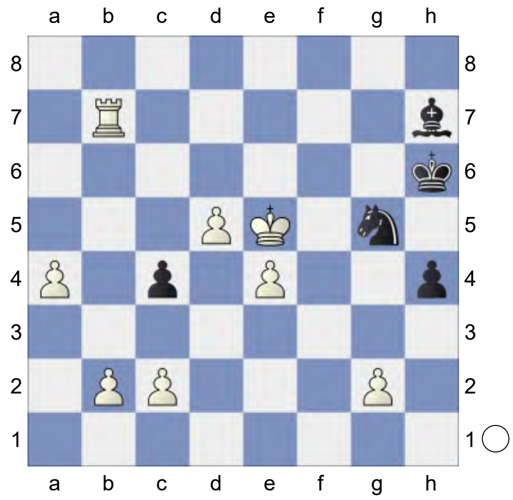
33.Rh3! Qf4+ 34.Qxf4 exf4 35.Rh4 Be6 1.67/26

[35...Bf7± 1.05/25]

36.Rxf4+- Ne5? 8.10/26

[36...Kg8± 1.09/25]

37.Rf8+ Bg8 38.Rc8 c5 39.Kg3 Nf7 40.Rc7 b5 41.Rc6 c4 42.d4 Nxh6 43.Rxd6 Nf7 44.Rxa6 Ng5 45.Kf4 Ne6+ 46.Ke5 Ng5 47.d5 Kg7 48.Rb6 h5 49.Rxb5 h4 50.a4 Bh7 51.Rb7+ Kh6



52.Rxh7+! Kxh7 Endgame KN-KP **53.a5 Nf3+ 54.Kf4 Ne1 55.a6 Nxg2+ 56.Kg4 Ne3+ 57.Kh3 c3 58.bxc3** White wants to mate with a7. **58...Nc4 59.a7 Nb6 60.d6 Kg6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/ Black=1.09

61.d7 Promotion

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292 **C51**
☐ **No-StockFish-Bots** **3094**
■ **Phalanx-XXV** **2454**
Blitz 09.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6! 8.dxe5 Nc6**

[8...dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Ganguly,S (2571)-Bharath,S (2488) La Plagne 2023 1-0 (60)]

9.Bc4 Bg4N The position is equal.

[9...Nxe5 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Qh5 g6 12.Qxe5 Nf6 13.Ba3 Rf8 14.0-0 Nd7 15.Qg3 Bxa3 16.Nxa3 Qe7 17.Nb5 Ne5 18.Be2 a6 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Rab1 c5 21.Nf3 Nxf3+ 22.Bxf3 Bc6 23.e5 Bxf3 24.Qxf3 Anand,V (2751)-Shevchenko,K (2644) Warsaw 2022 CBM 208 Extra [Shevchenko,Kirill] 1-0 (53) 0-0-0 25.Rfe1 Qd7 26.Rb6 Qd5 27.Qg4+ Qd7 28.Qf3 Rfe8 29.Reb1 Rxe5 30.Rxa6 Qb5 31.Ra8+ Kc7 32.Qxf7+ Rd7 33.Qb3 Qxb3 34.axb3 Rd3 35.b4 Rxc3 36.bxc5 Rexc5 37.Kf1 h5 38.Ke1 b5 39.Ra6 Trubman,A-Rosabal Perea,R (2112) Srbija 144/198 2008 ICCF Telechess [Depasquale] 0-1 (53) Rc1+ 40.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 41.Kd2 Rc6 42.Ra7+ Kb6

43.Ra8 b4 44.h3 Kb5 45.g4 b3 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.Rb8+ Ka4 48.f4 Ka3 49.h4 Rc5 50.Rb7 Ka2 51.Rb6 b2 52.Rb8 Ra5 53.Kc2 b1Q+ 0-1 (53) Cava Rodrigues,B-Santos,C (2112) Rio de Janeiro 2008 EXT 2009 [Cava Rodrigues,Bruno]]

10.Qb3

[10.Qd5 Be6 11.Qd3 dxe5 12.Qxd8+ Rxd8 13.Bxe6 fxe6∓]

10...Bxf3 11.Bxf7+

[11.gxf3 Nxe5 12.Bb5+ c6∓]

[11.e6 is interesting. Nf6 12.exf7+ Kf8 13.gxf3 Na5 14.Qa4]

11...Kf8 12.exd6

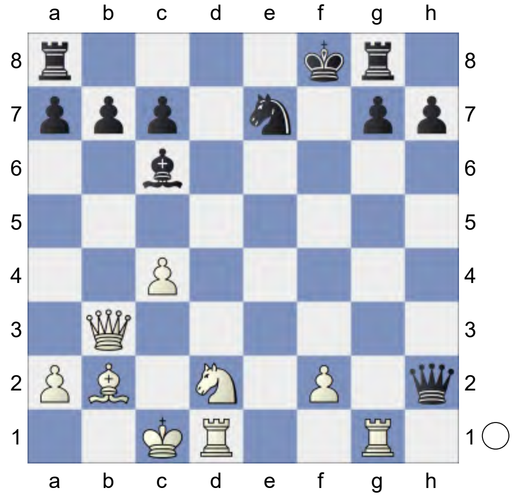
[12.gxf3 is more complex. Nxe5 13.Bxg8 Rxg8 14.Ke2]

12...Bxg2

[12...Qxd6 keeps more tension. 13.gxf3 Rd8 14.Bd5 Ne5]

13.Bxg8 Rxg8 14.dxe7+ Nxe7 15.Rg1 Bxe4 Strongly threatening ...Qd6. **16.Nd2 Bd5 17.c4! Qd6** Threatens to win with ...Qe5+. **18.Bb2** Inhibits Qe5+. **18...Bc6 19.0-0-0!** Ba3 is the strong threat. **19...Qxh2?** 2.77/19

[19...Qf4= 0.01/16 and Black has nothing to worry.]



Loses the game. **20.Qe3!+- Qh4 21.Rde1** Threatening mate with Rg4! **21...Re8 22.Qe5** Inhibits Nf5.

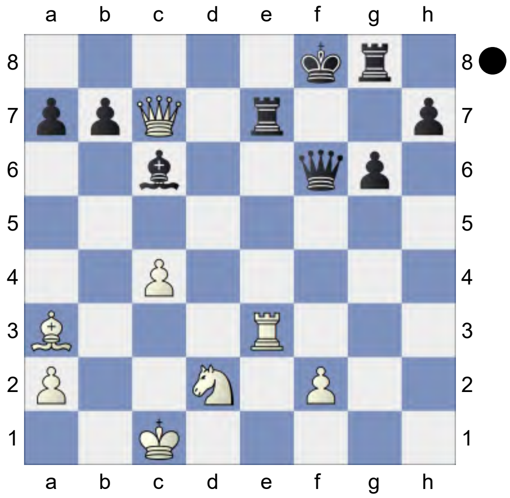
[22.Qc5?! b6 23.Qe5 Nd5 24.Qf5+ (*24.Ba3+? Kf7-+*) 24...Nf6+-]

22...Qf6 4.55/22

[⌓22...Qh6 3.16/23 23.Qxc7 (*23.Ba3 Qf6+-*) 23...g5]

23.Qxc7 Qf5 24.Ba3 Qf6 25.Rg3 Inhibits Qc3+. **25...g6 26.Rxe7 Rxe7 27.Re3**

[Inferior is 27.Bxe7+ Qxe7 28.Qf4+ Qf7∓]



Pin **27...Be4 28.Nxe4 Qa1+ 29.Kd2 Qxa2+ 30.Ke1 Qb1+ 31.Ke2 Qa2+ 32.Kf1 Qa1+ 33.Kg2** White mates. **33...Qxa3 34.Qf4+ Rf7 35.Qb8+**

[35.Rxa3? loses. Rxf4 36.f3 a6-+]

35...Kg7 36.Qe5+

[36.Rxa3? too greedy. Rxb8 37.Rxa7 b6-+]

36...Kf8 37.Rxa3 Rf5 38.Qc7 g5 39.Rd3 Rf7 40.Qb8+ Kg7 41.Qe5+ Kh6 42.Rh3+ Kg6 43.Qxg5# Normal Normal. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.80

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291 **C51**
☐ **No-StockFish-Bots** **3079**
■ **Phalanx-XXV** **2462**
Blitz 09.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

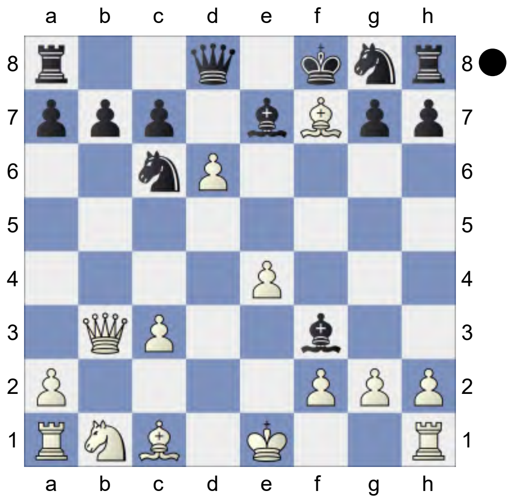
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 Nc6 9.Bc4 Bg4N The position is equal.

[9...dxe5 10.Qb3±]

[9...Nxe5 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Qh5 g6 12.Qxe5 Nf6 13.Ba3 Rf8 14.0-0 Nd7 15.Qg3 Bxa3 16.Nxa3 Qe7 17.Nb5 Ne5 18.Be2 a6 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Rab1 c5 21.Nf3 Nxf3+ 22.Bxf3 Bc6 23.e5 Bxf3 24.Qxf3 (53) Caveman Attack-(4.Bxf7+): Part Two Vienna Game: Frankenstein-Dracula Varia 0-0-0 25.Rfe1 Qd7 26.Rb6 Qd5 27.Qg4+ Qd7 28.Qf3 Rfe8 29.Reb1 Rxe5 30.Rxa6 Qb5 31.Ra8+ Kc7 32.Qxf7+ Rd7 33.Qb3 Qxb3 34.axb3 Rd3 35.b4 Rxc3 36.bxc5 Rexc5 37.Kf1 h5 38.Ke1 b5 39.Ra6 1-0 (53) Anand,V (2751)-Shevchenko,K (2644) Wch Blitz Warsaw 2021 (13) Rc1+ 40.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 41.Kd2 Rc6 42.Ra7+ Kb6 43.Ra8 b4 44.h3 Kb5 45.g4 b3 46.gxh5 gxh5 47.Rb8+ Ka4 48.f4 Ka3 49.h4 Rc5 50.Rb7 Ka2 51.Rb6 b2 52.Rb8 Ra5 53.Kc2 b1Q+ 0-1 Trubman,A-Rosabal Perea,R (2112) Srbija 144/198 2020 (4)]

10.Qb3 Bxf3 11.Bxf7+ Kf8 12.exd6

(Diagram)



Bxg2 13.Bxg8 Rxg8

[13...Bxh1 14.Qf7#]

14.dxe7+ Nxe7

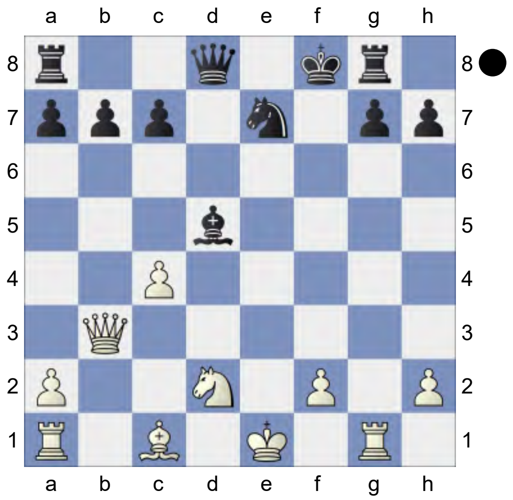
[14...Qxe7 15.Ba3+-]

15.Rg1↑ White has some pressure.

15...Bxe4 16.Nd2 Bd5 0.95/20

[16...Qd5= -0.01/21]

17.c4±



Qd6 18.Bb2 Prevents Qe5+. **18...Bc6 19.0-0-0** A mistake that costs the game. **19...Qxh2?** 3.43/19

[19...Qf4± 0.89/17 is a better defense.]

20.Qe3+- Qh4 21.Rde1 Rg4! is the strong threat. **21...Re8 22.Qe5** Prevents Nf5. **22...Qf6** Strongly threatening ...Qxe5.

[22...Qxf2 23.Rgf1 (*23.Rxg7 Qxe1+ 24.Qxe1 Rxg7±*)]

23.Qxc7 Qh6

[Stronger than 23...Qxf2 24.Rgf1 Nf5 25.Ba3+ (*25.Rxf2 Rxe1+ 26.Kc2 Ba4+ 27.Nb3 g6+-*)]

24.Re3 Kf7 25.Rge1 Qg5 26.f4 Qh4 27.Ba3 Qg4 28.f5 Rgf8 29.Rxe7+ White mates. **29...Kg8 30.Bb2 Kh8 31.Bxg7+ Kg8 32.Bb2 Rxe7 33.Rxe7 Qg1+ 34.Kc2 Ba4+ 35.Kd3 Bd7 36.Qxd7 Qg3+ 37.Kc2 Qd3+ 38.Kxd3 Rb8 39.Rxh7 Kf8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.67

40.Rh8# Normal

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293 **C54**

☐ **Liang,Awonder** **2687**

■ **Bruzon Batista,Lazaro** **2580**

Pan American Intercollegiate-chT (6.13)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.a4N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6...a5 **7.Bg5!** is recently more successful than 7.0-0.ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 7.0-0. **7...Be7 8.Nbd2** White has an edge. **8...d6 9.0-0 Kh8!?N** New and interesting. Theoretisch interessant.

[9...h6 10.Bh4 Kh8 11.Bg3 Be6 0.79/22 (*11...Nh7⩲* 0.33/22) 12.Bb5 0.38/25 (*12.Re1±* 0.79/22) 12...Na7⩲ 13.d4 Nxb5 14.axb5 exd4 0.65/23 (*14...Nd7=* 0.18/22 is superior.) 15.Nxd4⩲ Nd7 1-0 (45) Navara,D (2719)-Asadli,V (2572) EU-ch Online KO Final 2020 (1.3)]

10.Re1 Nh5 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.d4 g6 0.31/23

[12...Nf4= -0.11/23]

13.h3 -0.22/23

[Better is 13.Bf1⩲ 0.31/23]

13...Nf4= 14.Nf1 f6 15.Ng3 Nd8 16.Qd2 Be6 17.Bf1 b6 18.Qe3 Bd7 19.Nd2 Nde6 20.Nc4 -0.57/23

[20.Nf3= -0.17/20]

20...exd4 0.16/22

[20...Qg7⩱ -0.57/23]

21.cxd4 d5 22.exd5 Nxd5 23.Qe4 c6

24.h4 Qg7 25.h5 Rad8 26.Rad1 -0.80/25

[26.hxg6= -0.08/23 hxg6 27.Qe2]

26...Qh6∓ 27.Ne3 Nef4 28.Bc4 -2.27/26

[28.Nxd5∓ -0.92/27 was called for. cxd5 29.Qe3]

28...gxh5-+ 29.Qf3

[29.Nxd5? cxd5 30.Bxd5 Rfe8-+ *(30...Bxa4? 31.b3∓)*]

29...Rg8 30.Bxd5 cxd5 31.Ne2 Nh3+ 32.Kf1 Ng5 33.Qf4 h4 34.Nc3 -2.87/25

[⌓34.Nf5 -1.63/23 Bxf5 35.Qxf5]

34...h3 35.gxh3 Qg6

[35...Qxh3+ 36.Ke2 Qh5+ 37.f3∓]

36.Nexd5? -5.35/26

[36.Ke2 -3.00/26 Nxh3 37.Qf3]

36...Bxh3+ 37.Ke2 Bg2 38.Qxf6+ Qxf6 39.Nxf6 Bf3+ 40.Ke3 Rgf8 41.Nfe4? -6.00/28

[41.Rg1 -3.04/25 Bxd1 *(41...Rxf6? 42.Rxg5 Bxd1 43.Nxd1-+)* 42.Rxg5]

41...Nxe4 42.Nxe4 Rde8!

[42...Bxe4 43.Kxe4 Rxf2 44.d5=]

43.Kd3 Bxd1 44.Rxd1 Endgame KRR-KRN **44...Rf3+ 45.Ke2 Rb3**

[45...Rxe4+? 46.Kxf3 Re8 47.Rd3+-]

46.f3 Rxb2+ 47.Ke3 Rb3+ 48.Ke2 Rg8 Threatens to win with ...Rg2+. **49.d5 Rg2+ 50.Kf1 Rh2**

[50...Rxf3+? 51.Kxg2 Rf8 52.d6+-]

51.Kg1 Rhb2 52.Rd4 Rb4

[52...Rxf3 53.d6∓]

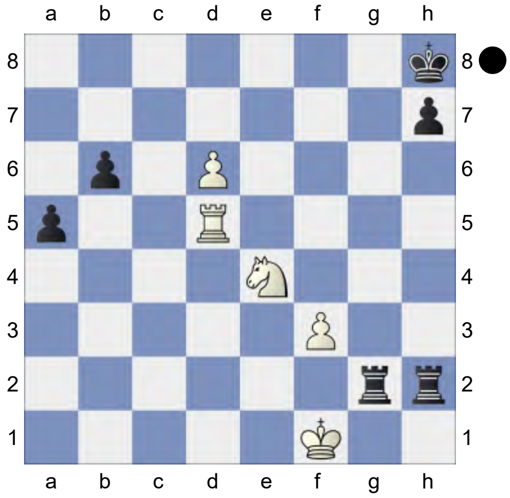
53.Rd3 Rxa4 54.Rd1 Dodges Ra1 **54...Raa2**

[54...Rab4 55.Nc3 Rc4 *(55...R2b3 56.d6±)* 56.d6-+]

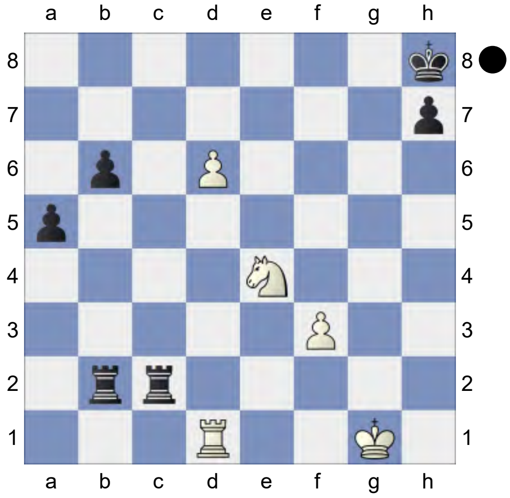
55.d6 Rh2 56.Rd5 Rhg2+ 57.Kf1 Rh2? 0.01/29

[Black should play 57...Rgc2-+ -8.16/29 (-> ...Rc1+) 58.Rd1 Rh2]

58.Kg1= Rag2+ 59.Kf1



Rb2! 60.Kg1 Rhc2 61.Rd1



Inhibits Rc1. **61...Rg2+! 62.Kf1 Rh2 63.Ng3** Dodges Rh1+ **63...Rhf2+?** -0.01/22

[63...Rhd2-+ -8.30/24 64.Ke1 Rxd1+ 65.Kxd1 Rb5]

64.Ke1⇄ d7 would now be deadly. White has counterplay **64...Rxf3 65.d7 Re3+**

[65...Rxg3 66.d8Q+ *(66.d8R+? Rg8-+)* 66...Kg7 67.Qe7+ Kg6 68.Rd6+ *(68.Qd6+ Kh5 69.Qxg3 Rb5 70.Rd4 Rg5 71.Qh3+ Kg6 72.Rd6+ Kg7 73.Qd7+ Kh8 74.Qd8+ Rg8 75.Qf6+ Rg7 76.Rd8#)* 68...Kh5 69.Rd5+ *(69.Qxh7+ Kg5 70.Rd5+ Kf6 71.Qf5+ Kg7 72.Rd7+ Kg8*

73.Qh7+ Kf8 74.Qf7#) 69...Kh6 70.Qf6+ *(70.Qh4+ Kg6 71.Qxg3+ Kf7 72.Qc7+ Kg6 73.Qc6+ Kg7 74.Rd7+ Kh8 75.Qc8#)* 70...Rg6 71.Qh4+ *(71.Qxb2 Re6+ 72.Kd1 Kg6 73.Qc2+ Kg7 74.Qc7+ Kg6 75.Qd8 h6)* 71...Kg7 72.Rd7+ Kh8 73.Qxh7#]

66.Kf1 Rf3+

[66...Rxg3 67.d8Q+ *(67.d8R+ Rg8-+)* 67...Kg7 68.Rd7+ Kg6 69.Qg8+ Kf5 70.Qf7+ *(70.Qxg3 Rb1+ 71.Kg2 Rg1+ 72.Kxg1 h5 73.Rd5+ Kf6 74.Qe5+ Kf7 75.Rd7+ Kg6 76.Rg7+ Kh6 77.Qg5#)* 70...Kg4 71.Rd4+ *(71.Qxh7 Rf3+ 72.Ke1 Re3+ 73.Kd1 Rb4+-)* 71...Kg5 72.Rd5+ *(72.Qxh7 Rf3+ 73.Kg1 Rbf2+-; 72.Qf4+ Kg6 73.Rd6+ Kg7 74.Qf6+ Kg8 75.Rd8#)* 72...Kg4 73.Qf5+ Kh4 74.Qh5#]

67.Ke1 Rf8

[67...Rxg3 68.d8Q+ *(68.d8R+? Rg8-+)* 68...Kg7 69.Qe7+ Kg6 70.Rd6+ *(70.Qd6+ Kh5 71.Qxg3 Rb5 72.Rd4 Rg5 73.Qh3+ Kg6 74.Rd6+ Kg7 75.Qh6+ Kg8 76.Qxg5+ Kf7 77.Qf6+ Kg8 78.Rd8#)* 70...Kh5 71.Rd5+ *(71.Qxh7+ Kg5 72.Rd5+ Kf6 73.Qf5+ Kg7 74.Rd7+ Kg8 75.Qh7+ Kf8 76.Qf7#)* 71...Kg6 72.Qe6+ Kg7 73.Rd7+ Kh8 74.Qf6+ Kg8 75.Qd8#]

68.d8Q

[68.Rc1 seems wilder. Rbf2 69.Rc8 R2f7 70.d8Q]

68...Rxd8 69.Rxd8+ KRN-KR **69...Kg7 70.Kd1 a4 71.Kc1 Rb5 72.Ra8 Rc5+ 73.Kb2 Rg5 74.Ne4 Re5**

[Don't play 74...Ra5?! 75.Re8±]

75.Rxa4 Kg6 76.Kc3 h5 77.Kd4 Rb5 78.Ra8 Kg7 79.Ke3 h4 80.Kf4 Rb3 81.Kg5 Rb5+ 82.Kxh4 Kg6 83.Kg4 Rb1 84.Kf4 b5 85.Ra6+ Kf7 86.Kf5 Rf1+ 87.Ke5 Re1 88.Rf6+ Kg7 89.Rb6 b4 Deflection **90.Rxb4 Kg6 91.Rb3 Kg7 92.Rf3 Kg6 93.Rf4 Rg1 94.Ke6 Kg7 95.Ke7 Kg6 96.Rf6+ Kh7 97.Nd6 Rg7+**

[Wrong is 97...Rg6? 98.Rf3+-]

98.Nf7 Rg6 99.Rf1 Kg7 100.Nd6 Rg4 101.Rf6 Intending Nf5+ and mate. **101...Kg8 102.Rh6 Rf4 103.Ke6 Kg7 104.Rh3**

[104.Nf5+!? Rxf5 Remove Defender 105.Kxf5 Kxh6=]

104...Kg6 105.Ke5 Rg4 106.Rh8 Kg7 107.Rh1 Kg6 108.Nf5 Ra4 109.Rg1+ Kh5 110.Nd4 Ra5+ 111.Kf6 Ra6+ 112.Ne6 Kh4 113.Kf5 Ra5+ 114.Ke4 Ra4+ 115.Nd4 Kh5 116.Rg8 Kh4 117.Ke3 Kh5 118.Nf3 Kh6 119.Ne5 Kh5 120.Kf3 Kh6 121.Ng4+ Kh7 122.Rg5 Ra3+ 123.Kf4 Ra4+ 124.Kg3 Ra3+ 125.Kh4 Ra1 The position is equal. **126.Nh2 Rh1 127.Rg2 Ra1 128.Rg4 Rh1 129.Kh3 Ra1 130.Nf3 Ra3 131.Kg3 Kh6 132.Rf4 Kg6 133.Kg4 Ra1 134.Ne5+ Kh6 135.Kf5 Ra5 136.Rb4 Kg7 137.Rb6 Ra1 138.Rb7+ Kg8 139.Rc7 Ra2 140.Ng4** Black had all chances to win.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.26 (precise)
140...Kf8
½-½

294 **C50**
☐ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2675**
■ **Vitiugov,Nikita** **2719**
ESP-chT CECLUB Honor (5.2) 20.09.23
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.a4 a6 7.h3 h6 8.Be3 Bxe3 **9.fxe3** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **9...Qe7N** 0.46/22

[9...Na5= 0.09/20 might be stronger.]

[9...Be6 10.Nd2 0-0 11.0-0 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Qh5 *(14.e4 Nxc3 15.bxc3 b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd6 18.Rg3 Qe6 19.Kh2 Kh7 20.h4 c6 21.Qf3 Rae8 22.Rf1 f6 23.h5 Rb8 24.axb5 axb5 25.d4 b4 26.d5 Qd7 27.c4 b3 28.dxc6 Qxc6* 1-0 (40) Alekseenko,K (2686)-Sjugirov,S (2712) Airthings Masters Play In rapid 2023 (7)*)* 14...Nxc3 15.bxc3 Qd5 16.Rf3 b5 17.Rg3 Qe6 18.Nd2 Ne7 19.c4 bxc4 20.Nxc4 e4 21.Qa5 Nf5 22.Rg4 exd3 23.cxd3 Nxe3 24.Re1 0-1 (34) ♘d7 10.d4 (2747)-Levchenko,M (2656) 4647 Hastings 1946 (3.3)]

10.0-0⩲ Be6 11.Nd2 0.01/20

[11.Nh4± 0.79/22]

11...Nd8 0.52/22

[11...Nb4= 0.01/20]

12.Qe2 0-0 **13.Rf3N c6**

[13...g6 0.86/20 13...c6 0.13 14.Raf1 Nh7 15.Qf2 0.09/21 *(15.a5± 0.88/20)* 15...c6= 16.Rg3 -0.32/22 1-0 Fedoseev,V (2686)-Nakamura,H (2760) Titled Tuesday intern op 02nd Aug Late blitz 2022 (9) *(16.a5± 0.35/21)* 16...Bxc4 17.Nxc4 b5 18.Nd2 -0.44/20 (White should play *18.Nb6= 0.09/20 Rb8 19.a5)* 18...Ne6∓ 19.d4 b4]

14.Bxe6 Nxe6 15.Raf1 Nd7 16.Rg3 -0.17/20

[⌓16.a5 0.25/22]

16...b5= 17.Qh5 Kh7 18.Rgf3 g6 19.Qg4 Kg7

[19...h5!? 20.Qg3□ b4-+]

20.axb5 -0.39/22

[20.Rf5= 0.01/21]

20...axb5∓ 21.Ne2 -0.64/21

[21.R3f2= -0.27/20]

21...Qg5 22.Qxg5 hxg5 23.g4 Ra2 24.Rb1 Rfa8 25.Nc3 R2a7 26.Nb3 -1.24/24

[26.Rbf1∓ -0.70/22]

26...Nb6 -0.81/22

[⌓26...b4 -1.24/24 27.Ne2 Ra4]

27.Rbf1 b4 28.Ne2 Na4 29.Rb1 Nac5 30.Nxc5 Nxc5

[30...dxc5 31.Rf2]

31.b3? -5.07/23

[31.Rff1∓ -1.33/22 is more resistant.]

31...Ra2-+ 32.Rc1 Rb2 33.Rf2 -7.64/25

[⌓33.Ng3 -4.52/26 Nd7 34.Rf2]

33...d5? -1.66/27

[33...Raa2 -7.64/25 34.Rcf1 Rxc2]

34.Rcf1? -4.75/28

[34.exd5 -1.66/27 was the crucial defense. cxd5 35.d4]

34...Ra7

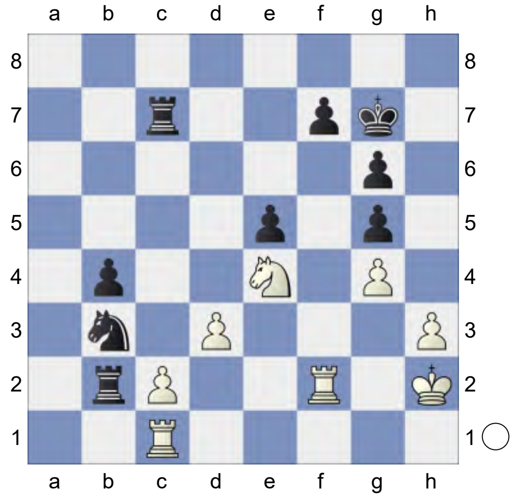
[34...dxe4 35.d4 *(35.Rxf7+ Kg8∓)* 35...Ne6 36.Rxf7+ Kg8 37.Re7 *(37.dxe5 Rxc2 38.Nd4 Nxd4=)* 37...Rxc2 38.Rxe6=]

35.Ng3 Ne6 36.exd5 cxd5 and ...Rc7 would now be decisive **37.Rc1 Rc7 38.Kh2** -7.85/22

[⌓38.Ra1 -4.89/21 Rcxc2 *(38...Rbxc2? 39.Rxc2 Rxc2 40.Ra4-+)* 39.Rxc2 Rxc2 40.Ra4]

38...d4 39.exd4 Nxd4 40.Ne4 Nxb3

[Weaker is 40...Nxc2 41.Nxg5=]

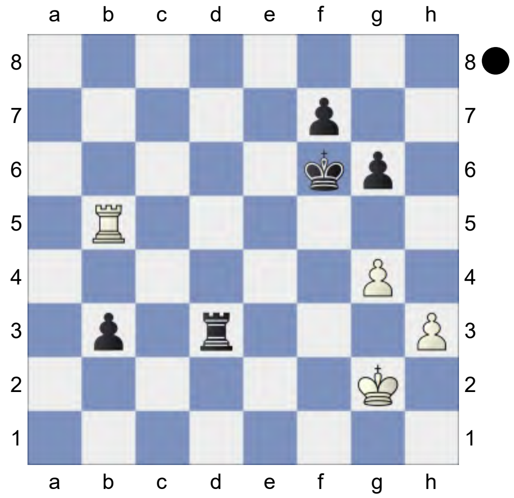


Pin **41.Rcf1 Rcxc2 42.Rxc2 Rxc2+** Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is two pawns up. **43.Kg3 Nd2 44.Re1 Nxe4+ 45.Rxe4** KR-KR. Black is two pawns up. **45...b3 46.Rxe5 Rc3 47.Rxg5 Rxd3+ 48.Kg2 Kf6?** -0.50/26

[48...f6-+ -5.67/29 49.Rb5 g5 50.Rb7+ Kf8]

49.Rb5 -5.64/26

[49.h4!∓ -0.50/26]



49...g5! 50.Rf5+ Kg6 51.Rb5 f6? -0.01/25

[51...Re3-+ -5.09/30 52.Kh2 Rd3]

52.Rb7!= The position is equal. **52...Rc3 53.Kh2 Rc2+ 54.Kg3 b2 55.Kf3** Vorgänger: **55...Rd2 56.Kg3 Rc2 57.Kf3 Kh6 58.Kg3 Rd2 59.Kf3 Kg6 60.Kg3** And White is the lucky defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.52

60...Rc2 Loss on time!?

1-0

296 C54

☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar 2702**

■ **Radjabov,Teimour 2747**

Global Chess League rapid (1.3) 22.6.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Bg5** 7.a4 is becoming the main line. 7.a4 wird zur Hauptvariante. **7...h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 a5 10.Re1 Ba7 11.Nbd2** **Nh7!?** Exploring less charted territory .Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **12.d4 g4N**

[12...h5 13.h3 h4 1-0 Demchenko,A (2654)-Navara,D (2697) Titled Tuesday intern op 08th Feb Early blitz 2022 (11) *(13...Qf6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Bb5 g4 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Nc4 Rd8 20.Qa4 Nf6 21.Qxc6 Be6 22.Ne3 Nh5 23.Nhf1 Bb6 24.Rad1 Nxg3 25.Nxg3 Bxe3 26.fxe3 Rxd1 27.Qxa8+* 6.Na3 cd4 7. cd4 Bd7 (2701)-Sudgen,J (2766) Anand-Topalov 2006 (3.2) ½-½ *)* 14.Bh2 g4 15.hxg4 Bxg4 16.Be2 Qf6 17.Nc4 exd4 18.e5 dxe5 19.Ncxe5 Bxf3 20.Bxf3 dxc3]

13.Nh4 **exd4!?N** New and interesting. Theoretisch interessant. **14.Rb1 Ne5** 0.19/19

[14...Qg5∓ -0.40/18]

15.Bb3 -0.53/18

[15.cxd4= 0.19/19 Bxd4 16.Bf1]

15...dxc3 -0.07/19

[15...d3∓ -0.53/18]

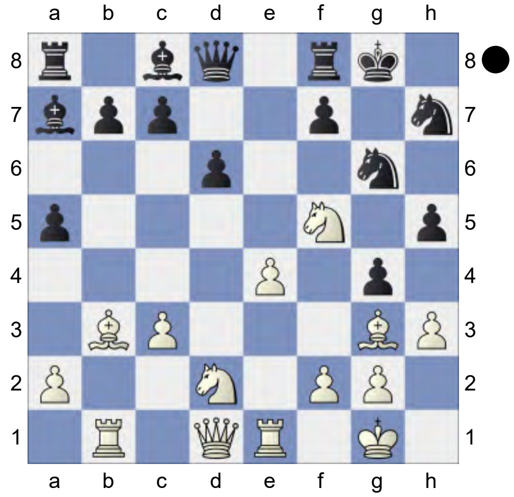
16.bxc3= h5 17.Nf5 -0.63/20

[17.a4= 0.01/19]

17...Ng6 0.18/21

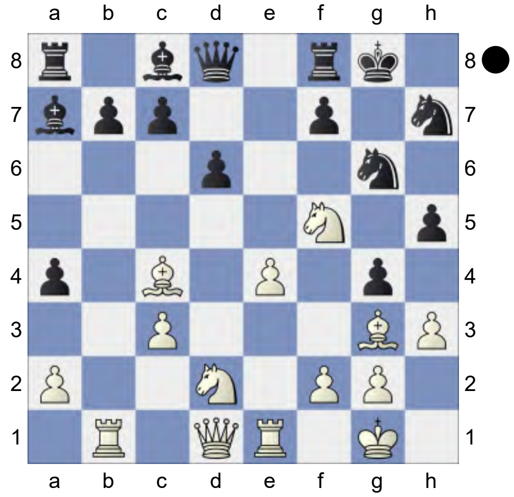
[17...Bxf5∓ -0.63/20 18.exf5 Nd3]

18.h3



a4! 19.Bc4

[19.Bxa4? h4 20.Bxh4 (*20.Bh2? g3-+*) 20...Nxh4-+]



19...d5! 0.39/19 **20.Bxd5± Bxf5** 0.60/21

[Black should try 20...c6!= -0.01/21 21.Bxf7+ (*21.Bc4 b5∓*) 21...Kxf7 (*21...Rxf7 22.Nh6+ Kg7 23.Nxf7=*) 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nd6+ Kg8]

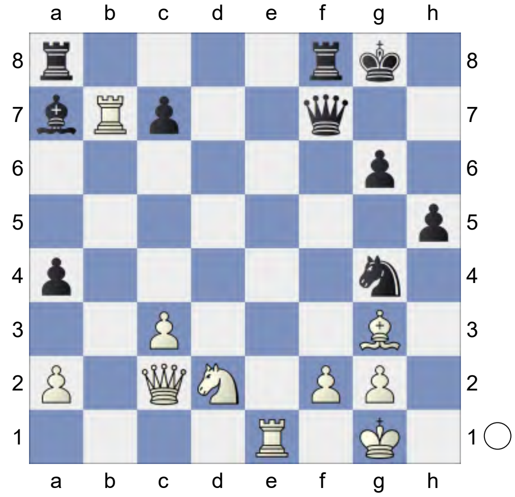
21.exf5

[21.Bxb7? Be6 22.h4 Rb8-+]

21...Qxd5 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.hxg4 Nf6 24.Qc2

[24.Bxc7? Bxf2+ (*24...Qxa2 25.gxh5 Qd5 26.Nf3±; 24...Nxg4 25.Ne4∓*) 25.Kh1 (*25.Kxf2? Qc5+ 26.Ke2 Nd5-+*) 25...Bxe1 (*25...Qxa2? 26.Re2-+; 25...hxg4? 26.Qe2-+; 25...Nxg4? 26.Nf3-+*) 26.Qxe1 Rae8-+ (*26...Qxa2? 27.gxh5 Rae8 28.Qd1-+; 26...Nxg4? 27.Nf3-+; 26...hxg4? 27.Bb6-+*)]

24...Qf7 25.Rxb7 Nxg4



26.Nf3 0.01/22

[26.Qxa4? Bxf2+ 27.Kh1 Rxa4-+]

[26.Ne4!± 1.08/22]

26...Bb6= 27.c4 c4-c5 is the strong threat.

[27.Kf1 seems wilder. Ra5 28.Re2 Rf5 29.Qxa4 Rxf3 30.gxf3 Qxf3 31.Qe4]

27...Ra5

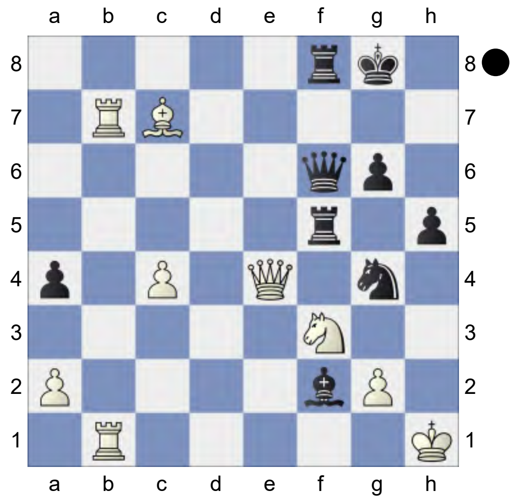
[27...Qf5 simplifies 28.Qxf5 gxf5 29.Kf1 Rfb8]

28.Rb1 Black must now prevent Rb1xb6.

28...Qf6 29.Bxc7 -0.63/23

[29.Qe2= -0.01/20]

29...Bxf2+∓ 30.Kh1 Rf5 31.Qe4



Rxf3 -0.28/26

[Black should play 31...Bd4!∓ -1.16/23 (→ ... Qf6-h4+!) 32.Bg3 *(32.Qxd4 Qxd4 33.Bh2 Qd3-+)* 32...h4]

32.Qd5+=

[32.Qxf3 Qh4+ 33.Qh3 Be1-+]

32...Rf7 Predecessor: **33.Bd8!**↑ White has good play. **33...Qf4** The position is equal. **34.Bc7! Qf6 35.Bd8! Qf4? 36.Bc7!-+ Qf6 37.Bd8! Rf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise) . Loss on time!?

0-1

295 **C54**

☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun** **2702**

■ **Radjabov,Teimour** **2747**

Global Chess League rapid (1.3) 22.6.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.Bg5** 7.a4 is becoming the main line. 7.a4 wird zur Hauptvariante. **7...h6 8.Bh4 Qe7 9.Nbd2** White is slightly better. **9...Ba7 10.a4 g5** 0.42/19

[10...0-0= 0.02/18]

11.Bg3± Rg8 0.70/19 '!?' Exploring less charted territory.Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[Black should play 11...0-0= 0.19/16]

12.b4 h5N

[12...Bg4 13.b5 Nd8 14.d4 a5 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Bxe5 Ne6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Bd4 Bxd4 19.cxd4 0-0-0 20.Qc2 Bxf3 21.Nxf3 g4 22.Nd2 Rxd4 23.Rfc1 b6 24.Nc4 Qc5 25.e5 Ne4 26.Qb3 g3 27.hxg3 6.Na3 cd4 7.cd4 Bd7 (2718)-Vasquez Bonifacio, L (2741) 153/100 Chicago 2022 (6) 1-0]

13.h4 Bg4 'N!?' New and interesting. Theoretisch interessant.

[Predecessor: 13...gxh4 14.Bxh4 Bh3 15.g3 Bxf1 16.Nxf1 Rg4 17.N1h2 Rxh4 18.Nxh4 Qd7 19.b5 Na5 1-0 Demchenko,A (2654)-Navara, D (2697) Titled Tuesday intern op 08th Feb Early blitz 2022 (11)]

14.Qe1 0.22/20

[14.hxg5 Nh7±]

[14.b5± 0.93/17 Nd8 15.hxg5 *(15.bxa6 gxh4 16.axb7 Nxb7+-)*]

14...gxh4= 15.Bxh4 Qd7 0.87/21

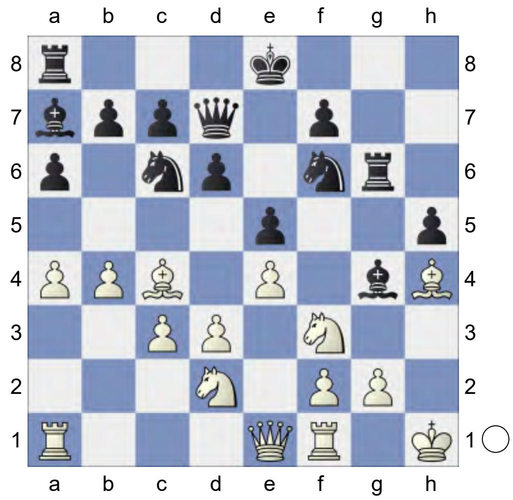
16.Kh1 Strongly threatening Nf3-g5.

[16.Bxf6 Bh3 17.d4 *(17.Ng5 Qg4 18.Bxf7+ Kf8)* 17...Bxg2∓ *(17...Rxg2+? 18.Kh1+-)*]

16...Rg6 1.12/20

[16...Nh7± 0.59/19]

(Diagram)



17.Nh2 0.39/19

[17.Ng5!± 1.12/20 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.f3 *(19.b5 Nce7±)*]

17...Bh3!± 18.Rg1

[Much worse is 18.gxh3 Qxh3 19.Bg3 h4∓]

18...Be6 19.a5 -0.61/20

[19.b5= 0.24/19 Na5 20.Bxe6 Qxe6 21.Qe2]

19...Ng4 0.01/20 Black is more active.

[19...Bxc4∓ -0.61/20 20.dxc4 Qe6]

20.b5!⇄ Bc4xe6 would now be deadly. White is not holding back **20...Ne7 21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.bxa6 bxa6 23.Rf1 Ng6 24.f3?** -2.31/21 Loses the game.

[24.Bg5= -0.03/18 and White stays safe.]

24...Ne3-+ Threatens to win with ...Ng6-f4! **25.Bf2 Nxf1 26.Ndxf1 Bxf2 27.Qxf2 Nf4 28.d4 Rb8 29.Ne3 Qb5 30.Nf5** -4.01/21

[⌓30.Ra2 -2.81/19]

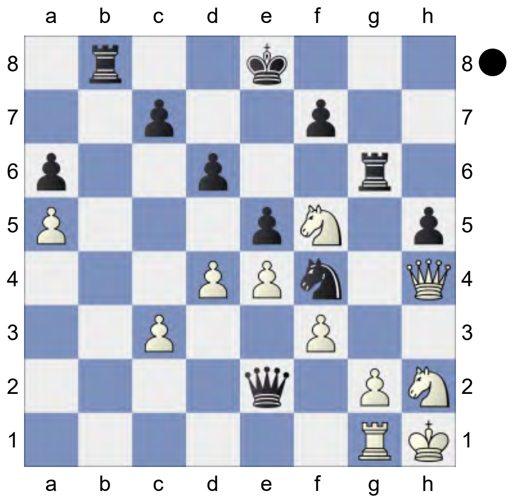
30...Rg6 31.Rg1 Qe2 Deflection

[31...Qxa5 32.Qh4 Kf8 *(32...Qxc3 33.Qe7#)* 33.g3=]

32.Qh4 -#6/14

[32.Qxe2-+ -4.81/22 Nxe2 33.Rd1]

(Diagram)



32...Qxg2+! Deflection. Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/Black=0.21 (precise)

0-1

297 **C50**

□ Sindarov,Javokhir **2668**

■ Dardha,Daniel **2604**

London TechM GCL rapid (10.6)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.h3 d6 **7.Na4!** Nxc5 is in the airoutshines the older 7. 0-0. erfolgreicher als das alte 7.0-0.

7...Nd7N

[7...Bb6 8.a3 Be6 *(8...Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Ba2 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Be6 13.Bb1 Re8 14.d4 c6 15.c3 Qc7 16.Be3 Rad8 17.a4 d5 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 dxe4 20.Qc2 Qxe5 21.Bxb6 Qg5 22.Bxd8 Rxd8 23.Qc1* 1-0 (38) Quist,J (2427)-14.♘e4 ♖b8 15.c4 ♖e8 20 (2165) 55/47 London 1992 (4) *)*

A) 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.b4 0-0 11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 *(12.c3 Kh8 13.Ra2 Qf7 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Nxb6 axb6*

16.a4 Ne7 17.a5 Ra8 18.Qb3 bxa5 19.Rxa5 Ng6 20.d4 Nd7 21.Be3 b6 22.Ra2 Rxa2 23.Qxa2 exd4 24.cxd4 Nf6 25.Qc2 Nh5 26.Rc1 Nhf4 0-1 (62) Alster (2521)-Mokriak,L (2584) EUCup G3 Slough 1997 (1.3)*)* 12...Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 1-0 (64) Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2);

B) 9.Bb5 0-0 10.c3 Ne7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.0-0 d5 14.Bc2 b5 15.d4 Nxe4 16.dxe5 c6 17.Qe2 Re8 18.Re1 Qc7 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.f3 Nc5 21.f4 Ne4 22.Bxe4 1-0 (43) Rojas Keim,L (2688)-Chiong,L (2618) (m/4-rapid) 101/(249) 2007 (12)]

8.0-0 0-0 9.a3 Nb6N The position is equal.

[9...a6 0.52/21 9...Nb6 0.15 10.Nxc5 Nxc5 11.Re1 Be6 12.Bd5 Ne7 13.Bxe6 0.09/22 (*13.d4⩲* 0.46/23 *Bxd5 14.exd5*) 13...Nxe6= 14.d4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Qxd4 ½-½ (25) Dumancic,S (1836)-Domovic,O (1574) CRO-ch U15 Trogir 2019 (9)]

10.Nxb6 Bxb6 11.c3 Ne7 0.28/21

[⌓11...Kh8 -0.08/21]

12.Re1 Ng6 13.d4 c6 14.Bf1 Re8 15.a4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.e5 c5 18.Bd3 0.12/21

[18.dxc5⩲ 0.55/20 Bxc5 19.Be3]

18...cxd4= 19.Bxg6 fxg6 20.Nxd4 Qh4 0.48/23

[20...Bxd4= 0.01/21 21.Qxd4 Be6]

21.Be3⩲ Bxd4

[21...Rxe5? 22.Nf3 d4 23.Nxh4+-]

22.Qxd4 Qxd4 23.Bxd4 Be6 24.Rec1 Rec8 Against Rc7 **25.Rxc8+ Rxc8 26.Bxa7±** Endgame KRB-KRB. White is a pawn up. **26...Rc4 27.a5! Rb4 28.Rb1 d4 29.Bc5 Rc4** 1.60/26

[Black should play 29...Ra4!⩲ 0.57/24]

30.b4 d3 31.Rd1 0.29/23

[31.Be3!+- 1.65/26]

31...Rc3= 32.f3 0.01/28

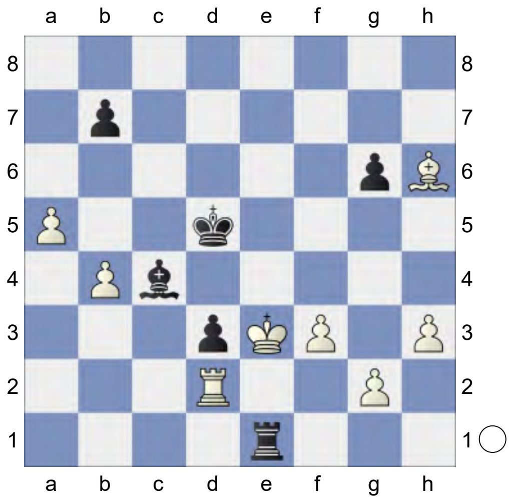
[32.f4!⩲ 0.47/23 is more appropriate.]

32...Kf7 33.Rd2 Bc4 34.Kf2 Ke6 35.Ke3 Rc1 36.Bf8 Kxe5 0.75/28

[36...Kf7= 0.01/23 remains equal. 37.Bc5 Bb5]

37.Bxg7+± Kd5 38.Bxh6 Re1+ 1.85/24

[38...Rb1⩲ 0.45/24]



39.Kf2? 0.33/23

[39.Kf4!+- 1.85/24]

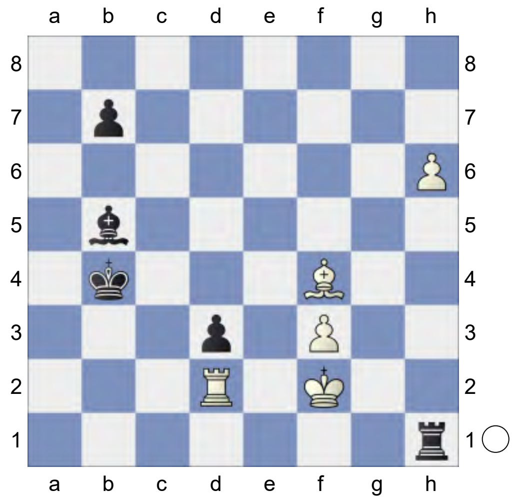
39...Rb1⩲ 40.Bf8 Bb5 41.g4 Kc4 42.h4 Kc3 43.Bh6 Kxb4 44.Bf4 Kxa5 45.h5 gxh5 46.gxh5 Black is now going downhill. **46...Rh1?** 2.38/24

[46...Be8!= 0.29/21 and Black has nothing to worry.]

47.h6+- Kb4? 3.35/25

[47...Bc4 1.64/24 keeps fighting.]

(Diagram)



48.Kg2! Rh5 49.Kg3 Kc5? 4.82/25

[49...Bc4 2.58/22 50.Rb2+ Kc5 51.Rxb7 Be6]

50.Kg4 Be8 51.Rxd3 Rh1 52.Kg5 b5 53.Rd2 And now Bh2 would win. **53...Rg1+ 54.Kf6 Rg6+ 55.Ke7 Bc6 56.Rh2 Rg8** 8.03/21

[⌓56...Bxf3 4.00/23 57.Be5 *(57.h7 Rg7+ 58.Kd8 Rxh7+-)* 57...Ra6]

57.h7 Rh8 58.Be5 Rxh7+ 59.Rxh7 Bxf3 60.Rh3 Be4 61.Bd6+ Kd5 62.Rh5+ Kc4 63.Rc5+ Kd4 64.Rxb5 Bd5 65.Kf6 Kc4 66.Rb4+ Kc3 67.Ke5 Bc4 68.Rb8 Kd3 69.Bc5 Kc3 70.Bd4+ 10.13/26

[⌓70.Bb4+ #18/26 Kd3 71.Be7 Ke3 72.Rc8 Be2 73.Rc3+ Bd3 74.Bg5+ Ke2 75.Kf4]

70...Kd3 71.Rc8 Ba2 72.Rc3+ Kd2 73.Ke4 Bf7 74.Ra3 8.97/25

[⌓74.Rd3+ #14/27 Ke2 75.Rg3 Bc4 76.Rg2+ Kd1 77.Bb2 Bb5 78.Ke3 Be8 79.Rd2+ Ke1 80.Rd8]

74...Bg6+ 75.Kf4 Kc2 76.Rc3+ 10.27/27

[⌓76.Ke3 #12/26 Bh5 77.Rc3+ Kd1 78.Rc7 Bg4 79.Bb2 Ke1 80.Rc1+ Bd1 81.Bd4 *(81.Bc3+ Kf1 82.Rxd1+ Kg2 83.Be1 Kh2 84.Kf2 Kh1 85.Kg3 Kg1 86.Bf2#)*]

76...Kd2 77.Rc5 Kd3 78.Be5 Be8 79.Rc3+ Kd2 80.Rc8 Bb5 81.Bd4 Ke2 82.Be3? 3.28/25

[82.Rd8 12.71/32 Threatening mate with Bc3. Kd2 83.Bg1+ Bd3 84.Bd4]

82...Bd3? #13/27

[82...Kd3+- 3.28/25 83.Rd8+ Kc4]

83.Rd8 White mates. **83...Bc4 84.Rd2+ Ke1 85.Kf3 Be6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.55

86.Rd4? 2.86/5

[86.Rd3 #5/12 mates Bg4+ 87.Kxg4 Ke2 88.Rc3 Kf1 89.Kf3 Ke1 90.Rc1#]

1-0

298 **C54**

☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2710**

■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**

FIDE World Cup (6.7) 17.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 Prathamesh,Sunil Mokal **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.Bg5** Recently 7.a4 got a lot of attention. 7.a4 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **7...Ba7 8.a4 h6N**

[8...0-0 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Qb3 Qc8 12.Rac1 Rb8 13.Kh1 Ng4 14.Kg1 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 Qe8 17.Qd1 Nf6 18.b4 Qg6 19.b5 axb5 20.axb5 Nd8 21.h3 h5 22.Ra1 Rf7 23.Rxa7 1-0 (36) Krebs,J (1641)-Fritsch Gruendel,T (1480) corr Einzelpartien freechess 2015 Rh7 24.h4 Nf7 25.hxg5 Nxg5 26.Nh4 Qf7 27.Ndf3 Nxf3+ 28.Qxf3 Qe7 29.Qe3 Rg7 30.Ra2 b6 31.f4 Ng4 32.Qf3 Rf8 33.f5 exf5 34.Nxf5 Rxf5

35.Qxf5 Ne3 36.Ra8+ 1-0 Har Zvi,R (1641)-Bommhardt,H (1480) Najdorf mem-A corr 2001]

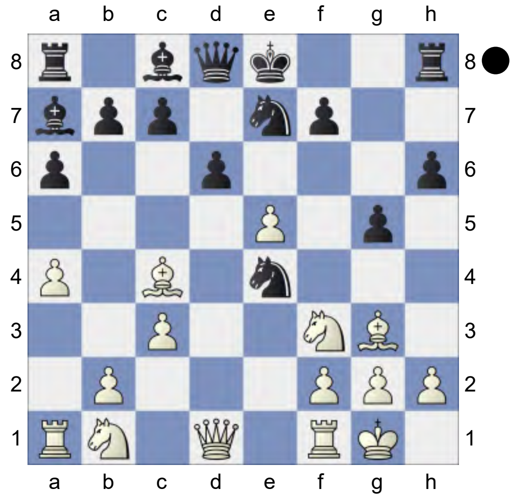
9.Bh4 -0.41/21

[White should play 9.Be3= 0.14/20]

9...g5∓ 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.d4! Nxe4 12.dxe5N -1.38/21

[12.Nbd2!? Nxg3 13.hxg3∓]

[12.Nbd2!= 0.01/22]



12...d5!↑ Black is on the roll. **13.Bd3 Bf5** Black is more active. **14.Nd4 Qd7** -0.47/20

[14...h5∓ -1.01/22 Strongly threatening ...h4. 15.Nxf5 Nxf5]

Now White is beyond hope. **15.Kh1?** -2.10/22

[15.Nxf5∓ -0.47/20 Nxf5 16.Nd2]

15...h5-+ 16.h4 -3.42/18

[⌓16.e6 -1.96/21 fxe6 17.Be5]

16...0-0-0 17.Qe2 -4.54/22 Qg4! is the strong threat.

[17.hxg5 -3.11/19 was necessary. Rhg8 (*17...Nxg5? 18.Bh2-+*) 18.Bh2]

17...Bg4 18.Qe1 Nf5 -2.56/19

[⌓18...Bxd4 -5.60/20 19.cxd4 gxh4 20.Bxh4 Bf3]

19.Bxe4? -5.66/22

[19.Nd2 -2.56/19 nothing else works. gxh4 (*19...Nxh4 20.Nxe4 dxe4 21.Bxe4=*) 20.Bf4]

19...dxe4 20.Qxe4 Bxd4

[20...Nxh4 21.Bxh4 gxh4 22.f3 Bxd4 23.cxd4∓]

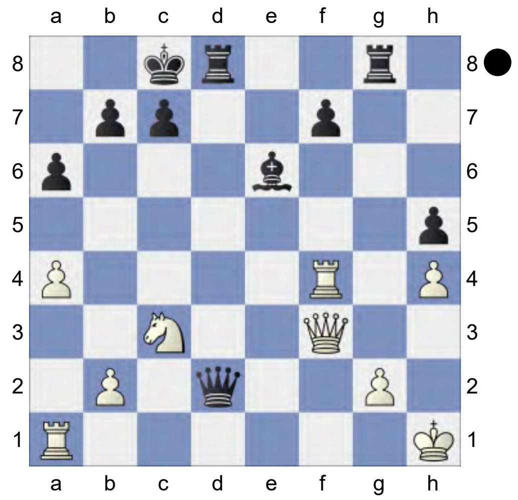
21.cxd4 gxh4 22.e6 Nxg3+

[Weaker is 22...Qxe6 23.Qxe6+ fxe6 24.Be5∓]

23.fxg3 Bxe6

[23...Qxd4 24.Qxd4 Rxd4 25.exf7±]

24.gxh4 Rhg8 25.Nc3 Qxd4 26.Rf4 Qd2 27.Qf3



Rxg2!! Deflection **28.Ne4**

[28.Qxg2 Qxf4]

28...Rh2+ 29.Kg1 Rg8+ Black mates. **30.Ng5 Bd5 31.Rd1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.95/Black=0.26 (precise)

31...Rh1+

0-1

299 **C54**

☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2702**

■ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2739**

Global Chess League rapid (2.3) 23.6.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 8...Bd7 is setting a new trend. 8...Ld7 setzt einen neuen Trend.

9.Nbd2

[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Boskovic,M (2688)-Kennaugh,C (2720) 45: Lloyds Bank 1994 (6.1)]

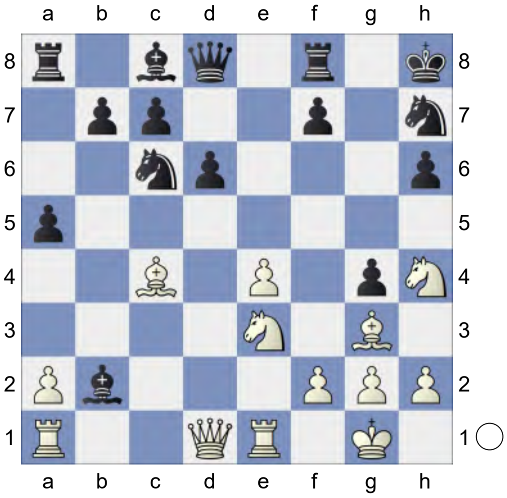
9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Re1N

[11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020*)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.fxe5 Rhf8 31.d4 dxe5 32.d5 Nb8 33.Kg1 Nd7 Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982]

11...Kh8N

[Predecessor: 11...Nh7 12.d4 h5 13.h3! Qf6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Bb5 Bxc6 would now be deadly. g4 *(15...h4!? 16.Bh2□ g4 17.hxg4 Bxg4∓)* 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Bxc6 bxc6 ½-½ Erigaisi,A (2701)-So,W (2766) Airthings Masters Div 1 L rapid 2023 (3.2)]

12.Nf1 Nh7 13.d4 g4 14.Nh4 exd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Ne3 Bxb2



17.Rb1 Bf6 18.Nhf5 h5 19.h3 0.08/21 White has more active pieces.

[19.h4± 0.65/18]

19...h4!= 20.Bh2⇄ White has counterplay **20...gxh3 21.gxh3**

[21.Qh5 Bc3 22.Rec1 Bd2-+]

21...Be6

[21...Bc3!? 22.Rf1□ Qe8=]

22.Rxb7 -0.47/23

[Better is 22.Kh1= 0.26/20]

22...Rb8 23.Rxb8 Qxb8 24.Nd5 -1.04/22

[24.Bd5∓ -0.54/20 Nb4 25.Kh1]

24...Qb2∓ 25.Rf1? -2.93/23

[25.Kh1∓ -0.71/21]

25...Be5-+ 26.Bxe5+? -4.01/23

[26.Qe2 -2.47/20 Qxe2 27.Bxe2]

26...Qxe5 27.Qd3? -6.51/23

[27.Qf3 -2.95/22]

27...Rg8+

[27...Nb4? 28.Qd4-+]

28.Kh1 Bxf5 29.exf5 Nf6 30.Nxf6 -3.41/26

[⌓30.Qf3 -1.98/22]

30...Qxf6 31.Qe4 Ne5 32.Bb3 -3.77/23

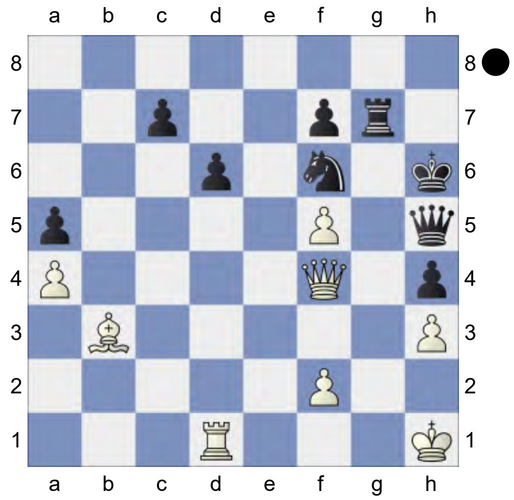
[32.Bd5 -2.64/22 was called for.]

32...Qg5 33.Bc2? -7.33/25

[33.Bd5 -3.46/21 c6 34.Bxc6]

33...Nd7 34.Bb3 Nf6 35.Qf3 Rg7

36.Re1 Kh7 37.a4 -6.96/23
[⌓37.Bc4 -4.16/22 Kh6 38.Bb5]
37...Kh6 38.Rd1 Kh7? 0.01/23
[38...Nh5-+ -4.87/25 39.Re1 Nf4]
39.Re1!= Kh6? 0.01/22
[39...c6-+ -6.31/23 40.Bc4 d5]
40.Rd1! Qh5 -2.44/25
[⌓40...Nh5 -4.90/23 41.Bc4 Nf4]
41.Qf4+-+



Kh7! 42.Re1 d5 -1.46/23
[42...c5-+ -3.15/24 is more deadly. aiming for ...d5. 43.Bc2 Rg8]
43.Rc1∓ Qg5 -0.24/26
[43...Rg5-+ -1.61/24 44.Rxc7 Ne4]
44.Qxg5!= Rxg5 45.Rxc7 Rxf5 46.Rxf7+ Endgame KRB-KRN **46...Kg6 47.Ra7 Rxf2 48.Rxa5 Rb2** The position is equal. **49.Bxd5 Nxd5 50.Rxd5** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **50...Rb3 51.Kg2 Rb2+ 52.Kg1 Rb3 53.Kg2 Rb2+ 54.Kf3** And White is the lucky defender.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/ Black=0.70
54...Rb3+
½-½

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300 **C51**
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Blitz 01.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3N**
[6.Bb2 d6 7.b5 axb5 8.axb5 Rxa1 9.Bxa1 Na5 10.Ba2 Nf6 11.Nc3 0-0 12.0-0 c6 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Re8 15.Qd3 Qe7 16.Nf3 Be6 17.Bxe6 Qxe6 18.Na4 Bd8 19.e5 dxe5 20.Nxe5 Bc7 Tuchtenhagen,H-Greenleaf,J corr 1998 200 Traps In The Opening [Haugen,Arild(Übersetzt Herbert Bellmann)] ½-½ (42)]
[6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Nd5 *(7.d4 Bxd4 8.Nxd4 Nxd4 9.f4 d6 10.0-0 h6 11.fxe5 dxe5 12.Nd5 Be6 13.Nxf6+ gxf6 14.Bd3 Nb3 15.Rb1 Nxc1 16.Qxc1 Qd4+ 17.Kh1 f5 18.exf5 Bd5 19.Be2 0-0-0 20.c3 Qe4 21.Bf3 Qd3* Rigby,D-Torma,R corr SWE Telepartie 1997 200 Traps In The Opening [Haugen,Arild(Übersetzt Herbert Bellmann)] ½-½ (77) *)* 7...Nxd5 8.exd5 Nd4 *(8...e4 9.dxc6 0-0 10.Bb2 exf3 11.Qxf3 dxc6 12.Qg3 Re8+ 13.Be5 Rxe5+ 14.Qxe5 Bd4 15.Qf4 Qe7+ 16.Be2 Bxa1 17.Qf3 Qxb4 18.0-0 Bf6 19.Re1 Qxd2 20.Kf1 Be6 21.Qe4 Bd5 22.Qd3 Bxg2+* 0-1 (22) Benassi,A (1790)-Mauro,L (1605) Italy 1982 Corr 2002 [Mauro] *)* 9.a5 Ba7 10.0-0 *(10.d6 cxd6 11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.Ra3* [Dell] *)* 10...Nxf3+ 11.Qxf3 d6 12.d3 0-0 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Qxe3 f5 15.f4 exf4 16.Qxf4 Bd7 17.d4 Qf6 18.h4 Qf7 19.Rae1 Rae8 20.Bb3 Re7 Nepomnjatschij (2395)-Logan,T

(2555) Bled 1995 Telechess CBM 89 [Rause] 0-1 (47)]

6...Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 d5 0.60/20

[9...Ba7= 0.24/18]

10.exd5± Nxd5 11.Ne4 Bg4 White is slightly better. **12.Re1 Qd7** 1.04/20

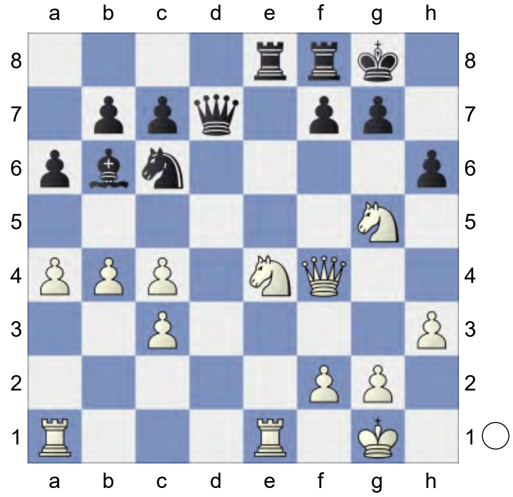
[12...Bh5± 0.60/19 deserves consideration.]

13.h3± Bf5 14.Bd2 Nf4 1.61/23

[14...Rfe8± 1.13/21]

15.Bxf4+- exf4 16.Qd2 Be6 17.Qxf4 Rae8 18.Nfg5 Bxc4 19.dxc4 Threatens to win with c5. **19...h6** 1.97/23

[19...Ne7± 1.56/21 20.c5 Ba7]

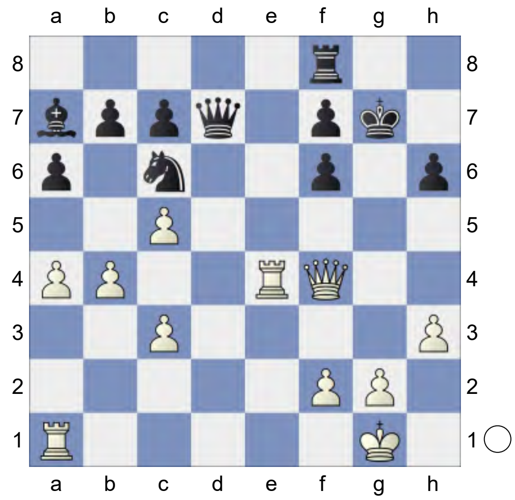


20.Nf6+! gxf6 21.Ne4→ Discovered Attack. White wants a kill. **21...Rxe4 22.Rxe4 Kg7** 2.52/27

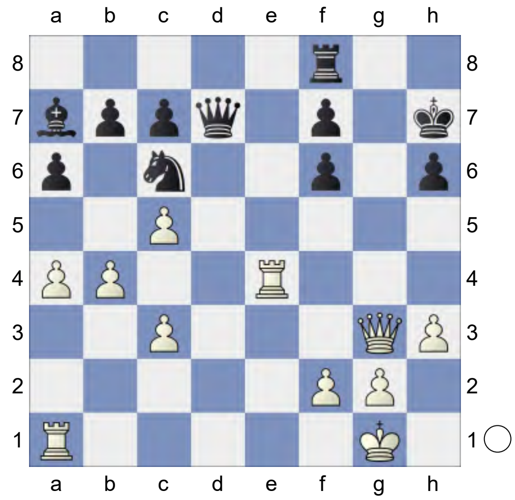
[22...f5 1.83/25 was worth a try. 23.Ree1 f6]

23.c5 Ba7

(Diagram)



24.Qg3+! White has strong compensation. **24...Kh7**



25.Qf3! aiming for Rd1. **25...f5 26.Ree1 f6 27.Rad1 Qc8 28.Qd5** And now Re6 would win. **28...Kg6** 3.12/26

[⌓28...Kg7 2.08/25 29.Re6 Kh8 30.Qxf5 Nd8]

29.Re3 Hoping for Rg3+. **29...f4** Prevents Rg3+. **30.Re6 Rd8?** 11.79/21

[30...Kg7 3.64/22 31.Rde1 Rf7]

31.Qe4+ Kf7 32.Re1 Qh7+ would kill now. **32...Rh8** Prevents Qh7+. **33.Qc4** White threatens Re7+ and mate. **33...Kg6 34.Qxf4 Qd8 35.Qg4+ Kf7 36.Qh5+ Kg7 37.b5 axb5 38.axb5 Bxc5 39.Qxc5 h5 40.bxc6** #15/21

[40.Qf5+- 23.64/19 Kf7 41.bxc6]

40...bxc6 41.Qf5 White wants to mate with Re7+. **41...Kf7 42.Qe4 Rg8 43.Re7+ Kf8 44.Qh7 Rxg2+ 45.Kxg2 Qd5+ 46.Kh2 Qd6+ 47.Kg1 Qg3+ 48.fxg3 f5 49.Re8#** Normal Normal. White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.46

1-0

301 **C54**

☐ **Nepomniachtchi,Ian** **2758**

■ **Martinez Alcantara,Jose Eduardo**

Chessable Masters Div 1 Win rapid (1.1)

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 Bb6** 6...a5 is a critical line. 6...a5 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7.Re1 h6 8.a4 0-0 9.h3 a5** The position is equal. **10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.d4N**

[RR 11.Nf1 c6 12.Bb3 Ng6 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.N1d2 Bf5 17.Bc2 Nxd2 18.Bxd2 Bxc2 19.Qxc2 Nh4 20.Nxh4 (RR *20.Ra3 Nxf3+ 21.Rxf3 Bxd4 22.Qf5 c5 23.Bc3 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Qe8 25.Rd3 Rd8 26.Rg3*) 20...Qxh4 21.Be3 f6 22.Rad1 Rf7 23.f4 fxe5 24.fxe5 Raf8 25.Qg6 Rf5 Shogdzhiev,R (2260)-Atalik,S (2420) Belgrade 2024 0-1 (76)]

11...exd4N

[11...Nc6

A) 12.Ra3 Re8 13.Ba2 Ba7 14.Rb3 Rb8 (*14...exd4 15.cxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Rd3 Bc5 18.e5 Qe7 19.Nf3 dxe5 20.Rxe5 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6* B4) Italian – New Main Line-Italian – 4.c3 Nf6 5. d3 h6) 15.Bb1 Bd7 16.Nc4 exd4 17.cxd4 Nb4 18.Rbe3 b5 19.axb5 Bxb5 20.Nxa5 c5 21.Ra3 Bb6 22.Nb3 c4 23.Nbd2 Nd3 24.Re3 Rc8 25.b3 d5 26.e5 Nh5 5.♗e2 0-0-0 6.♗e3 (2665)-Ellithorpe, G (2687) London 2023 Schlechter-Tarrasch [John Watson] 1-0 (42);

B) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 dxe5 14.Qc2 Nh5 15.Bf1 Bxh3 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Nxe5 Ng3 B4) Italian – New Main Line-Italian – 4.c3 Nf6 5. d3 h6]

12.cxd4 d5 13.exd5N

[Vorgänger: 13.e5 Ne4 Strongly threatening ...Ne4xd2. 14.Bd3 Nxd2 15.Bxd2 c5 16.Be3 c4 17.Bc2 Nf5 0.62/20 (*17...Be6=* 0.08/20) 18.Bf4 0.13/20 (*18.b3⩲* 0.62/20) 18...Nh4 0.84/22 (*18...Be6=* 0.13/20) 19.Nxh4 Qxh4 1-0 Mendes,A (2328)-Hebbar,E (2006) North American-ch U20 2023 (5)]

13...Nexd5 14.Nf1 Be6 15.Qb3 Qd6 16.Bd2 Rfe8 17.Ng3 Nf4 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Bc3 Nf4

[19...Nxd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nf5 Bxf2+ 22.Kxf2 Qc5+ 23.N3d4± (*23.N5d4 Ne4+ 24.Kg1 Nd2=*)]

[19...Bxd4 20.Nf5 Bxf2+ 21.Kxf2 Qc5+ 22.N5d4±]

20.Re5 Ng6 21.Rae1? -1.58/24

[21.Rb5= 0.01/22]

21...Nxe5∓ 22.dxe5 Qd5 23.Qc2 Nd7 24.Re4 Nc5? -0.17/25

[Black should try 24...Nf8-+ -1.75/23 Threatens to win with ...Ra8-d8. 25.Rg4 Ng6]

25.Rg4!= Rad8 0.01/24

[25...Qd3!∓ -0.45/21 26.Qc1 Re6]

26.Kh2 -0.68/25

[26.Qf5!= 0.01/24 Qe6 27.Qh5]

26...Ne6∓ White must now prevent ...

Qd5-d3. **27.Nh5 Qd3 28.Qc1 g5**

[28...Bxf2? 29.Qxh6 Kf8 30.Nxg7 Nxg7 31.Qxg7+ Ke7 32.Qf6+ *(32.Bxa5 Qf5±)* 32...Kd7 33.Bd4+- *(33.Qxf7+ Kc8±; 33.Bxa5 Qd5±)*]

[28...Kh7 29.Rxg7+!! Nxg7 30.Nf6+ Kh8 31.Qxh6+]

29.Bd2 -1.72/23 Now White is beyond hope.

[29.Qe1∓ -0.49/23]

29...Kf8-+ 30.h4 -3.08/24

[⌓30.Nf6 -1.73/22]

30...Nd4

[30...Bxf2? 31.hxg5 Nd4 32.Qc5+ Rd6 33.Rxd4 Bxd4 34.Qxc7-+]

31.Nxg5 Ne2

[31...Rxe5 32.Nxf7! Rxh5 33.Nxd8±]

32.Nh7+ Ke7

[Not 32...Qxh7 33.Bxh6+ Ke7 34.Qg5+ Ke6 35.Ng7+ *(35.Nf4+? Nxf4 36.Rxf4 Kd7-+)* 35...Kd7 36.Nxe8 Rxe8 37.Qd2+ Nd4 38.Rxd4+ Bxd4 39.Qxd4+ Kc8 40.Bg5±]

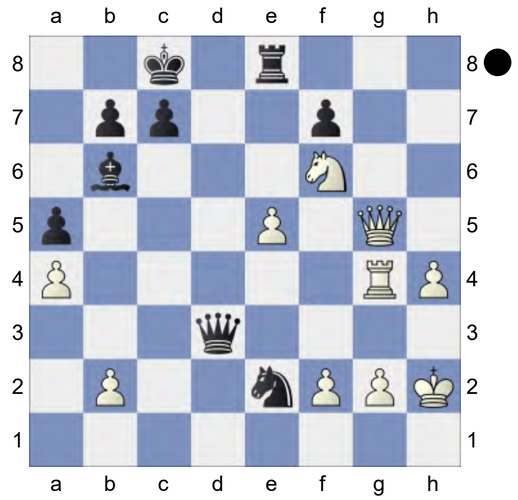
33.Bg5+ hxg5 Chess con chili. **34.Qxg5+ Kd7 35.N7f6+ Kc8 36.Nxe8 Rxe8** -2.31/23

[⌓36...Bxf2 -5.40/24 37.Ng3 *(37.Qe7? Bg1+ 38.Kh1 Bb6-+)* 37...Bxg3+ 38.Rxg3 Nxg3 39.Qg4+ Qf5]

37.Nf6? -6.41/26

[37.Nf4 -2.31/23 Qe4 38.Nxe2 Qxe2 39.Qf5+ Kb8 40.Re4]

(Diagram)

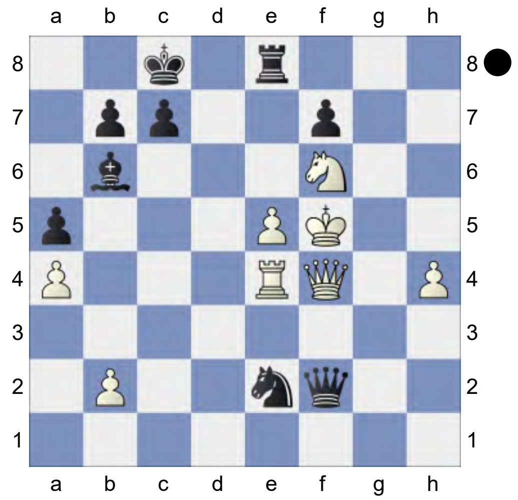


37...Qb1! (→ ...Qb1-g1+) **38.Re4**

[38.Rg3 Qg1+]

38...Qg1+ 39.Kh3 Qh1+ 40.Kg4 Qxg2+ 41.Kf5 Qf3+ -10.81/5

[⌓41...Qxf2+ -#6/14 42.Qf4 Rxe5+!! 43.Kxe5 Qc5+ 44.Nd5 Qd6+ 45.Kf5 Qg6+ 46.Ke5 Qe6#]



42.Rf4 Nd4# Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=0.40

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303 **C52**
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■ **admete_bot** **2424**
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[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Ne5+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4 White wants to play e5. The position is equal. **9...Nxd4** -0.37/17

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

[9...d6= 0.03/21]

10.Nxd4∓ Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 Threatens to win with ...0-0!. **12.Rd1N** -0.37/19

[12.Ba3= 0.06/19 is superior. d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens, A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

12...c5 0.67/21

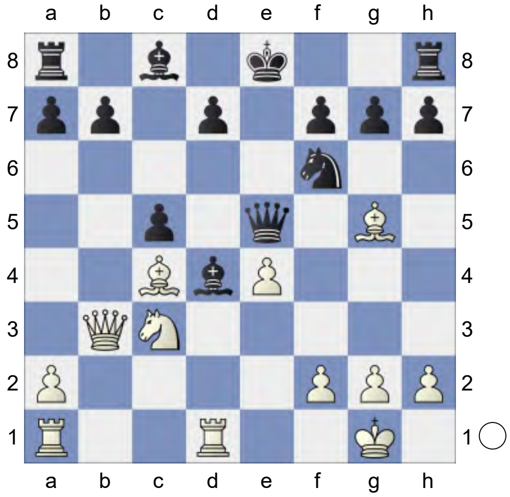
[Black should play 12...Be5∓ -0.37/19 13.Bg5 b5 14.Nxb5 c6]

13.Bg5

[13.Rxd4!? cxd4 14.Ba3=]

13...Qe5 1.38/21

[13...b5⩲ 0.51/19 14.Nxb5 *(14.Bxb5 0-0=)* 14...Bxa1 15.Rxa1 *(15.Nc7+ Kf8∓)* 15...Qe5 *(15...0-0 16.Qg3⩲)* 16.Bxf6 *(16.Bxf7+ Kf8∓)* 16...gxf6]

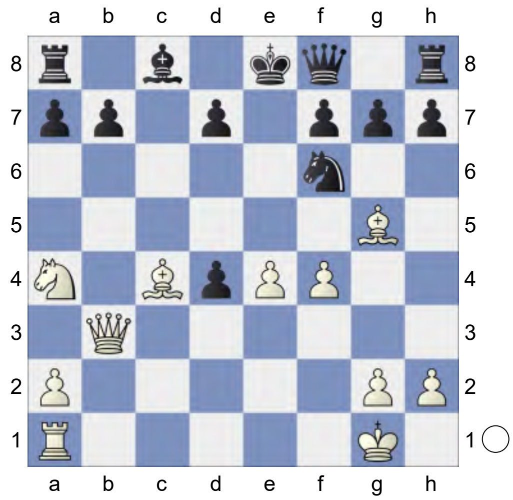


Prevents Nd5. **14.Rxd4!± cxd4 15.f4 Qc5 16.Na4** White has strong compensation.

[16.Bxf7+ Kf8-+ 17.Na4 Qc7⩲]

16...Qf8

(Diagram)



17.Rd1! White has more active pieces. This costs Black the game. **17...Ng8** 2.66/17

[17...h6± 1.18/19 keeps fighting. 18.Bh4 (*18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.Rxd4 Rg8∓*) 18...g5]

18.f5+-

[Less strong is 18.Rxd4 Ne7±]

18...Ne7 19.Bc1 A strong pair of Bishops.

[19.Rxd4 Nc6 20.Rd1 f6-+ (*20...Na5 21.Rd5∓*)]

19...Nc6 20.Ba3 Qg8 5.05/17

[⌓20...d6 3.34/18 21.Qg3 Qe7]

21.Bd5 h5 22.Qb5 And now Bxc6 would win. **22...Nd8** 7.66/15

[⌓22...Ne7 4.96/18 23.h3 (*23.Bxb7 Bxb7 24.Qxb7 Rd8±; 23.Rxd4 Qf8+-*) 23...Rh6 24.Rxd4 (*24.Bxb7 Bxb7 25.Qxb7 Rd8±*) 24...Qf8]

23.Nb2 a6 24.Qa5 Rh6 25.Nc4 b5 26.Qb4 White mates. **26...d6 27.Nxd6+ Rxd6 28.Qxd6 Ra7** Black is weak on the dark squares **29.Rxd4 Rd7 30.Bc6 Nxc6 31.Qxc6 b4 32.Qxc8+ Ke7 33.Qxd7+ Kf6 34.Qd6+ Kg5 35.Bc1+ Kg4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.02 (flawless) /Black=0.66

36.Qf4# Normal

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302 C50

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■ **admete_bot 2423**

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[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Nc3 Na5 7.Bg5 Nxc4 8.dxc4 Be6** The position is equal. **9.Qd3 h6 10.Bxf6 Qxf6 11.Nd5N Bxd5 12.cxd5 0-0 13.g3 a5** 0.03/18

[13...c6!∓ -0.33/18]

14.Kg2= a4 15.Qd2 c6 16.b4↑ White fights for an advantage. **16...Bb6 17.c4 Rfd8 18.Rab1 a3 19.Rfd1 cxd5** 1.47/22

[19...Qe7± 0.68/17]

20.Qxd5± g5 21.h3

[21.Qxb7 g4 22.Qxb6 Qxf3+ 23.Kg1 Qxe4±]

21...h5 22.Rd2

[Not 22.Qxb7 Rab8 23.Qd5 g4 24.hxg4 hxg4=]

22...Ra7

[22...g4? 23.hxg4 hxg4 24.Nh4+-]

23.Rb3 Kg7 24.Qb5 1.37/19

[White should play 24.Ne1+- 1.88/21]

24...Bc7 1.80/21

[24...Ra6± 1.37/19 might work better. 25.Rc2 Qe7]

25.Rdd3 0.80/18

[25.Ne1+- 1.80/21 has better winning chances.]

25...Rda8 1.93/21

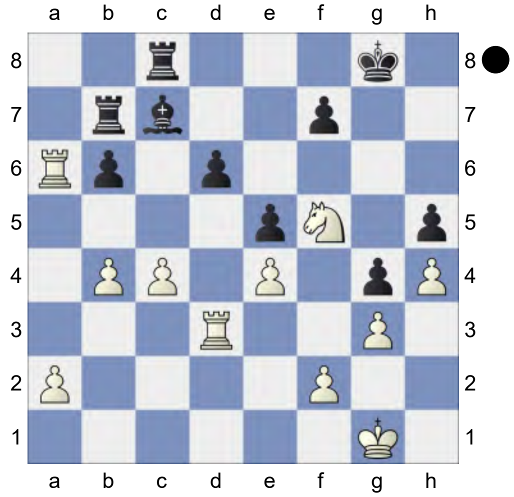
[25...g4? 26.hxg4 Qg6 27.gxh5 (*27.Rxa3 Rxa3 28.gxh5 Qxh5+-*) 27...Qxe4 28.c5+-]

[25...Qg6± 0.80/18]

26.Qd7 b6 2.07/21

[⌓26...Bb8 1.69/21 27.h4 (*27.Qc8 b5±*) 27...g4]

27.Qc6+- Qe7 28.Nd2 Qf6 29.Nf1 g4 30.h4 Kg8 31.Kg1 Qe6 32.Ne3 Qe8 33.Qxe8+ Rxe8 34.Rxa3 Rb7 35.Ra6 Rc8 36.Nf5



Threatens to win with Ne7+. **36...Rd8 37.Kg2 Kh7** 5.53/22

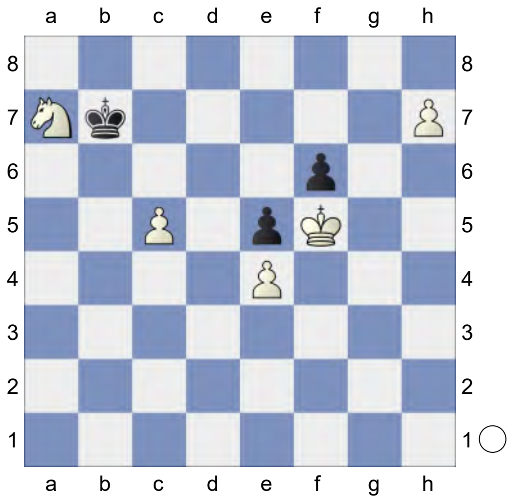
[⌓37...Kf8 3.82/22 38.f3 gxf3+ 39.Kxf3 Kg8]

38.a4 f6? 6.51/22

[38...Kg8 3.81/21 39.f3 gxf3+ 40.Rxf3 Rd7 41.Ra8+ Kh7]

39.Rd5 Kh8 40.Rb5 Rdb8 41.a5 bxa5 42.Rxb7 Rxb7 43.bxa5 Endgame KRB-KRN **43...Kg8 44.Ra8+ Rb8 45.Rxb8+ Bxb8** KB-KN **46.f3 gxf3+ 47.Kxf3 Kf7 48.g4 hxg4+ 49.Kxg4 Kf8 50.h5 Ba7 51.a6** Intending h6 and mate. **51...Kf7 52.Nxd6+ Kg7 53.Nb5 Be3 54.a7 Bxa7 55.Nxa7** KN-KPP **55...Kf7 56.Kf5 Ke7 57.c5 Kd7 58.h6 Kc7 59.h7 Kb7**

(Diagram)



60.h8Q! Kxa7 61.Qd8 White wants to mate with Qc7+. **61...Kb7 62.Qb6+** White mates. **62...Kc8 63.Ke6 f5 64.Kd6 fxe4 65.Qc7#** Normal Normal. Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.71

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304 C50

☐ **Chigaev,Maksim 2622**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander 2732**

Chessable Masters Play In rapid (6)

[Kitty Kat]

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[RR 6.c3 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.h3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.Bb3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Be6 16.Bc2]

6...0-0

[RR 6...a5

A) RR 7.c3 Bb6 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Ng6 11.Nbd2 0-0 12.Qe1 c6 13.Nh4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 Nxh4 15.Nxd6 Qxd6 16.Qxh4 Qxd3 17.Qg5 Be6 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Qxe5 Qd5 20.Qd4 h6 21.Rxf8+ Rxf8;

B) RR 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7 (RR *9...Qe7 10.h3 Be6 11.Qe2 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Nb8 13.Qe1 b6 14.Qh4 Nbd7 15.g4 Nc5 16.b3 Rae8 17.Rf2 Nfd7 18.Qxe7 Rxe7 19.Raf1 g6 20.Nfd2 Nb8 21.Nb1 Nc6 22.Nc3 Nb4 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5*) 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 12.Bb3 Qd6 13.Qg3 Nh5 14.Qg5 g6 15.Nf5 Bxf5 16.exf5 Kg7 17.Kh1 Qf6 18.Qxf6+ Nxf6 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.e4 dxe4 21.dxe4 Rad8;

C) 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 (RR *8.Be3*) 8...g5 9.Bg3 Bg4 10.c3 h5 11.h4 Nh7 (RR *11...Qe7*) 12.Nbd2 Qe7 (RR *12...Qf6*) 13.Bd5 (RR *13.Qb3*) 13...Ba7 14.b4 axb4 (RR *14...gxh4 15.Bxh4 Qxh4 16.Nxh4 Bxd1 17.Bxc6+ bxc6 18.Rfxd1 axb4 19.cxb4 Ng5*) 15.a5 Nd8 (RR *15...bxc3 16.a6 Bc8 17.axb7 Bxb7 18.Qb3*) 16.cxb4 c6 17.Bc4 Ne6 18.b5 (RR *18.a6*) 18...cxb5 19.Bxb5+ Kf8 20.a6 bxa6 21.Bc4 Aronian,L (2729)-Durarbayli,V (2628) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 39 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (46) RR Kg7]

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[7.Be3 Bb6 8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 (RR *10.Qe1 Be6 11.b4 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 f5 13.Bc1 fxe4 14.Qxe4 Nf6 15.Qg6 Ne7 16.Qg3*) 10...axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 So,W (2753) - Firouzja,A (2777) Speed Chess Chess. com INT blitz 2023 (2.32) 1-0]

[RR 7.Be3 Bb6 8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 So,W (2753)-

Firouzja,A (2777) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (40)]

7...a6 8.c3 Ba7 The position is equal.

9.Be3N

[9.h3 h6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Qb3 Qe7 12.Nbd2 Rb8

A) RR 13.d4

A1) RR 13...exd4 14.cxd4 b6 15.e5;

A2) RR 13...b5 14.Bd3 Bb7 15.Rfe1 (RR *15.d5 Bxe3 16.dxc6 Bxd2 17.cxb7 Bf4 18.g3 d5 19.Qc2 dxe4 20.Bxe4 Nxe4 21.Qxe4 Bg5;* RR *15.d5 Bxe3 16.dxc6 Bxd2 17.cxb7 Bf4 18.g3 d5 19.Qc2 dxe4 20.Bxe4 Nxe4 21.Qxe4 Bg5*);

A3) RR 13...exd4 14.cxd4 b6 15.e5;

A4) RR 13...b5 14.Bd3 Bb7 15.Rfe1;

A5) 13...b6 14.dxe5 (RR *14.axb6 Bxb6;* RR *14.axb6 Bxb6*) 14...dxe5 (RR *14...Nxe5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Qa3;* RR *14...Nxe5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Qa3*) 15.axb6 Bxb6 16.Bxb6 Rxb6 17.Qc2;

B) RR 13.d4 b6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.axb6 Bxb6 16.Bxb6 Rxb6 17.Qc2;

C) 13.Bxa7 Nxa7

C1) RR 14.Bxa6 Bxh3 15.Bxb7 (RR *15.Bc4 Bg4;* RR *15.Bc4 Bg4*) 15...Be6 16.c4 Nd7 17.a6 Nc5 18.Qc3 Nxb7 19.axb7 Rxb7 20.b4;

C2) RR 14.Bxa6 Bxh3 15.Bxb7 Be6 16.c4 Nd7 17.a6 Nc5 18.Qc3 Nxb7 19.axb7 Rxb7 20.b4;

C3) 14.d4

C3a) RR 14...Bd7 15.Rfe1 Bb5 (RR *15...exd4;* RR *15...exd4*) 16.Bxb5 (RR *16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Bxf7+ Kh8 19.Nf3 Qc5 20.e5 Ng8 21.Bxe8 Rxe8 22.Nd4;* RR *16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Bxf7+ Kh8 19.Nf3 Qc5 20.e5 Ng8 21.Bxe8 Rxe8 22.Nd4*) 16...Nxb5 17.d5 c6 18.c4 Nd4 (RR *18...Nc7 19.Nf1;* RR *18...Nc7 19.Nf1*) 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Qd3 c5 21.b4;

C3b) RR 14...Bd7 15.Rfe1 Bb5 16.Bxb5 Nxb5 17.d5 c6 18.c4 Nd4 19.Nxd4 exd4 20.Qd3 c5 21.b4;

C3c) 14...Nc6

C3c1) RR 15.d5 Na7 16.Bxa6 Bxh3 17.Bxb7 Bc8 18.a6 Nd7 (RR *18...c6 19.Qb6 Bxb7 20.Qxa7 cxd5 21.axb7 dxe4 22.Nh2 Rxb7 23.Qa3;* RR *18...c6 19.Qb6 Bxb7 20.Qxa7 cxd5 21.axb7 dxe4 22.Nh2 Rxb7 23.Qa3*) 19.Ra5 Nc5 20.Qa2;

C3c2) RR 15.d5 Na7 16.Bxa6 Bxh3 17.Bxb7 Bc8 18.a6 Nd7 19.Ra5 Nc5 20.Qa2;

C3c3) 15.Rfe1 Bd7 (RR *15...b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Qa3 exd4 18.cxd4 Nb4 19.Rac1;* RR *15...b5 16.axb6 Rxb6 17.Qa3 exd4 18.cxd4 Nb4 19.Rac1*) 16.d5 Na7 17.Bf1 Nh7 18.c4 Ng5 19.Qe3 Nxf3+ 20.Nxf3 Nc8 21.b4 f5 22.Bd3 (RR

22.b5 fxe4 23.Nd2; RR *22.Nd2;* RR *22.b5 fxe4 23.Nd2;* RR *22.Nd2)* 22...Qf6 23.exf5 Bxf5 Petrosian,T-Smyslov,V URS-ch28 Final & Zonal 1961 (7) 1-0 24.Bxf5 Qxf5 25.Nd4 Qf7 26.f4 c6 27.fxe5 cxd5 28.e6 Qg6 29.Rf1 Ne7 30.Rf7 dxc4 31.Raf1 Kh8 32.R1f3 Nc6 33.Nxc6 bxc6 34.e7 Kh7 35.Qf4 Rg8 36.Rg3 Qe6 37.Re3 Qg6 38.Rf8 Re8 Esipenko,A (2682)-Sadhwani,R (2603) Global Chess League rapid 2023 (3.6) 1-0 39.Rxg8 Kxg8 40.Qxc4+ Qf7 41.Qxa6 Rxe7 42.Rxe7 Qxe7 43.Qxc6 Qe1+ 44.Kh2 Qxb4 45.Qd5+ Kh8 46.Qa2 Qf4+ 47.g3 Qd4 48.a6 Qa7 49.h4 d5 50.Qe2 Qd4 51.Qa2 Qa7 52.Kg2 d4 53.Qe2 Qd7 Esipenko,A (2714)-Nakamura, H (2736) Berlin FIDE GP 1 Pool-A 2022 (6) 1/2-1/2]

[RR 9.h3 h6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Qb3 Qe7 12.Nbd2 Rb8 13.Bxa7 Nxa7 14.d4 Nc6 15.Rfe1 Bd7 16.d5 Na7 17.Bf1 Nh7 18.c4 Ng5 19.Qe3 Nxf3+ 20.Nxf3 Nc8 21.b4 f5 22.Bd3 Qf6 23.exf5 Bxf5 Larand,M (2714)-Osnos,V (2736) ChessPub Guide 2022 OPN, D00 [CCINF3] ½-½ (58)]

[RR 9.h3 h6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Qb3 Qe7 12.Nbd2 Rb8 13.Bxa7 Nxa7 14.d4 Nc6 15.Rfe1 Bd7 16.d5 Na7 17.Bf1 Nh7 18.c4 Ng5 19.Qe3 Nxf3+ 20.Nxf3 Nc8 21.b4 f5 22.Bd3 Qf6 23.exf5 Bxf5 Esipenko,A (2682)-Sadhwani,R (2603) Dubai 2023 1-0 (58)]

9...Bxe3 10.fxe3 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.d4 b5 13.axb6 cxb6 14.Bd3 a5N

[Vorgänger: 14...Re8 15.h3 a5 16.Nh2 d5 17.exd5 exd4 18.exd4 Nxd5 19.Qf3 Repels Nd5-e3 Repels Nd5-e3 Ra7 20.Rae1 Repels Re8-e3 Repels Re8-e3 Rxe1 21.Rxe1 Re7 22.Rxe7 Cruz Carmona,G (2086)-Akrill, R (2089) WLS/SRCCC/21/D3 2021 [3] 1/2-1/2]

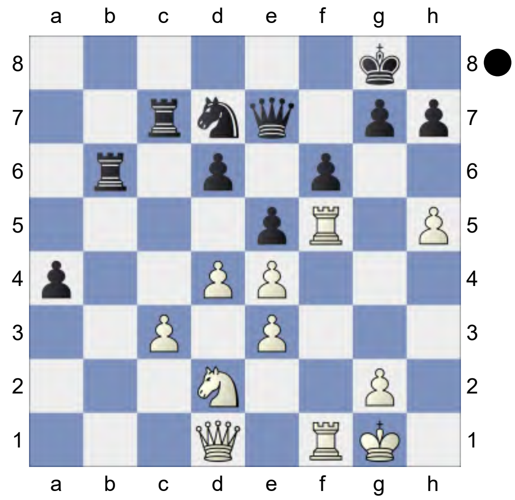
15.Qe1 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Rxa6 17.h3 b5 18.Nh4 Nxh4 19.Qxh4 a4 20.Rf5 Nd7 21.Qf2 Qe7 22.Qe2 Rb6 23.Raf1 f6 -0.09/20

[23...Qe6∓ -0.61/18]

24.h4 Rc8 25.Qg4 Rc7 26.h5 -0.69/21

[26.Ra1= -0.30/19 deserves consideration. deserves consideration.]

26...b4∓ 27.Qd1 bxc3 28.bxc3



Ra7 -0.56/22

[28...Rxc3?! 29.Qxa4 h6 30.Ra1=]

[Black should play Black should play 28...Rb2!∓ -1.32/20 Hoping for ...a4-a3. Hoping for ...a4-a3. 29.h6 exd4 *(29...gxh6 30.Nb1∓; 29...Rxc3 30.dxe5 dxe5 31.Nf3∓)* 30.exd4 Rxc3 *(30...gxh6 31.Ra5±)*]

29.Nc4 Against a4-a3. Black must now prevent d4xe5. Against a4-a3. Black must now prevent d4xe5. **29...Rc6 30.Na3 h6**

[30...Rxc3? 31.Nb5 Rcc7 32.Nxc7 Rxc7 33.Qxa4+-]

31.c4 Kh7 0.01/21

[31...exd4 32.exd4 Qxe4 33.R5f2=]

[31...Ra8∓ -0.57/20]

32.R5f3 -0.83/21

[32.R5f2!= 0.01/21 remains equal. remains equal.]

32...Nb6 -0.19/21

[32...exd4 33.exd4 Ra8 34.Rg3±]

[32...Ra8∓ -0.83/21]

33.c5? -1.75/19 **dxc5-+ 34.d5 Rc8 35.Rg3** -2.88/20

[35.R3f2 -1.67/18 was necessary. was necessary.]

35...c4 36.d6 -3.97/21

[36.Nb5 -2.72/20 keeps fighting. keeps fighting. Rb7 37.d6]

36...Qf7 37.Rg6 -4.00/21

[37.Qg4 -2.82/20 might work better. might work better.]

37...c3 38.Qg4 Rd7? -0.01/22

[38...c2-+ -4.62/21 39.Rc1 Rd7]

39.Rfxf6!= gxf6 40.Qf5 Kh8

[40...Rxd6 41.Rxf6+]

41.Rxh6+ Kg8 42.Rg6+ Kh8 43.Rxf6→ White mounts an attack. White mounts an attack. **43...Qe8 44.Re6!** The board is on fire. The board is on fire. **44...Qf8 45.Qxe5+** -3.72/23

[45.Rf6= 0.01/24 Qg7 46.Qxe5]

45...Qg7? 0.27/27

[Better is Better is 45...Kg8-+ -3.72/23 ...Rd7-f7 would now be deadly. ...Rd7-f7 would now be deadly. 46.Nc2 Rf7 47.Qg3+ Rg7]

46.Rh6+ White has compensation. White has compensation. **46...Kg8 47.Qe6+ Qf7?** 4.86/27

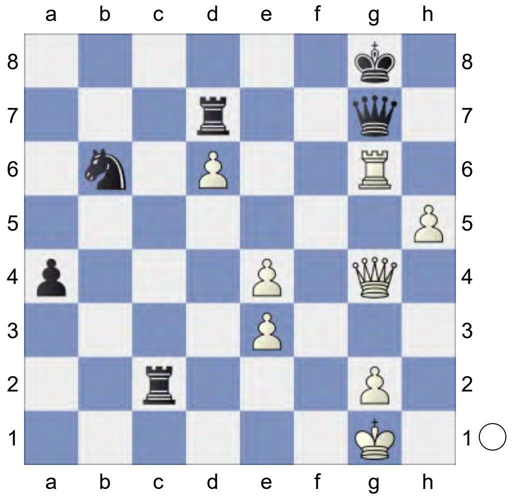
[47...Rf7? 48.Rg6 Kh8 49.Rxg7 Rxg7 50.h6+-]

[47...Kf8!= -0.01/26 and Black has nothing to worry. and Black has nothing to worry. 48.Rg6 *(48.e5? Re8-+* Skewer Skewer*)* 48...Re8 *(48...Qf7 49.Rf6±* Pin Pin *)*]

48.Qg4++- Qg7 49.Rg6 Pin Pin **49...c2 50.Nxc2**

[Inferior is Inferior is 50.Rxg7+ Rxg7 51.Qe6+ Kh7 52.Qf5+ *(52.Nxc2 Rxc2 53.Qf5+ Kh8=)* 52...Kh8 53.Nxc2 Rxc2= 54.Qf8+ Kh7 55.Qf5+ Kh6 56.Qf6+ Kh7 57.Qf5+ Kg8 58.Qe6+ Kh7 59.Qf5+=]

50...Rxc2



51.h6! Pin Pin

[Not Not 51.Rxg7+ Rxg7 52.Qe6+ Kh7 53.Qf5+ Kh6 54.Qf4+ Rg5=]

51...Qxg6 52.Qxg6+ Kh8 53.e5 a3 54.Qxc2 White wants to mate with e5-e6. White wants to mate with e5-e6. **54...Ra7 55.Qa2** White threatens e5-e6 and mate. White threatens e5-e6 and mate. **55...Nd5 56.e6 Nc3 57.Qa1** Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.65 Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/

Black=0.65
1-0

305 **C54**
☐ **Yu,Yangyi** **2720**
■ **Narayanan,Sunilduth Lyna** **2651**
FIDE Grand Swiss (4) 28.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 (*8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)) 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 (25) Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934_226900 Zürich (Switzerland)]

6...Bb6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Bb3 Ne7
9.Nh4!? Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.
9...d5N

[Vorgänger: 9...Bg4 10.Qe1 g5 11.Nhf3 h6 12.h3 Bh5 13.Nh2 c6 0.99/20 (*13...d5±* 0.32/20) 14.Nc4± Black must now prevent Nxb6. Bc7 15.Ne3 0.30/22 (White should try *15.h4!±* 0.88/22) 15...Kg7 0.80/22 (*15...d5=* 0.30/22 remains equal.) 16.Nf5+ 0.40/21 (*16.g4±* 0.80/22) 16...Kh7 1.63/22 1-0 Andriasian,Z (2581)-Salinas Herrera,P (2514) Philadelphia int op 14th 2021 (8) (*16...Nxf5±* 0.40/21 *17.exf5 Qd7*)]

10.exd5 Bg4 11.Nhf3 White is slightly better. **11...Nfxd5 12.h3 Bh5** 0.96/22

[12...Bxf3± 0.40/21 13.Nxf3 Ng6]

13.g4± Bg6 14.Nxe5 Nf4 2.57/19

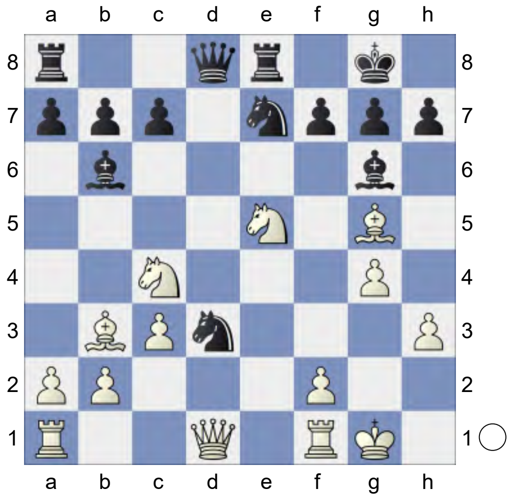
[14...Kh8± 1.33/21]

15.Ndc4+- Nxd3

[15...Nxh3+ 16.Kg2 Nxf2 17.Rxf2 Bxf2 18.Kxf2±]

16.Bg5 Re8? 4.60/26

[16...Nxe5 2.85/22 17.Nxe5 Qxd1 18.Raxd1 (*18.Rfxd1 Nc6±*) 18...Nc6 19.Nxc6 (*19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.Kg2 Na5±*) 19...bxc6]



17.Nxg6 hxg6 18.Nxb6 cxb6 19.Qf3 Ne5 20.Qe4

[20.Qxb7 Qd3+-]

20...Qc7 21.Rfe1 N7c6 22.Rad1

[Much less strong is 22.f4?! Nd7

23.Qxg6 Nf8+-]

22...b5 23.Bd5 Kh7 24.b3 1.44/21 Repels Nc4

[24.Kg2+- 1.95/23]

24...Rac8 2.47/23

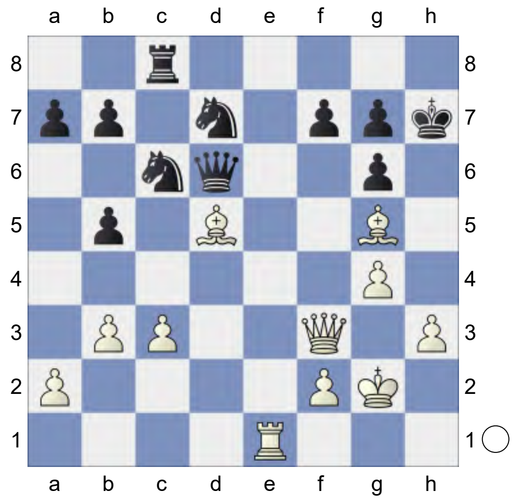
[24...Qa5± 1.44/21]

25.Kg2 Nd7 26.Qf3

[26.Qxe8 Rxe8 27.Rxe8 Nf6 28.Bxf6 gxf6=]

26...Rxe1 27.Rxe1 Qd6? 4.26/25

[27...f6 2.11/21]



28.Rd1

[28.Bxf7 Nce5 29.Qd5 (*29.Qxb7 Rf8⩱*) 29...Nxf7 30.Qxf7 Rf8±]

28...Nce5 29.Qg3

[Not 29.Bxb7 Qc7 30.Qd5 Rb8±]

29...Qc5 5.80/24

[⌓29...Qa6 4.05/22 30.Bf4 Re8]

30.f4 Re8 White took control after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.64

31.fxe5

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306 **C54**
□ **Erigaisi,Arjun Kumar** **2710**
■ **Navara,David** **2689**
Biel Blitz 56th (3) 22.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Bg5 Recently 7.Re1 got a lot of attention. 7.Te1 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **7...h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Bb6N**

[9...a6 10.a4 Ba7 11.Nbd2 Ne7 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne8 16.Bd3 Nf5 17.Bxf5 Bxf5 18.f4 Ng7 19.Rc1 Ne6 20.Nb3 Kh7 21.Rc3 c6 22.Re3 ½-½ Blahynka,M (1890)-Sharevich,A (2026) WchT U26 01 prel-4 1978 (3.2)]

10.Nbd2 Kg7 White is slightly better.

11.Re1 0.07/22

[11.a4⩲ 0.52/18]

11...Nh7N

[Predecessor: 11...Bg4 0.49/19 11...g4 0.11 12.Nf1 Nd7 13.Ne3 0.13/20 (*13.h3⩲* 0.49/19 might be stronger. *Bh5 14.Ne3*) 13...Bxe3= 14.fxe3 Qe7 15.Rf1 f5 16.exf5 Rxf5 17.e4 -0.26/22 (*17.Bd5⩲* 0.46/20) 17...Rf6 0-1 Hansen,V (2105)-Fontaine,R (2517) Dresden ZMD op 2004 (2)]

12.Nf1 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.Ne3 Bg6 1.36/20

[Black should try 14...Bxe3⩲ 0.31/21 15.fxe3 Nf6]

15.d4± Bh5 1.82/20

[15...e4± 1.23/19]

16.Be2+-

[16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Be2 (*17.Bxe5+*

dxe5 18.Nd5 Bxf3±) 17...Nxf3+ 18.Bxf3 Bxf3 19.gxf3 h5=]

16...Bxf3 17.Bxf3 exd4 18.cxd4 Nxd4 19.Bxb7 Rb8 20.Be4 Nf6 21.Bb1

[21.Nf5+?! Nxf5 22.Bxf5 Bc5±]

21...Qd7 22.a4? -0.01/21

[22.b4!+- 1.63/20]

22...a5 0.85/23

[22...Bc5= -0.01/21]

23.Ra3± Bc5 24.Rd3 Rb4 25.h4 0.24/22

[25.h3!± 0.95/20]

25...Kh8? 5.16/23

[25...Re8= 0.24/22 and Black is okay.]

26.hxg5+- hxg5 6.91/21

[⌓26...Ne4 4.65/20 27.Bh4 (*27.gxh6 Nxg3 28.fxg3 Qe6∓*) 27...Ne6 (*27...hxg5? 28.Nd5+-* Discovered Attack)]

27.b3? 0.01/25

[White should play 27.Nd5+- 6.91/21]

27...Qf7= 28.Nc4

[28.Rc3 simplifies Re8 29.Nc2 Nxc2 30.Bxc2 Rd4 31.Rxe8+ Qxe8 32.Bd3]

28...Nh5 1.62/23

[28...Nf5⩲ 0.50/23 29.Bf4 (*29.Nxa5? Nxg3* Pin *30.Qc2 Nd5-+*) 29...g4 (*29...gxf4 30.Rh3+ Nh7 31.Qh5∓*)]

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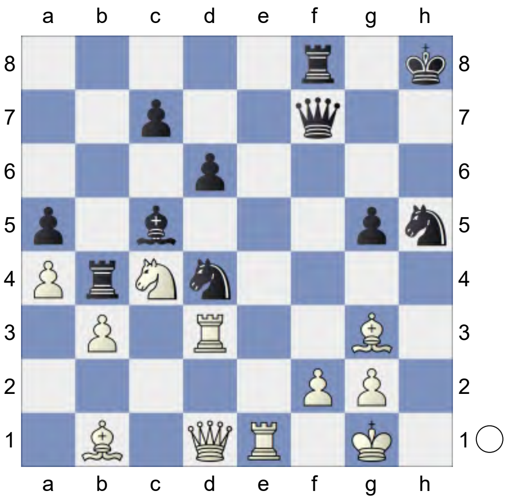


29.Qg4? 0.06/24

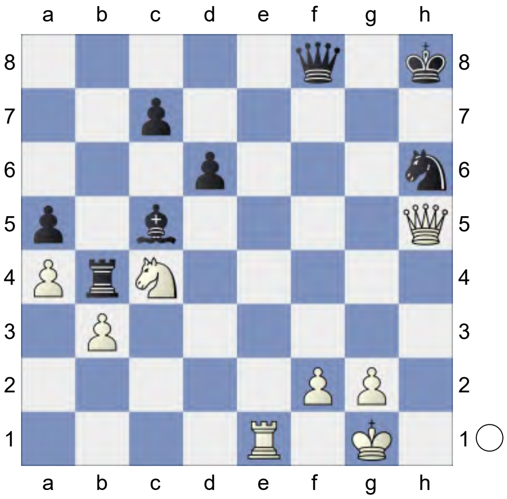
[29.Rxd4 Nxg3 30.fxg3 Kg7∓ (*30...Bxd4+?* is the wrong capture. *31.Qxd4+ Kg8 32.Bc2+-; 30...Qf2+? 31.Kh2+-*)]

[29.Re7!+- 1.62/23 Qxe7 30.Qxh5+ Kg8 31.Re3]

29...Nf5!⇄ Black has counterplay. Excellent horsemanship. **30.Rf3** Some like it hot **30...Nhxg3** Pin **31.Bxf5! Nxf5 32.Qxg5** Rh3+ is the strong threat. **32...Qg7! 33.Qh5+ Nh6?** 7.61/25

[33...Qh7= 0.10/24 34.Qg5 d5]

34.Rxf8++- Qxf8



35.Re8! Pin **35...Bxf2+ 36.Kf1 Rb8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/

Black=0.91
37.Qxh6+ Pin, Double Attack
1-0

307 **C52**
☐ **ProteusSFX-AI** **3128**
■ **admete_bot** **2429**
Blitz 01.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qf6 8.0-0! Bb6 9.e5 The position is equal. **9...Qf5**

[9...Qg6 10.cxd4 Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

10.Nxd4 Qh5N 0.75/19

[10...Nxd4= 0.13/18 11.cxd4 Ne7]

[10...Bxd4 11.cxd4 Nxd4 12.Qd1 Nc6 13.Bd3 Qe6 14.Nc3 Nge7 15.Re1 a6 16.Bb2 0-0 17.Qh5 h6 18.Ne4 Nb4 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Be4 Rd8 21.Rad1 1-0 Carlson,L (2232)-Piszcz,K (2087) Bundesliga 2014-15]

11.Ba3± Na5 1.11/20

[11...Nxe5± 0.42/17 12.Re1 Kd8]

12.Qa4

[12.Qb4 c5 *(12...Qxe5 13.Qf8#)* 13.Qb5 Nxc4 *(13...cxd4 14.Qb4±)* 14.Qxc4 Qxe5∓ *(14...cxd4 15.Qb4=)*]

12...Nxc4 1.31/16

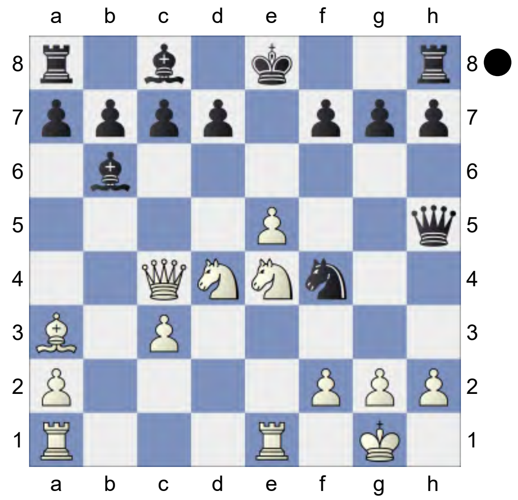
[12...Qxe5 13.Nd2 *(13.Nf3 Qf4±)* 13...Qf4 14.Rfe1+ Kd8 15.Rad1=]

[⌓12...Ne7 0.86/19]

13.Qxc4 Ne7 14.Re1 White has strong compensation. **14...Ng6 15.Nd2**

[15.Nb5?! Nh4±]

15...Nf4 16.Ne4



Against Qg5. Threatens to win with Ng3. **16...Qg6 17.g3→** Black is in trouble. White has more active pieces. Black is weak on the dark squares **17...Kd8 18.Rad1 Re8** 2.17/18

[18...h6± 1.57/17]

19.Bc1+- Nh3+

[19...Rxe5? 20.Bxf4 Re8 *(20...Rxe4? 21.Rxe4 Qxe4 22.Qxf7+-)* 21.Nb5+-]

20.Kg2 Re7

[20...Rxe5 21.Nf3 Re7 22.Nh4 *(22.Kxh3 d6+ 23.Kg2 h6±)*]

21.Nf3 Excellent horsemanship.

[21.Kxh3 d5+ *(21...Rxe5?* too greedy. *22.Nf3+-)* 22.e6 fxe6± *(22...dxc4 23.Nc6+* Discovered Attack (Double Check), Double Attack *Ke8 24.Rd8#)*]

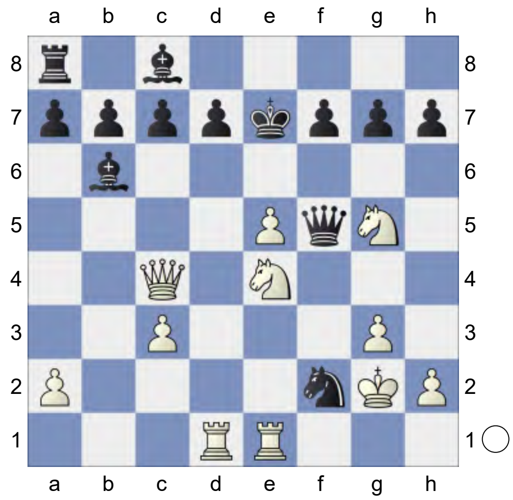
21...Qg4 22.Nfg5 Nxf2 23.Ba3 Qf5? 8.79/18

[Inferior is 23...Nxd1 24.Bxe7+ Kxe7 25.Qxf7+ Kd8 26.Qf8#]

[23...Qh5 3.23/18]

24.Bxe7+ Kxe7

(Diagram)



25.Nd6! cxd6

[25...Qg6 26.Qh4]

26.exd6+ White mates. **26...Kf6 27.Qxf7+ Kxg5 28.h4+** Deflection **28...Kh6 29.Qxf5 Bd8 30.Rd5 g5 31.Re7 Bxe7 32.dxe7 Kg7 33.Qf8+ Kg6** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.44 **34.Rxg5#** Normal

1-0

309 **C54**

☐ **Santos Latasa,Jaime** **2620**

■ **Shimanov,Aleksandr** **2578**

AUT-chT Rapid (6.1) 01.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d6

[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a4 Be6 9.Ng5 Bf5 10.Qf3 Nde7 11.c3 h6 12.Ne4 Bd6 13.b4 a6 14.Nbd2 Kh8 15.Ba3 Bg6 16.Nxd6 cxd6 17.b5 Na5 18.Bb4 axb5 19.axb5 b6 20.Bd5 Rc8 21.c4 1-0 (37) Carlsen,M (2847)-Nakamura,H (2736) FTX Crypto Cup KO 2021 (1.14)]

[6...a6 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bc2 Ba7 11.Nbd2 d5 12.exd5 Qxd5 13.Qe2 Bf5 14.Ne4 Qd8 15.Ng3 Bh7 16.Nh4 Ne4 17.dxe4 Qxh4 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Rad8 20.b4 Qg5 21.Nf1 ½-½ (62) Brunello,M (2340)-Terbe,J (2252) Mitropa Cup (Women) 2023 (6.1)]

7.c3N

[7.a3 Bd7 8.b4 Bb6 9.Bb2 h6 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Ba7 16.c3 Qe7 17.d4 Be6 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 c6 21.Rd3 Rbd8 0-1 (28) Radojicic,A (1710)-Mondry,M (1850) 20/467 Montilla 1975 22.Rfd1 Rxd3 23.Qxd3 Qh4 24.Rd2 Qg5 25.c4 c5 26.b5 axb5 27.cxb5 c4 28.Qd5 Bd4 29.Rc2 Bxb2 30.Rxb2 Qc1+ 0-1 Piccinini,I (1710)-Mauro,L (1850) ITA corr Italy 1990]

7...h6 7...a5 is the recent fashion. 7...a5 ist aktuell in Mode. **8.Re1**

[8.b4!? Bb6□ 9.a4=]

8...a5 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Nf1 Be6 The position is equal. **11.Bb5 Ne7 12.Ng3 c6 13.Ba4 Ng6 14.d4 b5 15.Bc2 a4 16.Be3 Re8 17.b3! axb3 18.axb3** aiming for Rxa7!. **18...Qc7 19.Qd2 Bb6 20.b4 Rxa1N**

[20...Ra7 21.Rxa7 Qxa7 22.Bb1 Qc7 23.Bd3 Ra8 24.Rc1 Ra2 25.Rc2 Ra1+ 26.Rc1 Ra2 1-0 (68) So,W (2772)-Xiong,J (2687) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2021 (1.25)]

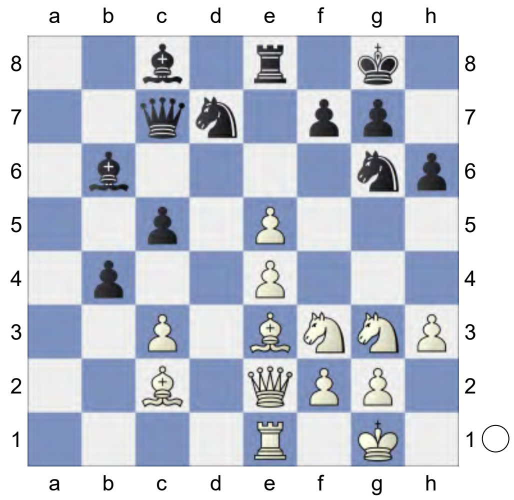
21.Rxa1 Bc8 Wards off Ra6 **22.Re1** 0.13/21

[White should play 22.Qc1⩲ 0.63/20]

22...c5 23.bxc5 dxc5 24.dxe5 Nd7 1.04/23

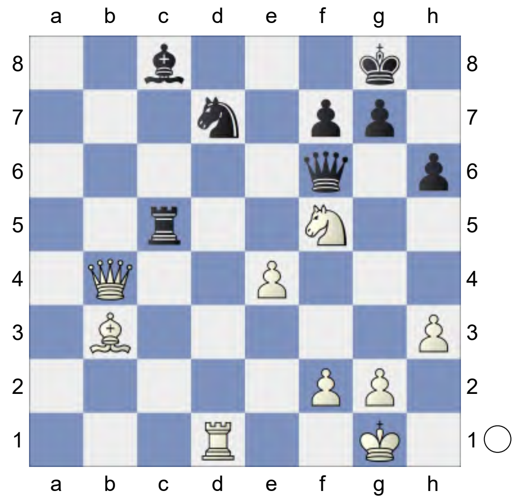
[24...Rd8!⩲ 0.36/22 25.Qe2 Nxe5]

25.Qe2 White is more active.
[25.Bxh6 is more complex. Ndxe5 26.Nxe5 Qxe5 27.f4]
25...b4 1.51/20
[⌓25...Ba5 1.01/24]



26.cxb4 0.71/15
[⌓26.e6! 1.51/20 fxe6 (*26...Rxe6 27.Bb3±*) 27.Nh5]
26...cxb4± 27.Bxb6 0.14/16
[27.Rc1!± 0.66/15]
27...Qxb6= 28.Ba4 Ngxe5 0.43/13
[28...Rf8= 0.01/14]
29.Nxe5± Rxe5 30.Qb2 -0.04/8
[30.Qg4± 1.03/4]
30...Ra5 0.39/8
[30...Rc5= -0.04/8 should be considered.]
31.Nf5! Qf6 4.02/25
[31...Ne5= 0.26/5]
32.Qxb4+- Qa6 33.Bb3 1.19/22
[33.Bd1+- 4.50/23 is more deadly.]
33...Rc5? 7.14/23
[33...Ne5± 1.19/22]
34.Rd1 Qf6 8.49/25
[⌓34...Kh7 5.15/24 35.Ne7 (*35.Bxf7 Qf6+-; 35.Rxd7 Rxf5 36.Rd6 Rb5+-*) 35...Rc7 36.Bxf7 Ne5]

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/Black=0.73
35.Rxd7! Remove Defender
1-0

308 **C54**
☐ **Santos Latasa,Jaime** **2620**
■ **Shimanov,Aleksandr** **2578**
AUT-chT Rapid (6.1) 01.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d6
[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a4 Be6 9.Ng5 Bf5 10.Qf3 Nde7 11.c3 h6 12.Ne4 Bd6 13.b4 a6 14.Nbd2 Kh8 15.Ba3 Bg6 16.Nxd6 cxd6 17.b5 Na5 18.Bb4 axb5 19.axb5 b6 20.Bd5 Rc8 21.c4 1-0 (37) Carlsen, M (2847)-Nakamura,H (2736) FTX Crypto Cup KO 2021 (1.14)]
[6...a6 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bc2 Ba7 11.Nbd2 d5 12.exd5 Qxd5 13.Qe2 Bf5 14.Ne4 Qd8 15.Ng3 Bh7 16.Nh4 Ne4 17.dxe4 Qxh4 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Rad8 20.b4 Qg5 21.Nf1 ½-½ (62)

Brunello,M (2340)-Terbe,J (2252) Mitropa Cup (Women) 2023 (6.1)]

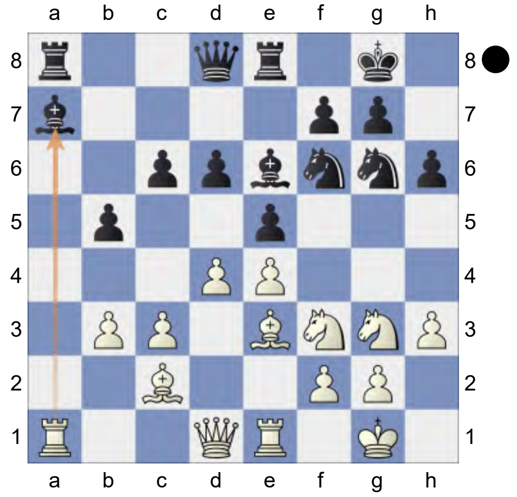
7.c3N

[7.a3 Bd7 8.b4 Bb6 9.Bb2 h6 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Ba7 16.c3 Qe7 17.d4 Be6 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 c6 21.Rd3 Rbd8 0-1 (28) Radojicic,A (1710)-Mondry,M (1850) 20/467 Montilla 1975 22.Rfd1 Rxd3 23.Qxd3 Qh4 24.Rd2 Qg5 25.c4 c5 26.b5 axb5 27.cxb5 c4 28.Qd5 Bd4 29.Rc2 Bxb2 30.Rxb2 Qc1+ 0-1 Piccinini,I (1710)-Mauro,L (1850) ITA corr Italy 1990]

7...h6 7...a5 is the recent fashion. 7...a5 ist aktuell in Mode. **8.Re1**

[8.b4!? Bb6☐ 9.Nbd2=]

8...a5 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Nf1 Be6 White has an edge. **11.Bb5 Ne7 12.Ng3 c6 13.Ba4 Ng6 14.d4 b5 15.Bc2 a4 16.Be3 Re8 17.b3 axb3 18.axb3**



Qc7 19.Qd2 Bb6 20.b4 Rxa1N

[20...Ra7 21.Rxa7 Qxa7 22.Bb1 Qc7 23.Bd3 Ra8 24.Rc1 Ra2 25.Rc2 Ra1+ 26.Rc1 Ra2 1-0 (68) So,W (2772)-Xiong,J (2687) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2021 (1.25)]

21.Rxa1 Bc8 22.Re1 c5 23.bxc5 dxc5 24.dxe5 Nd7 0.93/21

[24...Rd8⩲ 0.47/22 25.Qe2 Nxe5]

25.Qe2 White is more active. **25...b4** 1.43/22

[⌓25...Ba5 0.78/22]

26.cxb4 0.68/20

[26.e6± 1.43/22 Rxe6 27.Bb3]

26...cxb4⩲ 27.Bxb6 0.12/25

[White should play 27.Rc1!⩲ 0.69/22]

27...Qxb6= 28.Ba4! Ngxe5 29.Nxe5 Rxe5 30.Qb2 Black must now prevent Bxd7. **30...Ra5 31.Nf5 Qf6** 4.26/24

[31...Ne5!⩲ 0.66/23]

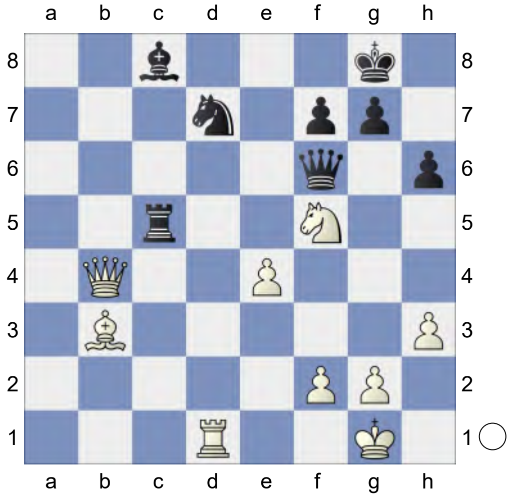
32.Qxb4+- Qa6 33.Bb3 1.31/22

[33.Bd1+- 4.25/24]

33...Rc5? 6.85/25

[33...Ne5± 1.31/22 34.Ne7+ Kh7]

34.Rd1 Qf6



Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/ Black=0.64

35.Rxd7! Remove Defender

1-0

310 **C53**
☐ **Yakubboev,Nodirbek** **2659**
■ **Bok,Benjamin** **2583**
Tata Steel Challengers (10.3) 29.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7** The position is equal. **10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 Nd7N**

[11...0-0 12.Re1 Bg4 13.Nf1 Bh5 14.Ne3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Kg7 16.Qb3 Nd8 17.h3 Nd7 18.d4 f6 19.Nd2 Nb6 20.Ree1 Bf7 21.Bxf7 Qxf7 22.Qxf7+ (RR *22.Qc2*) 22...Rxf7 23.f3 Ne6 24.Nb3 (RR *24.Bf2*) 24...Nc4 25.Re2 Ra6 26.d5 Vaishali,R (2475)-Muzychuk,A (2520) Toronto CAN 2024 The Week in Chess 1536 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (48)]

[RR 11...0-0 12.Re1 Bg4 13.Nf1 Bh5 14.Ne3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Kg7 16.Qb3 Nd8 17.h3 Nd7 18.d4 f6 19.Nd2 Nb6 20.Ree1 Bf7 21.Bxf7 Qxf7 22.Qxf7+ Rxf7 23.f3 Ne6 24.Nb3 Nc4 25.Re2 Ra6 26.d5 Vaishali,R (2475)-Muzychuk,A (2520) Toronto CAN 2024 The Week in Chess 1536 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (48)]

[RR 11...Bd7]

12.d4 -0.04/19

[12.Bb5⩲ 0.43/18]

12...h5= 13.h4 -0.30/18

[⌓13.d5 0.03/17 h4 14.dxc6 bxc6 15.Bxe5! Nxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Nf3]

13...g4 14.Ne1 exd4 15.Nd3 dxc3 16.bxc3 Nce5 17.Nf4 c6

[17...Nxc4 18.Nxc4 Bb8 19.Qd4⩲]

18.Ba2 Nc5 19.Nc4 -0.85/23

[19.Re1⩱ -0.43/19 is superior.]

19...Nxc4 -1.16/18

[⌓19...Nxe4 -0.85/23 20.Re1 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 Bf5]

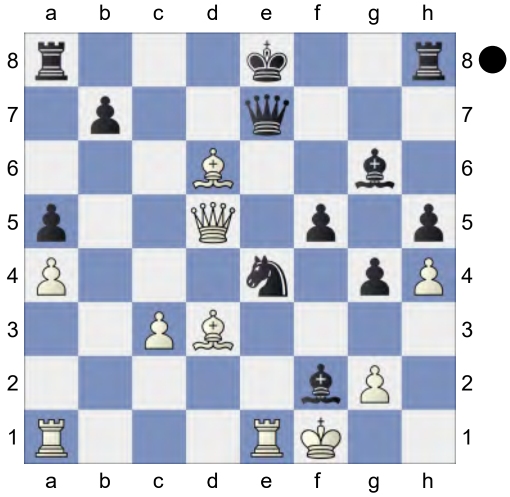
20.Bxc4∓ Nxe4 21.Re1 Black must now prevent Rxe4! **21...Bf5**

[21...d5? 22.Bxd5! (*22.Nxd5 cxd5 23.Qxd5 f5±*) 22...Bf5 23.Bxe4 Bxe4 24.Nxh5! Bxf2+ 25.Bxf2+-]

22.Nd5 cxd5 23.Qxd5 Bg6 Strongly threatening ...0-0. **24.Bd3 f5** aiming for ...Bc5. **25.Bxd6** -1.40/24

[⌓25.Rxe4 -1.02/23 fxe4 26.Bxd6 Bxf2+ 27.Kxf2 Qf7+ 28.Qxf7+ Kxf7 29.Bc4+ Kf6 30.Bc5]

25...Bxf2+ 26.Kf1



0-0-0!

[26...Qxh4 leads to mate. 27.Bb5+ Kd8 28.Be5+ Ke7 29.Qd7+ Kf8 30.Qg7#]

27.Bxe4 Intending Qc4+ and mate.

[Don't blunder 27.Qc4+? Bc5 28.Qxc5+ Nxc5-+]

27...Rxd6 28.Bxf5+ Kb8 29.Rxe7 Rxd5 30.Bxg6 Bxh4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.03 (flawless)

½-½

311 **C54**
☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2777**
■ **Saric,Ivan** **2657**
Zagreb SuperUnited Blitz (1) 08.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a6 8.0-0 d6 9.Re1

[9.a5!? Ba7☐ 10.Be3=]

9...0-0 10.Nbd2 -0.09/21

[10.h3⩲ 0.31/19 might be stronger.]

10...Ne7 0.40/20

[10...Ng4!= -0.09/21 11.Re2 Re8]

11.Nf1 White is slightly better.

[11.a5!? Ba7☐ 12.h3=]

11...Ng6 12.Bb3 Nh5 0.66/19

[12...a5= -0.04/19]

13.d4!N 0.28/21 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[13.a5⩲ 0.66/19 Ba7 14.Ne3]

13...Qf6!= 14.Ne3 Wards off Bg4

14...Nhf4 15.g3

[15.Bb2 0.11/19 15.a5 0.60 Re8 16.Bc2 Be6 17.c4 exd4! 18.Nxd4 Qg5 0.45/22 *(18...Bh3= -0.13/20 19.g3 c5)* 19.Nf3⩲ 1-0 Sevian,S (2684)-Yakubboev,N (2630) Sharjah Masters 6th 2023 (4) Qh5 20.Nd4 -0.01/21 *(20.a5!⩲ 0.38/24 Ba7 21.Nd4)* 20...Qg5= Hoping for ... Nxg2!. 21.Nf3]

15...Nh3+ 16.Kg2 c6 Prevents Nd5.

17.Bc2 Ng5 1.19/21

[17...Re8= 0.25/19]

18.Nxg5!± hxg5 19.Nc4 0.07/21

[19.Ng4± 1.10/19 Qe6 20.h3]

19...Bc7 0.83/20

[19...Ba7!= 0.07/21 remains equal.]

20.Qh5 0.19/22

[Better is 20.Ra3± 0.83/20]

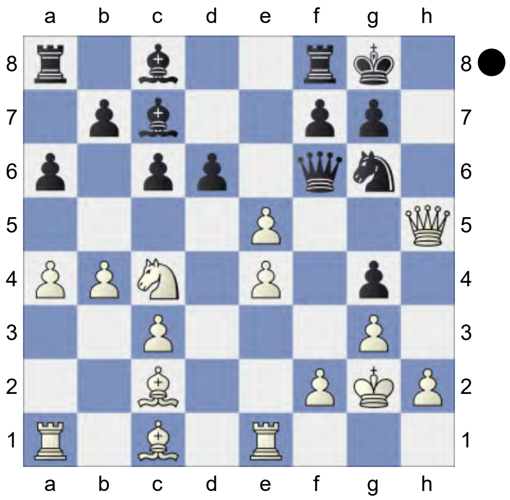
20...g4 0.60/20

[20...exd4= 0.19/22 21.Bxg5 Qe6]

21.dxe5? -4.58/21

[21.Be3⩲ 0.60/20 stays ahead.]

(Diagram)



Active counter play! **21...Nxe5?** -0.02/20

[21...Qf3+!-+ -4.58/21 22.Kg1 Qxc3 *(22...dxe5 23.Be3±)*]

22.Nxe5= Qxe5

[22...dxe5 keeps more tension. 23.Bd1 g6 24.Qg5 Qxg5 25.Bxg5 a5]

23.Qxe5 dxe5 24.Bb3! Re8 0.81/24

[24...Kh7= 0.22/24]

25.Rd1 Be6 1.34/26

[25...Kf8⩲ 0.61/23]

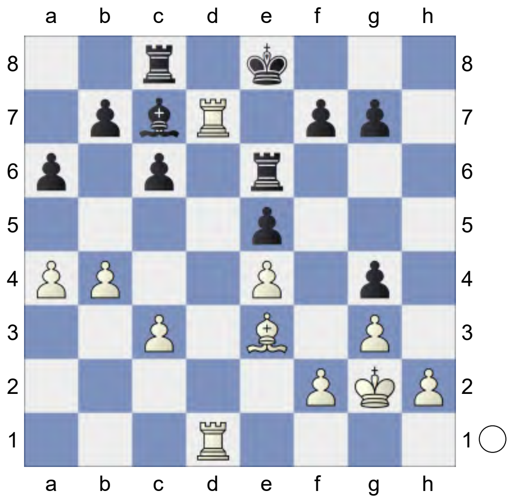
26.Bxe6± Rxe6 27.Rd7 Rc8 28.Be3 Kf8 1.80/28

[28...Rd6± 1.38/23 29.Re7 Kf8 30.Rxe5 Rd3]

29.Rad1+- Ke8? 3.34/26

[29...b6± 1.39/26 is a better defense. 30.c4 a5]

(Diagram)



30.Bg5! aiming for Rxc7!. **30...f6?** 7.08/28

[30...Kf8 3.09/24 31.Be3 b6]

31.Rxg7! White is clearly winning. **31...Rd8 32.Rxd8+ Bxd8** Endgame KRB-KRB. White is a pawn up. **33.Be3 Rd6 34.Rxb7 Rd3 35.Ra7 Rxc3 36.Rxa6 Rc4 37.a5 Rxb4 38.Ra8 Kd7 39.a6 Ra4 40.a7** Predecessor: **40...Be7 41.Rb8 c5** White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/ Black=0.86

42.a8Q

1-0

312 **C50**

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2710**

■ **Makhnev,Denis** **2531**

FIDE World Bl Team Final blitz (1.2)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.Be3 d6 6...d6 scores better than 6...Bxe3.6...d6 punktet besser als 6...Lxe3. **7.0-0 Bxe3 8.fxe3 Na5 9.a4N** -0.49/25

[9.Bb3 0-0 10.d4 Qe7 11.Qd3 Bd7

12.Rae1 Rad8 13.Nd2 *(13.Nd5!? Nxd5 14.Bxd5∓)* 13...Nxb3 14.axb3 b5 15.Ne2 ½-½ (67) Sadhwani,R (2627)-Erigaisi,A (2701) Chessable Masters Div 2 Win rapid 2023 (1.1) c5 16.d5 Ne8 17.Ra1 Nc7 18.c3 g6 19.Rf2 Kg7 20.Raf1 a5 21.h3 h5 22.Kh2 Ra8 23.Qc2 Ra7 24.Ng1 Qg5 25.Qd3 b4 26.Ngf3 Qe7 27.Ra1 Bb5 28.c4 Bd7 29.Nf1 h4 30.N1d2 ½-½ (67) Sadhwani,R (2627)-Erigaisi,A (2701) Chessable Masters Div 2 Win rapid 2023 (1.1) Rh8 31.Raf1 Rf8 32.Qe2 Ne8 33.Qe1 g5 34.Ng1 Kg6 35.Qd1 Ng7 36.Ne2 Nh5 37.Rg1 Rh8 38.Rgf1 Rh7 39.Rg1 Kg7 40.Qe1 Kh8 41.Nc1 Ng3 42.Ne2 g4 43.Nc1 Nxe4 44.Nxe4 g3+ 45.Kh1 □-□ (67) 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2627)-6. ♘a3 cd4 7.cd4 ♗d7 (2701) Olympiad-38 Dresden 2008 (1.1)]

[9.Bb3= -0.01/24]

9...Nxc4∓ 10.dxc4 Be6 11.b3 a5 12.Qe1 h6 13.Rd1 Qe7 -0.01/24

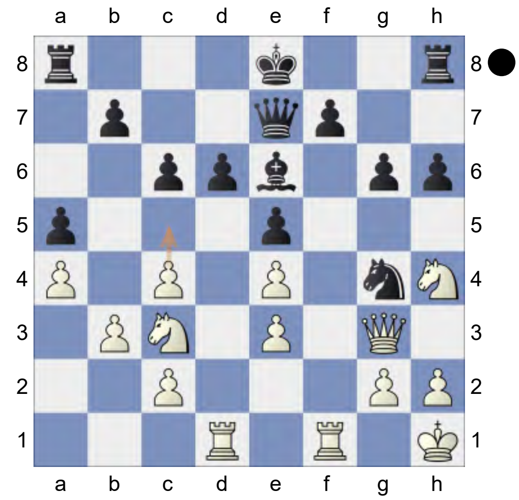
[13...Nd7∓ -0.45/25]

14.Kh1 -0.58/22

[White should play 14.Nd5= -0.01/24 Bxd5 15.exd5]

14...c6 15.Nh4 g6 Repels Nf5 **16.Qf2 Ng4 17.Qg3**

(Diagram)



Nxe3 0.01/21 **18.Qxe3= Qxh4 19.Rxd6 0-0 20.c5 Rae8**

[20...Qg5 21.Qg1 Rfd8 22.Rfd1 Rxd6 23.cxd6 Rd8]

21.Kg1 Kg7 0.51/25

[21...Qg5= -0.22/28 22.Qxg5 hxg5]

22.Ne2 0.01/26

[22.Nd1± 0.51/25]

22...Bc8 0.38/28

[22...Rd8= 0.01/26]

23.Nc1 -0.01/24

[23.Ng3!± 0.38/28]

23...f5 24.exf5 Rxf5 25.Rxf5 Bxf5 26.Nd3 Against Qf4 **26...Re7 27.g3 Qh5 28.Qe1** -0.70/27 Wards off Qd1

[28.Nxe5? Bh3 *(28...Bxc2 29.Rd7∓)* 29.g4 Qxe5-+]

[28.Nf4= -0.01/29 Qg5 Pin 29.h4 *(29.Qc3 Kh7∓)*]

28...Qg5 -0.14/25

[28...Kh7∓ -0.70/27]

29.c4 -1.58/28

[29.h4!= -0.14/25 Qh5 30.Rd4 *(30.Qxa5? Qf3-+; 30.Nxe5? Bh3-+)*]

29...h5 -0.21/30

[29...Bxd3∓ -1.58/28 30.Rxd3 e4 31.Qc3+ Qf6 32.Qxf6+ Kxf6 33.Rd6+ Ke5]

30.Nf2

[30.Qxa5? Bxd3 31.Qe1 e4

32.Qc3+ Kh7-+]

[30.Nxe5? Bh3 31.Rd1 Rxe5-+]

30...e4 -0.01/25

[30...Re8∓ -0.48/27]

31.Qc3+ Kh7 aiming for ...e3. **32.Rd8**

[32.Qxa5 e3 33.Qe1 exf2+ 34.Qxf2 Qc1+ 35.Kg2 h4-+]

[32.h4!? Qh6□ 33.Rd8∓]

32...Rg7 0.75/29

[32...Re5= -0.01/27 33.Rb8 *(33.Qxa5? Qe7-+)* 33...Qe7 *(33...Rxc5 34.Qh8#)* 34.Rxb7 Qxb7 35.Qxe5 Qxb3]

33.Re8± h4 1.00/24

[33...Rg8= 0.22/28 keeps the balance. 34.h4 *(34.Nxe4 Bxe4 35.Rxe4 Qxc5+ 36.Kg2 Rf8=)* 34...Qh6 35.Nxe4 Rxe8 36.Nf6+ Kh8 37.Nxe8+ Discovered Attack (Check) Kg8]

34.Nxe4 0.01/21

[34.Kg2!± 1.00/24]

34...Bxe4= 35.Rxe4 hxg3 1.19/28

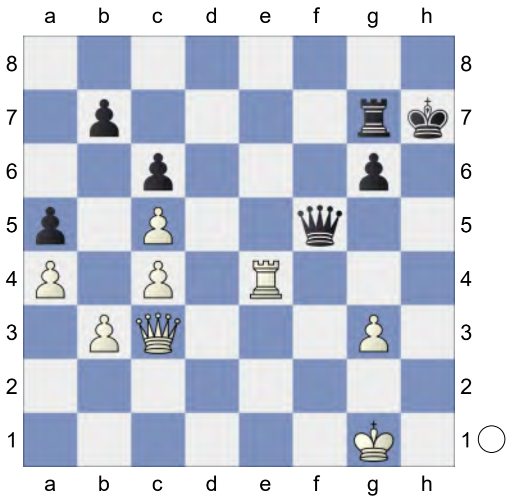
[35...Qxc5+= 0.04/23 36.Kh1 hxg3]

36.hxg3± Endgame KQR-KQR. White is a pawn up.

[36.Qxa5? gxh2+ 37.Kxh2 Rd7-+]

36...Qf5 1.90/26

[36...Qxc5+± 1.34/25 37.Kg2 Qf5]



37.Qe3? 0.09/24

[37.Qd4!+- 1.90/26 And now Rh4+ would win. Qd7 38.Qd6]

37...Rd7? 10.69/24

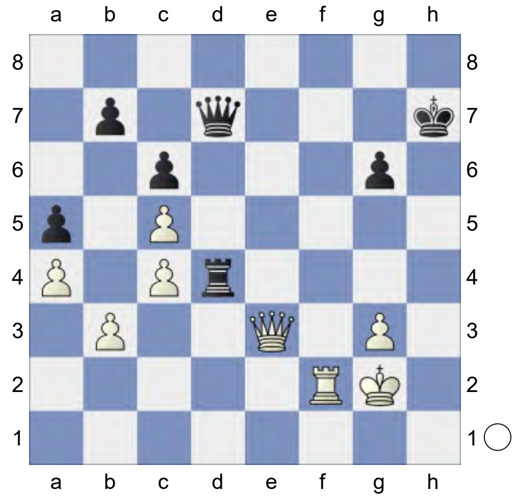
[37...Kg8= 0.09/24]

38.Rf4? 0.53/25

[38.Rh4++- 10.69/24 Kg7 39.Qh6+ Kf7 40.Rf4 Pin]

38...Rd1+!± 39.Kg2 Qd7 Repels Qe7+ **40.Rf2** Repels Rd2 **40...Rd4** 1.07/25

[40...Qg7± 0.69/29 is more appropriate.]



41.Qe5 0.01/28

[41.Re2!± 1.07/25 Kg8 42.Qg5]

41...Rd2= 42.Qf4 Rxf2+ 43.Kxf2 KQ-KQ. White is a pawn up. **43...Kg7 44.Qd6 Qf5+ 45.Ke3 Qc2 46.Qe7+ Kh6 47.Qh4+ Kg7 48.Qe7+ Kh6 49.Qxb7 Qc3+ 50.Ke4 Qxg3 51.b4 Qe1+ 52.Kd4 axb4**

[52...Qd2+ simplifies 53.Ke5 Qc3+ 54.Ke6 Qxc4+ 55.Kd6 axb4 56.Qxc6 Qf4+]

53.a5? -3.42/25

[53.Qxc6= -0.01/19 Qc3+ 54.Ke4 *(54.Kd5? Qf3+ 55.Kd6 Qxc6+ 56.Kxc6 b3-+)*]

53...Qc3+-+ Deflection **54.Ke4 b3**

[54...Qxc4+ 55.Kf3 Qd5+

(55...Qxc5? 56.Qb6-+) 56.Kg3 Qd3+ *(56...Qxc5? 57.Qf7-+)* 57.Kf2 Qd2+ 58.Kf1 Qc1+ 59.Ke2 Qc4+ *(59...Qxc5? 60.a6-+)* 60.Kf3]

55.a6? -5.78/27

[55.Qb8 -2.32/24 was the crucial defense. Qxc4+ *(55...Qxa5 56.Qh8+ Kg5 57.Qe5+ Kg4 58.Qf4+ Kh5 59.Qe5+ Kg4 60.Qf4+ Kh5 61.Qh2+ Kg4 62.Qf4+=)* 56.Kf3 Qxc5 57.Qh8+ Kg5 58.Qd8+ Kf5 59.Qc8+ Kf6 60.Qh8+ Ke7 61.Qg7+ Kd8 62.a6]

55...b2 (-> ...Qe1+) **56.a7 Qxc4+ 57.Ke5 Qxc5+ 58.Kf6 Qf5+ 59.Ke7 b1Q** -7.47/28

[59...b1B 60.a8Q *(60.a8B? Qe5+ 61.Kd8 Qd6+ 62.Qd7 Qxd7+ 63.Kxd7 c5-+)* 60...Qe5+ 61.Kf7 Qg7+ 62.Ke6 Bf5+ 63.Kd6 Qf6+ 64.Kc7 Qe5+ 65.Kd8 Qh8+ 66.Ke7 Qe5+ 67.Kf8=]

[⌓59...Qe5+ -16.52/28 60.Kd8 Qh8+ 61.Kd7 Qh7+ 62.Kxc6 Qxb7+ 63.Kxb7 b1Q+ *(63...b1B? 64.Kc7-+)* 64.Kc7 Qe4]

60.Qxb1 Qxb1 61.a8Q Dodges Qb7+. KQ-KQ. Black is two pawns up. **61...Qe4+ 62.Kf7 Qf3+ 63.Ke7 g5 64.Qh8+ Kg6** (-> ...Qf7+) **65.Qe8+** -20.25/27

[⌓65.Qg8+ -4.90/25 Kh5 66.Qh8+ Kg4 67.Qe5]

65...Kf5 -4.93/26

[⌓65...Kg7 -20.25/27 66.Qa8 Qf7+ 67.Kd6 Qf8+ 68.Qxf8+ Kxf8]

66.Qd7+ Kf4 67.Kf6 -7.92/24

[⌓67.Qd6+ -4.45/24 Kg4 68.Qe5]

67...g4 68.Qd6+ Ke3+ 69.Kg5 g3 -12.74/24

[⌓69...Qd5+ -#13/26 70.Qxd5 cxd5 71.Kxg4 d4 72.Kh4 d3 73.Kh5 d2 74.Kh6 d1Q *(74...d1B 75.Kh7=)* 75.Kg7 Qd7+ 76.Kg6 Qe7 77.Kf5 Kf3 78.Kg6 Kg4 79.Kh6 Kf5 80.Kh5 Qh7#]

70.Qc5+ Ke2 -5.15/22

[⌓70...Kd3 -10.51/24 (-> ...Qe3+) 71.Qa3+ Ke4]

71.Kh4 -#21/24

[71.Qc2+-+ -5.15/22 Kf1 72.Qc1+ Kf2 73.Qb2+ Qe2 74.Qf6+ Kg1 *(74...Qf3? 75.Qb2+ Qe2 76.Qf6+ Kg1 77.Qxc6-+)* 75.Qxc6]

71...g2 72.Qc2+ Kf1 73.Qc1+ Kf2 74.Qd2+ Kg1 75.Qc1+ Qf1? -0.01/22

[75...Kh2 -#12/26 mates 76.Qd2 Qe4+ 77.Kh5 Qd5+ 78.Qxd5 cxd5 79.Kg6 g1Q+ *(79...g1B* gets mated. *80.Kf5 Be3 81.Ke5 d4 82.Ke4 Kg3 83.Kd3 Kf2 84.Kc4 Ke2 85.Kc5 d3+ 86.Kc6 d2 87.Kd7 d1Q+ 88.Ke6 Bf4 89.Kf6 Qd7 90.Kg6 Qe6+ 91.Kg7 Bh6+ 92.Kh7 Qf6 93.Kg8 Qg7#)* 80.Kf7 d4 81.Ke8 d3 82.Kd7 d2 83.Kc6 d1Q *(83...d1B 84.Kd5 Qb6 85.Ke5 Kg3 86.Ke4 Qc5 87.Kd3 Kf4 88.Kd2 Qc2+ 89.Ke1 Qe2#)* 84.Kb5 Qd5+ 85.Kb4 Qgc5+ 86.Ka4 Qd1#]

76.Qxc6= What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.77/Black=0.45

76...Kh1 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

0-1

313 **C50**

☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2690**
■ **Navara,David 2689**
FIDE World Cup (3.1) 05.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 h6 6.0-0 d6**

6...a5 is more advanced technology. 6. ..a5 ist hochmodern. 6...a5 is more advanced technology. 6...a5 ist hochmodern. 6...a5 is more advanced technology. 6...a5 ist hochmodern. 6...a5 is more advanced technology. 6. ..a5 ist hochmodern. **7.Be3!?** A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **7...Bxe3 8.fxe3** The position is equal. **8...0-0 9.h3N**

[Vorgänger: 9.Nbd2 a5 10.h3 d5 0.63/22 *(10...Ne7= 0.07/18)* 11.exd5⩲ Nxd5 12.Qe1 Be6 13.Ne4 Qe7 14.Nh4 Ndb4? 3.15/23 *(14...Kh8!⩲ 0.69/20)* 15.Bxe6? 1.07/24 *(15.Qg3+- 3.15/23* Black must now prevent Bc4xe6. *Nxc2 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.Rf6 Nxa1 18.Nf5 Qxf5 19.Rxf5)* 15...Qxe6 Anton Guijarro,D (2691)-So,W (2765) Aimchess Play In op rapid 2023 (9) 0-1 0-1 Anton Guijarro,D (2691)-So,W (2765) Aimchess Play In op rapid 2023 (9) Anton Guijarro,D (2691)-So, W (2765) Aimchess Play In op rapid 2023 (9) 0-1]

9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 d5 12.Nbd2 a5 13.Qb3 Qd6N

[13...b6 14.Rae1 Qd6 15.exd5 Qxd5 16.e4 Qxb3 17.Nxb3 Rad8 18.Re3 Nh5 19.Nbd2 Nf4 20.Ne1 Rd7 21.Kh2 Rfd8 22.Rff3 h5 23.g3 Ng6 24.Nc4 Nb8 25.Nc2 Na6 26.b4 axb4 27.cxb4 Rb8 28.Re1 Praggnanandhaa,R (2707)-Sadhwani, R (2624) World-chT Rapid 2023 (6.9) 1-0 1-0 Praggnanandhaa,R (2707)-Sadhwani,R (2624) World-chT Rapid 2023 (6.9) Praggnanandhaa,R (2707)-Sadhwani,R (2624) World-chT Rapid 2023 (6.9) 1-0]

14.exd5 Qxd5 15.e4

[15.Qxb7 Rfb8 16.Qxc7 Ra7=]

15...Qxb3 16.Nxb3 b6 Wards off Nb3-c5 **17.Kf2 Rad8 18.Rad1**

[18.Ke3 feels hotter. Nh5 19.Rad1 Nf4 20.g3]

18...Rf7 19.Ke3 Nh5 20.Rf2 Nf4 21.h4 Kf8 0.84/23

[21...Nh5⩲ 0.44/23]

22.g3± Nh5 23.Rg1 Ke7 24.Ne1 0.46/24

[24.Rfg2± 0.83/22]

24...Rxf2⩲ 25.Kxf2 Nb8 0.90/25

[25...Nf6⩲ 0.45/25]

26.Ke3 Nd7 1.35/24

[⌓26...Nc6 0.93/24]

27.Nf3 0.87/23

[⌓27.Nd2 1.35/24]

27...Nhf6 28.g4! Ne8 29.h5 0.97/20

[⌓29.Nbd2 1.49/24]

29...Nd6± 30.Nbd2

[30.g5 Nf7⩲]

30...Rg8 31.Nh4! Nf8 32.Nhf3 -0.01/23

[White should try 32.Ndf3!± 1.35/22]

32...Nd7= 33.Nh4 -0.01/21

[33.g5± 0.89/24 g5xh6 is the strong threat. hxg5 34.b4 *(34.Nxg5 Rh8⩲; 34.Rxg5 Nf7⩲)*]

33...Nf8! 34.Rf1 0.65/27

[34.Ndf3!± 1.37/25]

34...g5 35.hxg6 Nxg6 36.Nhf3 Rh8 37.Rh1 Kf6 1.18/25

[37...Nf7⩲ 0.67/25]

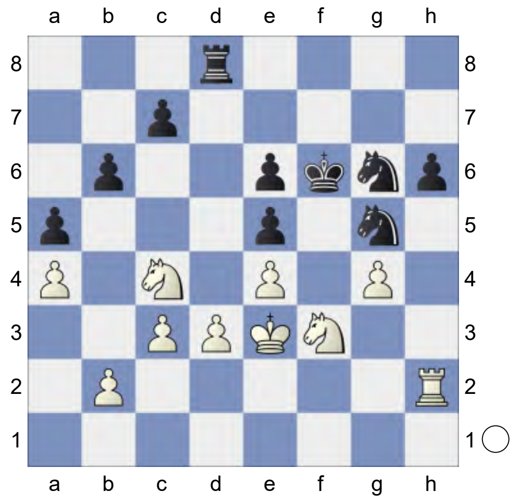
38.Rh5 0.70/25

[38.Rxh6± 1.18/25 Rxh6 *(38...Nc4+? 39.Nxc4 Rxh6 40.g5+ Kg7 41.gxh6++-)* 39.g5+ Kg7 40.gxh6+ Kxh6 41.d4]

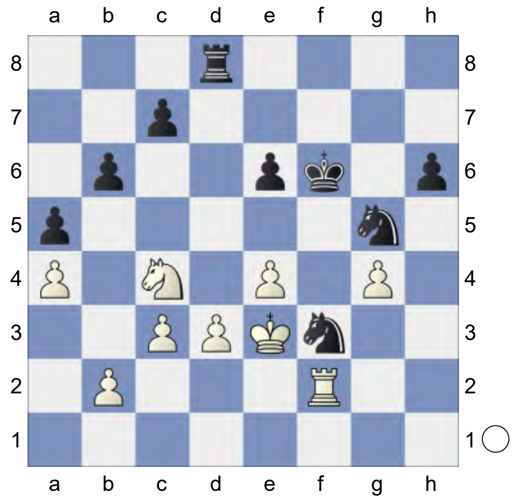
38...Nf7⩲ 39.Nc4 Rd8 40.Rh2 White is more active. **40...Ng5** 2.14/26

[Better is 40...Ke7⩲ 0.68/24]

(Diagram)



41.Nfxe5!+- Nxe5 42.Rf2+ Nef3



43.Nd2! Rg8 44.Nxf3 Nxf3 45.Rxf3+ Endgame. KR-KR **45...Kg5 46.Rf7?** 0.29/24

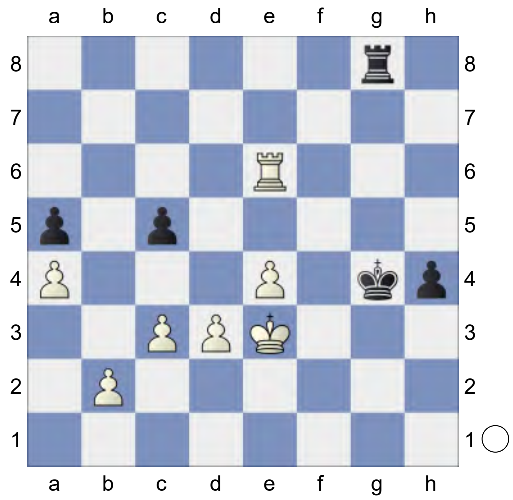
[46.Rf4+- 2.27/24]

46...c5? 2.24/26

[46...Kxg4= 0.29/24 and Black has nothing to worry. 47.Rxc7 h5]

47.Rb7 Kxg4 48.Rxb6 h5 49.Rxe6 h4

(Diagram)



50.Rh6! Threatens to win with d3-d4.

50...h3? 4.12/25

[50...Rb8 2.27/26 51.e5 (*51.Rg6+ Kh5=*) 51...Kg5]

51.e5 Rb8 52.Ke4

[52.e6 Kg3 53.Ke4 (*53.Rg6+ Kh4+-*) 53...Rb7]

52...Rxb2 53.e6 Re2+ 54.Kd5 Re3 55.d4 Rxc3 10.32/26

[⌓55...Kg5 5.07/24 56.Rh8 Kf5 57.Kxc5 Rxe6 58.Rxh3 Re4]

56.dxc5 Rd3+ 57.Kc4 Re3 58.c6 And now c6-c7 would win. **58...Kg5 59.c7** Intending Rh6-h8 and mate. **59...Re1 60.Rxh3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.38

[Inferior is 60.c8R Kxh6 61.Rh8+ Kg7 62.Rxh3 Kf6=]

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314 **C50**

☐ **Maurizzi,Marc Andria** **2620**

■ **Bjerre,Jonas** **2653**

Biel GM2 Blitz 57th (6) 21.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0**

6.Nbd2 a5

[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 Bd6 10.a3 a6 11.Ba2 Bf5 12.b4 Re8 13.Bb2 h6 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.c4 Nxe4 17.dxe4 a5 18.c5 Bf8 19.Qb3 axb4 20.axb4 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 Kamsky,G (2741)-Svidler,P (2739) FIDE World Cup 2011 (4.2) 0-1]

[RR 6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 Bd6 10.a3 a6 11.Ba2 Bf5 12.b4 Re8 13.Bb2 h6 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.c4 Nxe4 17.dxe4 a5 18.c5 Bf8 19.Qb3 axb4 20.axb4 Rxa1 21.Rxa1]

7.c3 d6 8.h3 The position is equal.

8...Be6N

[8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 (*10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12) 1-0; RR *10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5*) 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) 0-1 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572) - Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10) 0-1 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572) -Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10) 0-1]

[RR 8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4]

9.Bb5 Ba7

[9...Qb8 10.a4 Qa7

A) 11.Nc4± 0.51/19;

B) RR 11.Nc4 h6 12.Ne3 Bb6 13.Nc4 Bc5 14.Ne3 (RR *14.Bd2*) 14...Rad8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.d4 (RR *16.b4 Bxe3 17.Bxe3*) 16...exd4 17.cxd4;

C) 11.Nb3 0.14/22 11...Bb6= 12.Bg5 Nh5 13.Bh4 (*13.d4!?*) 13...Nf4 0.44/21 (*13...f6=* -0.05/20; RR *13...f6*) 14.Bg3± Ng6 15.Nbd2 Kh8 0.57/20 (*15...h6=* 0.19/20 should be considered.; RR *15...h6*) 16.Ng5± h6! 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Nc4 Bc5 (RR *18...Nf4*) 19.Rb1 0.36/21 (White should play *19.Bxc6±* 0.84/22 Bc6-d7 is the strong threat. *bxc6 20.Qd2*; RR *19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Qd2*) 19...Nce7 1.07/22 (*19...Rf6±* 0.36/21; RR *19...Rf6*) 20.d4± exd4 Maurizzi,M (2620)-Bjerre,J (2653) Biel GM2 Rapid 57th 2024 (3) 1-0]

[RR 9...Qb8 10.a4 Qa7 11.Nb3 Bb6 12.Bg5 Nh5 13.Bh4 Nf4 14.Bg3 Ng6 15.Nbd2 Kh8 16.Ng5 h6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Nc4 Bc5 19.Rb1 Nce7 20.d4 exd4 21.b4 Bb6 22.Nxb6 Qxb6 23.Qxd4 Qxd4

24.cxd4 Maurizzi,M (2620)-Bjerre,J (2653) Biel 2024 Mega2024 Update 37 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (47) RR axb4 25.Rfd1 (RR *25.Rxb4 Ra7*) 25...Nf4]

10.Re1 Ne7 11.d4N

[RR 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 (RR *12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4*) 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 23.Be3 Qc8 24.Qc3 Qc6

A) RR 25.dxc5 Bxg2 26.Bd4 Rd5 (RR *26...Nf4 27.Bxg7 Bh1 28.f3*);

B) 25.f3 cxd4 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½]

11...Ng6 12.Nf1 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bd7 0.41/21

[13...d5= -0.03/21]

14.Bd3!?N -0.10/20 An interesting novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung.

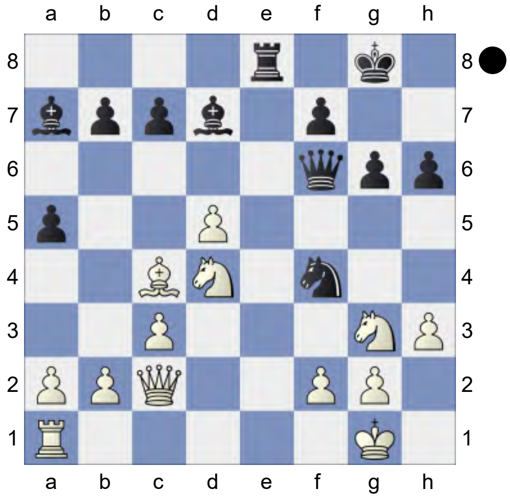
[Vorgänger: 14.Bxd7± 0.41/21 Nxd7 15.Ng3 Re8 16.f4 Qh4 17.Ngf5 0.01/21 (*17.Kh2!± 0.62/21*) 17...Qf6= 18.Kh2 Bxd4! 19.Nxd4 -1.54/21 (*19.cxd4= -0.09/21* remains equal. *d5 20.Ng3 dxe4 21.f5*) 19...Nc5? 0.01/19 (*19...Nxf4∓ -1.54/21 20.Rf1 Rxe4*) 20.f5 -1.34/22 ;Moussard,J (2611)-Sadhwani,R (2654) Chess.com Classic Div 3 W rapid 2024 (1.2) 0-1 (*20.Qc2= 0.01/19* was the only way to keep the balance.)]

[14.Bxd7± 0.41/21 Nxd7 15.Ng3]

14...Re8= 15.Ng3 d5 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.exd5 Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Nf4 20.Qe4 g6 White must now prevent ...Ba7xd4. **21.Bc4** -1.34/22

[21.Nge2= -0.12/21 Nxe2+ 22.Bxe2]

21...Re8∓ 22.Qc2



Bxd4 -0.54/20

[22...Qg5!∓ -1.25/20 aiming for ...h6-h5! 23.Qb3 b5 24.Bxb5 Rb8]

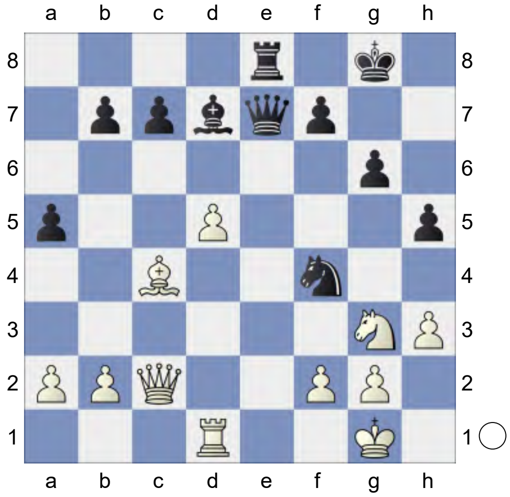
23.cxd4∓ Qxd4 -0.01/20

[23...h5∓ -0.64/20 24.Bf1 Nxd5]

24.Rd1= Qc5 25.Ne4

[25.Qc1 keeps more tension. g5 26.b3 a4 27.Qa1]

25...Qe7 26.Ng3 h5



...h5-h4 would now be deadly. **27.Rd4! Qf6** 1.09/23

[27...Qg5= 0.01/23 keeps the balance. 28.h4 Re1+ (*28...Qxh4 29.Qd2=*) 29.Bf1 Qe5 (*29...Qxh4? 30.Qd2+-*)]

28.Qd2!± g5 29.d6↑ White is in control.

29...cxd6 2.70/24

[29...c5± 0.72/23 30.Re4 Rxe4 31.Nxe4 Qe5]

30.Rxd6+- Be6 31.Bxe6 1.29/23

[31.Qxa5+- 2.96/23 And now Ng3-e4 would win. Kg7 32.Qb5]

31...Rxe6± 32.Rxe6 Qxe6+- 3.09/26 Endgame. KQN-KQN

[32...Nxe6± 1.26/24 33.Nxh5 Qe5]

33.Qd8+

[33.Qxa5 Qe7 34.Nf5 Qf6±]

33...Kh7 Strongly threatening ...Qe6-e1+. **34.Qxg5 Qe1+ 35.Kh2 Qxf2** 7.48/30

[⌓35...Ng6 4.07/24 36.Qxh5+ *(36.Nxh5 Qxf2 37.Qf6 Qxf6+-)* 36...Kg8]

36.Nf5

[36.Qxa5? Qxg2#]

[Not 36.Nxh5 Nxh5 37.Qxh5+ Kg7±]

36...Ne6 Against Qg5-g7+ **37.Qh6+ Kg8 38.Ne7#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.49

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315 **C54**

☐ **Wei,Yi** **2726**

■ **Ivanchuk,Vassily** **2667**

FIDE World Cup (3.4) 07.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 8...Bb6 is better than 8...Bb4+. 8...Lb6 ist besser als 8...Lb4+. **9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2** The position is equal. **12...Bg6**

[12...Bxf3 is interesting. 13.gxf3 Ng5 14.Bxc6 Nxf3+ 15.Ke2 Nxd4+ 16.Bxd4 Bxd4 17.Bxd5 Bxc3 18.Rhd1 Bxe5 19.Bxf7+ Rxf7 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Qb3 Bf4]

13.Qb3 Ne7 14.0-0 c6 15.Bd3 Nd2

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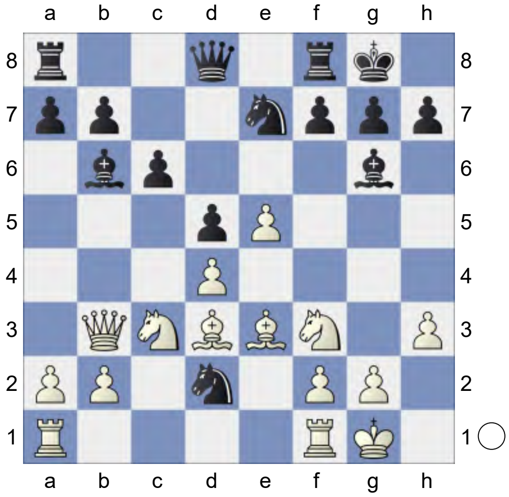


Discovered Attack **16.Nxd2 Bxd3 17.Rfe1 Nf5 18.Na4 Bc4 19.Qc3** **Ba5!?N** A strong pair of Bishops. An interesting novelty.Eine interessante Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 19...Bb5 0.83/22 19...Ba5 0.28 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.Qxc5 Qe7 22.Qc3 0.60/21 *(22.Qc2± 0.96/22 Qe6 23.a4)* 22...Rfe8 1.01/21 *(22...b6± 0.60/21)* 23.a4± Ba6 24.b4 Rac8 25.Qb3 Strongly threatening b5. b6 ½-½ Kovalev,V (2639)-Safarli,E (2639) Wch Blitz Riadh 2017 (1)]

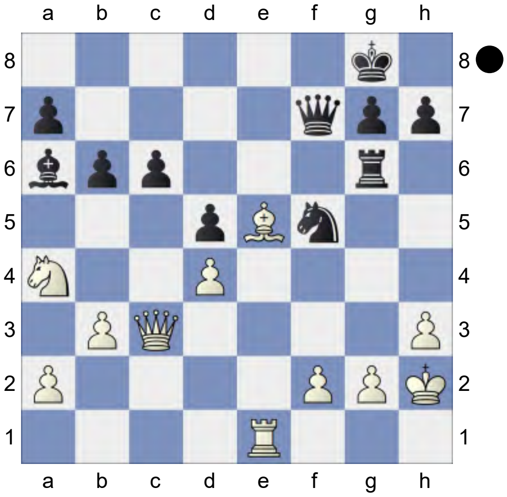
20.Qc2 Bxd2 21.Qxd2 b6 22.b3 Ba6 23.Rad1 Qd7 24.Bf4 Rae8 25.Qc3 -0.08/23

[25.Nc3± 0.31/21 deserves consideration.]

25...f6 26.exf6 Rxf6 27.Rxe8+ Qxe8 28.Re1 Dodges Qe4 **28...Qf7 29.Be5 Rg6 30.Kh2** -1.49/23

[30.Qf3= -0.01/24 remains equal.]

(Diagram)



30...c5! Now White is beyond hope. **31.Qf3?** -3.47/25

[31.dxc5 d4 32.Qc1 *(32.Bxd4? Bb7-+)* 32...Bb7=]

[31.Qd2∓ -1.25/21]

[31.Kh1 h6]

31...Nxd4-+

[Weaker is 31...cxd4 32.g4 Nd6 *(32...Nh4 33.Qxf7+ Kxf7 34.Kg3∓)* 33.Qxf7+ Kxf7 34.Bxd4=]

32.Qxf7+ Kxf7 33.Bxd4 Black is clearly winning. **33...cxd4** Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **34.Rd1 Rc6 35.Rxd4 Ke6** and ...Rc2 should not be overlooked **36.Nb2 Rc2 37.Nd1 Rxa2 38.Nc3 Rxf2 39.Nxd5 Ke5 40.Rd1 Bb7 41.Ne3 Re2 42.Rd7 Be4**

[Less strong is 42...Rxe3 43.Re7+ Kd4 44.Rxb7∓]

43.Nc4+ Kf6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.04 (flawless)

44.Nd6

0-1

316 **C50**

☐ **Maurizzi,Marc Andria** **2620**

■ **Bjerre,Jonas** **2653**

Biel GM2 Rapid 57th (3) 14.07.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Nbd2 a5**

[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 Bd6 10.a3 a6 11.Ba2 Bf5 12.b4 Re8 13.Bb2 h6 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.c4 Nxe4 17.dxe4 a5 18.c5 Bf8 19.Qb3 axb4 20.axb4 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 Kamsky,G (2741) - Svidler,P (2739) FIDE World Cup 2011 (4.2) 0-1]

[RR 6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Nf6 9.h3 Bd6 10.a3 a6 11.Ba2 Bf5 12.b4 Re8 13.Bb2 h6 14.Ne4 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.c4 Nxe4 17.dxe4 a5 18.c5 Bf8 19.Qb3 axb4 20.axb4 Rxa1 21.Rxa1]

7.h3 d6 8.c3 The position is equal. **8...Be6N**

[8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 *(10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12) 1-0*;* RR *10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5)* 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) 0-1 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10) 0-1 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10) 0-1]

[RR 8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4]

9.Bb5 Qb8N Recently 9...Ba7 got a lot of attention. 9...La7 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit.

[RR 9...Ba7 10.Re1 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nf1 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bd7 *(RR 13...d5)*

A) RR 14.Bxd7 Nxd7 15.Ng3 Re8 16.f4 Qh4 17.Ngf5 *(RR 17.Kh2)* 17...Qf6 18.Kh2 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 *(RR 19.cxd4 d5 20.Ng3 dxe4 21.f5)* 19...Nc5 *(RR 19...Nxf4 20.Rf1 Rxe4)* 20.f5 *(RR 20.Qc2)*;

B) 14.Bd3 Re8 15.Ng3 d5 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.exd5 Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Nf4 20.Qe4 g6 21.Bc4 *(RR 21.Nge2 Nxe2+ 22.Bxe2)* 21...Re8 22.Qc2 Bxd4 *(RR 22...Qg5 23.Qb3 b5 24.Bxb5 Rb8)* 23.cxd4 Qxd4 *(RR 23...h5 24.Bf1 Nxd5)* 24.Rd1 Maurizzi,M (2620)-Bjerre,J (2653) Biel 2024

Mega2024 Update 38 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (38)]

10.a4 Qa7 11.Nb3N Threatens to win with Nb3xc5.

[Vorgänger: 11.Nc4 h6 12.Ne3 0.04/20 (*12.Bd2!±* 0.51/20 *might be stronger.)* 12...Bb6 13.Nc4 Strongly threatening Nc4xb6. Bc5 14.Ne3 -0.01/20 (*14.Bd2!±* 0.50/19) 14...Rad8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.d4 -0.54/21 (*16.b4⩲* 0.33/21 *Bxe3 17.Bxe3*) 16...exd4∓ 17.cxd4 Vykouk,J (2462)-Sonis,F (2554) Mitropa Cup Mali Losinj 2023 (7.10) 0-1]

[RR 11.Nc4]

11...Bb6 12.Bg5 Nh5 13.Bh4 Wards off Nh5-g3

[RR 13.d4]

13...Nf4 0.34/21

[13...f6= -0.15/20]

[RR 13...f6]

14.Bg3⩲ Ng6 15.Nbd2 Kh8 0.83/20

[15...h6= 0.09/18]

[RR 15...h6]

16.Ng5± h6 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Nc4 Bc5 0.96/22

[18...Nf4⩲ 0.39/20]

19.Rb1 0.17/21

[19.Bxc6± 0.96/22 bxc6 20.Qd2]

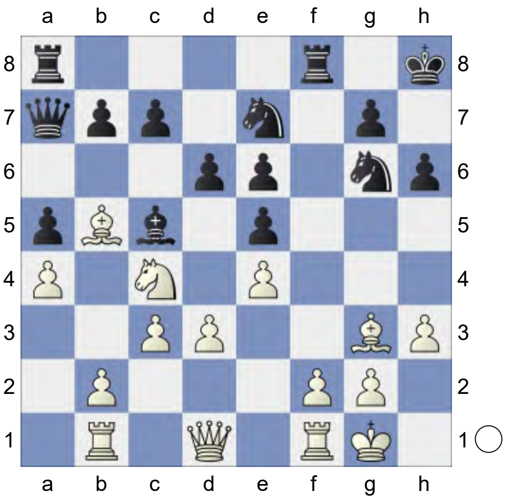
[RR 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Qd2]

19...Nce7 1.05/22

[19...Rf6= 0.17/21 remains equal.]

[RR 19...Rf6]

(Diagram)



20.d4! exd4 21.b4 Bb6 22.Nxb6 Qxb6 23.Qxd4 Qxd4 24.cxd4 Nf4 1.62/21

[24...axb4± 1.03/24 25.Rfd1 (*25.Rxb4 Ra7±*) 25...Nf4]

25.Rfc1!+- c6 26.Bf1 Neg6 2.65/24

[26...b5± 1.43/23 27.Bxf4 (*27.axb5 cxb5 28.Rc7 Neg6±*) 27...Rxf4]

27.b5 Ne7 28.f3 d5 29.Bh4 g5 2.22/22

[⌓29...Rf7 1.76/22 30.Bxe7 Rxe7 31.bxc6 bxc6]

30.Bf2 Rf7 31.Rb3 Rd8 32.Be1 1.24/20

[Better is 32.Rc5+- 1.80/19]

32...cxb5± 33.axb5 Black must now prevent Rc1-c7. **33...b6 34.e5** 0.68/22

[34.Rbc3± 1.30/20]

34...Rd7 1.42/22

[34...Rdf8⩲ 0.68/22]

35.Rbc3 0.97/22

[⌓35.h4 1.42/22]

35...Kg7 1.41/23

[⌓35...Nfg6 0.97/22]

36.h4

[36.g3 Nfg6±]

36...Nf5 2.32/23

[36...Nh5± 1.50/22 37.Bf2 Rf8 38.hxg5 hxg5]

37.hxg5 1.28/23

[37.g3+- 2.32/23]

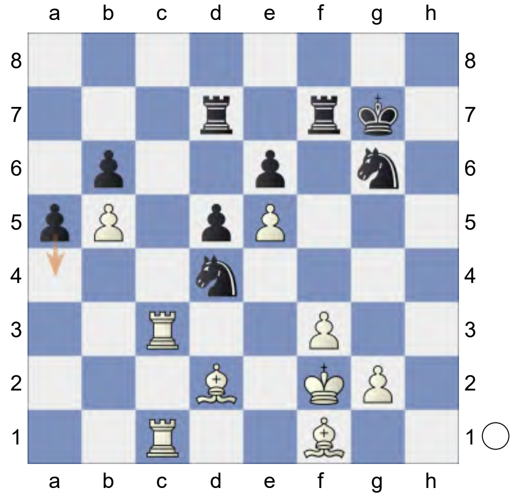
37...Nxd4 38.gxh6+ Kxh6 39.Kf2 Against Nf4-e2 **39...Ng6?** 3.17/24

[39...Kh7± 1.37/22 40.Bd2 Ng6]

40.Bd2+? 1.04/24

[40.Rd1+- 3.17/24 is the precise move to win. Nf5 41.Rc6]

40...Kg7



41.Re3 -0.23/22

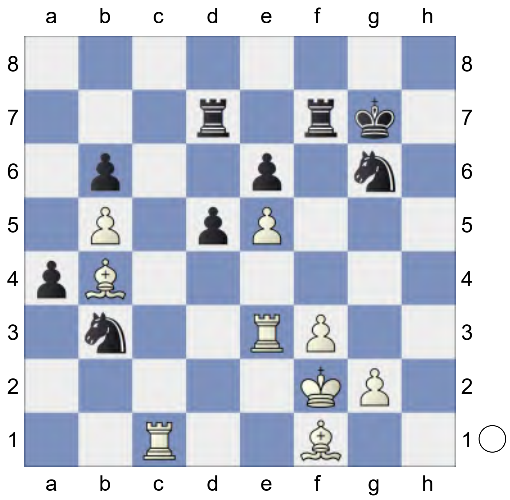
[Much weaker is 41.Be3?! Nxf3 42.gxf3 d4= (*42...Nxe5?* loses. *43.Bd4+-*)]

[41.Rd3!± 1.20/24 Nxb5 42.Rb1]

41...a4↑ Black has some pressure. **42.Bb4 Nb3** 1.03/20

[42...Rc7∓ -0.31/23 stays ahead. 43.Rec3 Rxc3 44.Rxc3 (*44.Bxc3?* too greedy. *Nb3-+*) 44...Nxe5]

(Diagram)



A dynamic duo of knights. **43.Rd1** -0.39/22

[43.Rc6!± 1.03/20 Nd4 44.Rxb6]

43...Rc7∓ 44.Bd3 Nf4 aiming for ...Nf4xd3+. **45.Bb1 d4** 0.01/24

[Black should try 45...Rc4∓ -0.96/25 46.Bd6 Nc5]

46.Re4= g2-g3 would now be deadly. **46...Nd5?** 2.52/25

[46...Kg8= 0.02/23 and Black has nothing to worry.]

47.Rg4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.43

1-0

317 **C50**

☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2690**

■ **Svidler,Peter 2688**

HUN-ch Rapid (10) 23.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

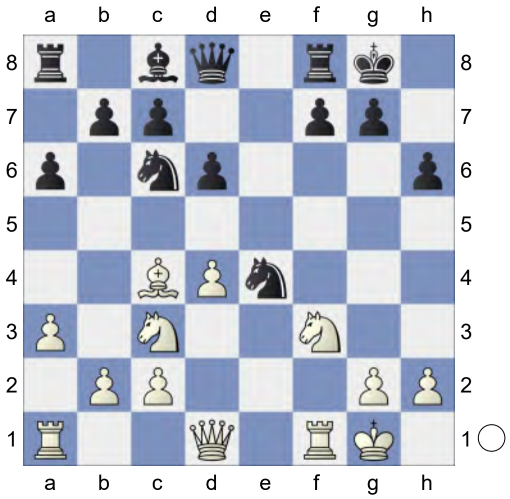
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.a3 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 0.47/18

[7...d6= 0.11/17]

8.fxe3± d6 9.d4! is currently scoring better than 9.0-0. wohl besser als 9.0-0.

White is slightly better. **9...0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.exd4 Nxe4**



Decoy **12.Nxe4 d5 13.Bd3 dxe4 14.Bxe4 Qd6N**

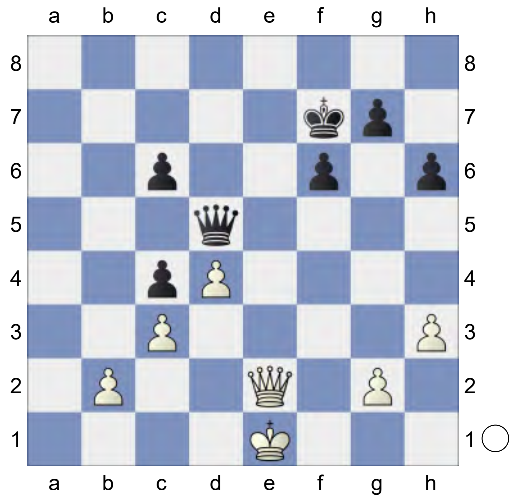
[14...Be6 15.c3 Bd5 16.Bd3 Qd7 17.Qd2 16) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - P-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Pract]

15.c3 Bd7 16.Bc2 Rae8 17.Nd2N

[Predecessor: 17.Qd3 0.18/20 17.Rf2 0.57 g6 18.Rae1 Kg7 19.Qd2 Rxe1 20.Rxe1 Re8 21.Rxe8 Bxe8 22.Be4 b6 23.Qe3 ½-½ Van Foreest,L (2572)-Vrolijk,L (2476) Bundesliga 2122 2022 (13.6)]

17...Qd5 Wards off Ne4 **18.Rf2 Na5 19.a4 Nc4 20.Bb3 b5 21.Qf1 Be6 22.axb5 axb5 23.Re1 Qc6 24.Nxc4 bxc4 25.Bd1 Bd5 26.Bf3 Bxf3 27.Rxf3** aiming for Rxe8. **27...Rxe1 28.Qxe1=** Endgame KQR-KQR **28...Re8 29.Re3 Rxe3 30.Qxe3** KQ-KQ **30...Qd5 31.h3 c6 32.Qe2 Kf8 33.Kf1 f6 34.Ke1 Kf7**

(Diagram)



...Qe6 is the strong threat. **35.Kd1 h5** -0.01/24

[35...c5∓ -0.46/19]

36.Kc2 -0.37/23

[36.h4= -0.01/24]

36...Qf5+ -0.01/26

[36...h4!∓ -0.37/23 might be stronger.]

37.Kc1 The position is equal. **37...Qg5+ 38.Kb1 Qf5+ 39.Ka2 Qa5+ 40.Kb1 Qf5+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

41.Ka2

½-½

318 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **3000**

■ **pawn_git** **2527**

Rapid 26.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nf6+-)* 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]

9.cxd4! The position is equal. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Rd1N White has compensation. White is more active.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens, A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 13.f4 Black cannot hold the game after this. **13...Ng4** 2.56/24 **14.h3!+-**

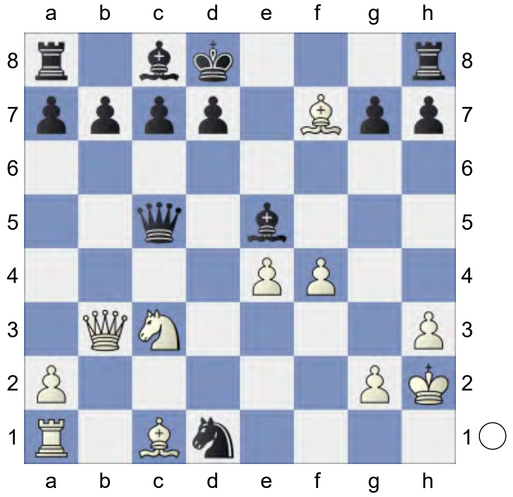
[14.fxe5 Qc5+]

[14.Ba3 Qh4 15.fxe5 *(15.Bxf7+? Kd8-+)* 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ *(16...Qxe5 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5±)* 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 Qg5+ 20.Kf2 Qf4+ 21.Ke2 d6-+]

14...Qc5+ 3.00/21

[⌓14...Bxc3 2.04/24 15.Qxc3 Nf6]

15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1 17.Bxf7+ Kd8**



18.Nd5 Bd6 ...Rf8! would now be deadly.

[Weaker is 18...Bxa1 19.Ba3± *(19.Qxd1? loses. Rf8-+)*]

19.e5 c6? 4.95/24

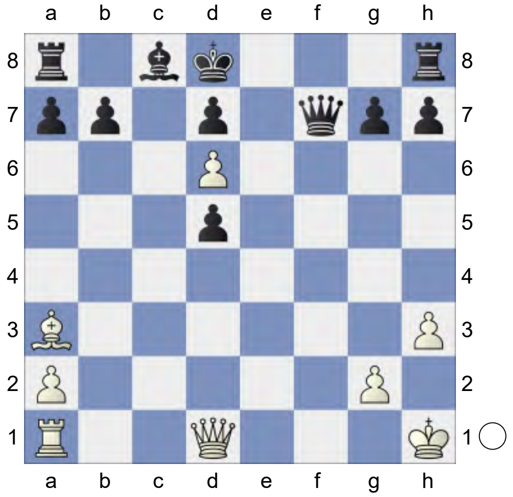
[19...Rf8 2.45/20]

20.exd6 cxd5 21.Ba3 Qe3 6.57/28

[21...Qd4 22.Rxd1 Qxf4+ 23.Kg1 Qxf7 24.Qc3=]

[⌓21...Qc4 4.33/27]

22.Qxd1 Qxf4+ 23.Kh1 Qxf7



24.Qc2! Ke8 25.Re1+ Kf8 26.Qd1 Qg6 27.Qxd5 Threatens to win with Qc4. **27...Qf7 28.Qd3 Qxa2 29.Bb4** 12.26/23

[△29.Qg3 31.54/30 Qe6 30.Rxe6 dxe6 31.d7+ Kf7 32.Qf3+ *(32.dxc8B Rhxc8 33.Bb2 Rg8+-)* 32...Kg6 33.h4 *(33.dxc8B Rhxc8 34.Qd3+ Kf6+-; 33.Qd3+ Kf6+-)* 33...h5 34.Qe4+ *(34.dxc8B Raxc8 35.Qd3+ Kf6+-; 34.Qg3+ Kf7 35.Qf4+ Kg6 36.Qg5+ Kf7 37.Qe7+ Kg6 38.Qxe6+ Kh7 39.Qf5+ g6 40.Qf7+ Kh6 41.Bc1+ g5 42.hxg5#)* 34...Kf7 35.Qf4+ *(35.dxc8B Raxc8+- 36.Qxb7+ Kg6+-)* 35...Kg6 36.Qg5+ *(36.dxc8B Raxc8 37.Qe4+ Kf7+-)* 36...Kf7 37.Qe7+ *(37.d8R Rxd8 38.Qe7+ Kg6+-)* 37...Kg6 38.Qxe6+ *(38.d8R Rxd8 39.Qxd8 e5+-)* 38...Kh7 39.Qf5+ *(39.dxc8B Rhxc8 40.Qe5 Rf8+-)* 39...g6 40.Qf7+ *(40.dxc8Q Rhxc8 41.Qf7+ Kh6 42.Be7 Rc5 43.Bxc5* Discovered Attack *Re8 44.Qxe8 g5 45.Qf7 gxh4 46.Be3#)* 40...Kh6 41.Bc1+ g5 42.hxg5#]

29...h5 30.Bc3 Qf7 31.Rf1 Pin **31...Rh6 32.Rxf7+ Kxf7 33.Qd5+ Re6 34.Qxh5+ Rg6 35.h4** White threatens Qf5+ and mate. **35...Ke6 36.Qe5+ Kf7 37.Qe7+ Kg8 38.Qe8+ Kh7 39.Qe4 Kh6 40.Bd2+ Kh7 41.h5** Pin. White mates. **41...Kg8 42.Qe8+ Kh7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=1.39

43.hxg6#

1-0

319 **C50**

☐ **Fedoseev,Vladimir1** **2680**

■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2738**

ChessKid Cup Div 2 W rapid (5.5)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** CC46 Gagarin,Vasilij **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.h3 d6**

[RR 6...a6]

7.Na4

[RR 7.Be3 Bb6 8.a3 Be6 9.Qe2 *(RR 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 exd4 12.Nxd4 Qd7 13.0-0 e5 14.Nf5 0-0 15.f3 Kh7 16.Qd2 Nd8 17.Rad1 Ne6 18.Kh2 Rf7 19.Nd5)* 9...Qd7 10.0-0-0 Bxc4 11.dxc4 Bxe3+ 12.Qxe3 0-0-0 13.c5 Qe6 14.cxd6 Rxd6 15.Rxd6 Qxd6 16.Nb5 Qe6 17.Nxa7+ Kb8 18.Nxc6+ Qxc6 19.Nxe5 Qe6 20.Nd3 Qa2 21.Re1 Rd8 Namitbir,S (2347)-Yurasova,D (2064) Chess.com INT 2025 0-1 (48)]

7...Bb6 8.a3!? Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade. Leaves trodden paths.Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade. **8...Be6** Hoping for ...Be6xc4.

[RR 8...0-0 9.0-0 Qe8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.b3 Nd7 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.d4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe5]

9.Bb5N

[9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.0-0 0-0 *(10...Qd7 11.c3 g5 12.Nh2 0-0-0 13.b4 Qg7 14.Ng4 h5 15.Nxf6 Qxf6 16.Nxb6+ axb6 17.g3 Rdf8 18.Kg2 g4 19.h4 Qf3+ 20.Qxf3 Rxf3 21.Rd1 d5 22.Be3 d4 23.cxd4 exd4 24.Bf4 e5 25.Bg5* Praggnanandhaa,R (2727) - Grischuk,A (2732) Tata Steel India blitz 2023 (15) 0-1 0-1

Praggnanandhaa,R (2727)-Grischuk,A (2732) Tata Steel India blitz 2023 (15) Praggnanandhaa,R (2727)-Grischuk,A (2732) Tata Steel India blitz 2023 (15) 0-1*)* 11.b4 Qe8 (RR *11...Qd7 12.c3 Qf7 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Nh5 15.Kh2 b5 16.Be3 bxa4 17.Rxa4 b5 18.Rxa8 Rxa8 19.Qb3)* 12.c3 (*12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5* Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2) 1-0 1-0 Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2)*;* RR *12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6;* RR *12.c3)* 12...Kh8 *(*RR *12...Nh5 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Nf4)* 13.Ra2 Qf7 *(*RR *13...Ne7 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.a4 Ng6)* 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Ne7 17.a5 *(*RR *17.d4 Ng6 18.Qb3 Nh5)* 17...Ra8 18.Qb3 bxa5 19.Rxa5 *(*RR *19.bxa5 Rfb8 20.d4 Nc6 21.dxe5 dxe5 22.Qb5)* 19...Ng6 20.d4 *(*RR *20.Be3)* 20...Nd7 *(*RR *20...exd4 21.cxd4 d5 22.exd5 Nxd5)* 21.Be3 b6 22.Ra2 Rxa2 23.Qxa2 exd4 Alster (2521)-Mokriak,L (2584) EUCup G3 Slough 1997 (1. 3) 0-1 0-1 Alster (2521)-Mokriak,L (2584) EUCup G3 Slough 1997 (1.3) Alster (2521)-Mokriak,L (2584) EUCup G3 Slough 1997 (1.3) 0-1]

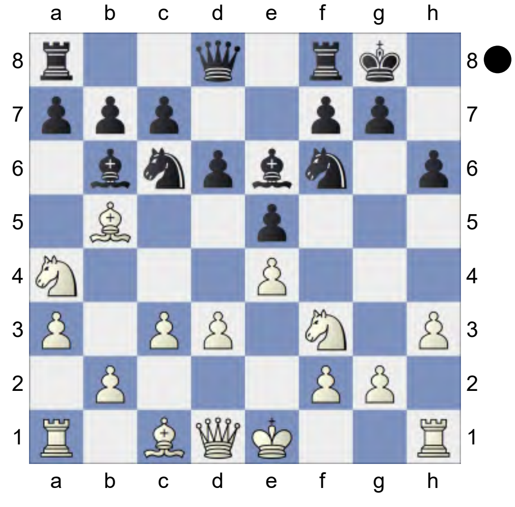
[RR 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.0-0 0-0 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Kh8 13.Ra2 Qf7 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Ne7 17.a5 Ra8 18.Qb3 bxa5 19.Rxa5 Ng6 20.d4 Nd7 21.Be3 b6 22.Ra2 Rxa2 23.Qxa2 exd4 Vyzmanavin,A-Bronstein,D (2490) Moscow 1981 MCL [Gagarin,Vasilij] 1-0 (62)]

[RR 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.b4 0-0 11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 Nd4 *(*RR *12...Bd4)* 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel 2021 MBM: KIA [CC46] 1-0 (64)]

9...0-0 The position is equal. **10.c3** -0.85/22

[10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.0-0 Nh7 13.Nh2 -0.55/20 *(13.d4=* -0.10/21 *)* 13...f5∓ 14.f3 -1.23/21 ;Gasper,J (1919)-Georg,H (2153) Unna op 2016 (5) 0-1 ;0-1 Gasper,J (1919)-Georg,H (2153) Unna op 2016 (5) ; Gasper,J (1919)-Georg,H (2153) Unna op 2016 (5) 0-1 *(14.exf5!∓* -0.50/19 *Rxf5 15.d4)* 14...f4∓ 15.Kh1 Rf6 -0.79/21 *(*Black should try *15...c5* -1.42/21 *16.Bd2 Qd7)* 16.Rg1 -1.28/19 *(⌓16.d4* -0.79/21 *)*]

[10.0-0= 0.18/21]



10...Ne7 0.01/22

[10...Bxf2+!∓ -0.85/22 11.Kxf2 Ne7]

11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.0-0N d5 14.Bc2 b5 15.d4 Nxe4 16.dxe5 c6 0.67/21

[16...Re8= -0.06/21]

17.Qe2 -0.06/21

[17.Nd4⩲ 0.67/21 Nxe5 18.f3]

17...Re8= 18.Re1 Qc7 1.06/22

[18...Bd7= -0.04/21]

19.Nd4± Bd7

[19...Nxe5? 20.f3+-]

20.f3 Nc5 21.f4 Ne4 22.Bxe4 0.80/21

[⌓22.Be3 1.19/20]

22...dxe4 23.Qxe4 0.46/21

[23.Be3± 0.92/20]

23...c5⩲ 24.Nf5 Bxf5 1.21/20

[Better is 24...Ra4!⩲ 0.48/19 25.Qc2 Nxf4 26.Bxf4 Rxf4]

25.Qxf5± Rad8 1.70/20

[25...b4± 0.83/21]

26.Be3 1.33/20

[26.Qe4+- 1.70/20]

26...Qc6 1.70/22

[26...b4± 1.33/20 27.axb4 *(27.cxb4 cxb4 28.Rec1 Qe7±)* 27...cxb4]

27.Rad1+- Rd5 2.08/22

[27...b4± 1.33/21 was worth a try.]

28.Rxd5 Qxd5 29.Qg4 Rd8 2.43/22

[⌓29...b4 1.79/22 30.cxb4 *(30.axb4 cxb4 31.cxb4 Qd3+-)* 30...cxb4 31.axb4 Nf8]

30.Kh2 1.42/22

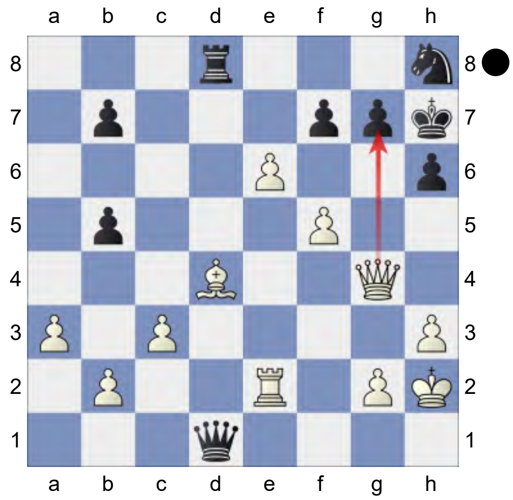
[30.Bf2+- 2.43/22]

30...Qd3? 3.46/25 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[30...Qe4± 1.42/22 was necessary. 31.g3 *(31.Bxc5?* loses. *Qxe1 32.Bd4 Qe4-+)* 31...b4]

31.Bxc5 Kh7? 7.21/21

[31...Qd2 3.82/22 32.Re4 h5]



32.f5 Nh8 33.Bd4 Qc2 34.Re2 Qd1 35.e6 f6 36.Qe4 Re8 37.Rf2 Kg8 38.Qxb7 Qe1 39.Qxb5 Rf8 40.Qd7 Kh7 41.Rf3 White threatens Rf3-g3 and mate. Vorgänger: Vorgänger: **41...Qe2 42.Rg3 Rg8 43.Bxf6 Qe4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.50

1-0

320 C50

☐ Oparin,Grigoriy 2660

■ Kourkoulos Arditis,Stamatis 2580

Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late bl..

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.a3 0-0 8.0-0 h6 The position is equal. **9.h3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6** **11.b4!** is recently more successful than 11.Nxb6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 11.Sxb6. **11...Ne7N**

[11...Qe8 12.c3 *(12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6*

25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5 1-0 (64) Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana,F (2820) Paris GCT Blitz 2021 (2)) 12...Nh5 (*12...Kh8 13.Ra2 Qf7 14.Re1 Rad8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Ne7 17.a5 Ra8 18.Qb3 bxa5 19.Rxa5 Ng6 20.d4 Nd7 21.Be3 b6 22.Ra2 Rxa2 23.Qxa2 exd4 24.cxd4 Nf6 25.Qc2 Nh5 26.Rc1 Nhf4 27.Ne1* 0-1 (62) Alster (2521)-Mokriak,L (2584) EUCup G3 Slough 1997 (1.3)) 13.Ra2 Qg6 14.Kh2 Nf4 15.g3 Nh5 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.b5 Ne7 18.a4 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

[11...Nd4 12.Nh2 Qe8 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.c3 Nc6 15.b5 Ne7 16.c4 Ng6 17.g3 Qf7 18.Ra2 Rad8 19.Qe2 Ne7 20.Bd2 Qh5 21.Qxh5 Nxh5 22.a4 Ra8 23.Rfa1 Ra7 24.Ng4 Kh7 25.Kg2 Ng8 26.a5 ½-½ (58) Melamed,D (2379)-Reichert,T (2261) Russia corr 1878 (1)]

12.c4 next c5 is good for White. **12...c6N** 0.76/21

[12...Bd4 13.Nxd4 exd4 14.Qe2 -0.40/23 (*14.f4=* 0.24/20) 14...e5 15.Nb2 -0.75/21 (*15.f4=* -0.22/21) 15...Qe8 -0.15/21 (Black should play *15...a5∓* -0.75/21 Strongly threatening ...axb4. *16.Bd2 Ng6*) 16.f4= Nh5 17.fxe5! Hoping for Rxf8+. Rxf1+ 18.Qxf1 dxe5 1-0 (50) Lobanov,S (2506)-Zhu,J (2476) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Jun Early blitz 2024 (3)]

[12...Nd7= 0.23/23]

13.c5± dxc5 14.bxc5 0.48/20

[14.Nxc5± 0.86/21 Bxc5 15.bxc5]

14...Bc7⩲ 15.Qb3 0.01/19

[Better is 15.Be3⩲ 0.59/21]

15...Qc8 0.80/23

[15...Nh5= 0.01/19 remains equal.]

16.Rb1↑ White has the initiative. **16...Rb8 17.Nb2** White has more active pieces. **17...Ng6 18.Nc4 Nh5** 0.85/20

[18...b5⩲ 0.39/19 19.Nd6 Qd7]

19.Qd1± Qe8 1.13/22

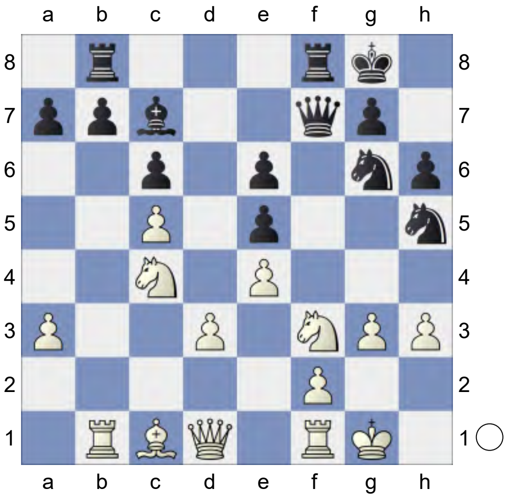
[⌓19...b5 0.71/19 20.Nfxe5 Nxe5 21.Nxe5 Bxe5 22.Qxh5 Bd4]

20.g3

[20.Be3 simplifies Nf6 21.a4 Nd7 22.Ncd2]

Loses the game. **20...Qf7?** 2.56/21

[20...b5⩲ 0.93/20]



21.Ng5!+- Discovered Attack **21...hxg5 22.Qxh5 b5 23.cxb6 axb6 24.Bxg5 b5 25.Ne3 Bb6 26.Rbc1 Rbc8** 2.59/20

[⌓26...Rfc8 1.96/21 27.h4 Nf8 28.Qxf7+ Kxf7]

27.Qe2 Nf4? 4.68/22

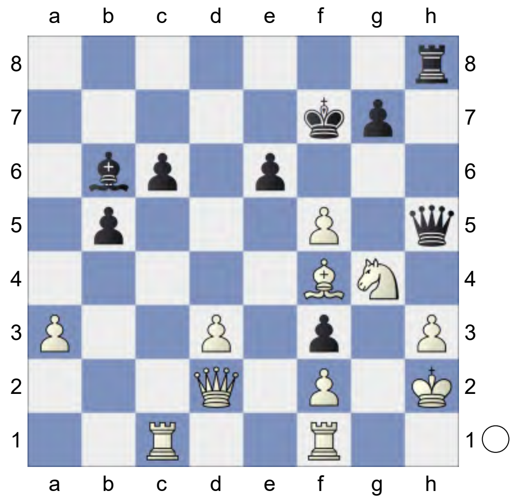
[27...Qf3 2.09/21 was necessary. 28.Qxf3 Rxf3]

28.gxf4 exf4 29.Ng4 f3 30.Qd2 Qh5 31.Kh2 Rf5 8.79/21

[⌓31...Bc7+ 4.25/19 32.e5 Rf5]

32.Bf4 Kf7 33.exf5 Rh8

(Diagram)



34.Nh6+! Ke8

[34...Rxh6 35.fxe6+]

35.Rxc6 Bd8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=1.04

36.Rxe6+

1-0

321 **C50**

☐ **Saric,Ivan** **2647**

■ **Nihal,Sarin** **2694**

FIDE Grand Swiss (11) 05.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 d6**

[RR 7...a6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 d6 10.d4 b5 11.Bd3 Re8 12.d5 Ne7 13.Nd2 Rf8 14.Kh2 Bd7 15.a4 Rb8 16.axb5 axb5 17.b4 c6 18.dxc6 Nxc6]

8.Na4 Bb6 9.a3 Bd7N 9...Re8 is setting a new trend. 9...Re8 gains popularity. 9...Te8 setzt einen neuen Trend. 9... Te8 wird beliebter. 9...Re8 gains popularity. 9...Re8 is setting a new trend. 9...Re8 gains popularity. 9...Te8 wird beliebter. 9...Te8 setzt einen neuen Trend. 9...Te8 wird beliebter.

[9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 Qe8 12.b4 Ne7 (RR *12...Nh5 13.Kh2 Qf7 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.a4 Nf4 16.Ra2 b5 17.Ne1 Qh5 18.f3 Ra6*)

A) 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2 Qd7 25.Be3 Nh7 26.Kg2 d4 27.cxd4 exd4 Van Foreest,J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) NED-ch KO Utrecht 2023 (4.5) 0-1;

B) RR 13.Re1 Ng6 14.d4 (RR *14.Nxb6 axb6 15.c4;* RR *14.Ra2 Rd8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Qf7 17.Nh2 Kh7 18.g3 Qd7 19.c4 d5 20.Rd2 Rf7 21.Qc2 c5 22.b5 Qd6 23.Kg2 Rdf8 24.Qd1 Qd7 25.Rf1 Rd8 26.Qe2 Ra8 27.Qd1 Rd8 28.Qc2 Qe8*) 14...Nd7 (RR *14...d5*) 15.Be3 Rf6 (RR *15...exd4 16.cxd4 Nf6*) 16.Nh2 (RR *16.Nxb6 axb6 17.c4*) 16...Nf4 17.Ng4 Rf8 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.Bxf4 Rxf4;

C) RR 13.c4 Bd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.f4 Kh7 16.Bd2 e5 17.c5 b6 18.Nb2 b5 19.a4 a6 20.Qb3 Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.f5 Qd7 23.Nd1 d5 24.Nf2 Na7 25.axb5 Nxb5 26.exd5 Nxd5 27.Ne4 Ne3;

D) 13.Re1 Ng6 14.d4 Nd7 15.Be3 Rf6 16.Nh2 Nf4 17.Ng4 Rf8 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.Bxf4 Rxf4 20.g3 Rf8 21.a4 Qg6 22.Nh2 Rf6 23.Ra2 Raf8 24.Re3 Abdusattorov, N (2713)-Maghsoodloo,P (2719) Tata Steel India Blitz 2022 (18) 1/2-1/2 Abdusattorov,N (2713)-Maghsoodloo,P (2719) Tata Steel India Blitz 2022 (18) 1/2-1/2]

[9...Re8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 Ne7 13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Wafa,S (2137)-Stefanova,A (2416) Olympiad Women-45 2024 (2.13) 0-1]

[RR 9...Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 *(RR 12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5)* 12...Ne7 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2 Van Foreest,J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) Utrecht 2023 Mega2023 Update 36 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (52) *(RR 24.h4)*]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Nh5 13.Ra2 Rd8 *(RR 13...Qg6 14.Nh4 Qf7 15.Nf3 Qg6 16.Nh4 Qf7 17.Nf3 Qg6)* 14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rf8 19.Rd3 Nf4 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Mayank,C (2457)-Manish,A (2328) Chennai 2025 ½-½ (51)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Ne7 13.Re1 Ng6 14.Ra2 Rd8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Qf7 17.Nh2 Kh7 18.g3 Qd7 19.c4 d5 20.Rd2 Rf7 21.Qc2 c5 22.b5 Qd6 23.Kg2 Rdf8 24.Qd1 Sindarov,J (2654)-Nihal,S (2670) Jerusalem 2022 1-0 (52)]

10.Nxb6N

[RR 10.b4 Ne7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.c3 Ng6 *(RR 12...Be6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Re1 Nd7 15.d4 Ng6 16.Ra2 Qf6 17.Qb3 Kh8 18.a4 Rf7)* 13.Re1 Re8 14.Qc2 Qe7 15.Bb3 Be6 16.c4 c5 17.Bd2 cxb4 18.axb4 Rec8 19.Rxa8 Rxa8 20.d4 exd4 21.Nxd4 Bd7 22.f4 Re8 23.Nf5 Qf8 24.Ng3 Re7 Montaigu Dupont,A (1767)-Mitrovic,V (1590) Montesilvano 2024 1-0 (44)]

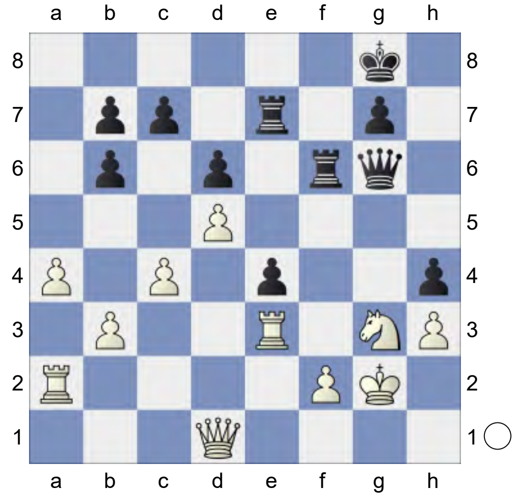
10...axb6 11.Re1 Re8 12.c3 Be6N

[Vorgänger: 12...Ne7 13.Nh4 g5 14.Nf3 Ng6 15.Bb3 Qe7 16.d4 Rad8 17.a4 Qf8 18.Nh2 d5 0.92/22 *(18...exd4⩲ 0.52/19 19.Qf3 Qg7)* 19.dxe5± Nxe4 Viskontas,J (2076)-Voveris,S (2410) LTU-ch37 email 2019 1/2-1/2]

13.Bb5 White is slightly better. **13...Bd7 14.a4 Ne7 15.Be3 Ng6 16.Bxd7 Qxd7 17.c4 Nh7 18.b3 f5 19.exf5 Qxf5 20.d4 e4 21.Nd2 Nf6 22.Nf1 Nh4 23.Ng3 Qg6 24.d5 Re7** 0.68/21

[24...Re5 0.32/23 should be considered.]

25.Bd4⩲ Rf8 26.Ra2 h5 27.Re3 Nxg2 28.Kxg2 Threatens to win with Bd4xf6. **28...h4** Pin **29.Bxf6 Rxf6**



30.Qh5! hxg3 31.Qxg6 Rxg6

[31...gxf2? 32.Qxf6 gxf6 33.Rxf2+- *(33.Kxf2 Kf7+-)*]

32.fxg3 Endgame. And now Ra2-e2 would win. KRR-KRR

[32.Rxg3 Kf7=]

32...Rg5 33.h4 Rge5 34.Kh3 g6 35.Kg4 0.38/25

[35.Rae2± 0.77/24]

35...Kg7 36.Rf2 Re8 37.Rf1 R8e7 38.b4 Re8 39.b5 Ra8 40.Rf4 Rae8 41.Kh3 R8e7 0.54/28

[41...g5= 0.18/28 42.Rf2 (*42.hxg5 Kg6=*) 42...c6]

42.g4 0.01/25

[42.Rf1⩲ 0.54/28]

42...c6 0.87/31 **43.bxc6±** White is more active. **43...bxc6 44.dxc6 Rc7 45.g5** 0.46/27

[Of course not 45.Rfxe4?! Rxc6 Don't play 46.g5 Rxc4 47.Rxc4 Rxe3+ 48.Kg4 Re1=]

[45.Rexe4± 1.00/26 Rxc6 46.g5]

45...Rxc6⩲ 46.Rexe4

[Don't play 46.Rfxe4 Rxc4 47.Rxc4 Rxe3+ 48.Kg4 Re1=]

46...Rxe4 47.Rxe4 KR-KR **47...Rc7 48.Kg4 Ra7 49.h5! Rxa4 50.h6+ Kh7 51.Re7+** 0.01/25

[Better is 51.Kf4⩲ 0.62/27]

51...Kh8= 52.Rg7 Rxc4+ 53.Kf3 Rc3+ 54.Kf4 Rc4+ 55.Ke3 The position is equal. **55...Rc3+! 56.Kd4 Rc5 57.Rxg6 b5 58.Ke4 b4 59.Kf4 b3** (→ ...b3-b2) **60.Rxd6 Rb5 61.Rd8+ Kh7 62.Rd7+ Kh8!** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

322 **C53**
☐ **Erigaisi,Arjun** **2722**
■ **Ding,Liren** **2811**
85th Tata Steel Masters (5.4) 19.01.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5** Kosten,Tony: '8...g5 has become a bit dusty these days.' Kosten,Tony: '8...g5 ist ein bisschen altmodisch geworden.' **9.Bg3 a5 10.Re1**

[10.a4 was played in Vachier Lagrave, M-Gledura,B, see Victor's annotations.]

10...Ba7

[10...Nh7 11.d4 Bb6 12.dxe5 h5 13.h4 Bg4 14.Nbd2 Nxe5 15.Be2 Nxf3+ 16.Nxf3 Bxf3 was analysed in Van Foreest,J-Ding, L. (*16...Re8* Karjakin,S-Ding,L, also in the Archive.)]

[10...Re8 Aronian, L-Radjabov,T in the Archive.]

11.Nbd2

[11.Na3 Bg4 is Giri,A-Eljanov,P, (*11...Nh7* Vachier Lagrave,M-Ding,L, both in the PGN Archive.)]

11...Nh7 12.d4 Kosten,Tony: 'A logical thrust in the centre.'

[12.h3 is more popular.]

[12.Nf1 is well met by h5]

12...g4 Kosten,Tony: 'N!?' Kosten,Tony: 'A strong, forcing, novelty, although Black also has some good alternatives:'

[Predecessor: 12...h5 was previously played against Erigaisi, 13.h3 h4 14.Bh2 g4!? (*14...Qf6*) 15.hxg4 Bxg4 16.Be2 Qf6 17.Nc4 exd4?! (*17...Bxf3 18.Bxf3 Ng5 19.Bh5 exd4* is an improvement.) 18.e5!

a thematic thrust in similar lines, dxe5?! *(18...Qg7)* 19.Ncxe5 Bxf3 20.Bxf3 Black's position is a mess, Erigaisi,A (2725)-Le,Q (2728) chess24.com INT 2022, 1-0 (41). Black should try to avoid this sort of outcome when he advances the pawns in front of his king. dxc3 1-0 Erigaisi,A (2725)-Le,Q (2728) Julius Baer GenCup KO rapid 2022 (2.12)]

[12...exd4 13.e5! dxc3 14.bxc3 g4 *(14...Kh8!? to play ...f7-f5.)* 15.Bh4 Ng5 16.Nxg5 hxg5 17.Ne4 gxh4 18.Nf6+ Kg7 19.Qd2 Udvardi,Z (2280)-To,N (2308) Budapest 2022, 1-0 (31), should lead to a draw by repetition after any sensible move, e.g. Nxe5 20.Qg5+ Ng6 21.Nh5+ Kh7 22.Nf6+]

13.Nh4 exd4 14.Rb1 Kosten,Tony: 'Not the most natural move, but it might be played to try to avoid Black's obvious preparation.' **14...Ne5** 0.19/19

[⌓14...Re8 -0.25/19]

15.Bb3 -0.38/19

[White should try 15.cxd4= 0.19/19 Bxd4 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.exf5 h5 18.Ne4 c5 is playable for Black who has a good grip on a lot of dark squares.]

15...dxc3 0.06/20

[15...d3∓ -0.38/19 Kosten,Tony: '!?' Kosten,Tony: 'has its points.']

16.bxc3= h5 Kosten,Tony: '!?' **17.Nf5** -0.70/20 Kosten,Tony: '?' Kosten,Tony: 'While it's normal to want to bring the offside knight back into the game, this allows Black to exchange an undeveloped piece for one that's already moved 3 times.'

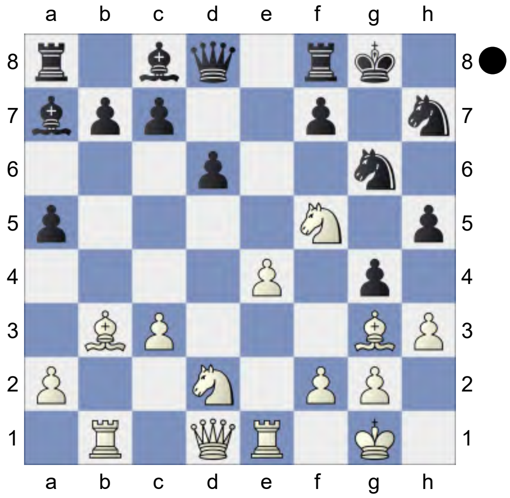
[17.a4= 0.14/18]

17...Ng6 0.01/19 Kosten,Tony: '?!' Kosten,Tony: 'Black returns the favour.'

[17...Nd3∓ -0.70/20 Kosten,Tony: '!' Kosten,Tony: 'is awkward, as' 18.Rf1 *(18.Re2? Bxf5 19.exf5 h4)* 18...Bxf5 19.exf5 Nc5 Kosten,Tony: 'leaves Black a pawn up with the better position.']

[17...Bxf5 is also good, 18.Bxe5 *(18.exf5 Nd3)* 18...dxe5 19.exf5 Qg5 20.Ne4 Qxf5]

18.h3



a4! Kosten,Tony: 'Trying to force the bishop from the a2-g8 diagonal.'

[18...h4? is a mistake, as White can simply answer 19.Bxh4 Nxh4 20.Qxg4+ as Ng6?? 21.Qxg6+]

19.Bc4

[19.Bxa4? Kosten,Tony: 'loses as now' h4 20.Bh2 *(20.Bxh4 Nxh4 21.Qxg4+ Ng6* wins - the f7-pawn is no longer pinned.*)* 20...g3 21.Nxg3 hxg3 22.Bxg3 Qg5-+]

19...d5 Kosten,Tony: '!?' Kosten,Tony: 'Starting an interesting forcing sequence.'

[19...Nf6 is simple and good, Black can pressure the e4-pawn, or bring his f6-knight to e5 or c5.]

20.Bxd5 Bxf5 1.05/20

[20...c6!= -0.01/21 Kosten,Tony: '!?' Kosten,Tony: 'with the idea' 21.hxg4

(21.Bc4 b5∓) 21...h4 *(21...cxd5 22.gxh5 Bxf5 23.exf5⩱; 21...hxg4 22.Bc4 b5 23.Qxg4* is unclear.*)* 22.Bxf7+ Decoy Rxf7 23.Nh6+ Kg7 24.Nxf7 Kxf7]

21.exf5±

[21.Bxb7? Be6 22.Bxa8 h4-+ *(22...Qxa8? 23.h4-+)*]

21...Qxd5 22.fxg6 fxg6 23.hxg4 Kosten,Tony: 'Material is equal but Black's kingside is loose. On the other hand Black's pieces are active and he has pressure on f2.' **23...Nf6** 1.13/21

[⌓23...Qd3 0.77/21 Kosten,Tony: '!?' Kosten,Tony: 'with a nasty threat to take on g3.' 24.Ne4 *(24.Bxc7? Bxf2+ 25.Kh2 Bxe1-+)* 24...Qxd1 25.Rexd1 *(25.Rbxd1 hxg4 26.Rd7 Rae8⩲)* 25...Rae8 *(25...Rfe8 26.Re1±)*]

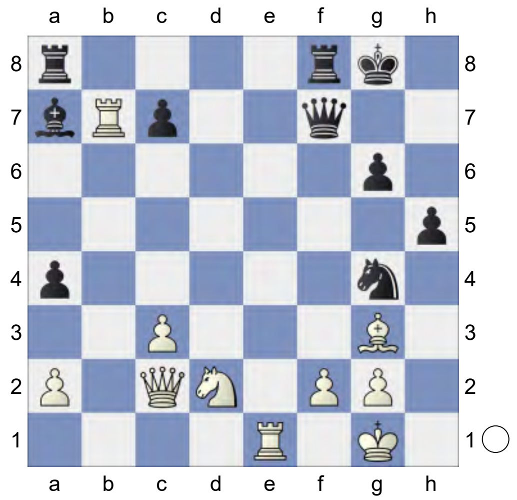
24.Qc2

[24.Bxc7? Bxf2+ *(24...Qxa2 25.gxh5 Nxh5 26.Bb6⩲; 24...Nxg4 25.Ne4∓)* 25.Kh1 *(25.Kxf2? Qc5+ 26.Ke2 Nd5-+)* 25...Bxe1-+ *(25...Qxa2? 26.Re2-+; 25...hxg4? 26.Re7-+; 25...Nxg4? 26.Re2-+)*]

24...Qf7 25.Rxb7

[25.g5 Ng4 26.Nf3 Bb6 27.Re4]

25...Nxg4



26.Nf3 -0.01/21 Active counter play!

[26.Qxa4? Bxf2+ 27.Kh1 Rxa4-+]

[26.Ne4!± 0.92/22 Kosten,Tony: '!' Kosten,Tony: 'also defends f2, but also controls c5, then' Bb6 27.c4 with advantage.]

26...Bb6= Kosten,Tony: '!' Kosten,Tony: 'Trapping the rook, now Black is back in the game again.' **27.c4** aiming for c5. **27...Ra5** Kosten,Tony: '!' Kosten,Tony: 'Black controls c5 and puts an end to ideas of c4-c5.' **28.Rb1** Threatens to win with R1xb6. **28...Qf6** Kosten,Tony: 'Defending b6 and unpinning the c-pawn.' **29.Bxc7** -0.72/22 Kosten,Tony: '?!' Kosten,Tony: 'Very risky, leaving the defence of f2.'

[29.Qe4= -0.01/19 keeps the balance.]

[29.Re1]

29...Bxf2+∓ 30.Kh1 Rf5 Kosten,Tony: 'Now the threat is ...Rxf3 with mate to follow.' **31.Qe4** Kosten,Tony: '!' Kosten,Tony: 'The only chance.' **31...Rxf3** -0.01/24

[Black should play 31...Bd4∓ -1.07/23 (→ ...Qh4+!) 32.Bg3 *(32.Qxd4? Qxd4-+)* 32...h4]

32.Qd5+= Kosten,Tony: '!'

[32.Qxf3? perishes. Kosten,Tony: 'loses:' Qh4+ 33.Qh3 Be1-+ Kosten,Tony: '!!' 34.Qxh4 Rf1#]

32...Rf7

[32...Kh8 33.Qxf3 Qh4+ 34.Qh3 and now Be1 is met by 35.Be5+! Nxe5 36.Rb8 and White defends.]

33.Bd8! Kosten,Tony: 'Again the only move.' **33...Qf4 34.Bc7!** Chess con chili. **34...Qf6 35.Bd8! Qf4? 36.Bc7!∓ Qf6 37.Bd8! Rf5 38.Bxf6N Rxd5 39.Rb8+ Rf8** The position is equal. **40.cxd5 Nxf6 41.Rxf8+ Kxf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.17 (very precise) Kosten,Tony: 'is still equal.'½-½ Erigaisi, A (2722)-Ding,L (2811) Tata Steel-A 85th 2023 (5)

½-½

323 **C50**
☐ **Kramnik,Vladimir** **2753**
■ **Martirosyan,Haik M** **2675**
Satty Zhuldyz Rapid 2023 (10.5) 22.04.23
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 h6** 6...a5 is the modern continuation. 6...a5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 a5 9.Nf1N a4 The position is equal.

[9...Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Bb6 13.Ng3 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Nxg3 16.hxg3 Bg4 17.Bc2 c5 18.Be3 cxd4 19.Bxd4 Rc8 20.Rc1 Rc4 21.Bxb6 Qxb6 22.b3 Rc7 23.Bb1 Rfc8 24.Rxc7 Carlsen,M (2868)-Svidler,P (2769) Sandnes 117/(57) 2013 CI1-130 [Arsovic,Zoran] (44)]

10.h3 Ra5

[10...Bd7 11.d4

A) 11...Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5 (RR *14.Qxa4 Bxc3*) 14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.Qxf5 c6 (RR *21...g6 22.Qf3 Kg7*) 22.Rd3 g6 23.Qf3 Kg7 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Oparin, G (2662) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (65);

B) 11...Ba7 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Bb6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Qc2 Qe7 16.Bd2 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Qc5 19.Ne1 g6 20.Nd3 Qe7 21.Ree1 h5 22.Qc1 Nd7 23.Be2 Red8 24.Rd1 Nf6 25.Qe3

Lunn,T (2530)-7. ♗c4 ♗f5 8.00 e6 9. ♖e1 (2525) Germany GER 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson] ½-½ (42)]

11.a3N

[11.Bd2 b5 12.Bd5 (*12.b4 axb3 13.Bxb3 Ra8 14.a4 b4 15.cxb4 Nxb4 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Qb3 Qd7 18.Reb1 Nc6 19.a5 Ra7 20.Ne3 Rb8 21.Bxe6 Rxb3 22.Bxd7 Rxb1+ 23.Rxb1 Nxd7 24.Nc4 Kf8* Slawisches Gambit-Wrigley,A 27: NBC Millennium email 2020 CBM 171 Extra [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001]) 12...Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.b4 axb3 15.cxd4 b2 16.Bxa5 bxa1Q 17.Qxa1 Nfxd5 18.dxc5 Nf4 19.Rd1 d5 20.Ne3 Bb7 21.Qe5 Neg6 22.Qxc7 Qxc7 23.Bxc7 Ne2+ 24.Kf1 dxe4 25.Ne5 Nc3 Delabre,T-Gonnermann, J St Petersburg (Russia) 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] (46)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.d4 exd4N

[Vorgänger: 13...Bb6 14.Ng3 Qe8 15.Nd2 -0.63/21 (Better is *15.Be3= -0.01/21*) 15...d5∓ 16.exd5 exd5 -0.24/23 (*16...Rxd5∓ -0.77/21 17.Nc4 exd4 18.Nxb6 cxb6 19.Qxa4 Nh5*) 17.Nf3= e4 18.Nh4 Qd7 -0.12/20 (*18...Ne7∓ -0.47/19*) 19.f3 exf3 20.Nxf3 ½-½ (84) Wang,H (2756)-Navara,D (2707) Jerusalem 2019]

14.cxd4 Bb6 15.Bd2 Ra8 16.Bc3 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ng3 Qd7

[18...Ne8 is more complex. 19.Ne5 Qg5 20.Bd2 Qf6]

19.Qc2 Rae8 0.50/22

[19...Nh7= 0.18/22]

20.Rad1⩲ Ne4 1.02/23

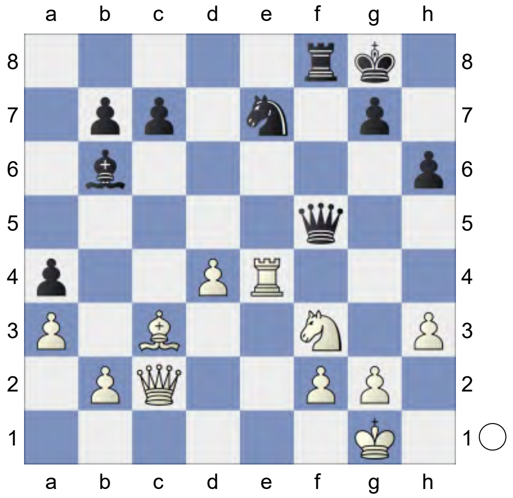
[20...Rxe1+⩲ 0.42/22 21.Rxe1 Nh7]

21.Nxe4± dxe4 22.Rxe4 Qf5 1.73/24

[22...Rxe4± 1.24/22 23.Qxe4 Qf5]

23.Rde1+- Rxe4 24.Rxe4 Ne7? 4.10/24

[24...Qb5± 1.60/23 is a better defense. 25.Qd2 Qf5]



25.Bb4 Rf7 26.Ne5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.27 (precise)

[Not 26.Bxe7 Rxe7 27.Ne5 c6 28.Qc4+ Kh7±]

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325 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **2995**

■ **pawn_git** **2520**

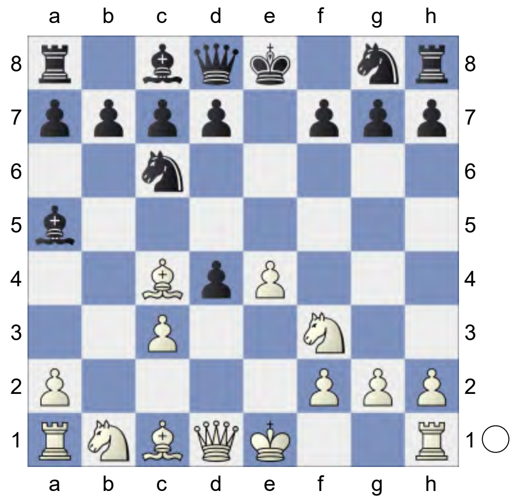
Rapid 25.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4

(Diagram)



7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ (*9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nf6+-*) 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]

9.cxd4 White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-*)]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Rd1N White has compensation.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens,A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

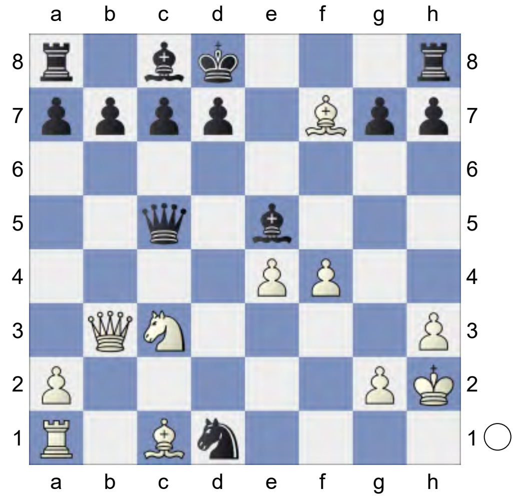
[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 (*15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 ...c6 is the strong threat. **13.f4↑** White is pushing. **13...Ng4** 1.43/27 **14.h3±**

[14.fxe5 Qc5+]

[14.Ba3? Qh4 15.fxe5 (*15.Bxf7+? Kd8-+*) 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ (*16...Qxe5 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5±*) 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 d6 20.Bb5+ Kf8∓]

14...Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1** Pin **17.Bxf7+ Kd8**



18.Nd5 Black cannot hold the game after this. **18...Bxa1** 4.07/22

[18...Bd6± 1.25/23 was necessary.]

19.Ba3+-

[19.Qxd1? Rf8 20.Be3 Qc4-+]

19...Qf8 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.Bh5

[21.Qxd1 Rxf7 22.Qh5 (*22.Qxa1 c6±*) 22...Re7± (*22...Rf8? 23.e5+-*)]

21...Nc3 22.Nxc3 Hoping for Nd5. **22...g6 23.Bf3 d6 24.e5 Bxc3 25.Qxc3 a5 26.exd6 cxd6 27.Qg7 Rxf4 28.Qxh7 Bd7 29.Bxb7**

[Not 29.Qxg6 Kc7 30.Bxb7 Raf8+- (*30...Kxb7?* is the wrong capture.

31.Qxd6 Bxh3 32.Qxf4+-)]

29...Rb8 30.Qxg6 Kc7 31.Bf3 Rbf8 32.Qc2+ Kd8 33.Qd2 Rxf3 34.Qxa5+ Ke7 35.gxf3 Rxf3 Endgame KQ-KRB **36.Qg5+ Ke6 37.h4 Ra3 38.Kg1 Be8 39.h5 Rxa2 40.Qg4+ Ke7 41.Qg7+ Bf7 42.h6 Ra3 43.h7 Rh3 44.h8Q Rxh8 45.Qxh8 Be6 46.Qg7+ Kd8 47.Kf2 Bd7 48.Ke3** 15.40/25

[⌓48.Qf7 #13/24 Kc7 49.Ke3 Kd8 50.Kd4 Ba4 51.Qe6 Kc7 52.Qe7+ Kc6 53.Qe8+ Skewer Kb7 54.Qxa4]

48...Kc8 49.Kd4 White mates. **49...Kd8 50.Kd5 Kc7 51.Qf7 Kc8 52.Kxd6 Kb7 53.Qxd7+ Kb6 54.Qf5 Kb7 55.Qb1+ Ka6 56.Kc6 Ka7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.88

57.Qb7#

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324 **C52**
☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **2994**
■ **pawn_git** **2521**
Rapid 25.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.30/20

[⌓6...d6 -0.10/20]

7.Qb3!= Qe7 0.44/19

[7...Qf6= 0.01/21]

8.0-0± Nf6 0.81/21

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nd8+-)* 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]

[8...Bb6= 0.05/23 keeps the balance. 9.cxd4 Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3 Nf6 12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 ½-½ (31) Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

[8...Bxc3 9.Nxc3 dxc3 10.Qxc3 Nf6 11.Ba3 d6 12.e5 Ne4 13.Qc2 Nc5 14.Rfe1 Be6 15.h4 h6 16.exd6 cxd6 17.Bxc5 dxc5 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Qg6+ Qf7 20.Rxe6+ Kf8 21.Qe4 Rd8 22.Re1 Kg8 23.Qc2 1-0 (59) Potikha,S (1561)-Wang,T (1640) Wch U12 Girls 2024 (7)]

9.cxd4N White is better.

[9.Ba3 d6 10.Re1 *(10.e5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 Qxe5 12.Bxf7+ Kd8 13.cxd4 Qxd4 14.Bb2 Qf4 15.f3 Rf8 16.Bc4 Bb6+ 17.Kh1 Ne4 18.Qc2 Ng3+ 19.hxg3 Qh6# 0-1 Amirkhanyan,M (1440)-Arellan Zavala,M (1544) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 23rd 2023 (3))* 10...Ng4 11.Re2 dxc3 12.e5 Ngxe5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Qb5+ Kf8 15.Rxe5 c6 16.Qxa5 Qh4 17.Bxd6+ 1-0 Rappazzo,J (2057)-Hoffmann,S (1315) Stein am Rhien op 2023 (3)]

9...Nxe4

[Of course not 9...Qxe4 10.Nbd2 *(10.Bxf7+ Kd8±)* 10...Bxd2 11.Bxf7+ *(11.Nxd2 Qxd4 12.Nf3 Qb6=)* 11...Kd8 12.Bxd2±]

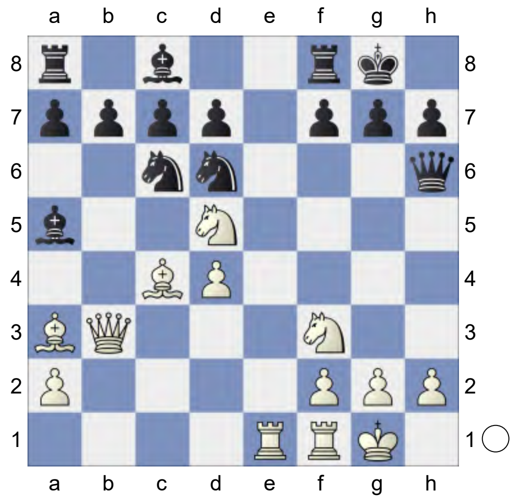
10.Ba3! Nd6 11.Nc3 White has strong compensation. **11...0-0 12.Rae1** White is more active. **12...Qf6** 1.73/22

[12...Qd8± 0.54/24]

13.Nd5+- Qh6 2.91/21

[13...Qd8± 1.43/24]

(Diagram)



14.Bd3! b5? 3.94/21

[14...Bxe1 2.27/20 15.Rxe1 Re8]

15.Bc1 Qh5 16.Nf4 Qh6 17.Ne2 Qf6 18.Bg5 Qe6 aiming for ...Qxb3. **19.d5 Qg4 20.dxc6 Bxe1 21.Rxe1 Re8** Black is weak on the dark squares **22.h3**

[22.Bxb5 Nxb5 23.Qxb5 dxc6 24.Qxc6 Be6±]

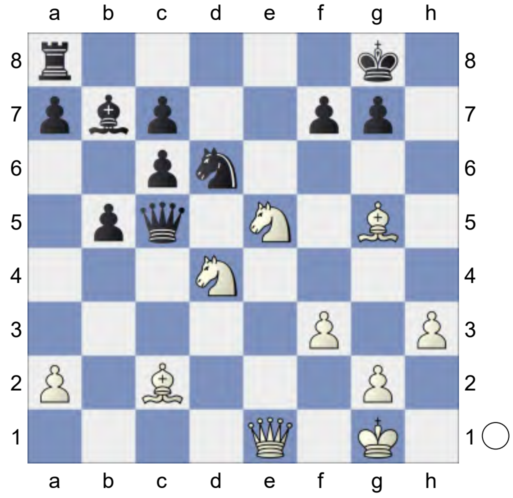
22...Qa4 23.Qb1 dxc6 24.Bxh7+ Kh8 25.Bc2 Qa3 6.89/23

[⌓25...Qc4 4.58/19 26.Bb3 Bf5]

26.Ned4 Rxe1+ 27.Qxe1 Bb7 28.Ne5 Kg8 29.f3

[Less strong is 29.Nexc6 Bxc6 30.Nxc6 Re8±]

29...Qc5



30.Qh4! f5 31.Ng6 Re8 32.Ne7+ Rxe7 33.Bxe7 This pair of bishops is nice. **33...Kf7 34.Bb3+ Ke8 35.Bg5 Nf7** Prevents Qh8+ **36.Qe1+ Kf8 37.Be3 Qe7 38.Ne6+** Deflection **38...Ke8 39.Nxg7+ Kd8 40.Ne6+ Kc8 41.Bxa7 Nd6 42.Qc3 Ba8 43.Bf2 Kb8 44.h4** Hoping for h5. **44...Nc8 45.h5 Bb7 46.Nc5 Nb6 47.h6 Nc8 48.Qg7 Qxg7 49.hxg7 Ne7 50.Bh4 Nc8 51.g8Q Ka7 52.Qd8 Kb6 53.Nd7+ Ka5 54.Qxc7+ Kb4 55.Qe5** Intending Qc5+ and mate. **55...Ka3 56.Qc5+** White mates. **56...Kb2 57.Bf6+ Kb1** Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=1.12

58.Qc2#

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326 C54

☐ **Aryan,Chopra 2634**

■ **Harikrishna,Pentala 2716**

FIDE Grand Swiss (6) 30.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6

Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders, P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6! 8...Bb6 scores better than 8...Bb4+. 8...Lb6 punktet besser als 8...Lb4+. **9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2 Bg6** 0.30/22

[12...Bxf3 -0.14/21 13.gxf3 Nxc3 14.Bxc6 Nxa2 15.Bxb7 Nb4]

13.Qb3= Ne7 14.0-0 c6 15.Bd3 Nd2 Discovered Attack **16.Nxd2 Bxd3 17.Rfe1 Bg6 18.Na4 Nf5 19.Nf3 Ba5 20.Re2 Nxe3 21.Qxe3 Re8 22.Nc5 Qe7 23.Rc1 Rac8 24.g3N** 0.22/21

[Vorgänger: 24.Qf4 Bb4 25.a3 Bxc5 26.dxc5 Qc7 27.Rce1 Re7 1.37/22 *(27...b6⩲ 0.70/21)* 28.Nd4± Rce8 1.52/23 *(⌓28...f6 1.03/20)* 29.Qg3!± f6 30.e6 0.50/22 *(30.exf6!+- 1.90/26 Qxg3 31.fxg3 Rxe2 32.Rxe2)* 30...Qxg3⩲ 31.fxg3 ½-½ Garau,B (2304)-Dulany,L (2335) WS MN/B/05 email 2019]

[24.Qf4⩲ 0.59/22]

24...Bb6 25.b4 a5 26.a3 0.32/23

[26.bxa5 0.69/22 might be stronger. Bxa5 27.Nh4]

26...axb4⩲ 27.axb4 Ra8 1.16/22

[27...h6⩲ 0.42/21]

28.Nh4± Bd8 1.62/22

[28...Qc7± 1.02/23]

29.Nxg6+- hxg6 30.Qb3 1.07/23

[White should try 30.Kg2+- 1.70/22]

30...Bb6± 31.Rec2 0.40/27 White is more active.

[31.Kg2± 1.21/21]

31...Bxc5 32.Rxc5 Qd7 0.80/23

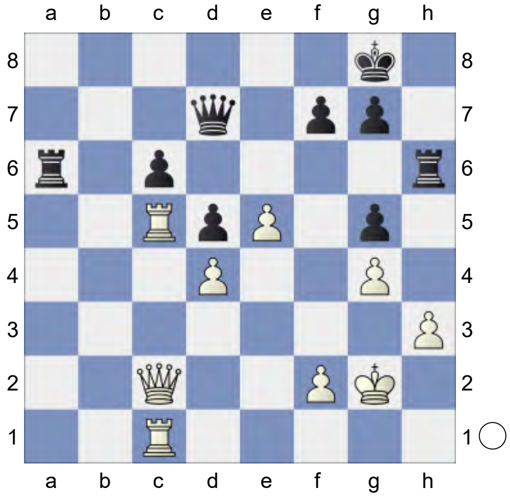
[32...f6⩲ 0.37/24]

33.b5 Re6 34.Kg2 g5 35.bxc6 bxc6 36.Qc2 Rc3! would now be deadly. **36...Rh6 37.g4**

[37.Rxc6 Qxh3+ *(37...Rxh3?* is the wrong capture. *38.Rc8+ Rxc8 39.Qxc8+ Qxc8 40.Rxc8+ Kh7 41.Kxh3+-)* 38.Kf3 Ra3+ 39.Rc3 Rc6-+]

37...Ra6? 3.19/23

[37...Ra3!⩲ 0.61/23]



38.Rb1!+- Ra8 Prevents Rb8+ **39.Qc1** 1.97/24

[⌓39.Ra5 3.74/24 Re8 40.Ra6]

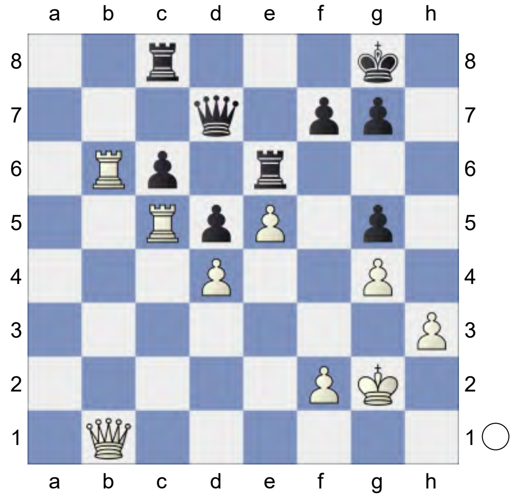
39...Rg6? 3.54/25

[39...Rf8 1.97/24 40.Qxg5 f5]

40.Rb6 Rc8 41.Qb1 1.91/25

[⌓41.Ra5 3.50/25]

41...Re6



42.Ra5 1.06/24
[42.Rb7!+- 1.97/24 Rc7 43.Rb8+ Rc8 44.Rb7]
42...Re7± 43.Qc2 Qe6 44.Rc5 Rec7 45.Rb3 f6! 46.Re3 Rf8 47.Qg6 0.01/25
[47.Rcc3!± 0.49/24]
47...Qf7= The position is equal. **48.Qf5 fxe5 49.Rxe5** White wants to play Qxf7+. **49...Qxf5 50.gxf5 Rcf7 51.Rxc6 Rxf5 52.Rxf5** Black defended with fortune.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.25 (precise)
52...Rxf5
½-½

327 **C54**
☐ **Predke,Alexandr** **2651**
■ **Andreikin,Dmitry** **2729**
Julius Baer Play In rapid (2.36) 24.07.23
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.b4 7.a4 is becoming the main line. 7.a4 wird zur Hauptvariante. **7...Ba7 8.a4 Ne7 9.Re1 h6 10.d4 Ng6** The position is equal. **11.Nbd2 0-0 12.h3 exd4N**
[Predecessor: 12...Re8 13.Bd3 c6 14.Bc2 d5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rxe5 17.Nf3 Re8 18.e5 Ne4! ½-½ Van Foreest,J (2714)-Niemann,H (2637) Sigeman & Co 27th 2022 (7)]
13.cxd4N
[13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 f5 25.Rg3 Rf7 26.Qc3 Ree7 27.b5 axb5 0-1 (52) Nikitenko, M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]
13...d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.b5 Ndf4 16.Ba3 -0.05/21
[16.bxa6± 0.33/21 bxa6 17.Qc2]
16...Re8!=
[16...Bxh3?! 17.gxh3 Bxd4 *(17...Nxh3+ 18.Kf1±)* 18.bxa6 bxa6 *(18...Nxh3+? 19.Kf1+-)* 19.Bxf8 Bxa1 20.Bb4+- *(20.Qxa1 Kxf8 21.Bf1 Rb8+-)*]
17.Qb3 Be6 18.bxa6 bxa6 19.Bxe6 -0.58/19
[19.Qc3= -0.22/18]
19...Nxe6∓ 20.Qc4 Ngf4 21.Re4! Qd5! 22.Qxd5 Nxd5 23.Rc1 Against Nc3 **23...Rab8 24.g3 Nf6 25.Re5 Nxd4 26.Rxc7 Rxe5** 0.45/21
[26...Nxf3+= 0.01/23 is more appropriate. 27.Nxf3 Rxe5 28.Nxe5 Bd4]
27.Nxe5± Bb6 28.Rxf7 White is more active. **28...Ba5** 1.08/21
[28...Nc2± 0.51/22 29.Be7 Re8]
29.Ndc4± Bb4 1.45/20
[29...Bc3 0.75/19 30.Ra7 Rb1+ 31.Kh2 *(31.Kg2 Nc2±)* 31...Ne4]
30.Bb2 0.28/20

[30.Ra7!± 1.45/20]

30...Nf3+!= Deflection **31.Kg2**

[31.Nxf3 Kxf7 32.Nfe5+ Kg8∓]

31...Nxe5 32.Bxe5

[32.Nxe5? Bd6 33.Bc1 Bxe5-+]

32...Kxf7 33.Bxb8± Endgame KBN-KBN. White is a pawn up. **33...Ke6 34.Be5 Kd5 35.Bxf6 gxf6** KB-KN. White is a pawn up. **36.Ne3+** Black is on the road to losing. **36...Kc5?** 5.23/24

[Better is 36...Kc6!± 0.62/23]

37.Ng4? 0.20/24

[37.h4+- 5.23/24 Bd2 38.Nf5]

37...Bd2? 6.12/23

[37...Ba3= 0.20/24]

38.f4+-

[Not 38.Nxf6 Kb4 39.Ne4 Bc1±]

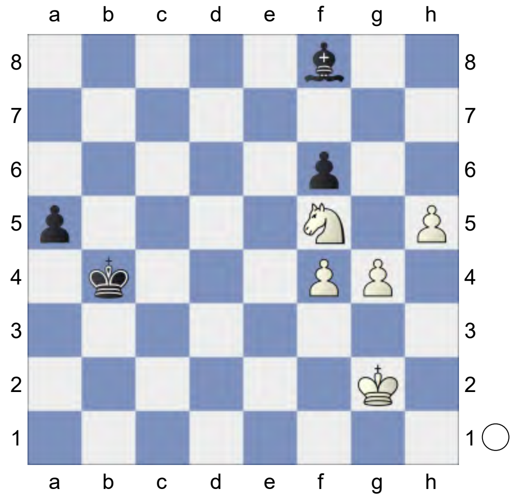
38...Kb4 39.Nxh6

[39.Nxf6 Kxa4 40.f5 Kb5±]

39...Kxa4 40.Nf5 Bb4? 8.68/22

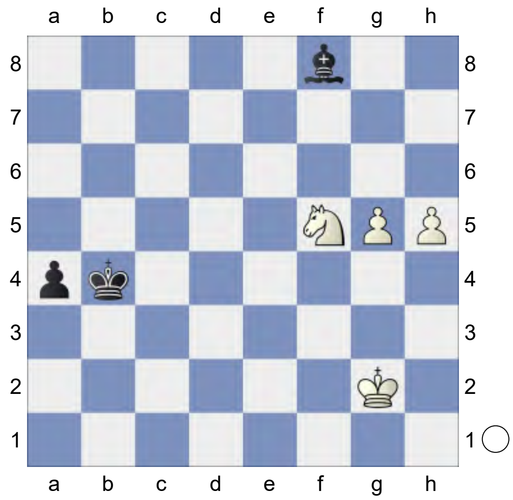
[40...a5 3.07/21 41.h4 Kb3]

41.h4 White is clearly winning. **41...Bf8 42.h5 a5 43.g4!** Hoping for g5. **43...Kb4**



44.g5! fxg5 45.fxg5 a4

(Diagram)



46.h6! a3 47.h7 Bg7 48.Nxg7 a2 49.h8Q White threatens Ne6 and mate.

[49.h8R a1Q 50.Rb8+ Kc5 51.Ne6+ Kd6 52.Rb6+ Kd7=]

49...a1Q 50.Qb8+ Kc4 51.Qc7+ Kd5 52.Qf7+ Kc6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/ Black=0.79

53.Qf6+

1-0

328 C50

☐ **Paravyan,David 2621**

■ **Kozak,Adam 2595**

Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late bl..

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.d3 0-0 8.a3 The position is equal.is cutting edge theory .ist die Avantgarde der Theorie. **8...Be6**

[8...Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nh4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4 c6 15.Re1 b5 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Qh5 e4 18.f3 b4 19.fxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Ra5 21.Qh6 Qd5

22.Rf4 bxa3 23.bxa3 1-0 (49) 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5 1525 (2778)-11... ♕c7 12. ♘bd2 cd4 13.c,4 (2749) Hania 1994 (9)]

9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.h3N

[10.c3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 e5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qb3+ Kh8 17.Ng5 Qe7 18.Qe6 Qxe6 19.Nxe6 Rf7 20.Ng5 Rd7 21.f3 h6 22.Nh3 b5 23.Nf2 b4 24.a4 c5 1-0 (65) Sadhwani,R (2627)-Ju,W (2550) PRO League KO Stage rapid 2023 (2.4) 25.b3 Nf8 26.Be3 Ne6 27.Red1 Nd4 28.Bxd4 exd4 29.Nd3 b6 30.Ne5 Rda7 31.Rac1 Kg8 32.Kf2 Rb7 33.Nc4 Rd8 34.Ke2 Kf8 35.Kd3 Ke7 36.Re1 Ra8 37.g3 b5 38.axb5 Rxb5 39.Ra1 Rbb8 1-0 (65) 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2627)-R Of B,F (2550) Budapest Vezerkepzo Christmas GM 2022 (2.4)]

[10.b4 Qe8 11.c3 Ne7 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.a4 Ng6 14.c4 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

10...Nd4N

[10...Qe8 11.c3 Ne7 12.b4 Ng6 13.Ra2 Kh8 14.Re1 h6 15.g3 Rf7 16.Kg2 Qd7 17.Nxb6 axb6 1-0 (53) Sindarov,J (2674)-Blohberger,F (2527) CrunchLab Masters Div 3 L rapid 2024 (1.2)]

11.Nh2 Qe8 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.c3 Nc6 14.a4 b5 15.Be3 bxa4 16.Rxa4 Rxa4 17.Qxa4 Qa8 18.Ra1 Qxa4 19.Rxa4 d5 20.Nf3 Rd8 21.Kf1 h6 22.Ke2 White is more active. **22...b6 23.Bd2 Kf8 24.Be1 Ke8 25.Nd2 Nd7 26.Nb3 Nf6 27.f3 Kd7 28.Bg3 Nh5 29.Bh2 g5 30.Ra1** -0.37/22

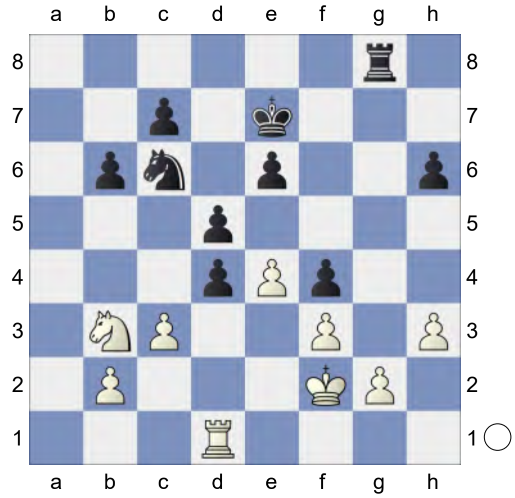
[30.g3= 0.13/21]

30...Nf4+∓ 31.Bxf4 gxf4= Endgame KRN-KRN **32.Kf2 Rg8 33.Rd1 Ke7 34.d4** -0.81/23

[34.Rg1∓ -0.44/22]

34...exd4? 1.74/28

[34...dxe4∓ -0.81/23 and life is bright. 35.fxe4 exd4 36.cxd4 Rg3]



35.exd5+- exd5 36.Nxd4 Kd7 4.30/25

[36...Nxd4± 1.60/25 was worth a try. 37.Rxd4 Ra8 38.Rxf4 *(38.Rxd5 c6+-)* 38...c5]

37.Ne2! Ne7 38.Nxf4 c6 39.c4 Kd6 40.b3 Rf8 41.g3 Ra8 42.Re1? 0.29/22

[Better is 42.g4+- 2.53/23]

42...Ra3 1.64/23

[42...Ra2+= 0.29/22 and Black stays safe. 43.Kg1 *(43.Re2 Rxe2+ 44.Kxe2 Nf5=)* 43...Rb2]

43.Re6+ Kd7 44.Rxh6 d4 5.35/23

[44...Rxb3± 1.52/22 45.cxd5 Rb2+ 46.Kf1 Nxd5]

45.Rh7 Kd6 46.b4 2.46/24

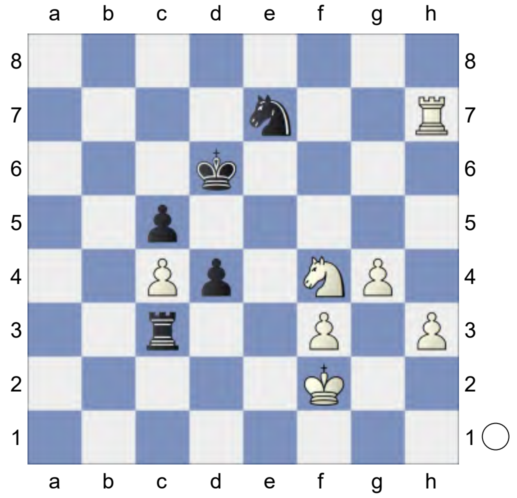
[⌓46.g4 5.06/22]

46...c5? 5.95/23

[46...Nf5 2.46/24 is more resistant. 47.c5+ bxc5]

47.bxc5+ White is clearly winning. **47...bxc5 48.g4 Rc3** 9.67/22

[⌓48...Ra2+ 5.20/23 49.Kg3 Ra3 50.Rh6+ Kd7]



49.Rxe7! Remove Defender, Decoy

49...Rxc4 50.Re6+ Kd7 51.Re2 Rc1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.63

52.g5

1-0

330 **C54**

☐ **Antipov,Mikhail Al** **2584**

■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2605**

Saint Louis Spring-A (7) 27.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.h3 h6 7...a5 is the modern continuation.7...a5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **8.Nbd2 Bb6 9.Bb3 Ne7 10.Nc4 Be6** The position is equal. **11.Bc2 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Ng6 13.g3 a5N**

[13...Qe7 14.Qe2 a5 15.Bd2 Nh7 0.60/21 *(15...Qe6= 0.17/21)* 16.Kg2 Qe6 17.Rad1 0.22/21 *(17.a4⩲ 0.64/21)* 17...Rfe8 0.64/21 *(17...a4!= 0.22/21)* 18.Bc1 0.25/22 *(18.a4⩲ 0.64/21)* 18...Bc5 0.66/22 *(18...a4= 0.25/22)* 19.b3 Qe7 1-0 (66) Iordachescu,V (2435)-Adelaja,A (2130) Olympiad-31 Moscow 1994 (1.4)]

14.Kg2 Re8 15.Nh2 Nf8 16.b3 Ne6 17.Ng4 Nxg4 18.Qxg4 Qf6 19.Bd2 Nc5 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Qe2 Nd7 22.Bc1 Nf6 23.a3 Red8 24.Bb2 Re8 25.Rd2 Qe7 26.Re1 Nd7 27.b4 axb4 28.axb4 Nf6 29.Bb3 Ra7 30.Red1 Raa8 31.Rd3 Rad8 0.93/21

[31...Red8= 0.16/22]

32.Qf3 c6 33.Bc1 Qe6 34.Qe2 0.01/23

[White should play 34.g4± 0.96/22]

34...Rd7 0.49/21

[34...Bc7= 0.01/23]

35.Ba2 0.01/22

[35.Qc2⩲ 0.49/21 Qe7 *(35...Nxe4? 36.c5+-)* 36.Rf3]

35...Bc7 36.R3d2 Red8 37.Qf3 Ra8 38.Qe2

[38.Qd3 b5 39.Rc2 Bb6 40.Qe2]

38...Rad8 39.Kh2 Qe7 40.Bb3 Bb6 41.Qf3 Qe6 42.Qd3 0.11/21

[42.Rb2⩲ 0.63/21 Qe7 43.Ra2]

42...Qe7 0.51/22

[42...Ra8= 0.11/21 is more appropriate.]

43.Re2

[43.Kg2 seems wilder. Qe6 44.Ra2 Re8 45.Qf3]

43...Ra8 44.f4 c5 45.Rf1 Rdd8 46.Bc2 -0.52/22

[46.b5= 0.01/23]

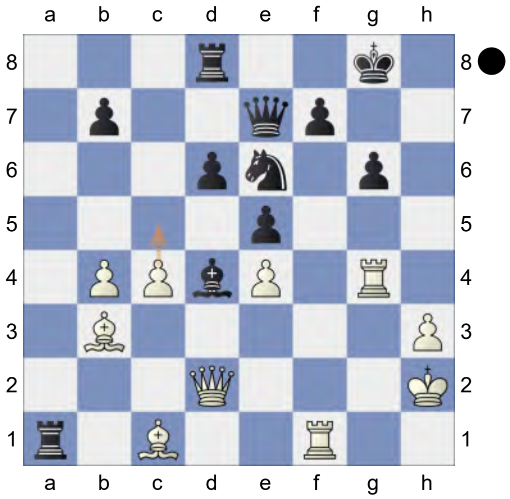
46...cxb4!⩱ 47.cxb4 Bd4 Repels Bb2 **48.g4 Ra1 49.Bb3 Nh7** Black is much more active. **50.g5 hxg5 51.fxg5 Nxg5 52.Rg2** -1.01/23

[52.Bxg5⩱ -0.51/22 Qxg5 53.Rg2]

52...Ne6⩱ 53.Rg4 -2.70/20

[53.c5⩱ -0.81/19]

53...g6 54.Qd2



Rxc1 -0.68/25 **55.Rxc1** -1.71/21

[55.Qxc1⩱ -0.68/25 Nf4 56.Rf3]

55...Qf6-+ 56.Qh6 -4.16/26

[56.Rd1⩱ -1.23/23 was worth a try.]

56...Qf2+ 57.Rg2 White is weak on the dark squares **57...Qf3 58.Rg3 Qe2+**

[58...Qxe4? 59.Bc2 Qf4 60.Qxf4 Nxf4 61.Rd1-+]

59.Rg2 Qf3 0.01/20

[59...Qxe4-+ -4.16/24 60.Bc2 Qf4+ 61.Qxf4 Nxf4]

60.Rg3= Qe2+ 0.01/21

[Black should play 60...Qxe4-+ -2.24/22 61.Bc2 Qf4 62.Qxf4 Nxf4]

61.Rg2 Qxe4 62.c5 -6.96/22

[⌓62.Bc2 -4.38/22 Qf4+ 63.Qxf4 Nxf4 64.Rg4]

62...Nf4

[62...dxc5? perishes. 63.Bxe6 Qf4+ 64.Qxf4 exf4 65.Bb3+- *(65.Rxg6+ Kf8⩲)*]

63.Rcc2 Nxg2 64.Rxg2 d5

[64...dxc5 65.Rxg6+]

65.Rg4 Qe2+ 66.Rg2 Qf3 67.Bd1 Qf6

[Worse is 67...Qxd1 68.Rxg6+ fxg6 69.Qxg6+ Kf8 70.Qf6+ Ke8 *(70...Kg8 71.Qg6+ Kf8 72.Qf6+ Kg8 73.Qg6+=)* 71.Qe6+ Kf8 72.Qf6+ Kg8 73.Qg6+ Kf8 74.Qf6+=]

68.Bh5 Qg7 69.Qg5 Ra8 70.Be2 e4 71.Qxd5 Qf6 72.Qxe4 Be5+ 73.Kh1 Ra1+ 74.Rg1 Qf2 75.Rxa1

Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.30

75...Qh2#

0-1

329 **C54**
☐ **Antipov,Mikhail Al** **2584**
■ **Mishra,Abhimanyu** **2605**
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[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.h3 h6 7...a5 is the modern continuation.7...a5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **8.Nbd2 Bb6 9.Bb3 Ne7 10.Nc4 Be6** The position is equal. **11.Bc2 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Ng6** 0.50/24

[12...Qd7= 0.08/22]

13.g3 a5N

[13...Qe7 14.Qe2 a5 15.Bd2 Nh7 0.59/23 *(15...a4= 0.15/23)* 16.Kg2 Qe6 17.Rad1 0.27/23 *(17.a4⩲ 0.64/23)* 17...Rfe8 0.67/23 *(17...a4= 0.27/23)* 18.Bc1 0.19/23 *(18.a4⩲ 0.67/23)* 18...Bc5 0.64/25 *(18...a4= 0.19/23)* 19.b3 Qe7 1-0 (66) Iordachescu,V (2435)-Adelaja,A (2130) Olympiad-31 Moscow 1994 (1.4)]

14.Kg2 Re8 15.Nh2 Nf8 16.b3 Ne6 17.Ng4 Nxg4 18.Qxg4 Qf6 19.Bd2 Nc5 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Qe2 Nd7 22.Bc1 Nf6 23.a3 Red8 24.Bb2 Re8 25.Rd2 Qe7 26.Re1 Nd7 27.b4 0.15/22

[27.Bc1⩲ 0.54/20]

27...axb4= 28.axb4 Nf6 29.Bb3 Ra7 30.Red1 Raa8 31.Rd3 Rad8 0.82/21

[31...Red8!= 0.08/21 keeps the balance.]

32.Qf3 c6 33.Bc1 Qe6 34.Qe2 0.12/21

[White should play 34.g4± 0.85/22]

34...Rd7 0.63/22

[34...Bc7= 0.12/21]

35.Ba2 0.01/22

[35.Qa2⩲ 0.63/22 Qe7 *(35...Nxe4? 36.c5+-* Discovered Attack*)* 36.Qe2 Decoy]

35...Bc7 36.R3d2 Red8 37.Qf3 Ra8 38.Qe2 Rad8 39.Kh2 Qe7 40.Bb3 Bb6 0.69/22

[40...Rc8 0.31/23]

41.Qf3 Qe6 42.Qd3 0.15/21

[42.Ra2⩲ 0.59/21]

42...Qe7 0.59/22

[42...Ra8= 0.15/21]

43.Re2 0.19/22

[43.Kg2⩲ 0.59/22]

43...Ra8 44.f4 c5 45.Rf1 Rdd8

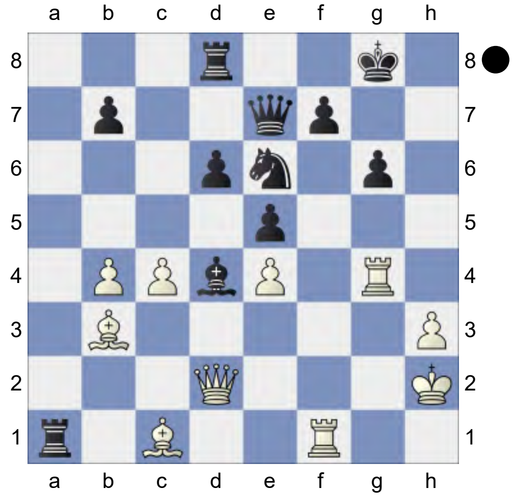
46.Bc2 -0.45/23

[46.b5= -0.01/21 might be stronger.]

46...cxb4∓ 47.cxb4 Bd4 Prevents Bb2. **48.g4 Ra1 49.Bb3 Nh7** Black is much more active. **50.g5 hxg5 51.fxg5 Nxg5 52.Rg2 Ne6 53.Rg4** -4.01/22

[53.c5∓ -0.58/23]

53...g6-+ 54.Qd2



Rxc1? -0.83/24

[54...Rb1 55.Qd3 Ra1 56.Qd2∓]

[54...Nf4!-+ -3.52/24 and Black stays clearly on top. 55.Rgxf4 exf4 56.Qxd4 Qe5]

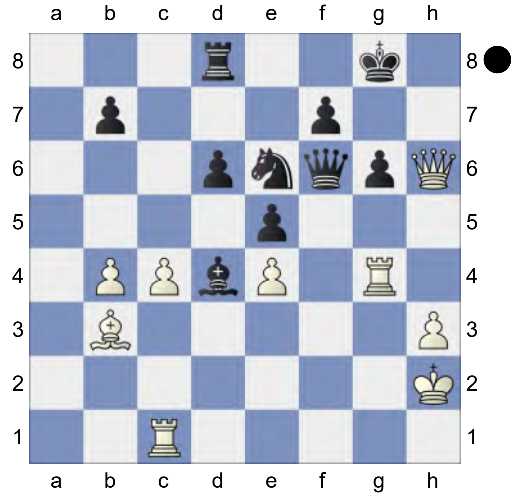
55.Rxc1 -1.63/24

[55.Qxc1∓ -0.83/24 is a better defense. Kg7 56.Qd2]

55...Qf6 56.Qh6 -4.63/28

[56.Rd1∓ -1.20/22 is tougher.]

(Diagram)



56...Qf2+! 57.Rg2 White is weak on the dark squares **57...Qf3 58.Rg3 Qe2+**

[58...Qxe4 59.Bc2 Qf4 60.Qxf4 Nxf4 61.Rd1∓]

59.Rg2 Qf3 0.01/24

[59...Qxe4-+ -4.68/28 60.Bc2 Qf4+ 61.Qxf4 Nxf4]

60.Rg3= Qe2+ 0.01/24

[Black should try 60...Qxe4-+ -2.56/25 61.Bc2 Qf4 62.Qxf4 Nxf4]

61.Rg2 Qxe4 62.c5? -7.70/23

[62.Bc2 -3.53/25 Qf4+ 63.Qxf4 Nxf4 64.Rg4]

62...Nf4

[62...dxc5? loses. 63.Bxe6 Qf4+ 64.Qxf4 exf4 65.Bb3+- *(65.Rxg6+ Kf8±)*]

63.Rcc2 Nxg2 64.Rxg2 d5

[64...dxc5 65.Rxg6+]

65.Rg4 Qe2+ 66.Rg2 Qf3 67.Bd1 Qf6 Prevents Rxg6+.

[Stronger than 67...Qxd1 68.Rxg6+ fxg6 69.Qxg6+ Kf8 70.Qf6+ Kg8 *(70...Ke8 71.Qe6+ Kf8 72.Qf6+ Kg8 73.Qg6+ Kh8 74.Qh6+ Kg8 75.Qg6+=)* 71.Qg6+ Kh8 72.Qh6+ Kg8 73.Qg6+=]

68.Bh5 Qg7 69.Qg5 Ra8 70.Be2 e4 aiming for ...Ra1. **71.Qxd5 Qf6 72.Qxe4 Be5+ 73.Kh1 Ra1+ 74.Rg1**

Qf2 75.Rxa1
Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.34
75...Qh2#
0-1

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☐ **Van Foreest,Jorden** **2696**
■ **Quesada Perez,Luis Ernesto** **2578**
Olympiad-45 Budapest (5.9) 15.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is a critical line.7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6**

[12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Rxe5 Qd7 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16)]

12...Rxe6 **13.g4N** -0.47/20 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 13.c4 -0.15/20 13.b4 0.33 Nd4 14.a5 Nd7 15.Ng3 Nxf3+ 16.Qxf3 Nc5 17.Qd1 Rf6 Hoping for ...Nxd3!. 18.Rf1 Ne6 19.b4 ½-½ Giri,A (2762)-Ma,Q (2651) Shenzhen Longgang 5th 2024 (6)]

[White should try 13.Qc2= 0.26/21]

[13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2 27.Rxe5 Bb6 1-0 (39) Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.23) 28.Re4 Rd2 29.g4 Rd3 30.Rfe1 Rd8 31.h4 Rf6 32.Kg2 Kg8 33.Re8+ Rxe8 34.Rxe8+ Kh7 35.h5 Re6 36.Rf8 f6 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+ Kh8 39.h6 1-0 Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/(288) 2009 (1.23)]

13...d5 next ...dxe4 is good for Black. **14.Qe2 Qd7 15.Ng3 dxe4 16.dxe4 Rd8 17.g5 hxg5 18.Bxg5 Qd3 19.Kf1**

[19.Rad1 simplifies Qxe2 20.Rxd8+ Nxd8 21.Rxe2 Nc6 22.Bxf6 Rxf6 23.Kg2]

19...Kf8 0.90/22

[19...Ne7= 0.24/21 keeps the balance.]

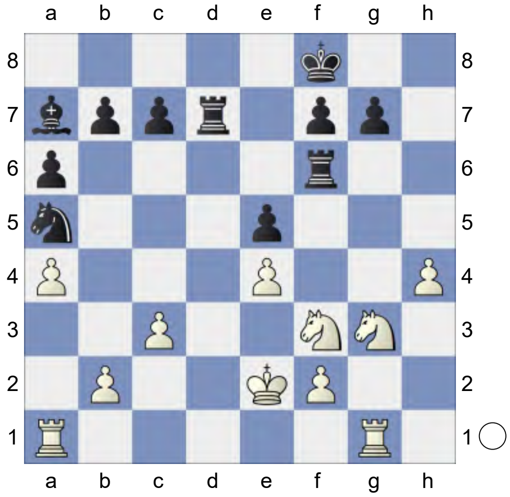
20.h4!± Rd7 21.Qxd3 Rxd3 22.Ke2 Rd7 23.Rg1 Na5 1.41/21

[Black should try 23...Ne8!⩲ 0.52/20]

24.Bxf6 0.96/23

[⌓24.h5 1.41/21]

24...Rxf6



25.Nh5 0.23/24 Dodges Rf4

[25.Nf5!± 1.31/25]

25...Rfd6 1.81/26 Inhibits Rad1.

[25...Rb6= 0.23/24 26.b4 g6

27.Nxe5 (*27.bxa5? Rb2+* Discovered Attack *28.Ke1 Bxf2+ 29.Kf1 Bxg1-+*) 27...Re7]

26.Rxg7+-

[26.Nxe5? perishes. Rd2+ 27.Kf3 Rxf2+ 28.Kg3 Re7-+]

[26.Nxg7 Nb3 27.Raf1 Rd2+ 28.Nxd2 Rxd2+ 29.Kf3 (*29.Ke1 Rxb2 30.h5 Nd2∓*) 29...Rd3+ 30.Ke2 Rd2+ 31.Kf3 Rd3+ 32.Ke2 Rd2+=]

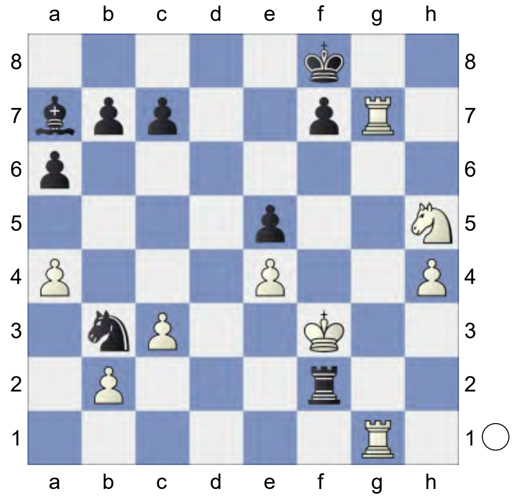
26...Nb3 2.73/25

[⌓26...Nc4 1.78/25]

27.Rag1 Rd2+ 28.Nxd2 Rxd2+ 29.Kf3 1.68/23

[⌓29.Kf1 2.87/25]

29...Rxf2+



30.Kg3! Nd2 31.Kh3 Nxe4 32.R7g2↑ White is in control. **32...Rf3+** 2.01/22

[32...f5± 1.14/25]

33.Kg4 Re3 34.Rf1 Hoping for Ng3. **34...Ke7?** 3.98/25

[34...Bc5 1.86/23 was worth a try. 35.Rf3 Re1]

35.Ng3 Ke6 4.96/24

[⌓35...Nf6+ 3.27/25 36.Kg5 Rxg3+ Remove Defender, Decoy 37.Rxg3 Ne4+ 38.Kg4 Nxg3 39.Kxg3 Be3]

36.h5 White is clearly winning. **36...Nf6+ 37.Kg5 Nh7+ 38.Kh4 Bc5 39.Nf5 Re4+ 40.Kh3 Bf8 41.h6 Rxa4 42.Rg8 Rf4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.38

43.Ng7+

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☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2691**

■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2730**

IND-ch Rapid 32nd (6) 11.03.2023

[Mon Homkmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.c3**

[RR 6.Bg5 h6

A) RR 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 (RR *13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3*) 13...Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8;

B) 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 exd4 10.e5 Qg6]

[RR 6.a4 a6 (RR *6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 a5 9.Re1 Qd7 10.Nbd2 g5 11.g4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qxg4+ 13.Kf1 Qh3+ 14.Ke2 g4 15.Ng5 Qh4 16.d4 exd4 17.f4 gxf3+ 18.Ndxf3 Ne5 19.Bxf7+ Nxf7 20.cxd4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5*) 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6]

[RR 6.Be3 Bb6 (RR *6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 Na5*) 7.a4 (RR *7.h3 h6 8.a4 0-0 9.Qe1 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5*

Bxe3 12.fxe3 a6 13.Nbd2 d5 14.Qh4 Qe7 15.c3 Rad8 16.d4 exd4 17.e5 dxe3 18.Nb3 e2 19.Rfe1 Ne4 20.Qxe7 Nxe7 21.Nbd4 Kf7) 7...0-0 8.h3 (RR *8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4 Nh7 20.Qd2 Rxa4 21.b3 Ra6 22.dxe5 Nxe5)*

A) RR 8...Ne7 9.Bg5 (RR *9.Bxb6 axb6 10.Nc3)* 9...Ng6 (RR *9...c6)* 10.a5 Bc5 11.Nh4 Nf4 (RR *11...Kh8)* 12.Bxf4 exf4 13.Nf3 a6 14.d4 Ba7;

B) RR 8...Bxe3 9.fxe3 Qe8;

C) 8...d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Bxb6 (RR *10.Bd2)* 10...axb6 11.Re1 Nf4 12.Nc3 Qd6 13.Ne2 Ng6 14.Ng3 (RR *14.d4)* 14...h6 15.Qd2 Kh8 16.h4 (RR *16.c3)* 16...Bg4 17.Nh2 Be6 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Nf3 Qd5 20.Nf5 Rad8 Pichot,A (2647)-Vidit,S (2720) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 38 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (87)]

6...a5

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1

[7.d4!? Bb6 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Nd2=]

7...Ba7

[RR 7...0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 (RR *15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6)* 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 (RR *21.Kh1)* 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 (RR *22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5)* 23.Qxh5 Bf5 (RR *23...Rfc8)* 24.Ng4 Nf4 (RR *24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8)* 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2

Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79)]

8.Be3N Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. '!?' '!?'

[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1 (*9.h3 h6 10.Nf1 Be6 11.Bb5 Ne7 12.Ng3 c6 13.Ba4 Ng6 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rxe4 Bd5 19.Rg4 h5 20.Rg5 Bxf3 21.Qxf3 Qxd4 22.Bb3 a4 23.Rxg6 axb3* Ronneland,D (2690)-8... ♘bd7 (2687) Theorie 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] 0-1 (38)*)* 9...Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.Bd3 Bg4 14.Be3 d5 #2 Quickstarter Guide − Italia-3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3]

[8.Na3 h6 9.Nc2 0-0 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Nxe3 Re8 12.a4 Be6 13.Bxe6 Rxe6 14.Qb3 b6 15.Rad1 Ne7 16.g3 Qd7 ½-½ (16) Karjakin,S (2747)-Artemiev,V (2701) Krasnogorsk (rapid) 155/(115) 2023 [Stoica,Valentin]]

[RR 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 (*RR 12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4*) 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½]

8...Bxe3 The position is equal. **9.Rxe3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ne7N**

[Predecessor: 10...Ng4 11.Re1 Kh8 12.h3 Nh6 13.d4 f6 14.Nf1 Nf7 15.Bd5 Qe8 16.Ne3 Ng5 17.Nxg5 fxg5 ½-½ (55) Schwaegli,B (2254)-Maier,C (2328) Switzerland 2019]

[10...Nh5 is more complex. 11.d4 Nf4 12.Bb5 Bg4]

11.Re1 Ng6 12.h3 a4 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Ne4 c6 17.a3 Ndf4 18.Nc5 b6 19.Nd3 Be6 20.Bxe6 -0.01/24

[20.Rc1!± 0.35/24 should be considered.]

20...Nxe6= 21.Nb4 c5 22.dxc5 bxc5 23.Nd5 Rb8 24.Rb1 Rb3 25.Nc3 Ngf4 0.36/23

[25...Qa8= -0.13/21]

26.Qxd8!± Rxd8 27.Ne5 Rd4 28.Nc6 0.01/24

[28.h4± 0.41/23]

28...Rd6= 29.Ne7+ Kf8 30.Nf5 Ra6 0.38/24

[30...Rd8= 0.01/23]

31.Re4± g6 32.Ne3 f5 33.Rc4 Nd3 0.97/22

[33...Rb8± 0.55/21]

34.Rxa4± Rxa4 35.Nxa4 Nd4 36.Nc4 Rb5 1.33/23

[Black should try 36...f4 0.96/24]

37.Rd1 Nf4 38.Kf1 Nfe6 39.g3 1.33/22

[39.Nab6+- 1.75/23]

39...g5 1.67/22

[39...Ke7± 1.33/22 was called for. 40.Nc3 Rb3 41.Nd5+ Kd7]

40.Re1+- Ke7 41.Re5 Kf6 1.97/23

[41...h5± 1.60/22 42.h4 gxh4]

42.Rd5 h5 43.Kg2 h4 44.Rd6 1.25/23

[Better is 44.Nc3 1.60/23 hxg3 45.fxg3 (*45.Nxb5 Nf4+ 46.Kxg3 Nde2+ 47.Kh2 Nxd5±*)]

44...f4 2.68/24 This move loses the game for Black.

[44...hxg3± 1.25/23 45.fxg3 Ke7]

45.gxh4 f3+ 46.Kh2 gxh4 47.Nab6 Kf5 48.a4 Rb3 49.a5 Nc7 50.Rd7 Nde6 51.Nd5 Na6 52.Rd6 White is clearly winning. **52...Nb4 53.a6 Nxa6 54.Rxa6 Nd4 55.Nde3+ Kf4 56.Ra5**

Ne6 57.Ra7 Ng5 Inhibits Ra7-f7+. **58.Rc7 Rb5 59.Nd5+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.26 (precise)

1-0

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□ Bartel,Mateusz 2660

■ Nguyen,Thai Dai Van 2630

6th Masters 2024 (3.2) 29.02.2024

[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.a4 Nf6 6.a5 a6 7.c3 h6 8.0-0** The position is equal. **8...0-0 9.h3 Ba7 10.Be3 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.d4N**

[14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 *(15...h5 16.Ne3 Bxh3 17.Qf3 Ne5 18.Qg3 Bg4 19.Nd5 Nxc4 20.Qxf4 Qxf4 21.Nxf4 Nxb2 22.Ra2 g5 23.Rxb2 gxf4 24.Re5 Rd8 25.d4 Rd6 26.f3 Bd7 27.Nd2 b6 28.Ne4 Rg6 29.Re7 Bb5 30.d5* Woerdemann,M (2719)-Lihotsky, L (2731) Mondariz 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] 1-0 (47)*)* 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2 24.Re5 Qg6 25.Qg3 Qxb1 1-0 (25) Alekseenko,K (2698) - Gledura,B (2652) chess.com (Int.-rapid) 152/77 2022 [Paunovic, Tomislav]]

14...exd4 15.cxd4 Be6 Against d4-d5 **16.Bf1 Qd6** 0.37/24

[16...Qf6= -0.01/20]

17.Nc3⩲ Rd8! 18.Ne4 Qf8 19.Qc1 Ng6 20.Ra3 Bd5 21.h4 Raa8 22.h5! Nge7 23.Ng3 -0.56/22

[23.Qf4⩲ 0.46/20]

23...Rd6 0.01/19

[23...Bxf3⩱ -0.56/22 24.Rxf3 Nxd4]

24.Ne4!= Re6 25.Ne5 -1.27/22

[25.Nc5= -0.01/22 keeps the balance.]

25...Nxe5∓

[25...Nxd4 26.Nc5⩱]

26.dxe5 Rxe5 27.Qf4 -1.22/23

[⌓27.Nc3 -0.80/25 Rxh5 28.Qd1]

27...Re6 -0.59/21

[27...Rxh5∓ -1.22/23 Hoping for ... Bd5-c6. 28.Qxc7 Rc8 29.Nf6+ gxf6 30.Qxe7 Qxe7 31.Rxe7 Rc1]

28.Rae3!⩱ Bxe4 29.Rxe4 Nd5 30.Qf3 Rxe4 31.Rxe4 c6 32.Qb3 Rb8 33.Bc4 Qd8 34.Rg4 Qc7

[34...Qxa5 35.Rxg7+ Kxg7 36.Qg3+ Kf6 37.Qd6+ Kg7 38.Qg3+ *(38.Qe5+ f6=)* 38...Kf6 39.Qd6+ Kg7 40.Qg3+= *(40.Qe5+ f6=)*]

35.Bxd5 cxd5 Endgame KQR-KQR **36.Qe3** Prevents Rb8-e8. **36...Qd6 37.Qd4 f6 38.Qd2 Re8 39.g3 Qe6** -0.47/25

[39...Qd7∓ -1.02/26 40.Rh4 Qf5]

40.Rd4 Qe1+

[40...Qe2 feels hotter. 41.Rxd5 Qf3 42.b4 Re2]

41.Qxe1 Rxe1+ KR-KR **42.Kg2 Re5 43.Rb4 d4!**

[43...Rxh5 44.Rxb7]

44.Rxb7 Rd5 Strongly threatening ...d4-d3.

[But not 44...Rxh5 45.b4=]

45.Kf1 d3 -0.06/26

[Of course not 45...Rxh5 46.b4=]

[45...Rxa5⩱ -0.50/24 46.Ra7 Rxh5 47.Rxa6 Rb5]

46.Ke1= Rxa5

[Don't do 46...Rxh5 47.b4±]

47.Rb6 Rxh5 48.Rxa6 Rb5 49.Ra3 Re5+ 50.Kd1 Re2 51.b4 Rxf2 52.Rb3

Prevents Rf2-b2. **52...Kf7 53.b5** Threatens to win with b5-b6. **53...Rc2 54.Rxd3** -0.70/25

[54.b6= 0.00/23 Rc8 55.Kd2]

54...Rb2∓ 55.Rd7+ Kg6 56.Rd5 f5 -0.11/24

[Better is 56...Rb3∓ -0.82/24 57.Kc2 Rxg3]

57.Kc1!= Rb3 58.Kc2 Rxg3 White must now prevent ...Rg3-e3. **59.b6 Re3 60.b7 Re8 61.Rb5 Rb8 62.Kd3 Kg5** -0.01/30

[62...Kf6∓ -0.60/32]

63.Ke3! Kg4 64.Rb1! g5 65.Rg1+ -0.93/32

[65.Kf2!= -0.01/29 remains equal.]

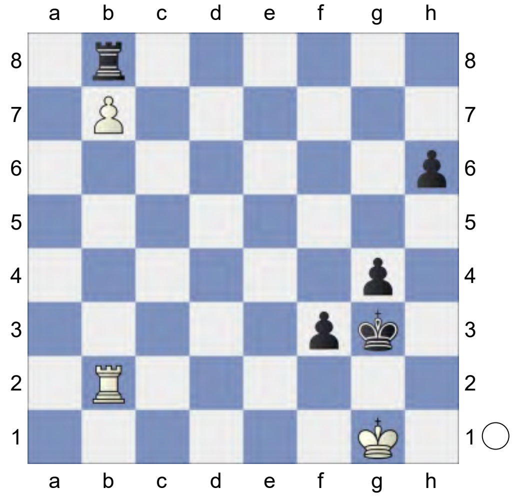
65...Kh5 -0.01/27 **66.Rb1 Kg4 67.Rg1+ Kh3!∓** -0.93/32 **68.Rb1?** -7.89/28 White is now going downhill.

[68.Kf3= -0.01/24 g4+ 69.Kf2 Kh4]

68...Kg3 aiming for ...f5-f4+. **69.Rg1+ Kh2! 70.Rb1 Kg2** ...f5-f4+ is the strong threat. **71.Rb2+ Kg3 72.Ke2?** -12.77/27

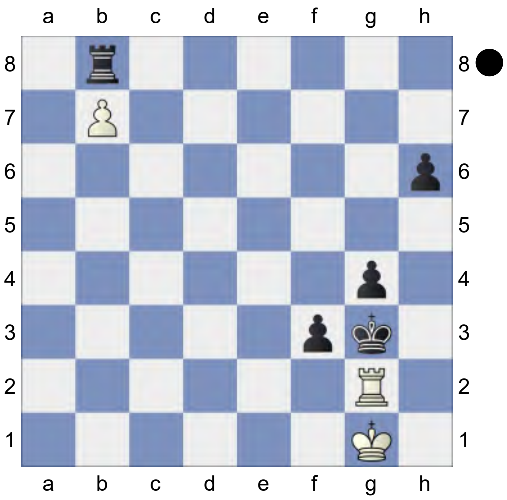
[72.Rb3 -2.91/26]

72...f4-+ 73.Kf1 f3 74.Kg1 g4 75.Rg2+ Kf4 76.Rb2 Kg3? 0.01/26



77.Rg2+!=

(Diagram)



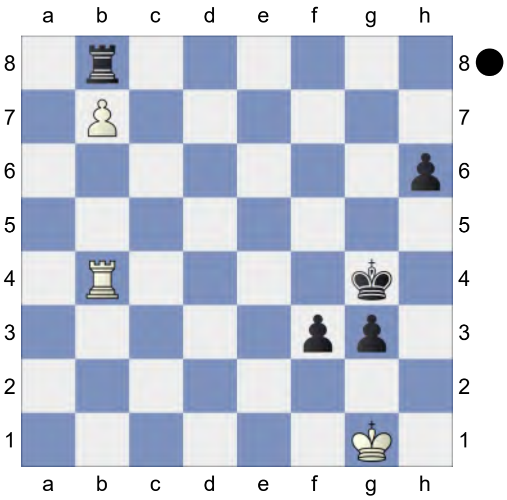
Kf4? -0.01/22

[Black should try 77...Kh4!-+ -14.82/26 78.Rh2+ Kg5]

78.Rb2 g3-+ -17.13/25 **79.Rb4+ Kg5**

[79...Kf5]

80.Rb5+ Kg4 And now ...h6-h5 would win. **81.Rb4+**



Kh3! (→ ...Rb8-d8) **82.Rb6 h5** -13.28/21 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.09 (flawless)

[⌓82...Rd8 -#6/16 83.Rb1 Rd2 84.Rf1 Rg2+ 85.Kh1 f2 86.Rxf2 gxf2 87.b8Q f1Q#]

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334 **C50**
☐ **Vocaturo,Daniele** **2632**
■ **Navara,David** **2695**
EU-chT 24th Budva (6.1) 17.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.h3 a6 7.Be3 d6 8.a3**

[RR 8.a4 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Qd7 (RR *11...0-0 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Nxc3 15.bxc3 b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd7*) 12.a5 0-0-0 13.Qf3 Rhe8 14.0-0 Nb4 15.Rf2 d5 16.exd5 Nfxd5 17.Nxd5 Qxd5 18.Qxd5 Rxd5 19.Rxf7 Rd7 20.Rf2 Rde7 21.e4 Kd7 22.Ra4 Nc6 Urazayev,A (2448)-Gordon,F (2366) Chess.com INT 2025 ½-½ (83)]

8...Bxe3 The position is equal. **9.fxe3 Be6 10.Rf1N**

[10.Nd2 b5 (RR *10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6*) 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 4.Nf3 g6 5.Nbd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk FIDE GP 2009 (3.1) 0-1 25.Rxf6 Qxf6 26.Qg4 Nb6 27.Nc5 Nc4 28.Nxc4 bxc4 29.Qg3 Kh7 30.a4 Ng6 31.Nd7 Qf5 32.Ne5 Nf4 33.Qf2 Qf6 34.Kh2 Nd3 35.Qxf6 gxf6 36.Nd7 e3 37.Nxf6+ Kh8 4.Nf3 g6 5.Nbd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk FIDE GP 2009 (3.1) 0-1]

[10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 Martinez Alcantara,J (2619)-Tabatabaei,M (2689) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W 2023 (2.4) 1-0]

[10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Qd2 d5 12.0-0-0 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.dxe4 Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Rd8+ 16.Ke2 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 Ke7 18.b4 Rd8 19.Rb1 b5 20.c4 bxc4 21.Rc1 Rb8 22.Rxc4 Kd6 23.Nd2 Rb5 24.Rc3 a5 Golubka,P (2360)-Lewtak,D (2386) POL-chT 2nd League 2022 (4.36) 1/2-1/2]

[RR 10.Nd2 b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 4.♘f3 g6 5.♘bd2 (2724)-Levchenko,M (2665) Jermuk 2022 Inf 70 [John Watson] 0-1 (37)]

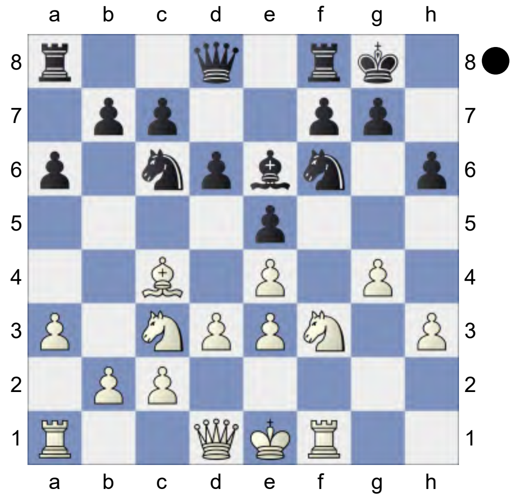
[RR 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe1 Qe8 13.Qg3 Qh5 14.Nh2 Rf7 15.Rf3 Raf8 16.Raf1 Nh7 17.Ng4 Kh8 18.Ne2 Ng5 19.Rxf7 Rxf7 20.Rxf7 Qxf7]

[RR 10.Nd2 0-0 11.Qe2 Bxc4 (RR *11...Bd7*) 12.dxc4 Nb8 (RR *12...Qd7*) 13.g4 Ne8 (RR *13...g6*) 14.h4 g6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.h5 g5 17.Nf1 Ng7 18.Ng3 f6 19.Rhf1 Rf7 20.Kd2 (RR *20.Rf2*) 20...Qf8 (RR *20...Nc5*) 21.Ke1 (RR *21.b3*) 21...Rd8 22.Kf2 c6 23.a4 a5 24.Kg2 Nc5 Kollars,D (2648)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) Chess.com INT 2024

Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (68)]
[RR 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7]

10...0-0 0.39/21
[10...Bxc4= 0.00/20 11.dxc4 Nd7]

11.g4 -0.09/20
[11.Qe2⩲ 0.39/21]

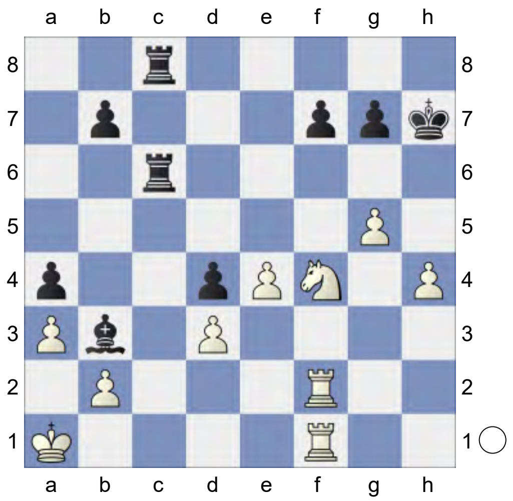


11...Nxe4!= Deflection **12.Nxe4** Strongly threatening Bc4xe6. **12...d5 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 14.Ng3 a5 15.e4 Be6 16.Qd2 Nd4** 0.23/21
[⌓16...b5 -0.18/20]

17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Nf5 Ra6
[18...Bxf5 19.gxf5 Qh4+ 20.Qf2 Qxf2+ 21.Rxf2∓]

19.Qf4 c5 20.0-0-0 Qg5 21.h4 Qxf4+ 22.Rxf4 a4 23.g5 Kh7 24.Rg1 h5 25.Rgf1 Rd8 26.Ng3 c4 27.Nxh5 cxd3 28.cxd3 Rc8+ 29.Kb1! Bb3 30.R4f2 Prevents Bb3-c2+ **30...Rac6** Hoping for ...Bb3-c2+. **31.Nf4 Bc2+! 32.Ka1 Bb3! 33.Kb1** -0.01/23 Against Rc6-c1+
[White should try 33.Ne2!± 0.46/24 was preferrable.]

33...Bc2+! 34.Ka1 Bb3!



35.Kb1 -0.01/37 Prevents Rc6-c1+. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)
[White should try 35.Ne2!± 0.78/24]

½-½

335 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2817**
■ **TemurKuybokarov** **2867**
Blitz 06.11.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.64/20
[10.Nc3= -0.28/17 is superior.]

10...Bd7 11.Qd2
[11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 Nf4 25.Qb7+ Kd8 1-0 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022]

11...0-0-0 And now ...Qc5 would win.

[11...Nxe4?! 12.Bxf7+ Qxf7 13.Rxf7 Nxd2 14.Re7+ Kf8 15.Rxd7 N4f3+ 16.gxf3 Nxf3+ 17.Kg2 Nxg5 18.Nc4⩲]

12.Qf2 Black has an edge. **12...Rhg8** 0.39/15

[12...a6= -0.23/19]

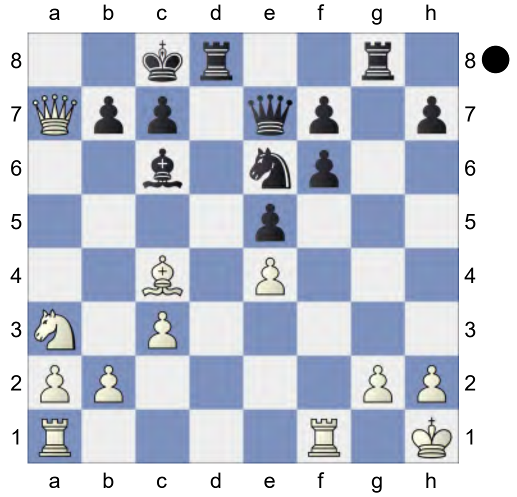
13.Kh1 -0.47/18

[13.c3⩲ 0.39/15 Nc6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qc5+ *(15...Bh3 16.Qxe7 Nxe7 17.Rf2⩲)* 16.Kh1]

13...Bc6N 0.35/18

[13...Be6!⩱ -0.47/18 14.Bxe6+ *(14.c3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rg4 19.Kg1 Rxe4 20.b3 Rd3 21.Rc1 Nd8* 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt *)* 14...Nxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd2 The Quiet Italian and 4. 0-0-The D4 Gambit]

14.c3!⩲ Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxa7



Rad1 would now be deadly. **16...Bxe4** 1.79/18

[16...Kd7⩲ 0.61/19]

17.Qa8++- Kd7 18.Bb5+ c6 19.Qxb7+ Nc7 2.73/20

[⌓19...Ke8 1.89/19 20.Bxc6+ Bxc6 21.Qxc6+ Qd7]

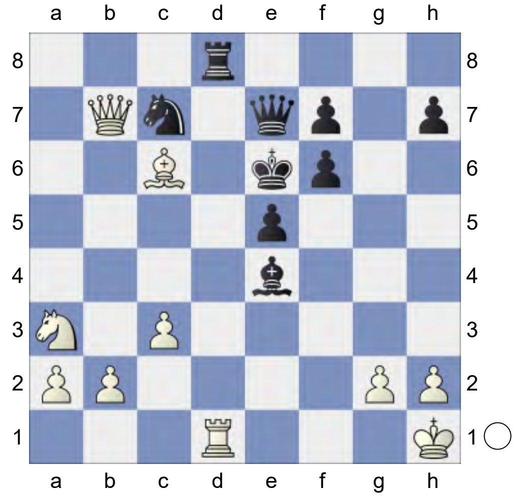
20.Rad1+? -0.91/17

[20.Bxc6+!+- 2.73/20 Bxc6 21.Rad1+ Ke8 22.Qxc6+ Kf8 23.Nc4 *(23.Qxf6? Qxf6 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8-+)*]

20...Ke6⩱ 21.Bxc6 Rxd1?? 3.54/18

[21...Nd5⩱ -0.74/22 stays on course. 22.Bxd5+ Bxd5 23.Qxe7+ Kxe7]

22.Rxd1+- Rd8



23.Qb3+

[23.Rxd8 Qxd8 24.h3 *(24.Bxe4? Qd1#)* 24...Bxc6 25.Qxc6+ Ke7+-]

23...Nd5 24.c4 Nc3 25.Re1 -0.16/21

[25.bxc3 Rxd1+ *(25...Bxc6 26.c5+ Kf5 27.Rf1+ Kg6 28.Qb6=)* 26.Qxd1 Bxc6=]

[25.c5++- 3.35/20 Nd5 26.Qc4]

25...Bxc6= 26.Qxc3

[26.bxc3? Qc5 27.Qc2 Rg8-+ *(27...Qxa3? 28.Rf1-+)*]

26...Qc5 27.Nc2? -4.84/19

[27.Nb5!= 0.00/19]

27...Qf2-+ 28.Ne3 Rd2 0.00/20

[28...Rd3-+ -5.95/22 29.Qxd3 Qxe1+ 30.Qf1 *(30.Nf1? Qf2-+)* 30...Qxe3]

29.Rg1= Re2 0.64/22

[Reject 29...Rxb2 30.Nd5⩲]

[Black should play 29...f5= 0.00/20 30.Nd5 Bxd5 *(30...Rxb2 31.Qa3±)* 31.cxd5+ Rxd5]

30.Nd5!⩲ Chess con chili. **30...Rxb2?**

3.58/17

[30...Bxd5± 0.42/19 31.cxd5+ Kxd5]

31.Qh3++- Kd6 4.87/17

[31...f5 3.44/18 is a better defense. 32.Qh6+ (*32.Qxh7 Qd2=*) 32...Kd7]

32.Qa3+

[32.Qxh7 Bxd5 33.cxd5 Ke7±]

32...Kd7 #2/16

[32...Qc5+- 4.74/19 33.Qxb2 Bxd5 34.cxd5 Qxd5]

33.Qe7+ Kc8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/Black=1.09 **34.Qc7#**

1-0

336 C54

☐ **Carlsen,Magnus 2859**

■ **Salem,AR Saleh 2677**

MrDodgy Online Inv Finals 3rd blitz (1.7)

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4** Mikhalevski,V Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 h6**

[RR 6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a4 (RR *8.Re1*) 8...Be6 (RR *8...h6 9.Re1 Be6;* RR *8...f6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Nb3 Be7 11.Re1 Kh8*) 9.Ng5 Bf5 10.Qf3 Nde7 (RR *10...Nf4 11.Bxf4 exf4 12.Qxf4 Nd4 13.Nc3 Bd6 14.Qd2 c6*) 11.c3 h6 (RR *11...Bg6 12.b4 Bd6 13.Nd2 h6 14.Nge4*)

A) RR 12.Nxf7 Rxf7 13.b4 (RR *13.Bxf7+ Kxf7 14.g4 Qxd3 15.Be3 e4*) 13...Bd6

A1) RR 14.Bxf7+ Kxf7 15.g4 e4 16.dxe4 Ne5 17.Qe2 Be6 18.f4 Kg8 19.fxe5 Bxe5 20.Rd1 (RR *20.Bf4 Bxf4 21.Rxf4 Ng6 22.Rf3*) 20...Qe8 21.Be3;

A2) 14.b5 e4 (RR *14...Na5 15.Bxf7+ Kxf7 16.g4*) 15.Bxf7+ Kxf7 16.dxe4 Ne5 17.Qe2 Bh7 18.f4 Nd3 19.Nd2;

B) 12.Ne4 Bd6 13.b4 a6 (RR *13...Kh8 14.Nbd2 Bh7 15.Ba3 f5 16.Nxd6 cxd6 17.b5 Na5 18.Ba2*) 14.Nbd2 Kh8 (RR *14...Bg6 15.Ba3 Nf5 16.Rfe1 Be7 17.Nb3*) 15.Ba3

B1) RR 15...Bxe4 16.Nxe4 f5 17.Nxd6 cxd6 18.b5 axb5 19.axb5 e4 20.Qe3 (RR *20.dxe4 Ne5 21.Qe2 f4 22.f3 Qc7*) 20...Ne5 21.Qd4;

B2) 15...Bg6 16.Nxd6 cxd6 17.b5 Na5 18.Bb4 axb5 (RR *18...Nxc4 19.Nxc4 Nf5 20.Qxb7*) 19.axb5 b6 20.Bd5 Rc8 21.c4 Carlsen,M (2847)-Nakamura,H (2736) chess24.com INT 2021 [Mikhalevski,V] 1-0 (37)]

7.c3 d6 8.Re1 a5 9.d4N

[9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 (RR *15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6*) 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 (RR *21.Kh1*) 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 (RR *22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5*) 23.Qxh5 Bf5 (RR *23...Rfc8*) 24.Ng4 Nf4 (RR *24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8*) 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 (RR *23.a4*) 23...a4 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79) RR

24.Nf3]

[9.b3]

9...Bb6

[9...Ba7]

10.Be3

[10.Bb3 Bd7 11.Bc2 Re8 12.Be3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nb4 14.Nc3 Nxc2 15.Qxc2 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bf5 17.Nfd2 d5 18.f3 dxe4 19.Nxe4 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Bxd4 21.Rad1 Bxe3+ 22.Rxe3 Qe7 23.Rc1 c6 24.Qc5 a4 6.f4 e5 7. ♘h3 ef4 (2183)-Yozgyur,E (2331) Moscow 2023 Inf55 [John Watson] 0-1 (37)]

10...exd4 The position is equal.

[10...Nxe4 11.d5 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Nxf2 13.Kxf2 Ne7]

11.cxd4 d5

[11...Nxe4? 12.d5 Ne5 13.Nxe5 Nxf2 14.Bxf2+-]

12.exd5 Ne7N

[12...Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Qxd5 14.Nc3 Qd8 15.d5 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Ne7 17.e4 Ng6 18.e5 c6 19.d6 Be6 20.Qd4 b6 21.Rad1 Rb8 22.Qe4 Qd7 23.Nd4 Rbc8 24.Nxe6 Qxe6 25.d7 Rcd8 26.Rd6 Qe7 27.Rxg6 Feher,G (2657)-2.d3 ♘c6 3.g3 g6 4. ♗g2 î€ (2576) Merida 2022 MAINB (21) [John Watson] 1-0 (64)]

13.Nc3 Nexd5 13...Bxd5 is better than 13...Nxd5. 13...Lxd5 ist besser als 13...Sxd5. 13...Bxd5 is better than 13...Nxd5. 13...Lxd5 ist besser als 13...Sxd5.

[13...Nfxd5

A) 14.Qb3 c6 15.Bd2 Bc7 16.a4 Be6 *(16...Nb6 17.Bd3 Bf5 18.Bxf5 Nxf5 19.Re4)* 17.Ne4 b6;

B) 14.Bd2 c6;

C) 14.Qd2 c6 *(14...Be6 15.Bxh6 gxh6 16.Qxh6 Nf5)*]

14.Qd2 Strongly threatening Be3xh6!

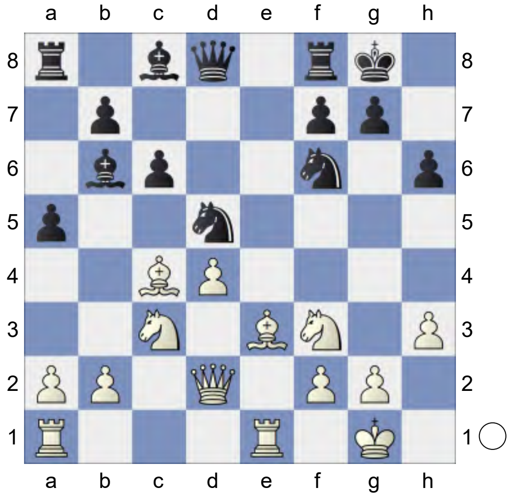
14...c6

[14...Be6 15.Bxh6

A) 15...Nxc3 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 *(16...Bxc4 17.Qg5 Nh7 18.Qg3 Qd6 19.Ne5 Bd3 20.Bxf8+ Kxf8 21.Qxd3)* 17.Qg5+ Kh7 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.bxc3;

B) 15...gxh6 16.Qxh6]

[14...Nxe3 15.Rxe3 c6 16.Rd1 *(16.Qd3)* 16...Nd5 17.Bxd5 *(17.Nxd5 cxd5 18.Bb3)* 17...cxd5 18.Ne5 *(18.Qe2)*]



15.Bxh6!

[15.Rad1 Bc7 16.Ne5 Nxc3 17.bxc3 Bxe5 18.dxe5 Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Ne4 20.Rc2 Bf5 21.f3 Ng3 22.Rd2]

15...gxh6 16.Qxh6N Bf5? 4.54/27 This costs Black the game.

[16...Nh7!= 0.25/23 17.Nxd5 *(17.Bxd5 cxd5 18.Re5 Qf6 19.Qe3 Be6 20.Ng5 Bc7 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Rxe6 Qf4 23.Rg6+ Kh8 24.Qxf4 Bxf4 25.Nxd5 Rad8 26.Nxf4 Rxf4)* 17...cxd5 18.Bd3 f5 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qf4 Be6 *(20...Ba7 21.Rae1 Bb8 22.Ne5 Rf7 23.Rg3+ Rg7 24.Ree3 Be6 25.h4)* 21.Rae1 Rae8 22.g4 Bd7 *(22...fxg4 23.Bxh7+ Kxh7 24.Ng5+ Kh8 25.Qxf6+ Rxf6 26.Nxe6)*

A) 23.g5 Qg6 *(23...Qc6 24.Bb5 Qxb5 25.g6 Nf6 26.Qh6)* 24.Ne5 Rxe5 25.Qxe5;
B) 23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.Re5]

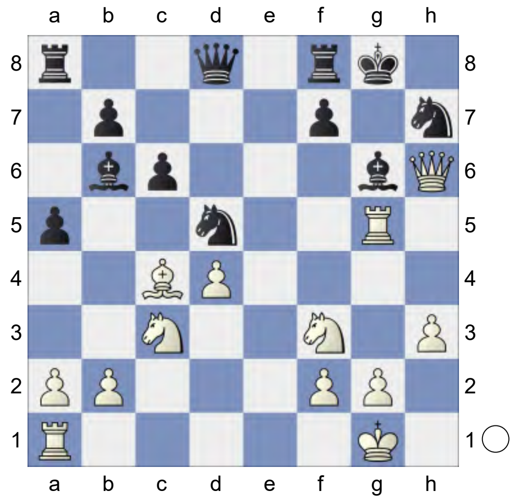
17.Re5+- Bg6

[17...Qd7 18.Nh4]

18.Rg5 1.87/27

[⌓18.Nh4 4.64/26 Bxd4 19.Nxg6 fxg6 20.Nxd5! cxd5 21.Rg5 Bxf2+ 22.Kh1 Kf7 23.Bxd5+ Qxd5 *(23...Nxd5 24.Qxg6+ Ke7 25.Re5+)* 24.Qxg6+ Ke7 25.Rxd5 Nxd5 26.Qe4+ Kd6 27.Rd1]

18...Nh7



19.Rg4 Chess con chili. **19...Re8?** 3.81/26

[19...Nhf6 20.Rh4 Nh7 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Ne5 Bf5 23.Rf4 Be6 24.Ng4 f6 25.Re1]

[19...Kh8 2.04/24 is a better defense. 20.Nxd5 cxd5 21.Bd3 Rg8 22.Bxg6 fxg6 *(22...Rxg6 23.Ne5)* 23.Ne5 Qe8 24.Nxg6+ Rxg6 25.Qxg6 Qxg6 26.Rxg6 Bxd4 27.Rd1]

20.Nxd5

[20.Nh4 Re6 0-1 (75) Suarez Uriel,A (2391)-Perez Candelario,M (2611) Linares 2018 21.Nxg6 Rxg6 22.Nxd5 Rxg4 *(22...cxd5 23.Bd3 Nf8 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Re1)* 23.Nxb6 Rh4 24.Qg6+ Kh8 25.Qg3 Ra7 *(25...Rb8 26.Nd7 Rc8 27.Ne5)* 26.Re1 Rxd4 27.Bxf7 Rd1 28.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 29.Kh2 1-0 (66) Carlsen,M (2859)-Salem,A (2677) Chess.com INT 2022 Qd8 30.Bc4]

[20.Ne5 Rxe5 21.dxe5 Qf8±]

20...cxd5 21.Bd3 Nf8 22.Ne5

[22.Rh4 Qf6 23.Rg4 Qg7∓]

22...Re6

[22...Qf6? 23.Nxg6 fxg6 24.Bxg6 Nxg6 25.Rxg6+ Qxg6 26.Qxg6++-]

23.Bf5

[23.Nxg6 fxg6 24.Bxg6]

[Weaker is 23.Bxg6 Nxg6 24.Nxg6 fxg6+-]

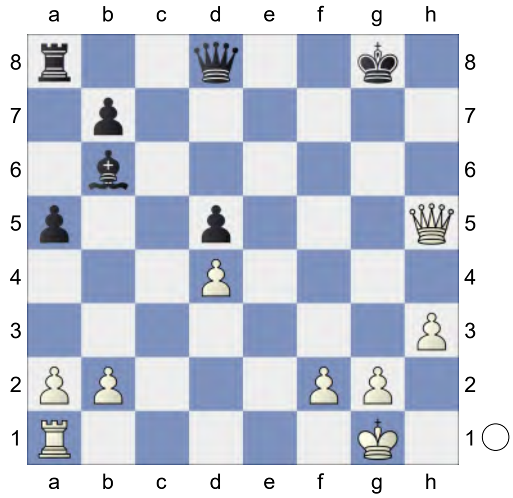
23...Rd6 4.64/33

[23...Qf6 2.86/27 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Re1 Qf6 26.Re3]

24.Nxg6

[Not 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Nxg6 *(25.Rh4 Qf6∓)* 25...Nxg6+-]

24...fxg6 25.Bxg6 Rxg6 26.Rxg6+→ White is out for blood. **26...Nxg6 27.Qxg6+ Kh8 28.Qh5+ Kg8**



29.Qg4+ Kh7? 7.23/25

[29...Kf8 3.41/26 30.Re1 Bc7]

30.Re1 Vorgänger: Vorgänger: **30...Rc8 31.Re6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.

21 (precise) /Black=0.50
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337 C54
☐ **Sevian,Samuel 2687**
■ **Maghsoodloo,Parham 2728**
Airthings Masters Div 3 W rapid (3.2)
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Taiana, APA Mikhalchishin,A Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 h6 8.Re1 a6** 8...Bb6 is setting a new trend. 8...Lb6 setzt einen neuen Trend. **9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Re8** The position is equal. **11.b4**

> [11.Nf1 Kitty Kat Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 ½-½ 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 Qd7N Kitty Kat: 'N'

> [RR 13...Re8 Kitty Kat 14.Nf1 b5 (RR *14...d5 15.Ng3 Qd7 16.Bb2 b5;* RR *14...d5 15.Ng3 Qd7 16.Bb2 b5)* 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 (RR *16...Ng6 17.Be3 Qb8 18.Nf5 exd4 19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Nxh6+ Kg7 21.Nf5+ Kg8 22.cxd4;* RR *16...Ng6 17.Be3 Qb8 18.Nf5 exd4 19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Nxh6+ Kg7 21.Nf5+ Kg8 22.cxd4)* 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 (RR *19.N3h4;* RR *19.N3h4)* 19...Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 (RR *21...Nxf5 22.exf5 Bxe3 23.Rxe3 Nxe5 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.Rxe5 dxe5 26.Qe2;* RR *21...Nxf5 22.exf5 Bxe3 23.Rxe3 Nxe5 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.Rxe5 dxe5 26.Qe2)* 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 (RR *25...Nc6 26.axb5 Nd4 27.Qd3 axb5 28.Rxa8 Qxa8 29.cxb5 Qa4 30.Qc4 Rb8 31.Qxc7 Rxb5 32.Qc8+ Kh7 33.Qc4 Rb7 34.Rb1;* RR *25...Nc6 26.axb5 Nd4 27.Qd3 axb5 28.Rxa8 Qxa8 29.cxb5 Qa4 30.Qc4 Rb8 31.Qxc7 Rxb5 32.Qc8+ Kh7 33.Qc4 Rb7 34.Rb1)* 26.Qxa4 Qb7 (RR *26...c5 27.Nd5 Rb8 28.Rdb1;* RR *26...c5 27.Nd5 Rb8 28.Rdb1)* 27.Nd5 (RR *27.Rd7 Rad8 28.Nd5 Nxd5 29.cxd5 Rxd7 30.Qxd7 Rb8 31.Rc1;* RR *27.Rd7 Rad8 28.Nd5 Nxd5 29.cxd5 Rxd7 30.Qxd7 Rb8 31.Rc1)* 27...c6 (RR *27...Nxd5 28.exd5 Reb8 29.Rab1;* RR *27...Nxd5 28.exd5 Reb8 29.Rab1)* 28.Nxe7+ Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu 2016 CBM 174 [Mikhalchishin,A] 1-0 (74) 1-0 Harika, D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) (RR *28.Ne3;* RR *28.Ne3)* 28...Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 1-0 Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7)]

> [RR 13...d5 14.Nb3 dxe4 15.dxe4 Qe8 16.Ba3]

> [RR 13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4

bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) Eforie Nord 2016 EXP 46 [Taiana, APA] 1-0 (74)]

[RR 13...d5 14.Nb3 dxe4 15.dxe4 Qe8 16.Ba3]

14.Nf1 Rd8

[14...d5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Nxe3 Rae8 17.b5 Ne7 18.c4 d4 19.Nd5 Ng6 20.Rab1 axb5 21.Rxb5 c6 22.Nb6 Qe7 23.Rb2 Nh7 24.g3 Rf6 25.Kg2 Nhf8 26.Ng1 Ne6 27.a5 Ngf4+ 28.Kh2 Rg6 29.c5 Mehnert (2650)-7. ♘c3 0-0 8. ♗e3 b6_59305 (2677) IECG email 2023 TD 94\02 [John Watson] 1-0 (38)]

15.Be3N

[15.b5 Ne7 16.d4 Ng6 17.Ng3 axb5 18.axb5 Bb6 19.Rb1 Ree8 20.Be3 Qe7 21.Rbd1 Nd7 22.Nf5 Qe6 23.Bc1 Qc4 24.Bxh6 gxh6 25.Qd2 f6 26.d5 Ndf8 27.Nxh6+ Kg7 28.Nf5+ Kg8 29.Nh6+ Kg7 Chapter C50-Game 5 Game 5 (45)]

15...Bxe3 16.Nxe3 Ne7 17.Rad1 Ng6 18.c4 c6 19.a5 d5 20.d4N Kitty Kat: 'c4xd5 would now be deadly.'

[Vorgänger: 20.c5 0.29/19 20.d3-d4 0.62 20.d3-d4 0.62 Kitty Kat: '20.d3-d4 0.68' d4 21.Nf5 Ne7 22.Nd6 Ne8 23.Nc4 Qc7 24.Nh4 0.53/20 *(24.g3± 0.91/17* Kitty Kat *)* 24...Rf6 Kitty Kat: ' ⩲ ' 25.g3 Kitty Kat: 'Against Rf6-f4' g5 26.Nf5 0.01/23 *(26.Ng2⩲* 0.51/24 Kitty Kat: ' ⩲!'*)* 26...Nxf5= 27.exf5 Rxf5 1-0 (42) Ganguly,S (2563)-Kryvoruchko,Y (2617) Riga 2021]

20...Nxe4 0.99/23

[20...dxe4⩲ 0.53/23 feels stronger. 21.Nxe5 Qc7]

21.cxd5± cxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxf2 1.10/25

[22...exd4!⩲ 0.55/21 Kitty Kat 23.Nb6 *(23.Rxd4 Ng5⩲; 23.Rxe4 Rxe4 24.Qxe4 Qxd5=)* 23...Qe8 *(23...d3 24.Nxd7 dxc2 25.Nf6+* Discovered Attack *Rxf6 26.Rxd8+ Kh7 27.Rc8+-)* 24.Nxd4 Re5]

23.Kxf2 Kitty Kat: '+-'

[23.Nb6? Kitty Kat Rxb6 24.Qxf2 Rxb4 25.Nxe5 Nxe5 26.dxe5 Qxd1 27.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 28.Kh2 Rd7-+]

23...e4

[23...Qxd5? 24.dxe5 Rc6 25.Qb1+- *(25.Qe2+-* Kitty Kat *)*]

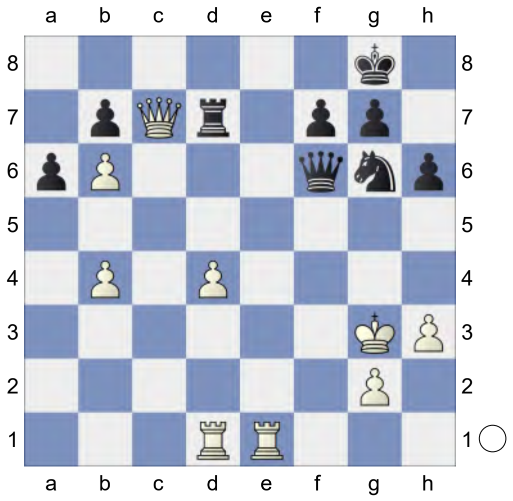
24.Nb6!

[24.Rxe4?! Qxd5 25.Rxe6 Qxe6=]

24...Rxb6 25.axb6 exf3 26.Kxf3

[26.Qc7 Kitty Kat Qd5 27.gxf3 Qg5=]

26...Qd6 27.Qc7 Kitty Kat: 'Threatens to win with Re1-e8+!' **27...Qf6+ 28.Kg3! Rd7**



29.Qb8+ 0.77/24

[Don't blunder 29.Kh2? Rxc7 30.bxc7 *(30.Re8+? Kh7-+)* 30...Qf4+ 31.Kh1 Qxc7-+]

[Kitty Kat: 'White should try' ⌓29.Rf1! 1.36/25 Kitty Kat: '+-!' Qe6 *(29...Rxd4?* Kitty Kat *30.Rxf6 gxf6 31.Rxd4+-)* 30.Qc8+ *(30.Rde1? Rxc7 31.Rxe6 Rc3+ 32.Re3 Rxe3+-+)* 30...Kh7 *(30...Nf8*

Kitty Kat *31.Rfe1 Qd6+ 32.Kf2)* 31.Rfe1 *(31.Kh2 Ne7±)* 31...Qd6+ 32.Kf2]

[29.Qxd7? Kitty Kat Qf4#]

[29.Re8+ Kitty Kat Kh7 30.Qc1 *(30.Qxd7? Qf4#)* 30...Qd6+ 31.Kf2 Qh2±]

29...Kh7 Kitty Kat: '±'

[29...Rd8? 30.Re8+ Rxe8 31.Qxe8+ Nf8 32.Kh2+-]

30.Kh2 Qxb6 31.Qe8 0x0.0025e7a66b5bdp-1022s more active pieces. **31...Qd6+**

[31...Rxd4? 32.Rxd4 Qxd4 33.Qxf7+-]

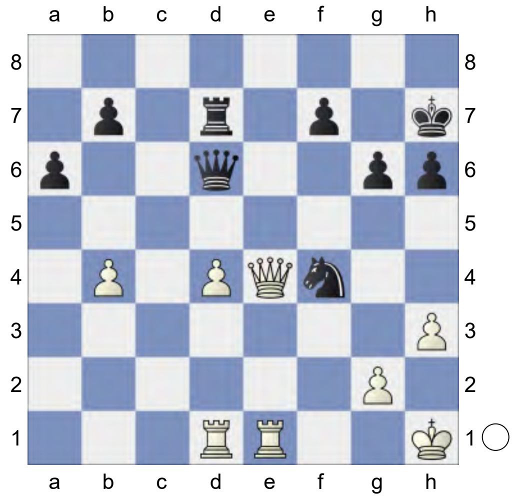
32.Kh1 Kitty Kat: 'White is more active.' **32...Nf4** 1.29/25 Kitty Kat: 'Dodges d4-d5'

[Better is 32...Qd5 0.89/24 Kitty Kat: ' ±' 33.Qe4 Kitty Kat Qxe4 34.Rxe4 f5]

33.Qe4+ 0.87/24

[Kitty Kat: 'Better is' ⌓33.d5 1.29/25 Kitty Kat: '+-']

33...g6



34.d5! Nh5 White must now prevent ... Nh5-g3+. **35.Qe5 Qxb4 36.Rc1** 0.72/24

[White should try 36.d6 1.04/22 Kitty Kat: '⌓']

36...Ng7 1.56/21

[⌓36...Qf4 1.02/22 Kitty Kat]

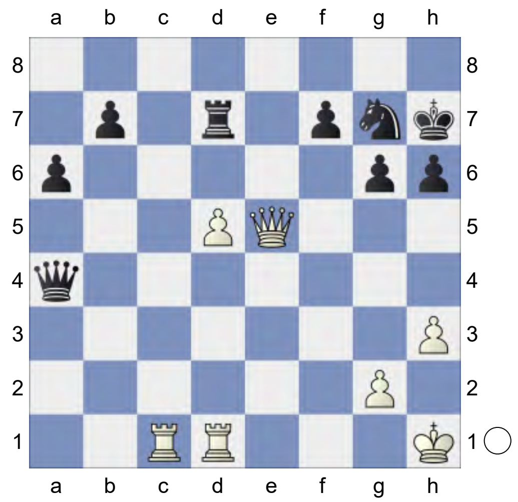
37.Red1 0.47/23

[37.Kh2± 0.94/22]

[⌓37.d6 1.56/21 Kitty Kat]

37...Qa4 1.85/24

[Black should play 37...Re7± 0.47/23 Kitty Kat: ' ±' Kitty Kat: 'might work better.' 38.Rc4 Qb3 *(38...Qa3 Kitty Kat)* 39.Qxe7 *(39.Qd4? Nf5-+)* 39...Qxd1+ 40.Kh2 Qxd5]



Loses the game. [#] Loses the game. Kitty Kat: '?' **38.d6!+-** Threatens to win with Rd1-f1. White has strong compensation. Threatens to win with Rd1-f1. White has strong compensation. Kitty Kat: '+-' Kitty Kat: 'Strongly threatening Rd1-f1.' **38...Ne6** 2.74/28 Kitty Kat: '?'

[⌓38...Qb3 1.80/24 Kitty Kat: 'was worth a try.' 39.Re1 *(39.Rd5 Kitty Kat f6)* 39...Qb6]

39.Re1 Qh4? 6.49/24 Kitty Kat: 'Prevents Qe5-f6'

[39...Qd4 2.66/26]

[39...Rd8 2.83/22 (Kitty Kat) is more resistant. 40.Qf6 Qf4 41.Rxe6 Qxf6 *(41...Qxc1+? perishes. 42.Kh2+-)* 42.Rxf6 Kg7]

40.Rc8 Ng7 41.Rec1? 2.92/28

[41.Rc7 10.97/24 Kitty Kat: ' ⌓' Rxc7 42.dxc7]

41...Qg5 4.16/24 Kitty Kat: '?'

[⌓41...Qb4 2.92/28 42.R1c7 Qxd6 43.Qxd6 Rxd6 44.Rxf7 Rc6 (*44...g5* Kitty Kat *45.Rxb7 h5*)]

42.Qxg5 The board is on fire. **42...hxg5** Endgame KRR-KRN Endgame KRR-KRN Kitty Kat: 'Endgame. KRR-KRN' **43.R8c7 Rxd6 44.Rxf7** And now Rc1-c7 would win. **44...Kh6?** 9.18/26

[44...Rc6 3.03/26 Kitty Kat: '⌓' 45.Rxc6 bxc6]

45.Rcc7 4.44/23

[⌓45.Rc8 9.18/26 Kh7 46.Rcc7]

45...g4 46.Rxg7 aiming for h3-h4. **46...g3** 6.03/29

[⌓46...gxh3 4.21/23 47.gxh3 b5]

47.Rh7+

[47.Rxb7? Kitty Kat Rd1#]

47...Kg5 48.Rc1 Prevents Rd6-d1+. Prevents Rd6-d1+. Kitty Kat: 'Dodges Rd6-d1+'

[48.Rxb7? Kitty Kat Rd1#]

48...b5 49.Ra7 b4 50.Rb7 Rd4 51.Rb6 Kf4 52.Rxa6 Ke3 53.Ra2 Rd2 54.Rxd2 White mates. **54...Kxd2 55.Rc6** Kitty Kat: 'White mates.' **55...b3 56.Rxg6 b2 57.Rb6**

[57.Rxg3? (Kitty Kat) is the wrong capture. b1Q+ (*57...b1B?* loses. *58.h4+-*) 58.Kh2 Qb8-+]

57...Kc2 58.h4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.40 Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.40 Kitty Kat: 'Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.54'

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338 **C53**
☐ **Rapport,Richard** **2754**
■ **Mamedyarov,Shakhriyar** **2747**
Aimchess Rapid KO (2.21) 19.10.2022
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Nbd2 a5 7.0-0 d6 8.h3 Be6** The position is equal. **9.Bb5 Ba7!** outshines the older 9...h6. erfolgreicher als das alte 9...h6. outshines the older 9...h6.erfolgreicher als das alte 9...h6. **10.Re1 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nf1**

[12.Ba4 Nh5 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Ng3 c6 15.Bc2 Re8 16.Be3 b5 17.a4 b4 18.cxb4 axb4 19.Rc1 c5 20.d5 Bd7 21.Bb3 Rf8 22.Nf5 Ne7 23.Nxd6 Bxh3 24.Nxf7 Rxf7 25.d6 Neg6 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 8... ♘bd7 (2698)-Moiseenko,A (2674) Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] 1-0 (49)]

12...c6N

[12...exd4 13.cxd4 (*13.Nxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4* Italian Mainlines-Giuoco Pianissimo,5) 13...d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Ng3 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Qxh4 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.g3 Qxh3 19.Rxe4 Rad8 20.Be3 (*20.Rh4 Rxd4 21.Rxd4 Bd5 22.Rxd5 Qxg3+ 23.Kh1 Qh3+ 24.Kg1 Qg3+* Italian Mainlines-Giuoco Pianissimo,1) 20...Bd5 21.Bf1 Qe6 22.Rh4 f5 23.Bd3 h6 Italian Mainlines-Giuoco Pianissimo, 1]

13.Bd3 a4 14.Ng3 b5 15.Be3 Qc7 0.49/19

[15...h6= 0.18/19]

16.Qc2 0.06/20

[16.Bg5± 0.49/19 deserves consideration.]

16...Rab8N

[Predecessor: 16...Bb6 17.b3 h6 18.Rac1 -0.28/19 (*⌓18.Rab1* 0.04/20) 18...Qa7 0.36/21 (*18...axb3=* -0.28/19 *19.axb3 Ra3*) 19.b4 -0.01/19 (*19.bxa4!⩲* 0.36/21 *Qxa4 20.dxe5 Bxe3 21.exf6 Bxc1 22.Qxc1*) 19...a3 0.51/19 (*19...Rfe8=* -0.01/19) 20.dxe5 -0.16/22 (*20.Nf5⩲* 0.51/19) 20...dxe5 21.c4 Bxe3 22.Rxe3 Rfc8 0.60/19 ½-½ (72) Alekseenko,K (2702)-Carlsen,M (2856) Warsaw 2021 (Black should try *22...c5!⩱* -0.34/22)]

17.b4 -0.01/18

[17.b3⩲ 0.33/19 should be considered.]

17...axb3 0.32/20

[17...h6= -0.01/18]

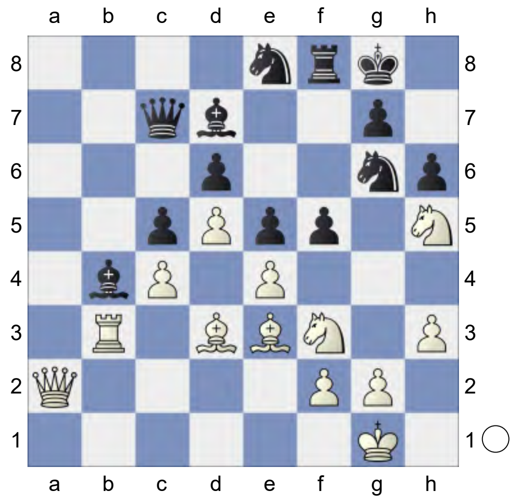
18.axb3⩲ Threatens to win with Ra1xa7!

18...c5 0.81/19

[18...Bb6⩲ 0.41/19]

19.d5 Bd7 20.c4 bxc4 21.bxc4 Bb6 22.Ra2 Ra8 23.Bg5 Rxa2 24.Qxa2 Ne8 25.Rb1 Ba5 26.Rb3 h6 27.Be3 Bb4 28.Nh5 f5 1.05/24

[28...Qd8⩲ 0.64/22]



29.exf5!⩲ Bxf5 30.Qb1 0.57/23

[30.Bxf5⩲ 1.00/24 Rxf5 31.Qb1]

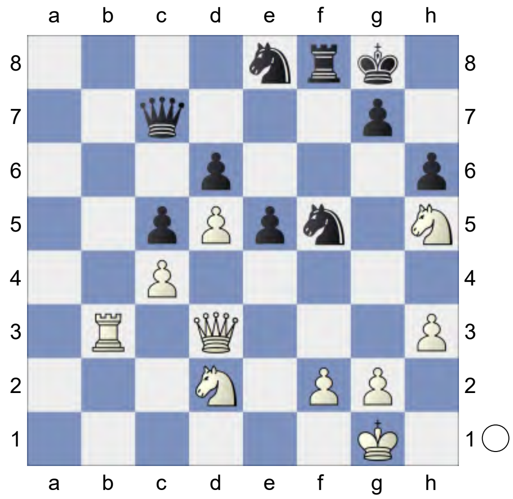
30...Ne7 0.97/25

[30...Bxd3⩲ 0.57/23 was preferrable. 31.Qxd3 Ne7]

31.Bd2 Bxd3 32.Qxd3 Bxd2 33.Nxd2

[Don't play 33.Qxd2?! Nf5=]

33...Nf5



34.Qb1? -0.51/24

[34.Ne4!± 1.09/24]

34...Qf7!⩱ ...Nf5-h4 is the strong threat.

35.Rf3? -3.41/25 White does not recover from this. **35...Qxh5-+ 36.g4 Qg5 37.Rxf5** -5.81/27

[⌓37.Ne4 -3.80/24 Qg6 38.Nd2]

37...Qxd2 Black is clearly winning.

38.Rxf8+ Kxf8 39.Qf5+ Nf6? -2.03/28 Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.07 (flawless)

[39...Ke7 -5.81/27 40.Qe4 Nf6]

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339 **C54**

□ **Sadhwani,Raunak** **2672**

■ **Goryachkina,Aleksandra** **2533**

Moscow Stars Rapid (3) 26.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.h3 a5 7...a5 is setting a new trend. 7...a5 setzt einen neuen Trend. **8.Re1 Ba7 9.Bb3 h6** The position is equal. **10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Ba4 Qb8 12.Nf1 b5 13.Bc2** **b4N**

[13...Ne7 14.d4 Ng6 15.a4 b4 16.Ng3 Re8 17.Be3 c6 18.Qd2 bxc3 19.bxc3 Qc7 1-0 (39) Van Foreest,J (2696)-Costa,L (2472) Bundesliga 2425 2024 (3.6)]

14.Ng3 Rd8 15.d4 A mistake that costs the game. **15...exd4** 2.36/19

[15...Ne7± 1.02/18]

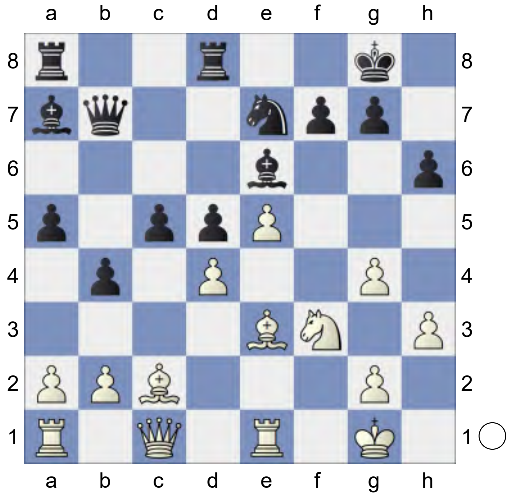
16.cxd4+- d5 17.e5 Ne4 18.Be3 Qb7 3.05/20

[18...b3 1.83/21 was worth a try.]

19.Qc1 Nxg3 20.fxg3 Ne7? 5.40/21

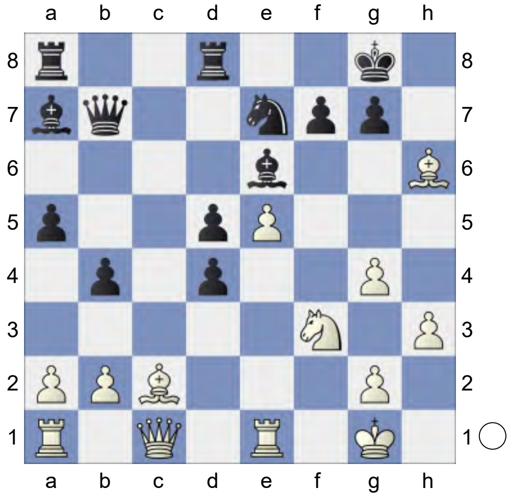
[20...Qa6 2.87/19 21.Bb1 Ne7]

21.g4 c5



22.Bxh6! cxd4

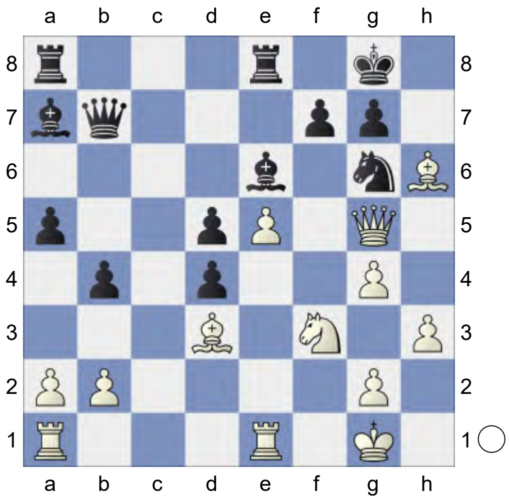
[22...Ng6 23.Bxg6]



Hoping for ...d3+. **23.Bd3! Ng6 24.Qg5 Re8** 5.58/22

[⌓24...Qe7 3.94/18 25.Bxg6 d3+ 26.Kh2 Qxg5 27.Bxg5 fxg6 28.Bxd8 Rxd8]

(Diagram)



25.Qh5! and Rf1! should not be overlooked. White is clearly winning. **25...gxh6** 8.44/21

[⌓25...Bc5 4.82/19 26.Bd2 Nf8]

[25...Qe7 26.Bg5]

26.Qxh6 Qe7 Inhibits Ng5. **27.Ng5! Nf8 28.Nh7** White threatens Nf6+ and mate. **28...f5 29.Nf6+ Kf7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/Black=1.25

30.gxf5

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340 **C55**

☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2877**

■ **Violet_Pride** **2864**

Blitz 04.05.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Be6** 0.21/25

[Black should try 10...a6∓ -0.64/22]

11.c3= Bxc4 12.Bxf6 The position is equal. **12...gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Kh1** -0.24/20

[⌓14.b4 0.19/20 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 29.g3 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)]

[14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

14...Rg8N 0.94/23

[14...Qc5!= -0.24/20 15.Qb3 *(15.Na3 Rg8 16.Rxf6 Nf4 17.Rf5 Qf2 18.Qf3 Qxb2 19.Rxe5+ Ne6 20.Rf1 0-0-0 21.Ra5 Rd3 22.g3 Rxf3 23.Rxf3 Qc1+ 24.Kg2 Nf4+* 0-1 2.c4 e5-Kollberg,L Olympiad-01 London 1927 (1) *)* 15...0-0-0]

[14...Nc5 15.Qg4 Nd7 16.Ne3 0-0-0 17.Nd5 Qe6 18.Qh4 a6 19.h3 Kb8 20.Rf3 c6 21.Nxf6 Nxf6 22.Rxf6 Qc4 23.Raf1 Rd7 24.Qg4 Rhd8 25.Qf5 Re7 26.Qxh7 Qxa2 27.R1f2 Rdd7 28.Kh2 Qc4 29.h4 1-0 Kjoita,T-Ji,J Grodzisk Mazowiecki 103/(30) 2007 (2) c5 30.h5 Qd3 31.h6 Qd1 32.Qg8+ Rd8 33.h7 Qh5+ 34.Kg1 Ree8 35.Qxf7 Qh4 36.Qg6 Rh8 37.Rf7 Rd1+ 38.Rf1 Rxf1+ 39.Kxf1 Qh1+ 40.Ke2 Rd8 41.Qg8 Qd1+ 42.Kf2 Qd2+ 43.Kg3 Qe3+ 44.Rf3 1-0 Keiling,L-Fredouille,P FRA-ch25 Besancon 1949 (2)]

15.Ne3± White has strong compensation. **15...Nf4** 3.09/22

[15...Qd6± 0.83/22]

16.g3+- Qc5 17.Ng4 0.85/21

[17.Qf3+- 2.76/22 and the rest is

easy.]

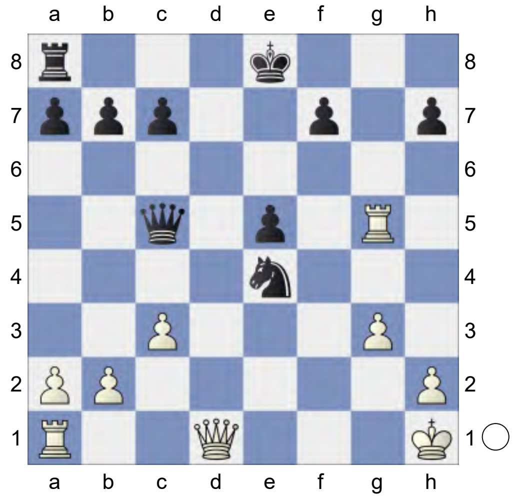
17...Nh5? 3.16/22

[17...Qc6± 0.85/21 was called for. 18.Qf3 (*18.gxf4? Qxe4+ 19.Qf3 Qxf3+* Remove Defender *20.Rxf3 Rxg4∓*) 18...Qe6]

18.Rf5!

[18.Nxf6+ Nxf6 19.Rxf6 a5±]

18...Rg5 19.Nxf6+ Remove Defender **19...Nxf6 20.Rxg5 Nxe4**



21.Qh5? -0.21/23 **Nxg5= 22.Qxg5** Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **22...Qd5+ 23.Kg1 Kd7 24.Qg4+ Kc6 25.Rd1 Qc5+**

[25...Qxa2 26.Qe4+ Kb6 27.b4+- (*27.Qe3+ Ka6=*)]

26.Kg2 Kb6 27.Qf5 Re8 28.Qxf7 Re7 0.44/22

[28...Qc6+= 0.05/21 29.Qd5 Re6]

29.Qf6+ 0.01/22

[29.Qb3+± 0.44/22 is superior. Qb5 30.Qxb5+ Kxb5 31.Rd8]

29...c6 30.Rd6 Rc7

[30...Rf7!? 31.Qxf7 Qxd6=]

31.Qd8 Qc4 32.Rd2 Qe4+ 33.Kf1 -1.40/26

[33.Kh3= 0.00/30]

33...Qf5+ 0.00/27

[33...Qh1+∓ -1.40/26 34.Ke2 Qxh2+ 35.Kf3 Qh1+ 36.Kf2 e4 37.Qd4+ c5 38.Qd6+ Rc6]

34.Ke1 e4 35.b4 Qe5 36.Rd4 a6 37.Qd6 Qxd6 38.Rxd6 KR-KR **38...Rf7 39.Ke2 Rf3 40.c4 Ra3 41.Rh6 Rxa2+ 42.Ke3 Rc2 43.Kd4 e3** Deflection **44.Kxe3** -1.22/24

[44.Rxh7= 0.03/24 remains equal. Rb2 45.c5+ Ka7 46.Kc3]

44...Rxc4∓ 45.Rxh7 Rxb4 46.h4 a5 47.h5 -1.81/23

[47.Rh8∓ -1.32/24]

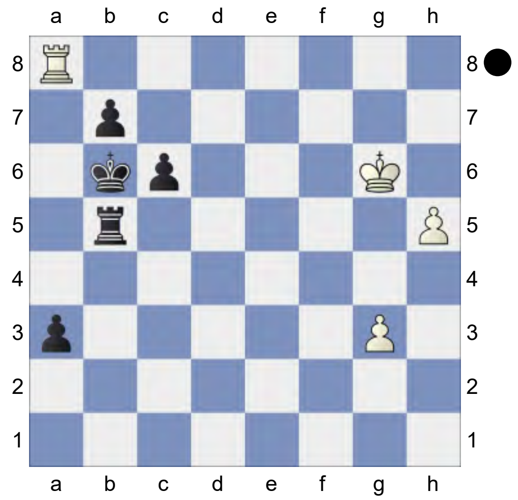
47...a4-+ 48.Rh8 -2.45/25

[⌓48.Rd7 -1.93/23]

48...Rb3+ 49.Kf4 Hoping for Ra8. **49...Rb4+ 50.Kf5?** -6.84/19

[50.Kf3 -2.74/25 Ka7 51.Re8 Rb3+ 52.Kg4]

50...a3 51.Ra8 Rb5+ 52.Kg6



Ra5

[Don't blunder 52...Rb3? 53.g4 Rd3 54.h6 Rd6+ 55.Kh5+-]

53.Re8 a2 54.Re1 a1Q 55.Rxa1 Rxa1 KR-KPP **56.g4 Rh1** ...c5 would now be deadly. **57.g5 c5 58.h6 c4** Black mates. **59.Kg7 c3 60.h7 c2 61.g6 c1Q 62.Kg8 Qc3 63.Kf7 Qc4+ 64.Kf6 Qd4+ 65.Kf7 Rf1+ 66.Kg8 Qd8+ 67.Kg7 Qf6+ 68.Kh6** What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.74/Black=0.37

68...Rh1#
0-1

341 C54
☐ **Mamedov,Rauf 2640**
■ **Nihal,Sarin 2694**
Julius Baer Rapid Div 2 L (1.3) 31.08.23
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

7...Bxd2+ 8.Bxd2 Nxe4 9.d5 The position is equal. **9...Ne7 10.Bb4** White wants to play Bxe7. **10...d6 11.0-0** White has compensation. **11...0-0 12.Re1 a5 13.Ba3!?N** An interesting novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 13.Bxa5 Nxf2 14.Qd2 Ng4! 15.Bc3 Ng6 16.h3 Nf6 17.Qd4 -0.18/21 *(17.a4 0.28/21)* 17...c5 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.Rad1 -0.75/20 0-1 Burke,J (2573)-Dominguez Perez, L (2756) American Cup Blitz 2022 (4) *(19.b4= 0.06/22)*]

13...Nf6 Excellent horsemanship. **14.b3! Bg4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Ng6 17.Bb2 a4 18.Rac1 Ne5 19.Bxe5 dxe5 20.Rxe5 Qd6 21.Rce1 axb3 22.Qxb3 Nd7 23.Rg5 h6**

[23...Rae8 24.Rxe8 Rxe8 25.Qxb7 Re1+]

24.Rg3 Black is weak on the light squares **24...b6 25.Bb5 Nf6 26.Qb2** 0.01/21

[26.Rd3⩲ 0.48/22]

26...Nh5= 27.Rge3 Nf6 28.Bc6 Ra5 29.Rg3 Rc5 30.Rc1 Rxc1+

[30...Nxd5 31.Qxg7#]

[30...Nh5 31.Rf3 Rxc1+ 32.Qxc1 Nf6]

31.Qxc1 Nxd5

[31...h5 32.Rd3 g6 33.Qc4 Rd8]

32.Bxd5 Qxd5 33.Qxh6 Endgame KQR-KQR **33...Qe5 34.Qd2 c5 35.f4 Qf6 36.Rd3** -1.23/26

[White should try 36.Qc3∓ -0.34/23 Qxc3 *(36...Qxf4 37.Qxg7#)* 37.Rxc3]

36...c4↑ -0.64/22 Black is more active.

[36...Rc8∓ -1.23/26 Threatens to win with ...c4. 37.Rd6 Qe7 38.Rxb6 c4]

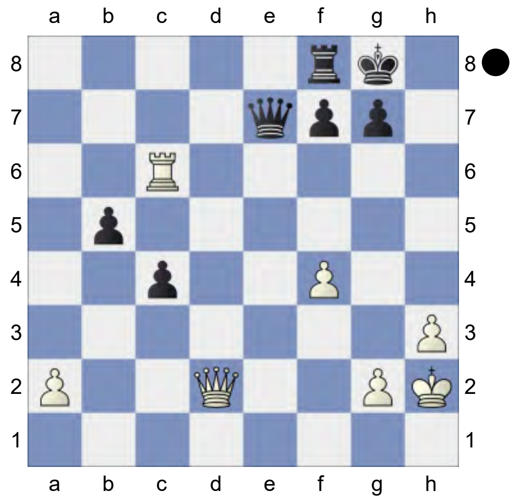
37.Rd6!∓ Qe7 38.Rc6 -1.96/27

[38.Rd7∓ -0.87/25 was necessary. Qc5+ 39.Qd4]

38...b5!-+ 39.Kh2? -4.83/23

[39.a4∓ -1.28/24 was the crucial defense. Qa7+ *(39...bxa4 40.Rxc4 Ra8 41.Qd5∓)* 40.Kh2 Qxa4 41.Rb6]

(Diagram)



39...Re8? -0.01/25

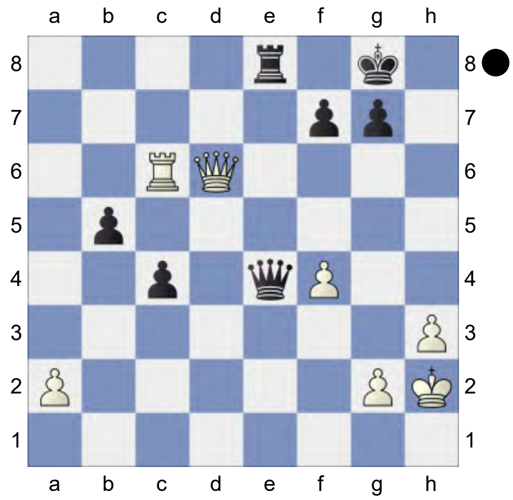
[39...Qb7!-+ -4.83/23 40.Rd6 Re8]

40.Qd5 -0.38/25

[40.a4= -0.01/25 was preferable.]

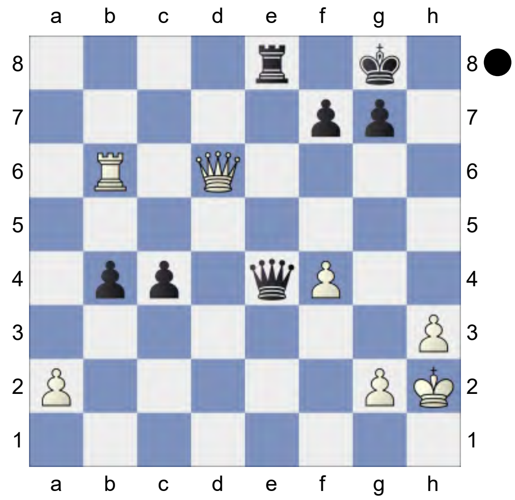
40...Qe4 41.Qd6 -0.85/25

[41.Qxe4= -0.12/24 remains equal. Rxe4 42.Rb6]



41...b4!∓ 42.Rb6

(Diagram)



b3 0.08/24 **43.axb3= cxb3**

[43...c3 44.Rc6 c2 45.Rc5 Qb4]

44.Rxb3 Qe6 45.Qd3 Qe4 46.Qg3 g6 47.Rb5 Qe3 48.Qh4 Qd4

[48...Kg7 feels hotter. 49.f5 Qc3 50.Qf4 Qf6]

49.Rb3 Qh8 50.Qg5

[50.Qxh8+ Kxh8 51.g4 Re2+ 52.Kg3]

50...Qd4 51.f5 Qe5+ 52.Rg3 Kg7 53.Qg4 Qe4 54.Qg5

[54.fxg6 Qxg4 55.Rxg4 fxg6 56.h4]

54...Qe5

[54...Qe7 55.Qxe7 Rxe7 56.fxg6 fxg6 57.Ra3 Re8]

55.h4

[55.fxg6 Qxg5 56.Rxg5 fxg6 57.Ra5]

55...Rh8

[55...Ra8 56.fxg6 Qxg5 57.Rxg5 fxg6 58.Kh3 Ra3+]

56.Kh3

[56.fxg6 simplifies Qxg5 57.Rxg5 fxg6 58.Kh3]

56...Qf6 57.fxg6 Qxg5 Remove Defender **58.Rxg5 fxg6 59.Ra5 Rb8 60.g3 Ra8?** #13/28

What a bad dream for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.33

61.Rxa8
1-0

342 C55
☐ ManuDavid2910 2834
■ Caviar2068 3015
Blitz 14.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.09/21

[Black should play 9...Qe7∓ -0.56/17 10.Nd2 h5]

10.Na3= Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6! gxf6 13.Nxc4 Qc5 14.cxd4 Qxc4 15.Rc1

[15.Rxf6 Qxd4+ 16.Qxd4 exd4∓]

15...Qxd4+ 16.Qxd4 exd4 17.Rxc7± Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **17...0-0 18.Rxf6**

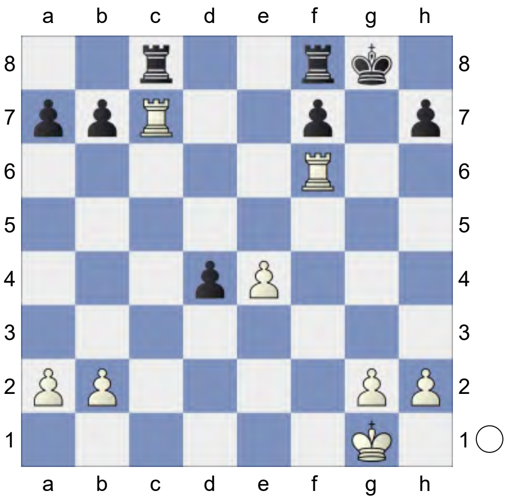
[18.Rxb7 Kg7=]

18...Rac8N 1.45/23

[18...b5± 0.33/19]

[18...Rae8 19.Rf4 b6 20.Rxa7 Rc8 21.h3 Rc2 22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Kxf2 Rc8 24.b3 Rc2+ 25.Kf3 Rc3+ 26.Kf4 Rc2 27.g4 Rf2+ 28.Ke5 d3 29.Rd7 d2 30.Rd3 Kg7 31.Kd4 Rh2 32.b4 Kf6 33.a4 1-0 Scheeff,V (2111)-Lubbe,N (2369) Stuttgart-ch op 2009 (2) Ke6 34.Kc3 Rxh3 35.Kxd2 Rh4 36.Rg3 Ke5 37.Kd3 h5 38.gxh5 f5 39.h6 fxe4+ 40.Ke3 Rxh6 41.Rg5+ Kd6 ½-½ Martin,P (2537)-Poplawski,M (2580) GER-ch U08 Girls 2023 (5)]

(Diagram)



19.Rfxf7!± Deflection. White is much more active.

[19.Rxb7?! Rc2±]

19...Rxf7 2.94/16

[19...Rxc7± 1.23/25 20.Rxc7 d3]

20.Rxc8+ KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **20...Kg7 21.Rd8 Rc7 22.h3?** 0.40/20

[22.Rxd4+- 2.44/21 Rb4 is the strong threat. Kf6 23.Rb4]

22...Rc2!± 23.Rd7+ Kf6 24.Rxd4

[24.Rxb7 Ke5 25.Re7+ *(25.Rxh7 d3=)* 25...Kf4]

24...Rxb2 25.Rd7 h5 26.a4 Rb4 27.a5 a6 1.14/19

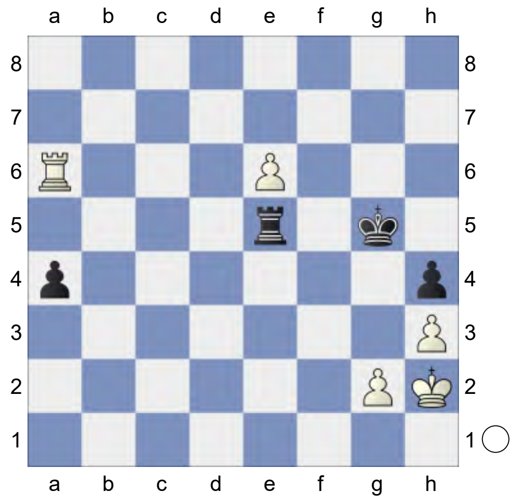
[27...Rb5= 0.09/21 remains equal.]

28.Kh2 0.06/26

[28.Kf2± 1.14/19]

28...h4 The position is equal. **29.Rh7 Kg5 30.e5 Rb5 31.e6 Rxa5 32.Rxb7 Re5 33.Rb6 a5 34.Ra6 a4**

(Diagram)



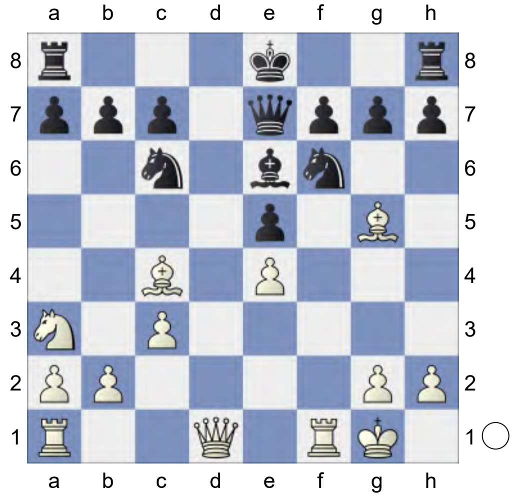
Deflection **35.Rxa4 Rxe6 36.Ra5+ Kg6 37.Ra4 Kg5 38.Ra3 Re4 39.Kg1 Re2 40.Ra5+ Kg6 41.Rd5 Ra2 42.Kf1 Rb2 43.Re5 Ra2 44.Re2 Ra3 45.Kf2 Kf5 46.Re3 Ra1 47.Rb3 Ra2+ 48.Kf3 Ra5 49.Re3 Rb5 50.Rd3 Ra5 51.Rc3 Rb5 52.Ra3 Rc5 53.Re3 Rb5 54.Kf2 Ra5 55.Kg1 Rb5 56.Re8 Kg5 57.Rg8+ Kh5 58.Kh2 Ra5 59.Rg4 Ra2 60.Re4 Rb2 61.Kg1 Ra2 62.Kf1 Ra1+ 63.Kf2 Ra3 64.Re5+ Kg6 65.Re3 Ra2+ 66.Kf3 Kf5 67.Rd3 Rb2 68.Rd5+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.22 (precise) **68...Kg6**

½-½

343 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2805**
■ **BIZOO** **2838**
Blitz 30.08.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Nc6**

[11...Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 (*14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6* 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)) 14...Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]



and ...Bxc4 would now be decisive. Excellent horsemanship. **12.Kh1** White is slightly better. **12...h6** 0.48/20

[12...Rg8= 0.12/19 deserves consideration.]

13.Bxf6± gxf6 14.Qf3N -0.06/19

[14.Bxe6± 0.45/18 fxe6 (*14...Qxe6 15.Qf3±*) 15.Qh5+ Qf7 16.Qh4]

[14.Bb3 Rg8 15.Nc4 Rg6 16.Ne3 #11 Theory 1A2: 7... d6-A2: 7...d6 9. fxe5]

14...0-0-0= 15.Bd5 h5 0.19/19

[Black should try 15...f5∓ -0.33/20]

16.Nc4 White has compensation.

[16.Bxe6+ fxe6 *(16...Qxe6 17.Qxf6 Qxf6 18.Rxf6=)* 17.Qxf6 Qxf6 18.Rxf6 Rd2±]

16...Rh6 17.Ne3 Rg8 0.86/21

[17...Qf8= 0.19/19]

18.b4 Nd8 1.42/19

[18...Kb8⩲ 0.55/20]

19.Rad1 0.64/18

[Better is 19.Nf5± 1.42/19 Bxf5 20.exf5]

19...c6 1.11/18

[19...Rhg6⩲ 0.64/18]

20.Bb3± Rg5 1.87/18

[20...Bg4± 1.05/18 21.Nf5 Bxf5 22.exf5 Rhh8]

21.Rd2+- Bg4 2.16/19

[21...Rh8± 1.60/16 22.Bxe6+ *(22.Qxf6 Qxf6 23.Rxf6 Bxb3+-)* 22...fxe6]

22.Qf2 Ne6? 4.19/21

[22...Rg8 2.07/17 was called for. 23.Nf5 *(23.Nxg4 hxg4 24.Qxa7 g3±)* 23...Bxf5]

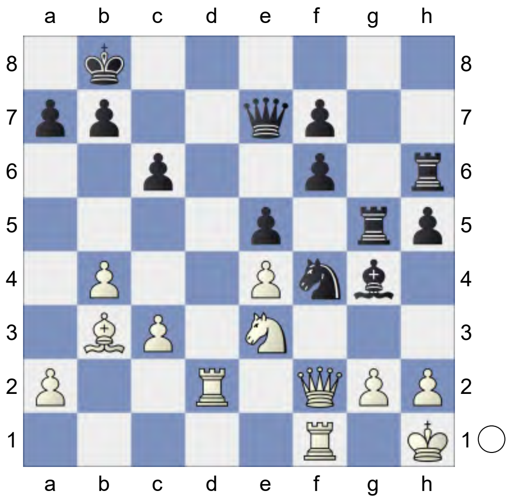
23.Nc4? 0.92/19

[23.Nxg4+- 4.19/21 hxg4 24.Qxa7]

23...Kb8± 24.Ne3 0.89/20 White is much more active.

[⌓24.Nd6 1.36/19]

24...Nf4



25.Bd1 0.17/21

[25.h4!± 1.09/18 Rg8 26.g3]

25...Rh8 1.56/21

[25...Bc8!= 0.17/21]

26.Bxg4 hxg4 27.Nf5 0.00/21

[27.g3± 1.23/24]

27...Qe6= 28.Rfd1 Rgg8 0.84/20

[28...Qc4= 0.00/21 remains equal.]

29.Rd7? -1.86/22

[29.Qc5± 0.84/20]

29...Rc8? 0.57/19

[29...g3-+ -1.86/22 30.Nxg3 Nd5 31.exd5 *(31.Qf5? Ne3-+)* 31...Qxd7 32.Qxf6 Qg4 *(32...cxd5 33.Qxe5+ Qc7 34.Qxc7+ Kxc7 35.Kg1∓)*]

30.Re7? -1.51/22

[30.Qc2⩲ 0.57/19]

30...Qc4? 9.40/21

[30...g3∓ -1.51/22 31.Qxg3 Qxa2]

31.Rdd7 4.56/20

[⌓31.Rxb7+ 9.40/21 Kxb7 32.Rd7+ *(32.Nd6+ Ka6+-)* 32...Rc7 33.Rxc7+ Deflection *(33.Nd6+ Kb8=)* 33...Kxc7 34.Qxa7+ Kc8 35.Nd6+ Kd8 36.Nxc4]

31...Qa6+- 32.Nd6

[Less strong is 32.Rxf7 Rhd8±]

32...g3 #4/17

[32...b6+- 4.56/20 33.Rb7+ *(33.Rxf7 Rcd8⩲; 33.Nxf7 g3∓)* 33...Ka8 34.Nxc8 *(34.Nxf7 g3∓; 34.Rxf7 Rcd8⩱)* 34...Rxc8]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.87/Black=0.96 **33.Rxb7+**

[33.Qxg3? Qf1#]

1-0

344 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2838**
■ **NoRolex** **2916**
Blitz 05.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.01/21

[9...Qe7⩱ -0.59/19 10.Na3 Bd7]

10.Na3= Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 The position is equal. **12...gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Kh1** -0.16/18

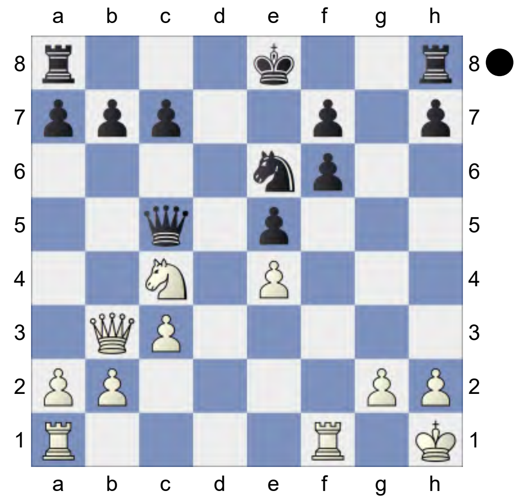
[14.Ne3 0.24/19 is superior. Qc5 15.Qd2 Rd8 16.Qe2 Nf4 17.Qf3 Rg8 18.Rf2 Rd3 19.Re1 Rd6 20.Rc2 a5 21.g3 Qc6 22.Kh1 Ne6 23.Nf5 Rd7 24.Rf2 Nc5 25.Rfe2 Kd8 26.b4 axb4 27.cxb4 Ne6 28.Qa3 b6 29.Qa6 1-0 13. ♘d3_13430 (2477)-8.f4 ♗d7_63689 (2383) Kyiv Spring op 2023 (11)]

[14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)]

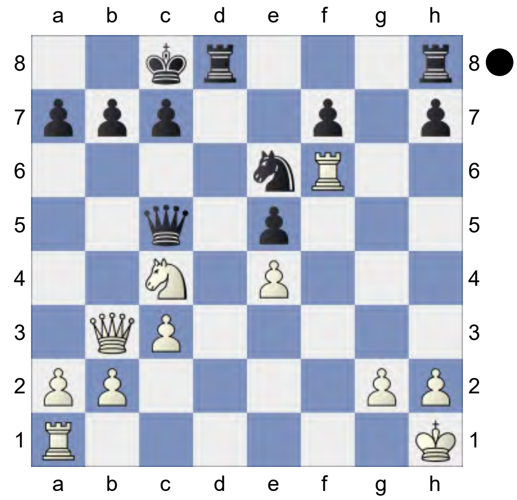
14...Qc5! 15.Qb3N -1.12/21

[15.Na3!= -0.29/20 Rg8 16.Rxf6 Nf4 17.Rf5 Qf2 18.Qf3 Qxb2 19.Rxe5+ Ne6 20.Rf1 0-0-0 21.Ra5 Rd3 22.g3 Rxf3 23.Rxf3 Qc1+ 24.Kg2 Nf4+ 0-1 Anderssen,A-Fleissig,M Wien 1873 (1)]

[15.Qe2 Nf4 Quickstarter – Italian-Italian – Deutz Gambit 4.O-]



15...0-0-0!∓ 16.Rxf6



Rd7? 0.96/21

[16...Rhg8!⩱ -0.94/19 and life is bright. Hoping for ...Nf4. 17.Raf1 *(17.Rxf7 Ng5⩱)* 17...Ng5]

17.Raf1 0.00/19 White is more active.

[17.Rf5± 0.96/21 Ng7 18.Nxe5 *(18.Rxe5 Qf2⩲)* 18...Nxf5 19.Nxd7]

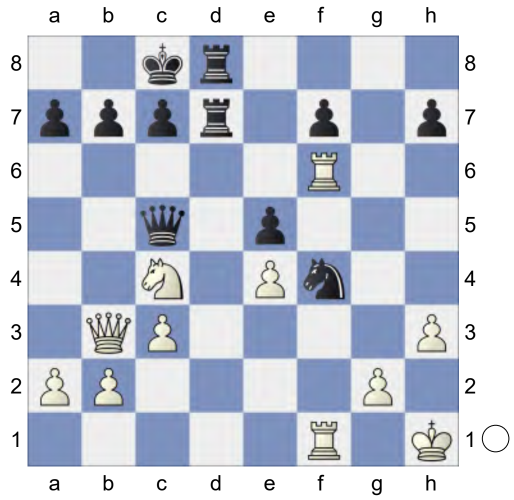
17...Rhd8 18.h3 -0.45/20

[18.Rxf7? Rxf7 19.Rxf7 Nf4-+]

[18.R6f5= 0.24/20 Nf4 19.h3 *(19.Rxe5? Qf2-+* Back Rank; *19.R1xf4? exf4 20.Rd5 Qf2-+)*]

18...Nf4? 1.34/19

[18...Ng5⩱ -0.45/20 19.Qa4 Kb8 *(19...Nxe4 20.Nb6+* Discovered Attack *Qxb6 21.Rxb6+-)*]



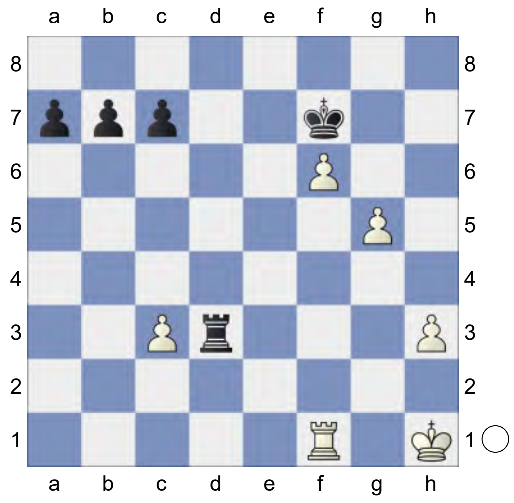
19.Nxe5!± Qxe5 20.R6xf4 0.82/19
[⌓20.R1xf4 1.20/20 Hoping for R6f5!. Rd1+ 21.Rf1]

Black cannot hold the game after this. **20...Rd2?** 2.97/18
[20...b6± 0.82/19]

21.Qxf7+-
[21.Rxf7 Qxe4 22.R7f3 a5=]

21...Rxb2 22.Qxh7 Rxa2 4.82/18
[22...Qxc3 3.17/19 might work better. 23.Rf8 Rbd2 24.Qf5+ Kb8]

23.Rf8 White is clearly winning. **23...Rad2 24.Rxd8+ Rxd8 25.Qf5+ Qxf5 26.exf5** Endgame KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **26...Kd7 27.g4 Ke7 28.g5 Rd3 29.f6+ Kf7**



30.g6+! Promotion **30...Kxg6**
[30...Kf8 31.Kg2]

31.f7 Rxh3+ 32.Kg2 Rh8 33.f8Q
[Less strong is 33.f8B a5±]

33...Rxf8 34.Rxf8 KR-K3P **34...a5 35.Rb8 b6 36.Rb7 Kf5 37.Rxc7 Ke5 38.Rd7 b5 39.Kf3 a4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.87

40.Ke3

1-0

345 **C54**
□ **Gledura,Benjamin** **2645**
■ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu**
HUN-ch Rapid (7) 22.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 Sagar,Shah **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.Nbd2 a6 7.a4 0-0** The main line 7...0-0 scores better than 7...Ba7. Die Hauptvariante 7...0-0 punktet besser als 7...La7. **8.0-0 a5N**
[8...Ba7 9.b4 h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 0-1 (52) Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

9.h3 The position is equal. **9...h6 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bb5 Na7 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Bb4 14.Bd3 d5 15.e5 Nd7 16.Re2 c5 17.Nf1 Nc6N**
[Predecessor: 17...cxd4 18.Bc2 Nc5 Against Qd3 19.Nxd4 Re3 would now be deadly. Nc6 20.Ng3 Nxd4 21.Qxd4 f5 22.exf6 0.17/24 (White should try *22.Nh5±* 0.99/22)

22...Qxf6= 23.Be3 Qxd4 24.Bxd4 ½-½ Vachier Lagrave,M (2789)-Svidler,P (2751) FIDE World Cup 2017 (5.3)]

18.Bc2 -0.01/23

[18.Ng3⩲ 0.35/23]

18...Re8 19.Ng3 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Qxd4 Rc8! 22.Bd3 Prevents Rc4 **22...Nc5 23.Bc2** Prevents Nb3 **23...Nd7 24.Be3** -0.78/23

[24.Bd3= 0.01/22]

24...Nf8 0.01/23

[24...Rc4⩱ -0.78/23 25.Qd3 g6]

25.Rd1 Ng6

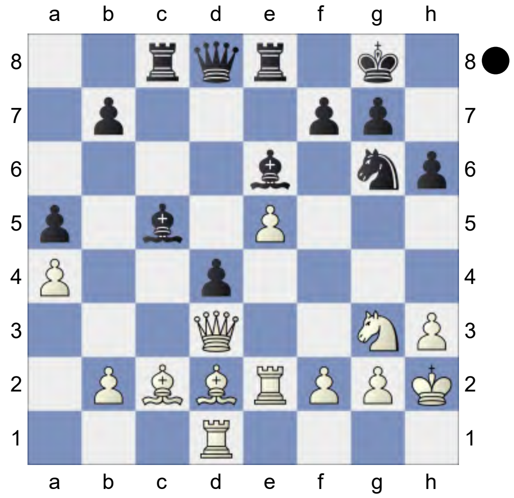
[25...Rc4 26.Qxc4 dxc4 27.Rxd8 Rxd8 28.Ne4 Bd5]

26.Kh2 Bc5

[26...Rc4 simplifies 27.Qxc4 dxc4 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.f4 Ne7]

27.Qd3 d4 28.Bd2 -1.90/24

[28.Bxd4= 0.09/21 Bxd4 29.Qxd4]



28...Bb6!-+ 29.Bb3 -2.33/23 Wards off Bc4

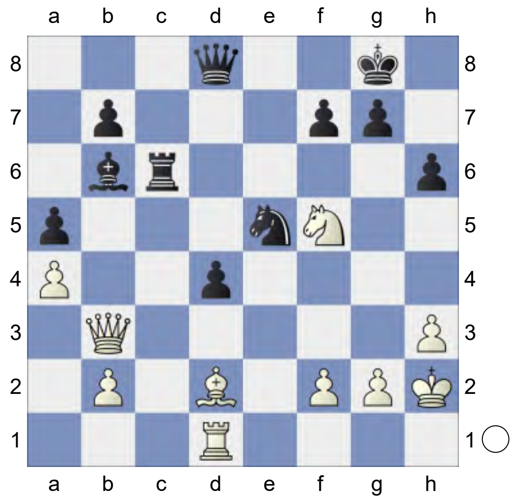
[⌓29.Ree1 -1.66/24]

29...Bxb3 30.Qxb3 Rxe5

[30...Nxe5 31.Rde1 Bc7 32.f4⩲ *(32.Qxb7? Rb8-+* Skewer *)*]

31.Rxe5 Nxe5 32.Nf5 Rc6

(Diagram)



33.Re1 Qf6 This move loses the game for White. **34.Ng3** -4.99/21

[34.f4⩱ -1.33/21 is more resistant. Nf3+ *(34...Qxf5 35.Rxe5 Qc2 36.Re8+ Kh7 37.Qxf7=)* 35.Qxf3 Qxf5 36.Re8+ Kh7 37.Re5]

34...Nc4 -2.74/22

[Inferior is 34...Qxf2 35.Rxe5 Qxd2 36.Re8+ Kh7 37.Qxf7⩲]

[⌓34...d3 -4.99/21 35.Ne4 *(35.f4? Ng4+ 36.Kh1 Nf2+ 37.Kh2 Rc2-+)* 35...Nf3+ 36.Kh1 *(36.gxf3 Qxf3 37.Ng5 hxg5-+)* 36...Qh4]

35.Re8+? -4.49/5

[35.Qd3 -2.74/22 Qg6 *(35...Nxb2 36.Re8#)* 36.Nf5]

35...Kh7 36.Be1 Qg6 37.h4? -6.14/22

[37.Qf3 -3.34/21 d3 *(37...Nxb2 38.Qa3⩱)* 38.b3]

37...d3 Black is clearly winning. **38.h5 Qd6** ...Qd7 is the strong threat. **39.Re4 d2 40.Qc2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.88/ Black=0.19 (very precise)

40...d1Q

0-1

346 **C55**
☐ **cygnet26** **2833**
■ **NoRolex** **2907**
Blitz 29.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ne6** 0.08/20 Prevents f4.

[8...Qe7⩱ -0.37/22 should be considered.]

[8...d6 9.f4 Bg4 10.Bxf6 Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Nc3 *(13.Na3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6 15.Rf1 exf4 16.Rxf4 0-0 17.Kf2 Kh8 18.Ke3 d5* 0-1 Tumukunde,T-Okurut,M (1493) UGA-ch U20 Kampala 2025 (4) *)* 13...Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7 16.Nxf4 Rde8 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10)]

9.Bxe6!= dxe6 10.Qf3 The position is equal. **10...Bd7N**

[10...Qe7 11.Rd1 b6 12.Qc3 Bb7 *(12...Qc5 13.Qxc5 bxc5 14.f3 Bb7 15.Na3 a6 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nc4* #8 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5*)* 13.Qxe5 g5 14.Bg3 Bxe4 15.Nc3 #9 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5]

[10...g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 12.Qc3 f6 13.Rd1 Qe7 14.Qxc7 Nc5 15.Qxe7+ Kxe7 16.f3 #10 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5]

11.Rd1 White has compensation. **11...Qe7 12.Nc3** -0.36/21

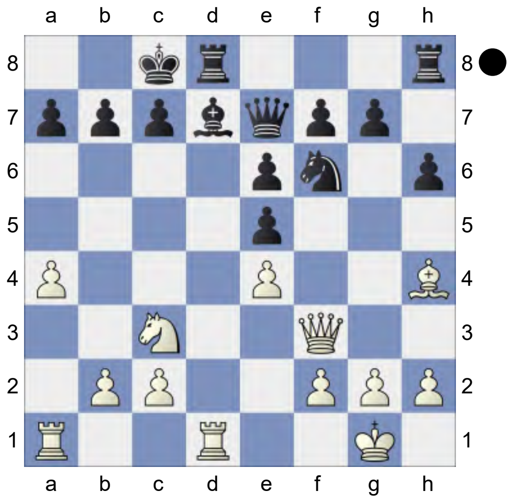
[12.Qc3!⩲ 0.34/21]

12...0-0-0 0.00/20

[12...Bc6⩱ -0.36/21]

13.a4 -0.85/20

[13.Bg3!= 0.00/20 keeps the balance.]



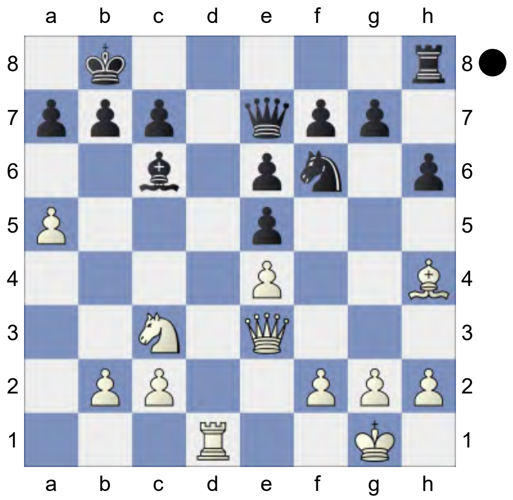
13...Bc6!⩱ 14.Qe3 Kb8 -0.31/20

[14...b6⩱ -0.75/21]

15.a5 -0.84/23

[15.f3!⩱ -0.31/20]

15...Rxd1+ 16.Rxd1



Rd8 -0.24/23

[16...g5!⩱ -0.94/20 17.Bg3 Nd7]

17.Ra1? -1.84/23

[17.Rxd8+!= -0.24/23 Qxd8 18.Bxf6 Qxf6 19.Qc5]

17...Qb4-+ 18.b3 -2.03/23

[⌓18.Rb1 -1.61/23]

18...Ng4

[18...Bxe4? 19.Bxf6 gxf6

20.Nxe4+- *(20.Qxe4? Qxc3 21.Rf1 f5-+)*]

19.Qe1 g5 20.Bg3 h5 -0.63/23

[20...f5-+ -1.98/22 21.exf5 exf5 22.Bxe5 Qc5 *(22...Re8 23.Bxc7+ Kc8 24.Qd2=)*]

21.h3 -1.14/24

[21.h4!∓ -0.63/23]

21...h4!∓ Black has more active pieces.

22.Bh2 -2.38/25

[22.Bxh4∓ -1.21/23 gxh4 23.hxg4]

22...Nxh2-+ 23.Kxh2 f5 24.exf5 -3.08/25

[24.Qe3 -2.14/23 keeps fighting.]

24...Qf4+

[24...exf5 25.Qxe5 a6 26.Rd1 Rxd1 27.Nxd1∓]

25.Kg1 exf5 26.Rd1 Rxd1 -0.93/22

[26...Rd4-+ -2.70/22 and Black stays clearly on top. ...b6 would now be deadly. 27.f3 a6]

27.Qxd1 Endgame KQB-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **27...Qd4 28.Qh5** -3.73/24 **a6**

[Inferior is 28...Qxc3 29.Qh8+]

29.Ne2 -6.32/21

[29.Na4 -2.52/20 f4 30.Qf7]

29...Qe4 30.Qxg5 Qxe2 31.Qxf5 -7.42/22

[⌓31.Qxh4 -4.94/18 Qe1+ *(31...Qxc2? 32.Qh8+ Ka7 33.Qxe5-+)* 32.Kh2]

31...Qd1+ 32.Kh2 Qd4 33.Qf6 Qf4+ 34.Qxf4 exf4 KB-KP **35.c4 Kc8 36.b4 Kd7 37.c5 Ke6 38.g3 Kf5 39.gxh4 Kg6 40.h5+ Kxh5 41.Kg1 Kh4 42.Kh2 Bf3 43.c6 bxc6 44.Kg1 Kxh3** KB-K3P **45.Kf1 Kh2 46.Ke1 Kg2 47.Kd2 Kxf2** (→ ...Be2). KB-KPP **48.Kd3 Be2+ 49.Kd2 f3** -24.09/23

[⌓49...Bb5 -#12/14 50.Kc2 Ke3 51.Kc1 f3 52.Kc2 f2 53.Kc1 f1Q+ *(53...f1R+* gets mated. *54.Kc2 Kd4 55.Kb2 Rf2+ 56.Kc1 Kc3 57.Kb1 Bc4 58.Kc1 Rf1#)* 54.Kb2 Kd3 55.Ka2 Kc3 56.Ka3 Qa1#]

50.Kc3 Bb5 Black mates. **51.Kd4 Ke2 52.Ke5 f2 53.Ke6 f1Q 54.Kd7 Qe1 55.Kc8 Qxb4 56.Kb7 Qxa5 57.Ka7 c5 58.Ka8 c4 59.Ka7 Qb6+ 60.Ka8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.86/Black=0.47 **60...Bc6#**

0-1

347 **C50**

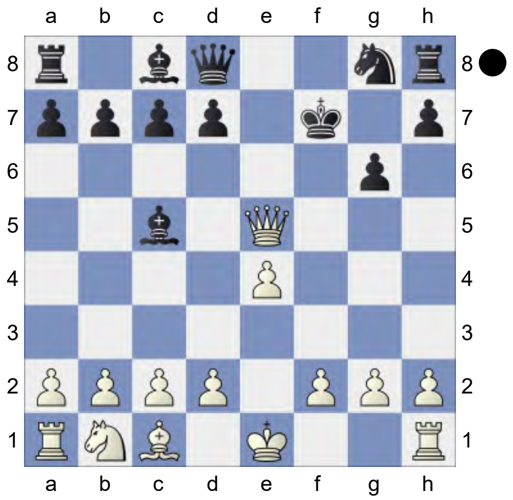
☐ **Mr_Chess_Berserk** **2552**

■ **Didnt-play-badly-br0** **2784**

Classical 22.03.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Slow 45min+30sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ g6 7.Qxe5**



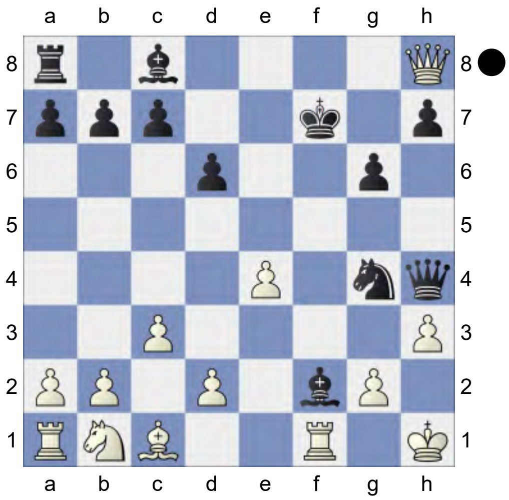
d6 2.43/17

[7...Qe7!-+ -1.79/18 avoids the disaster. 8.Qxh8 Qxe4+ 9.Kd1 Qg4+ 10.f3 Qxg2 11.Qxh7+ Kf8]

8.Qxh8+- White is clearly better. **8...Qh4 9.0-0** And now Qc3 would win. **9...Nf6 10.c3??** -7.03/19

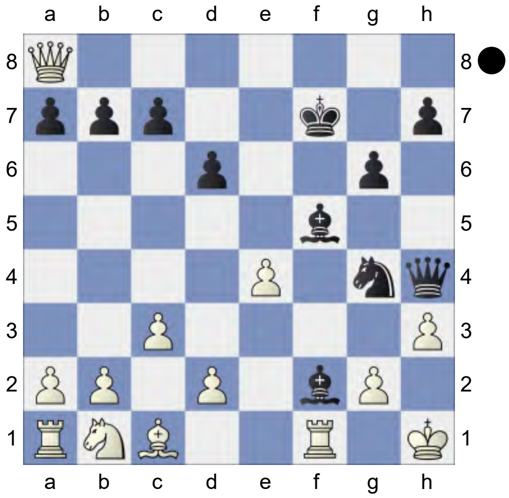
[10.Qd8+- 2.40/18]

10...Ng4-+ 11.h3 Bxf2+ 12.Kh1



Bf5! Discovered Attack **13.Qxa8**

[13.Qxh7+ Qxh7]



13...Qxh3+!! 14.gxh3N Weighted Error Value: White=1.78/Black=0.78

14...Bxe4#

0-1

348 **C53**

☐ **Suleymanli,Aydin** **2623**

■ **Bok,Benjamin** **2583**

Tata Steel Challengers (1.3) 18.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7]

6.0-0

[RR 6.b4 Bb6 7.Nbd2]

6...a5

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5

17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.h3N

[7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 h6 9.Nf1 a4 10.h3 Ra5 11.Bd2 b5 12.b4 axb3 13.Bxb3 Ra8 14.a4 b4 15.cxb4 Nxb4 16.Bc4 Be6 17.Qb3 Qd7 18.Reb1 Nc6 19.a5 Ra7 20.Ne3 Rb8 21.Bxe6 Rxb3 Kireev, S-Szabo, V corr 145/(104) 2020 Chess Informant 145 [RR]]

[RR 7.Nbd2 0-0

A) RR 8.h3 Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 (RR *10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1*) 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8;

B) 8.Re1 Be6 9.Bb5 Qb8 10.Nf1 Qa7 11.Re2 a4 12.h3 Qa5 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Ng5 Bb6 15.Ng3 h6 16.Nf3 Rfd8 17.Bd2 Qa6 18.Qc1 Qxd3 19.Bxh6 gxh6 (RR *19...Nh7*) 20.Qxh6 Ne8 21.Rd2 Qc4 Lei,T (2550)-Muzychuk,A (2520) Toronto CAN 2024 The Week in Chess 1537 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (53)]

[RR 7.Re1 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bd7 (RR *9...Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3 c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 24.a3*) 10.Nf1 a4 11.d4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5 (RR *14.Qxa4 Bxc3*) 14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.Qxf5 c6 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Oparin,G (2662) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (65) (RR *21...g6 22.Qf3 Kg7*)]

[RR 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4 (RR *14...Qd7*) 15.cxd4 exd4

A) RR 16.e5 Nd5 17.Re4 (RR *17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4*);

B) 16.Qa4 Nh5

B1) RR 17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (RR *18.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5*) 18...Nb4;

B2) 17.Nbxd4 Nf4 (RR *17...Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4*) 18.Nxc6 bxc6

B2a) RR 19.Qxc6 Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (RR *20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6*) 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8;

B2b) 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qc2 (RR *20.Qxc6 Rab8*) 20...Rab8

B2b1) RR 21.Qxc6 Qg6 22.Ne1 (RR *22.Qxc7 Qxg2#*) 22...Rxb2;

B2b2) RR 21.Rb1;

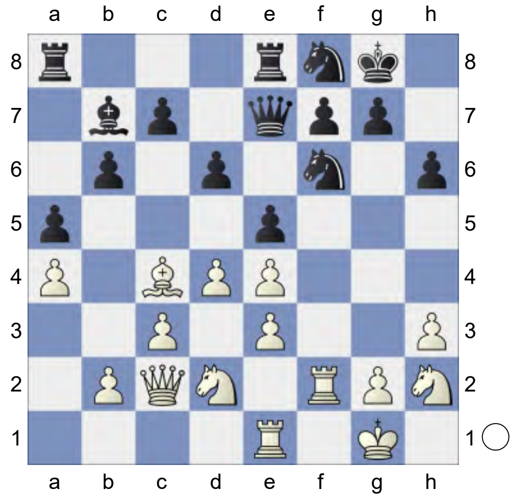
B2b3) 21.d4 Rb5 Priansh,D (2311)-Wafa,H (2359) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36) (RR *21...c5*) RR 22.Qxc6 Rxb2 23.Qa6 (RR *23.Qxc7 Qg6*) 23...c5]

7...Ba7N

[7...h6 8.Re1 *(8.d4 Ba7 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bxf7 Nxe4* #3 38) Italian 5.c3 − White's -6.O-O a5 7.h3*)* 8...g5 9.d4 Ba7 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Qxd8+ Kxd8 13.Bxf7 g4 14.hxg4 Ke7 #1 38) Italian 5.c3 − White's -6.O-O a5 7.h3]

8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.a4 b6 13.Qc2 Bb7 14.Rae1 Qe7 15.Bd3 h6 16.Rf2 Rfe8 17.Bb5 Rec8 18.Bc4 Re8 19.Bb5 Rec8 20.Bc4 Re8 21.Nh2 Nf8 0.50/21

[21...exd4= -0.03/17 22.exd4 d5]



22.Ng4 0.10/20

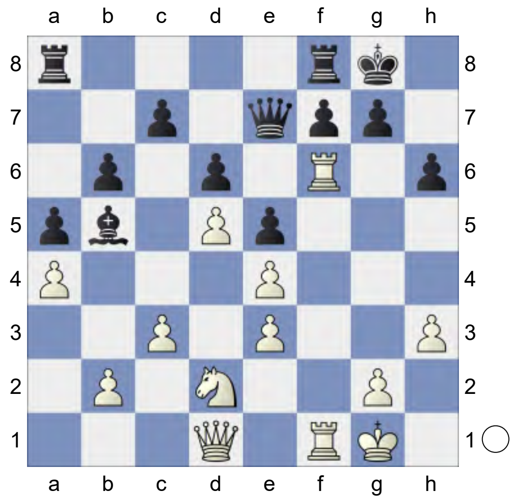
[22.Rxf6!± 0.50/21 gxf6 *(22...Qxf6 23.Rf1)* 23.Rf1]

22...N8h7 23.Ref1 Bc8 24.Nxf6+ Nxf6 25.Qd1 Be6 26.Bb5

[26.Bxe6 is more complex. Qxe6 27.Rxf6 gxf6 28.Rf5]

26...Rf8 27.d5 Bd7 The position is equal. **28.Rxf6** Black must now prevent Bxd7! **28...Bxb5**

(Diagram)



29.axb5 And now Qg4 would win.

29...gxf6 30.Qg4+ Kh7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) / Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

349 **C54**

☐ **Praggnanandhaa,Rameshbabu 2690**

■ **Sevian,Samuel 2687**

Airthings Masters Div 3 W rapid (6.4)

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 Ba7**

[RR 7...0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 (RR *15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6*) 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 (RR *21.Kh1*) 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 (RR *22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5*) 23.Qxh5 Bf5 (RR *23...Rfc8*) 24.Ng4 Nf4 (RR

24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8) 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79)]

8.Nbd2 0-0 The position is equal. **9.h3 h6N**

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 *(RR 11...Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 d5 15.Bd3 dxe4 16.Bxe4 Be6 17.Ng5 Qxd4; RR 11...Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 d5 15.Bd3 dxe4 16.Bxe4 Be6 17.Ng5 Qxd4)* 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) Hamilton 2023 17 c5, Nf6 and g6: model [John Watson] 0-1 (54)]

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Chess.com INT 2023 0-1 (54)]

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 *(RR 15...Be6 16.a4 Rad8 17.Qe2 Bb8 18.Kh1)* 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) Magdeburg 2022 1-0]

10.Nf1 Be6 11.Bb5 Ne7 12.Ng3

[12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Be3 Nf5 16.Rc1 c5 17.dxc5 Nxe3 18.Nxe3 Bxc5 19.Bd3 Rc8 20.Rc2 Qb6 21.Qe2 Rc6 22.Kf1 Qa7 23.Nxd5 Nxf2 24.Ne7+ Bxe7 25.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 26.Kxf2 Bb4 Furrer,M (2635)-8... ♘bd7 (2687) Theorie 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] 0-1 (39)]

12...c6 13.Ba4 Ng6 14.d4N

[14.Bc2 Qc7 15.d4 Rad8 16.Be3 Bb8 17.Bd3 Rfe8 18.Qc2 Qe7 19.Rad1 Bc7 20.c4 Bc8 21.a3 exd4 22.Nxd4 Qf8 23.f4 Nd7 24.Qf2 Nf6 25.Nf3 Re7 26.Kh1 Kh8 27.Bc2 Ree8 28.b4 axb4 Chapter 2: Early Deviations-3. f3 B212) 19.e6 (36) 29.axb4 d5 30.e5 Ne4 31.Bxe4 dxe4 32.Rxd8 Rxd8 33.Bc5 Qe8 34.Rxe4 Ne7 35.Nd4 b6 36.Bd6 Bxd6 37.exd6 Rxd6 38.Qe2 Chapter 1-Game 6 Game 6 (38)]

14...exd4!N A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 14...b5 15.Bc2 a4 16.Be3 c5 17.b3 axb3 18.axb3 Bb6 19.Qe2 cxd4 20.cxd4 Hoping for Ra1xa8. Rb8 0.53/18 ½-½ (53) Santos Latasa,J (2677)-Topalov,V (2728) Salamanca 2022 *(20...Qc7=* 0.14/21 should be considered. *)*]

15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rxe4 Bd5 19.Rg4 h5 20.Rg5 Threatens to win with Bc1-e3. **20...Bxf3 21.Qxf3** Strongly threatening Bc1-e3. **21...Qxd4 22.Bb3** aiming for Rg5xg6. **22...a4 23.Rxg6!→** White attacks. **23...axb3 24.Rg3 Qxe5** 1.16/24

[24...g6= 0.01/20 keeps the balance.]

25.Bh6!± g6 1.73/24

[25...Qd5± 1.11/23]

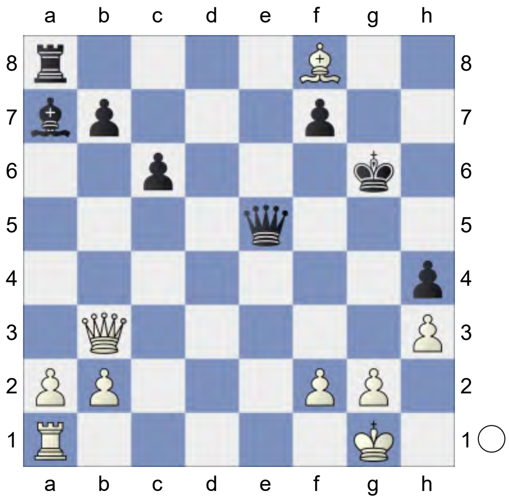
26.Qxb3+-

[26.Bxf8? Qxb2 27.Rf1 bxa2-+]

26...h4 27.Rxg6+ Kh7 28.Bxf8 0.76/23

[28.Rg5+- 1.99/27 Bxf2+ 29.Kxf2 Qf6+ 30.Kg1 Kxh6 31.Rg4]

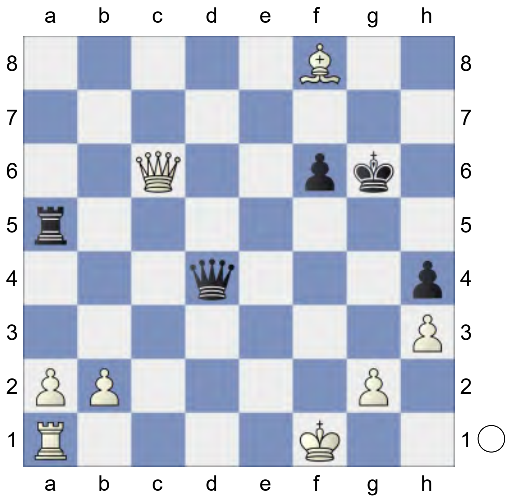
28...Kxg6±



29.Qxb7! Bxf2+ Decoy **30.Kxf2 Qd4+**

[30...Rxf8? 31.Qxc6+ f6 32.Qc2+ f5 33.Re1+-]

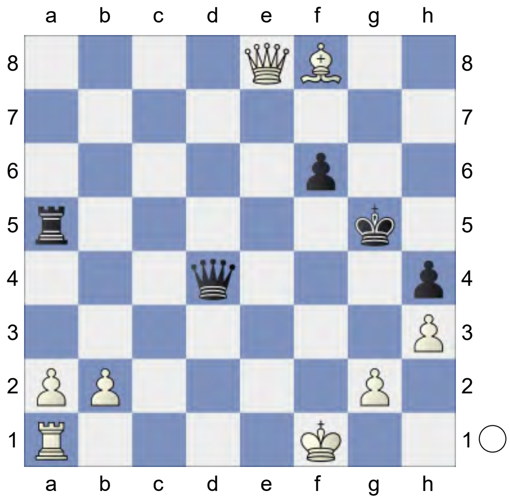
31.Kf1 Ra5 32.Qxc6+ f6



And now ...Ra5-f5+ would win. **33.Qe8+!**

[33.Qc2+ Rf5+ 34.Ke1 *(34.Ke2 Qe5+ 35.Kd2 Qd4+ 36.Ke2 Qe5+ 37.Kd1 Qd4+ 38.Ke2=)* 34...Qg1+ 35.Kd2 Qd4+ 36.Ke2 Qe5+ 37.Kd1 Qd4+ 38.Ke2= Qe5+ 39.Kd3 *(39.Kd1 Qd4+ 40.Ke2=)* 39...Qg3+ 40.Kd4 Qe5+ 41.Kd3 *(41.Kc4 Qf4+ 42.Kc3 Qe5+ 43.Kd3 Qg3+ 44.Kd2 Qf4+ 45.Kd3 Qg3+=)* 41...Qg3+= 42.Kd4 Qe5+ 43.Kd3= *(43.Kc4 Qf4+ 44.Kd3 Qg3+=)*]

33...Kg5



34.Bc5! Rxc5 35.Qg8+ Kh6 (→ ...Rc5-f5+) **36.Qg4** Prevents Rc5-f5+. **36...Qxb2 37.Qxh4+?** -3.41/26

[37.Re1± 0.88/25 stays on course.]

37...Kg6? 0.87/24

[37...Rh5-+ -3.41/26 38.Qe1 *(38.Qf4+? Kg6-+)* 38...Qd4]

38.Qg4+ -4.05/24

[38.Re1± 0.87/24]

38...Rg5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/Black=0.31

0-1

351 **C54**
☐ **Huang,Renjie** **2495**
■ **Ding,Liren** **2734**
CHN-ch Rapid/Blitz 4th (5.2) 15.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 9...Qe7 is better than 9...g5. 9...De7 ist besser als 9...g5.

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.0-0 Kg7

12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5)]

10.b4N -0.03/20

[10.0-0!± 0.37/21]

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Chapter-Games Chapter 10 Game 8 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

10...g5= 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.b5 Na5 13.Ba2 -0.41/20

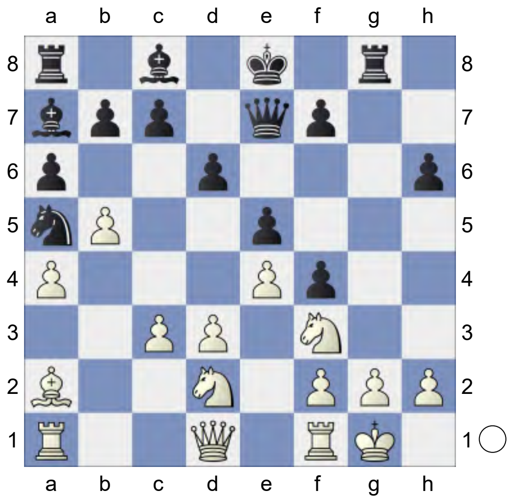
[13.Bd5= 0.01/20]

13...Nf4N 0.64/21

[13...f5 0.67/20 13...Bb6 -0.32 14.exf5 -0.09/19 *(14.0-0!± 0.67/20)* 14...Bxf5= 15.Ne4 -0.86/20 *(15.Qe2= -0.11/19)* 15...Bxe4 0.14/19 *(15...0-0-0∓ -0.86/20* White must now prevent ...d5. *16.0-0 d5)* 16.dxe4= Bc5 17.0-0 Nxg3! 18.hxg3 h5? 1.74/20 *(18...0-0-0!= 0.06/19* and Black is okay.*)* 19.Rb1 0.96/20 *(19.Qd2+- 1.74/20)* 19...axb5± 20.Rxb5 -0.37/23 1-0 (46) Yu,Y (2735)-Navara,D (2689) Biel Blitz 56th 2023 (8) *(20.axb5± 0.76/23 h4 21.g4)*]

[Better is 13...Qf6∓ -0.41/20]

14.Bxf4± gxf4 15.0-0 Rg8



16.Kh1 Qf6 17.Ne1 Bd7 18.Ndf3 Bb6 19.bxa6 0.01/21

[19.Rb1± 0.73/19]

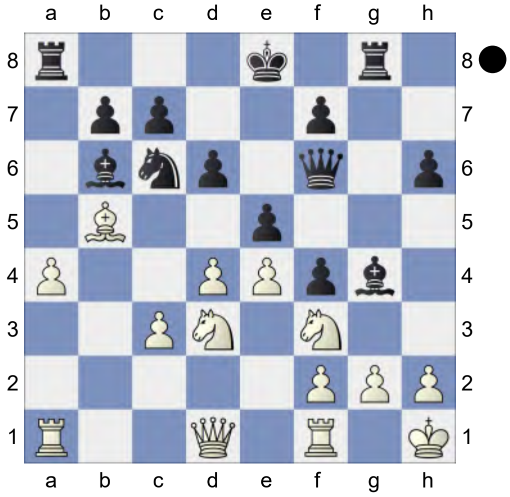
19...Rxa6= 20.d4 Nc6 21.Nd3 Bg4 0.26/21

[21...exd4 -0.18/21 22.cxd4 Nxd4 *(22...Bxd4 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.f3∓)*]

22.Bc4 Ra8 0.43/21

[22...Ra5= -0.05/22 deserves consideration.]

23.Bb5



exd4 24.e5 -0.27/21

[24.cxd4 0.24/23 Kf8 *(24...Bxd4 25.Rc1±)* 25.Bxc6 bxc6 26.e5]

24...Qf5 25.exd6 0.07/22

[White should try 25.Nb4± 0.60/22 dxe5 26.Nxc6 *(26.Bxc6+ bxc6*

27.cxd4 e4∓) 26...bxc6 27.Bxc6+ Ke7 28.Bxa8 *(28.cxd4 Rad8±)* 28...Rxa8 29.cxd4]

25...cxd6 0.93/21

[25...Kf8= 0.07/22]

26.Nxd4 -0.28/22

[26.cxd4 Kf8=]

[26.Rb1± 0.93/21 Ba7 27.Bxc6+ *(27.cxd4 Kf8±)* 27...bxc6 28.cxd4]

26...Bxd4 A strong pair of Bishops. **27.f3 Be3** 0.26/24

[27...Bxc3? 28.fxg4 Qd7 *(28...Qxg4?* is the wrong capture. *29.Qxg4 Rxg4 30.Rac1+-)* 29.Rc1+-]

[⌓27...Bh3 -0.12/23 28.gxh3 Be3 *(28...Bxc3 29.Rc1=)*]

28.fxg4 Qxg4 29.Qxg4

[Much weaker is 29.Nxf4 Bxf4 30.Qd5 Kd8 31.Bxc6 bxc6-+]

29...Rxg4 30.h3 Rh4 31.Nb4 White has compensation. **31...Kd7** 1.63/23

[31...Rc8⩲ 0.40/22]

32.Nd5+- Strongly threatening a5. **32...Ke6?** 7.32/22

[32...Kc8± 1.27/21]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.48

33.Nc7+

1-0

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☐ **Huang,Renjie 2495**

■ **Ding,Liren 2734**

CHN-ch Rapid/Blitz 4th (5.2) 15.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

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[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.0-0 Kg7 12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5)]

10.b4N White has an edge.

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Chapter-Games Chapter 10 Game 8 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

10...g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.b5 Na5 13.Ba2 -0.39/20

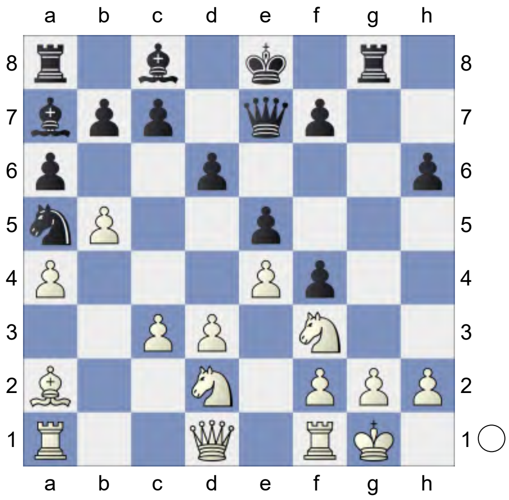
[13.Bd5= 0.01/20]

13...Nf4N 0.55/21

[13...f5 0.69/20 13...Bb6 -0.31 14.exf5 0.01/19 *(14.0-0!± 0.69/20)* 14...Bxf5= 15.Ne4 -1.07/20 *(15.Qe2=* 0.02/19 keeps the balance.) 15...Bxe4 0.16/18 *(15...0-0-0∓* -1.07/20 ...d5 would now be deadly. *16.c4 Nxc4 17.bxa6 d5)* 16.dxe4= Bc5 17.0-0 Nxg3! 18.hxg3 h5? 1.58/20 *(18...0-0-0!=* -0.19/19 *)* 19.Rb1 0.80/19 *(⌓19.bxa6* 1.58/20 *Rxa6 20.Qd2)* 19...axb5 20.Rxb5 -0.57/22 1-0 (46) Yu,Y (2735)-Navara,D (2689) Biel Blitz 56th 2023 (8) *(20.axb5±*

0.91/22 *h4 21.g4)*]
[13...Bb6∓ -0.39/20]

14.Bxf4⩲ gxf4 15.0-0 Rg8



16.Kh1 Qf6 17.Ne1 Bd7 18.Ndf3 Bb6 0.90/20
[18...axb5⩲ 0.35/20 19.axb5 Bb6]

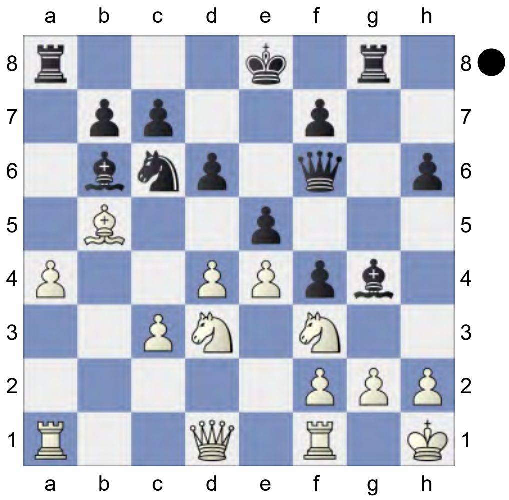
19.bxa6 -0.01/22
[19.Rb1⩲ 0.90/20]

19...Rxa6= 20.d4 Nc6 21.Nd3 -0.60/20
[21.Bd5= 0.01/20]

21...Bg4 0.16/20
[21...exd4∓ -0.60/20 22.cxd4 Nxd4 *(22...Bxd4 23.Rb1∓)*]

22.Bc4 Ra8 0.38/22
[22...Ra5= 0.01/21]

23.Bb5



exd4 24.e5 -0.01/20
[White should try 24.h3!⩲ 0.60/22 Bd7 *(24...Bxf3 25.Qxf3 Kf8 26.Bxc6=)* 25.c4]

24...Qf5 0.73/22
[24...Qg6= -0.01/20 25.exd6 *(25.Nxf4 Qe4∓; 25.cxd4 Bh3∓)* 25...Bd7 26.Nxf4 *(26.Re1+ Kf8⩲)* 26...Qxd6]

25.exd6 0.10/21
[25.Nb4⩲ 0.73/22 dxe5 26.Nxc6 *(26.Bxc6+ bxc6 27.cxd4 e4-+)* 26...bxc6 27.Bxc6+ Ke7 28.Bxa8 *(28.cxd4 Rad8⩲)* 28...Rxa8 29.cxd4]

25...cxd6 0.81/20
[25...dxc3= 0.10/21 26.Rc1 Rd8]

26.Nxd4 0.01/20
[26.Rb1⩲ 0.81/20 Ba7 27.Bxc6+ *(27.cxd4 Kf8⩲)* 27...bxc6 28.Re1+ *(28.cxd4 Kf8=)* 28...Kf8 29.Rb7 *(29.cxd4 Kg7⩲)* 29...Bxf3 *(29...dxc3 30.Ree7⩲)* 30.Qxf3 dxc3 31.Ree7]

26...Bxd4 A strong pair of Bishops. **27.f3 Be3**
[27...Bxc3? 28.fxg4 Qd7 *(28...Qxg4? 29.Qxg4 Rxg4 30.Rac1+-)* 29.Rc1+-]

28.fxg4 Qxg4 29.Qxg4
[Of course not 29.Nxf4 Bxf4 30.Qd5 Kd8∓]

29...Rxg4 30.h3 Rh4 31.Nb4 White has compensation. **31...Kd7** 1.70/22
[Black should try 31...Rc8⩲ 0.37/22]

32.Nd5+- Threatens to win with a5.

32...Ke6? 7.79/20
[32...Kc8 1.70/21 33.Rae1 Ne5]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.60

33.Nc7+

1-0

352 **C54**
□ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2675**
■ **Santos Latasa,Jaime 2612**
Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Feb Early ..
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3**

[RR 6.Bg5 h6

A) RR 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 *(RR 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3)* 13...Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8;

B) 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 exd4 10.e5 Qg6]

[RR 6.a4 a6 *(RR 6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 a5 9.Re1 Qd7 10.Nbd2 g5 11.g4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qxg4+ 13.Kf1 Qh3+ 14.Ke2 g4 15.Ng5 Qh4 16.d4 exd4 17.f4 gxf3+ 18.Ndxf3 Ne5 19.Bxf7+ Nxf7 20.cxd4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5)* 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6]

6...a5 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie. **7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 h6** The position is equal. **9.Nbd2 Be6 10.b3N**

[RR 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 *(RR 15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6)* 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 *(RR 21.Kh1)* 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 *(RR 22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5)* 23.Qxh5 Bf5 *(RR 23...Rfc8)* 24.Ng4 Nf4 *(RR 24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8)* 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 *(RR 23.a4)* 23...a4 24.a3 *(RR 24.Nf3)* 24...Qd7 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79) *(RR 24...f6 25.Qg4 Qe8 26.exf6 Qf7)* RR 25.Nf3]

10...Ba7

[10...d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Ne4 Bb6 13.Qd2 Qc8 14.Ng3 f6 15.d4 Qd7 16.Ba3 Rf7 17.Re4 a4 18.b4 Nf4 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Rae1 Ng5 21.Nxg5 hxg5 22.b5 Na7 23.h4 Nxb5 24.hxg5 fxg5 25.Qxg5 Grube,J (2772)-5.f3 c6 6. ♕d2 b5 (2726) Novi Sad 2022 OPN, D00 [Gonzalez Perez,A] 1-0 (32)]

11.a4N

[11.Nf1 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Bd2 Qf6 14.N1h2 Rad8 15.Rc1 *(15.Ng4 Bxg4 16.hxg4* Karjakin,S (2778)-Ding, L (2778) Shamkir 137/(109) 2018*)* 15...Nf4 16.Bxf4 Bxc4 17.bxc4 Qxf4 18.Qc2 f5 Mytsko,V-Eckert,D corr 137/(109) 2018]

11...Re8 12.Bb5N

[Vorgänger: 12.Bb2 d5 13.exd5 Bxd5 14.Qc2 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 Qd5 16.Rad1 Rad8 17.Bc1 Bc5 18.Be3 Bf8 0.29/24 *(⌓18...Bxe3 -0.10/22 19.Nxe3 Qe6)* 19.d4= e4 20.Nfe5! b6 0.71/24 *(20...Bd6± 0.38/23 is superior.)* 21.Bf4 0.38/24 *(21.Ng4± 0.71/24)* 21...Ne7 0.85/21

(21...Qe6± 0.38/24) 22.Bh2 0.21/23 *(22.Ng4± 0.85/21 Nxg4 23.hxg4)* 22...Nf5 0.72/20 ;1-0 Tabatabaei,M (2692)-Sargsyan,S (2634) Wch Blitz Samarkand 2023 (11) *(22...Qa8= 0.21/23)*]

12...Bd7 13.Bb2 Ne7

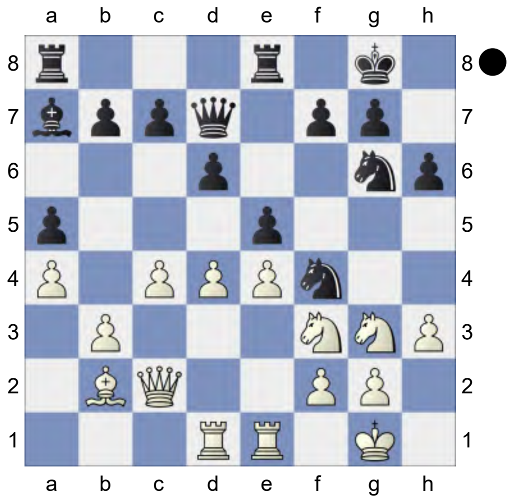
[13...Nh5 is interesting. 14.Nf1 Qf6 15.d4 Qg6]

14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.d4 Ng6 16.Qc2 Qc6 -0.01/21

[16...Nf4∓ -0.46/19]

17.c4= Qd7 18.Rad1 Nh5 19.Nf1! Nhf4 20.Ng3? -2.46/22

[20.Ne3!± 0.33/21 keeps the upper hand.]



20...Nxg2!-+ 21.Nf5 Nxe1 22.Rxe1 f6

[Worse is 22...Nf4 23.dxe5 dxe5 24.Nxe5∓]

23.Kh2 Qf7 24.Rg1 Kh8 25.c5 -2.24/22

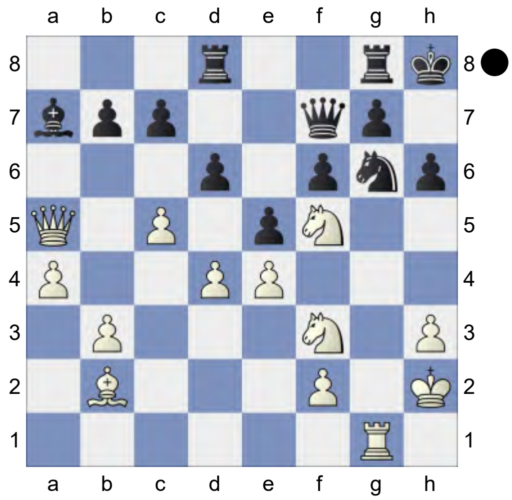
[25.Qd2 -1.74/19 was called for.]

25...Rad8 26.Qd2 -2.49/22

[26.cxd6 -1.92/20 might work better. cxd6 27.d5]

26...Rg8 27.Qxa5

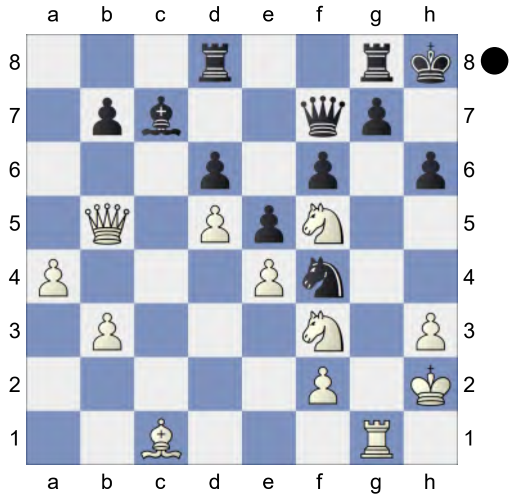
(Diagram)



Bb8 -1.60/21

[Black should try 27...Qxb3!-+ -2.90/20 28.Qc3 Qxc3 29.Bxc3 Kh7 30.cxd6 cxd6]

28.cxd6∓ cxd6 29.d5 Nf4 aiming for ...g7-g6. **30.Bc1 Bc7 31.Qb5**



Qh5 -0.77/25

[Black should play 31...Qd7! -1.42/23 Hoping for ...Qd7xb5. 32.Qxd7 Rxd7 33.Bxf4 exf4]

32.Rg3 g6 33.N5h4 -1.21/21

[33.N5d4!∓ -0.68/25]

33...f5 0.01/23

[33...Rdf8∓ -1.21/21 And now ...f6-f5 would win. 34.Bxf4 *(34.Qxb7 Ne2∓)* 34...exf4]

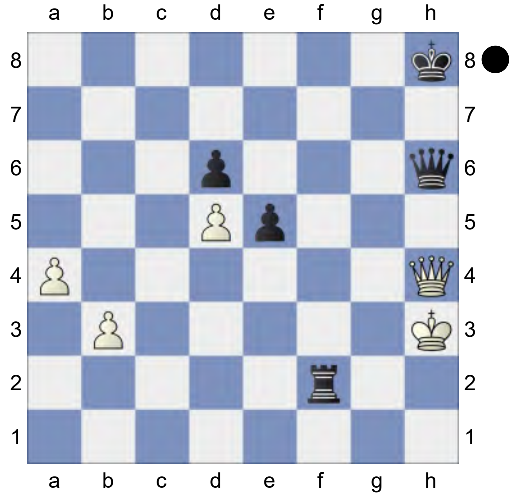
34.Qxb7= fxe4 35.Qxc7 exf3 36.Bxf4

Qxh4 Really sharp! **37.Be3 Qf6 38.Bxh6?** -5.39/21

[Better is 38.Qc4!∓ -0.41/23]

38...g5-+ 39.h4 Qxh6 40.Rxf3 Rdf8 -21.74/20 Weighted Error Value: White=0.70/Black=0.25 (precise)

[⌓40...gxh4 -#14/20 41.Qe7 Rdf8 42.Rxf8 Rxf8 43.Kh3 Rxf2 44.Qxh4



Rh2+!! 45.Kxh2 Qxh4+ 46.Kg2 e4 47.a5 e3 48.a6 e2 49.a7 e1Q 50.a8R+ Kg7 51.Ra7+ Kf6 52.Rf7+ Kxf7 53.Kf3 Qhg3#]

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353 **C54**

☐ **Firouzja,Alireza** **2760**

■ **Lazavik,Denis** **2567**

Chessable Masters Div 1 Lose rapid (4.1)

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** The Recreationist Nov 1873 pp138-9 Kitty Kat Sokolov,Ivan **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.h3 d6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 (RR *6...a6*)

A) RR 7.Nxe5 Qe7 (RR *7...Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Re8+ 10.Ne3 Nxd5 11.Ncxd5 Qxd5 12.0-0*) 8.Bxf7+ Rxf7 (RR *8...Kh8 9.d4 Bb4 10.Ng6+ hxg6 11.Bxg6 d6 12.Bg5*) 9.Nxf7 Qxf7 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Be3 Bf8;

B) 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4

B1) RR 11...c6 12.0-0-0 (RR *12.Rd1 a6 13.b4 Bb6;* RR *12.g4 b5*) 12...b5 13.cxb5 cxb5 14.b4 (RR *14.Qxb5 Rc8*) 14...Bb6 15.Qxd6 Qxd6 16.Rxd6 Rfc8;

B2) 11...g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 (RR *14...Rg8 15.f5 Kh7 16.h4 Bd7 17.g4 c6 18.0-0-0*)

B2a) RR 15.Rf1 Qe8 16.Rxf4 (RR *16.Bxf6+ Kxf6 17.Rxf4+ Ke7 18.b4 Bb6 19.0-0-0 Rg8*) 16...Nh5 (RR *16...Nh7 17.Bh6+ Kh8 18.Bxf8 Qxf8 19.0-0-0*) 17.Bf6+ Nxf6 18.Qg3+ Ng4 19.Rxg4+ Bxg4 20.Qxg4+ Kh8 21.Qh5+ Kg8;

B2b) 15.Ne2 c6 (RR *15...Qe7 16.Rf1 Kg6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Nxf4+ Kh6 19.Nxe6 Qxe6 20.0-0-0;* RR *15...Bf2+ 16.Kxf2 Nxe4+ 17.Qxe4 Qxg5 18.Qd4+ f6 19.Nxf4*) 16.b4 (RR *16.Nxf4 Qa5+ 17.Kd1 Bb6*) 16...Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6

B2b1) RR 18.Bh4 Bxc4 (RR *18...Rh8 19.Rxf4 Bxf4 20.e5+ Kh6 21.Bxf6*) 19.Qxc4 d5 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Qxf4 Rae8+ 23.Kf2;

B2b2) 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3 Firouzja,A (2793)-Nepomniachtchi,I (2766)

Madrid 2022 Chess Informant 153 [Sokolov, Ivan] 0-1 (38) RR Qd6 21.Nxf4+ Bxf4 22.Bxf4 (RR *22.Rxf4 Nxe4*) 22...Qe7 23.Qg3+ Kh7 24.e5 Ne4 25.Qf3]

[RR 5...0-0 6.Nc3 Na5 7.a3 Nxc4 8.dxc4 d6 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Qd3 h6 11.Bh4 g5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Bxg5 Kg7 14.f4 exf4 15.Ne2 c6 16.b4 Be3 17.Rf1 Kg6 18.h4 Bxc4 19.Qxc4 d5 20.Qb3]

[RR 5...0-0 6.Nc3 a6 7.Be3 d6 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.a4 Qd6 (RR *9...b6 10.0-0 Qd6 11.Nd2 Bd7 12.Ba2 Nb4 13.Nc4 Qe7 14.Bb3 Be6 15.Ra3 Nc6*) 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 Nb4 12.Bc4 Be6 13.Nd2 b5 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.0-0 Rfd8 16.b3 h6 17.Re1 Nc6 18.Re3 Qe7 19.Rg3 Nd4 20.Nf1 Firouzja,A (2763)-Sargsyan,S (2646) New York 2024 1-0 (61)]

6.c3N

[RR 6.Nc3 a6 (RR *6...Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.axb3 c6 9.Na4 Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Bxd2+ 11.Qxd2 0-0 12.Qg5 h6 13.Qh4 Qa5+ 14.Ke2 Qc7 15.g4 Nh7 16.Rhg1 f6 17.Qg3 Rf7 18.Nc3 d5 19.h4 d4 20.Nb1 g5 21.Nbd2*) 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 (RR *13...Bd7 14.Rad1 Bc6 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qxe5 Qc8 17.Rd3 Re8 18.Qg3 Ne4 19.Nxe4 Bxe4*) 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5 Dardha,D (2606)-Ismayil,M (2002) Chess.com INT 2022 1-0 (50)]

[RR 6.a3 a5 7.Be3 0-0 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.Nc3 Be6 (RR *9...Qe7*) 10.Bb5 Nd4 11.Nxe5 Qd6 12.Nc4 Qf4 13.Ne3 Rad8 14.a4 c6 (RR *14...Qh4*) 15.Bc4 b5 16.axb5 (RR *16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.0-0*) 16...cxb5 (RR *16...Bxc4 17.Nxc4 cxb5 18.Nxa5*) 17.Bxb5 Nxb5 18.Nxb5 Qb8 19.Rxa5 Nxe4 (RR *19...c4*) 20.0-0 (RR *20.Qc1 Bd7 21.dxe4 Bxb5 22.c4*) 20...c4 Esipenko,A (2704)-Caruana,F (2805) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (34) RR 21.Nxc4 Bxc4 22.Na3 Be6]

[RR 6.Nc3 a6 7.a3 Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.d4 0-0 10.0-0 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Bxd4 13.Qxd4 Re8 14.f4 b5 15.Ba2 Bb7 16.Rae1 c5 17.Qd3 Qb6 18.Kh2 c4 19.Qf3 Qd4 20.Rd1 Qc5]

[RR 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Nc3 Be6 8.Bb3 Qd7 9.Qd2 Ne7 10.Rd1 Ng6 11.Ne2 d5 12.exd5 Bxd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.0-0 f5 15.Bxb6 axb6 16.d4 e4 17.Ne5 Qd6 18.c4 Nf6 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.a3 Kf7]

[RR 6.0-0 0-0

A) RR 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Bxe6 (RR *9.Bb3 Kh7 10.Nc3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.Nxd4 Bxb3 13.axb3 g5 14.Bg3 Bxd4 15.Qxd4 Ng6 16.Rxa7 Rxa7 17.Qxa7 Nh5 18.Qxb7 f5 19.exf5 Rxf5 20.Rd1 Nxg3 21.fxg3 Rf7 22.Nd5 Ne5 23.Qb4 Qa8*) 9...fxe6 10.Nc3 Qe8 11.Bxf6 Rxf6 12.Nh4 Qf7 13.Qd2 Rf8 14.Nd1 Qh5 15.Nf3 Rxf3 16.gxf3 Qxh3 17.c3 Rxf3 18.d4 Qg4+;

B) RR 7.Nc3 a6 (RR *7...Ne7 8.Ne2 Ng6 9.c3 Bb6 10.Ng3 d5 11.Bb3 Be6 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qc2 h6 14.Bd2 Qd7 15.exd5 Bxh3 16.d4 e4 17.Nxe4 Bxg2 18.Nxf6+*

gxf6 19.Nh2 Bxd5 20.c4 Qh3 21.f3 Bxd4+; RR *7...Be6 8.Bxe6 fxe6 9.Bg5 Ne7 10.Ne2 c6 11.d4 exd4 12.Nexd4 Qd7 13.Re1 e5 14.Nb3 b6 15.Nxc5 bxc5 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.c4 f5 18.Nxe5 Qe6 19.exf5 Nxf5 20.Qg4+ Kh8 21.Nf3 Qd7 22.Nh4)* 8.a4 Be6 9.Bg5 Bxc4 10.dxc4 Qd7 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Nd5 Kg7 13.Nh4 Nd4 14.c3 Ne6 15.Nf5+ Kh8 16.Nxf6 Qd8 17.Ng4 Ng5 18.Qd2 Rg8 19.Rae1 Qd7 20.h4 Nf3+ 21.gxf3 h5;

C) RR 7.c3 h6 8.b4 Bb6 9.a4 a5 10.b5 Ne7 11.Be3 c6 12.Nbd2 d5 13.Bxb6 Qxb6 14.Ba2 Ng6 15.Re1 Re8 16.Rb1 Qc7 17.Qc2 Nf4 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.d4 Bxh3 20.gxh3 Qd7 21.Re3 Qxh3;

D) 7.a3 Bd7 8.b4 Bb6 9.Bb2 h6 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Ba7 16.c3 Qe7 17.d4 Be6 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 c6 Radojicic,A (1710)-Mondry,M (1850) Montilla 1990 ZUS C73 [The Recreationist Nov 1873 pp138-9] 0-1]

6...a6 7.Nbd2 Ba7 8.Bb3 0-0 9.Nf1 Be6 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.

[9...d5 10.Qe2 Be6 11.Bg5 dxe4 12.dxe4 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd6 14.Ng3 Qe6 15.b4 Ne8 16.0-0 f6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.fxe3 Nd6 19.Rf2 a5 20.bxa5 Nxa5 21.Nh4 g6 22.Raf1 Nb3 23.Qc2 Ra1 24.Nf3 Nowroozian, N (2647)-11... ♕c7 12.♘bd2 cd4 13.c, 4 (2737) Hersonissos 136/(168) 2004 Telechess CBM 89 [John Watson] ½-½]

10.Bc2 d5 11.exd5N Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[11.Qe2 b5 12.Ng5 Bd7 13.g4 Ne7 14.f4 exf4 15.e5 Ng6 16.d4 c5 17.Bxg6 hxg6 18.Bxf4 cxd4 19.cxd4 Ne4 20.Nxe4 dxe4 21.0-0-0 Be6 22.b3 Bxd4 23.Kb1 Qb6 24.Qxe4 Bc3 25.Ng3 b4 Pasko,W (2419)-7. ♘h3 f5 8.♘f2 (2151) Heviz 2023 17 c5, Nf6 and g6: model [John Watson] ½-½ (32)]

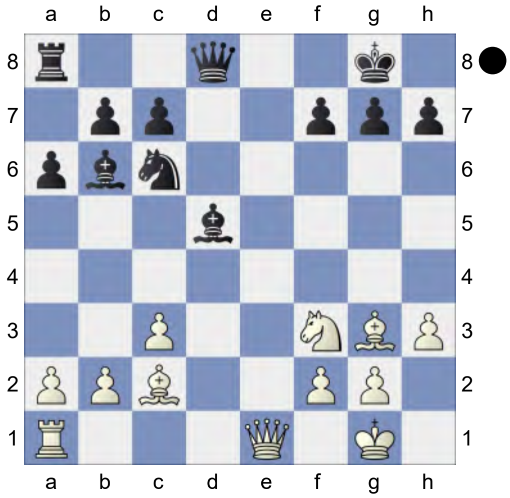
11...Bxd5N Black has an edge.

[Vorgänger: 11...Nxd5 12.Ng3 f6 13.0-0 Qd7 14.Re1 Rfe8 15.Nh2 Rad8 16.Ng4 -0.66/19 (*⌓16.Bd2* -0.34/19) 16...Nce7⩱ 17.Qf3 Ng6 1-0 Sosa,T (2558)-Akbas,U (2446) Sant Boi de Llobregat op 4th 2023 (9)]

12.Ng3 Prevents e5-e4. **12...Re8 13.0-0! e4** 0.27/25

[⌓13...Qd6 -0.07/19]

14.dxe4= Nxe4 15.Bf4 Nxg3 16.Bxg3 Bb6 17.Re1 Rxe1+ 18.Qxe1



Hoping for Ra1-d1. **18...Qf6 19.Qe2 Bxf3 20.gxf3 g6 21.Re1 Rd8 22.Kg2 Kg7 23.Ba4** 0.23/23

[23.Qe4⩲ 0.58/23]

23...Rd7 0.98/26

[23...Bc5= 0.23/23 remains equal.]

24.Qe8 0.59/25

[24.Bxc6± 0.98/26 Qxc6 25.b4]

24...Rd8⩲ 25.Qe4 Rd7 0.96/25
[25...Bc5⩲ 0.44/23]

26.Bh4 0.59/24
[26.Bxc6± 0.96/25 Qxc6 27.Qe8]

26...Qf5 27.Qxf5 gxf5 28.Bxc6 0.28/25
[28.Bg5⩲ 0.61/22 is superior.]

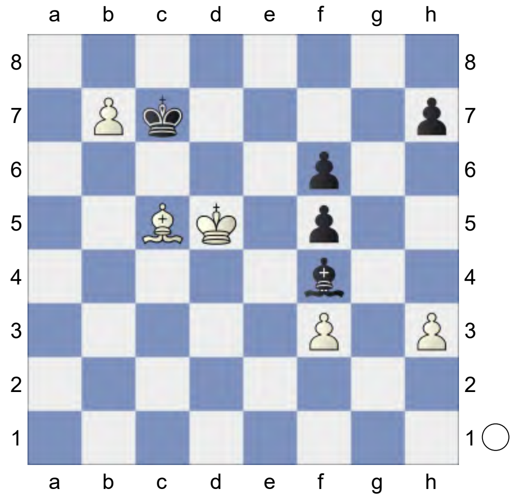
28...bxc6 Endgame KRB-KRB **29.Bg5** Inhibits Rd7-d2. **29...f6 30.Bf4 Kf7** Inhibits Re1-e6. **31.Kf1 Rd3** 0.59/27
[31...c5= 0.01/25]

32.Ke2 Rd8 33.Rd1 Rxd1 34.Kxd1 Bxf2 35.Bxc7 KB-KB **35...Ke6 36.Ke2 Bc5 37.Kd3 Kd5 38.b4 Bf2 39.c4+ Ke6 40.Kc3 Be1+ 41.Kb3 Kd7 42.Bf4 Kc8 43.Be3 Bg3 44.a4 Kb7 45.b5 cxb5?** 3.12/28
[45...h5± 1.15/26]

46.cxb5 axb5 47.axb5 Kc7 48.Kc4 Kd6 49.Bc5+ Ke6 50.b6 Kd7 51.Kd5 Bf4 52.Bd4 Bg5 53.Bc5? 0.01/29
[53.h4 Bxh4 54.Kc5 h5=]
[53.b7+- 10.12/35 Kc7 54.Ke6]

53...Bf4= 54.b7? 2.31/35
[54.Bb4 5.85/32 Be5 55.b7]

54...Kc7+-



55.Bd6+! Bxd6 56.b8Q+? 0.02/5
[White should play 56.b8R+- 2.81/36 Kxb8 57.Kxd6]

56...Kxb8= 57.Kxd6 f3-f4 would kill now. **57...Kb7?** #22/35
[57...f4+- 2.91/36 58.Ke6 Kc7 59.Kxf6 Kd6]

58.Ke6 10.14/29
[⌓58.f4 #22/35 Kc8 59.Ke6 Kd8 60.Kxf6 Kd7 61.Kg7 h5 62.Kg6 h4 63.Kxf5]

58...Kc6 59.Kxf5 Kd6 60.Kxf6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.50

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354 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2802**
■ **Molt7n** **2830**
Blitz 06.07.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.19/21
[Black should play 9...Qe7⩱ -0.58/18 10.Nd2 Ne6]

10.Na3!= Qe7 0.36/23
[10...Bd7= 0.00/20]

11.c3 Nc6 Excellent horsemanship.
[11...Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 (*14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6* 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)*)* 14...Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-

Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

12.Kh1 0.00/19

[12.Qf3± 0.40/21]

12...h6 0.51/21

[12...Rg8= 0.00/19]

13.Bxf6± gxf6 14.Qf3N -0.10/20

[14.Bxe6± 0.47/19 fxe6 (*14...Qxe6 15.Qf3±*) 15.Nc4]

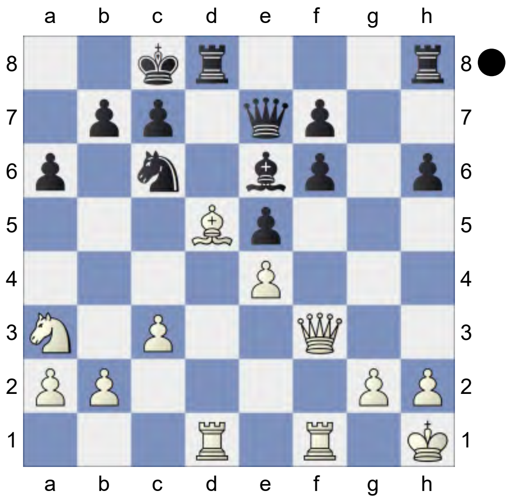
[14.Bb3 Rg8 15.Nc4 Rg6 16.Ne3 #11 Theory 1A2: 7... d6-A2: 7...d6 9. fxe5]

14...a6 0.34/20

[14...0-0-0= -0.10/20]

15.Bd5 0-0-0 16.Rad1 -0.28/19

[16.Rae1 0.18/19 is more appropriate.]



16...f5!= and ...fxe4 would now be decisive **17.Bxc6**

[17.Bxe6+ Qxe6]

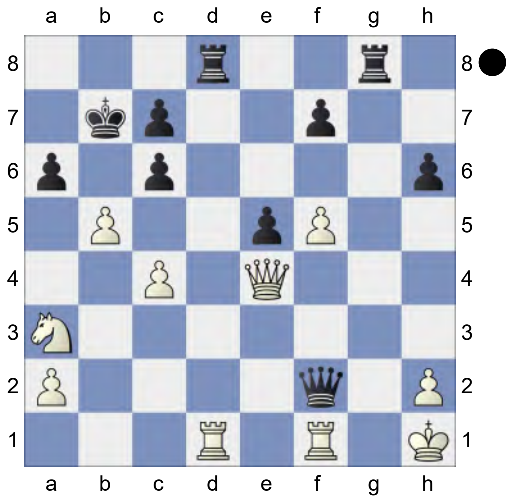
17...bxc6 18.exf5 Bd5 19.Qe2 Threatens to win with c4. **19...Kb7?** 2.52/21

[19...Rhg8!∓ -0.62/23 20.Rf2 (*20.Qxa6+ Kb8∓*) 20...Qc5]

20.c4+- Bxg2+ 21.Qxg2 Rhg8 22.Qe4 Qc5 23.b4 Qf2 (→ ...Rd2!) **24.b5??** -#8/19

[24.Rxf2? is a self mate. Rxd1+]

[24.Rb1+- 2.91/22 Qd4 25.Qxd4 Rxd4 26.Nc2 Rxc4 27.Rf2]



24...Rd2! 25.Qxc6+ Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.50 **25...Kb8**

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355 **C51**
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■ **admete_bot** **2409**
Rapid 15.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.Qc2 Ng4N**

[10...0-0 11.0-0 c5 (*11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½* Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)) 12.f4 b6 13.Nd2

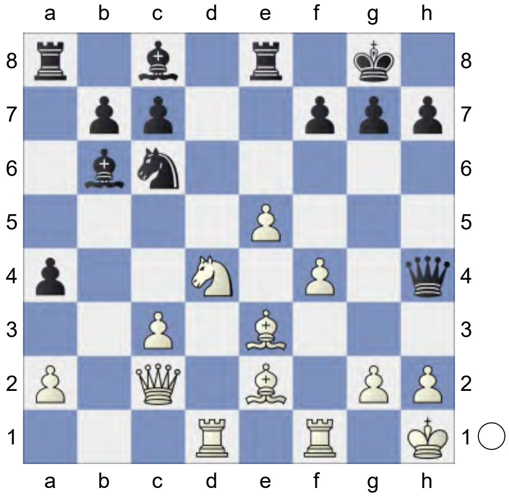
Bb7 14.c4 Qd4+ 15.Kh1 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Qxa1 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Be4 Rad8 20.Qe2 Rd6 21.Bb2 Qxa2 22.Qh5+ Rh6 23.Qxh6+ gxh6 24.Nxf7+ Kg8 25.Nxh6# 1-0 Mestek,I (2060)-Apaar, S (2183) Nova Gorica op 29th 2025 (5)]

11.Nf3 Nc6 12.0-0 Nge5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Be2 0-0 15.Nd2 Bd6 16.Nb3 Nc6 17.f4 White now steadily converts the win. **17...a5 18.Be3 Re8** 1.32/17

[⌓18...f6 0.87/19]

19.e5± a4 20.Nd4 Bc5 21.Rad1 White has more active pieces. **21...Qh4 22.Kh1 Bb6** 2.25/16

[22...g6± 1.35/18 23.Bb5 Bg4]

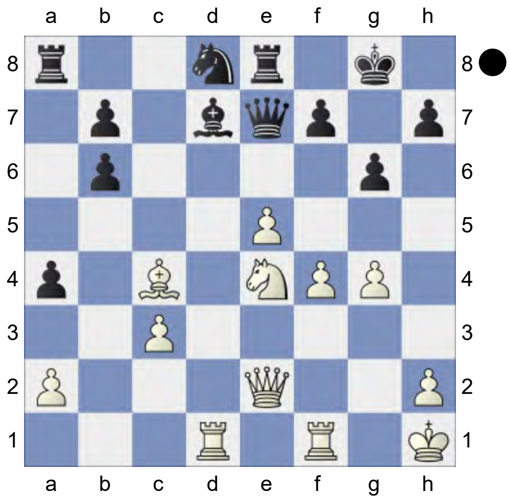


23.Nf3!+- Qe7 24.Bxb6 cxb6 25.Ng5 g6 26.Bc4 Bf5 27.Qe2

[27.Bxf7+ Qxf7 28.Qe2 Qe7-+]

27...Nd8 28.g4 Bd7 29.Ne4

(Diagram)



Kh8 30.Bd5 Qh4 Black is weak on the dark squares **31.Rg1**

[31.Nf6? Qxf6 32.Bxb7 Nxb7-+]

31...Bc6 32.Qe3

[32.Nd6 Re7 33.Qe3 (*33.f5 Bxd5+ 34.Rxd5 Nc6+-*) 33...f6±]

32...Bxd5 33.Rxd5 and Rg3! should not be overlooked **33...a3?** 4.96/18

[33...Ne6 2.89/17 was worth a try. 34.Rd6 (*34.Qxb6 Nxf4 35.Rd7 Rxe5±*) 34...b5]

34.Rg3

[Not 34.Qxb6 Ne6 35.Qe3 (*35.Qxb7 Qh3=*) 35...Ra4+-]

34...Re6 35.f5 gxf5 36.gxf5 Rh6 37.Rd2 Ne6 38.fxe6 Rxe6 39.Ng5 Rg6 40.Nxf7+ Kg7 41.Rxg6+ hxg6 42.Rd7 Re8 43.e6 Re7 44.Ng5 Qa4 45.Rxe7+ White mates. **45...Kf8 46.Rf7+ Ke8 47.Qf3 Qb5 48.Rf8+ Ke7 49.Qf6+ Kd6 50.Nf7+ Kc6 51.Rc8+ Kd5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.79 **52.Qe5#**

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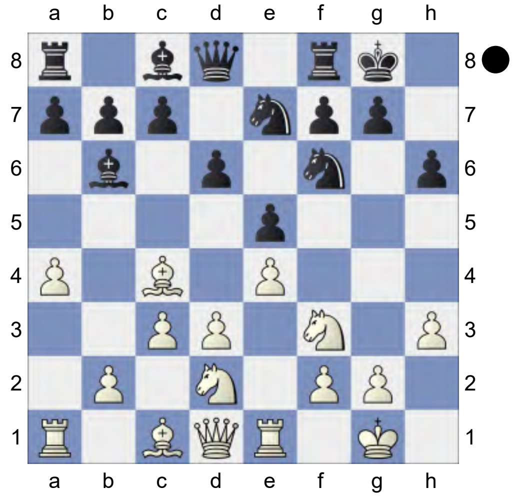
356 C54
☐ **Volokitin,Andrei 2665**
■ **Adams,Michael 2687**
UK-UKR Solidarity m (5) 27.03.2023
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d6 7.c3 Bb6** Recently 7...a5 got a lot of attention. 7...a5 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit.Recently 7...a5 got a lot of attention.7...a5 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.a4**



aiming for a4-a5. The position is equal.

10...a5 11.d4N

[RR 11.Nf1 c6 12.Bb3 Ng6 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.N1d2 Bf5 17.Bc2 Nxd2 18.Bxd2 Bxc2 19.Qxc2 Nh4 20.Nxh4 *(RR 20.Ra3 Nxf3+ 21.Rxf3 Bxd4 22.Qf5 c5 23.Bc3 Bxc3 24.bxc3 Qe8 25.Rd3 Rd8 26.Rg3)* 20...Qxh4 21.Be3 f6 22.Rad1 Rf7 23.f4 fxe5 24.fxe5 Raf8 25.Qg6 Rf5 Shogdzhiev,R (2260)-Atalik,S (2420) Belgrade 2024 0-1 (76)]

11...Nc6 12.Ra3 -0.25/21

[⌓12.d5 0.12/20 Ne7 13.Bf1]

12...Re8 0.11/20

[⌓12...exd4 -0.25/21 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Bxd4 15.Rd3 Be5 16.Nf3 Qe7 17.Nh4 Nd5 18.Qh5 Nf6 19.Ng6 Nxh5 20.Nxe7+ Kh7 21.g4 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Bxf4 23.Nd5 Be6 24.Nxf4 Bxc4 25.Rc3 b5 Aronian,L (2785)-Oparin,G (2674) Berlin 2022 Chess Informant 153 [Perunovic, Milos]]

13.Ba2 Ba7N

[Predecessor: 13...Bd7 14.Bb1 -0.76/22 *(14.Nc4= -0.06/21 remains equal.)* 14...exd4∓ 15.cxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Rd3 Bc5 18.e5 -2.00/22 *(18.Rg3∓ -0.88/21)* 18...Rxe5-+ 19.Rxe5 dxe5 ½-½ (97) Vidit,S (2714)-Oparin,G (2683) Chess.com INT 2022]

14.Rb3 -0.46/21

[14.d5= -0.05/21 Ne7 15.b4]

14...Rb8N -0.03/20

[14...exd4∓ -0.46/21 15.cxd4 Rb8 *(15...Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Rd3 Bc5 18.e5 Qe7 19.Nf3 dxe5 20.Rxe5 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6* B4) Italian – New Main Line-Italian – 4. c3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 *)*]

15.Bb1!= Bd7 16.Nc4 exd4 17.cxd4 Nb4 0.63/20

[17...d5= 0.23/21 should be considered. 18.exd5 Nxd5]

18.Rbe3 0.19/22

[18.Ra3± 0.63/20 was preferrable.]

18...b5 19.axb5 Bxb5 20.Nxa5 c5 21.Ra3 Bb6 22.Nb3 c4 23.Nbd2 Nd3 24.Re3 Rc8 25.b3 d5

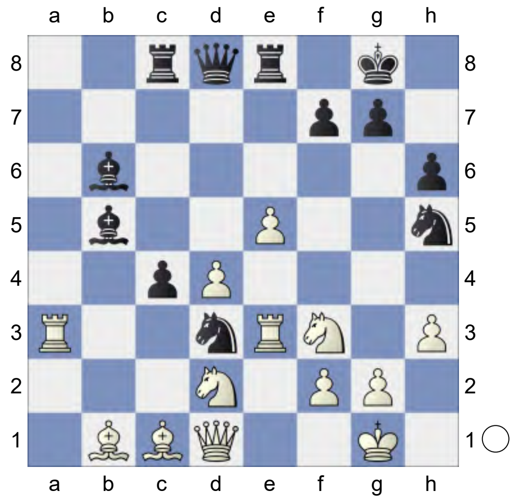
[Much less strong is 25...Nxc1 26.Qxc1 *(26.bxc4 Bxc4 27.Qxc1 Bd3±)* 26...cxb3 27.Qb2±]

26.e5 Strongly threatening b3xc4.

26...Nh5? 1.91/21 This costs Black the game.

[26...Ne4!= -0.21/22 and Black stays safe.]

27.bxc4+- dxc4



28.Ne4! Hoping for Ne4-d6. **28...Re6 29.Nc3**

[Weaker is 29.Bxd3 cxd3 30.Nc3 Bc4±]

29...Bd7 30.Bxd3 cxd3 31.Rxd3 Rg6 32.Kh2 Bf5 33.g4 Bxd3 34.Qxd3 Nf6 35.exf6 Rxf6 36.Kg2 h5 37.g5 Re6 38.Bf4 Bc5 39.Rb3 Bd6 40.Bxd6 Qxd6 41.Ne4 Qd5 42.Ng3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) / Black=0.28 (precise)

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358 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **3099**

■ **admete_bot** **2411**

Rapid 14.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3 Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Ng6 13.d4 Bd7 14.Qb3 Ng4 15.Re1 Kh8 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nbd2 Qf6 18.Re3 Nf4 19.Nf1 g5 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Rd1 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Nxh3+ 23.Kg2 g4 24.Ng3 0-1 Leconte,J-Miles,E Jugoslavija 76/203 1999]

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.a5 Ba7 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Na3 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Be3 c6 19.g4 Nc3 20.Qc2 Bxd3 21.Qxc3 Rxf3 22.Qxd3 Qd6 0-1 Bacrot,E (2594)-Almasi,Z (2676) Szeged m 2000 (3)]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nbd2

[11.Be3 simplifies Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Qe8 13.Nbd2]

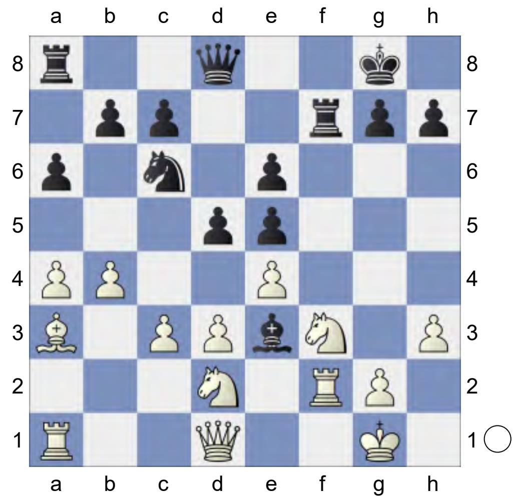
11...Ng4 White is slightly better. **12.Re2 d5** 1.34/20

[12...h6± 0.49/19]

13.Ba3 Rf7 1.71/18

[13...Ne7± 1.18/18]

14.h3+- Nxf2 15.Rxf2 Be3



16.Qe2! Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 dxe4 2.59/21

[17...Ne7 1.85/16 was called for. 18.Kg1 Ng6]

18.Qxe4

[18.Nxe4 Nd4 19.Qd1 *(19.cxd4 Qxd4+ 20.Kg3 Qxa1=)* 19...Qh4+ *(19...Nxf3 20.gxf3 Rf5 21.Ke2+-)* 20.g3 Qxh3 21.cxd4 Rxf3+ 22.Qxf3 Rf8= *(22...exd4? 23.Rh1+-)*]

18...Qd5 19.c4 Qxe4 20.Nxe4

[20.dxe4?! Rd8+-]

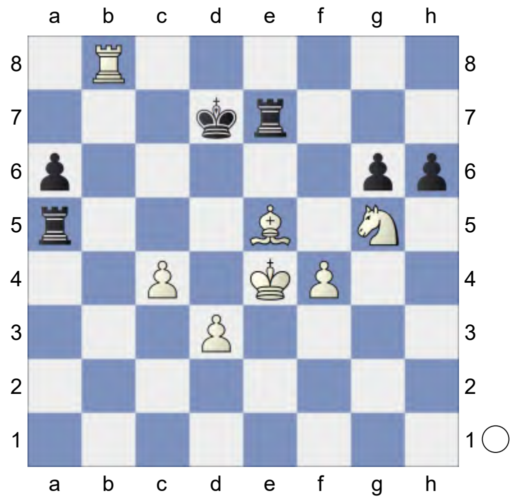
20...Rd8 21.Rd1 Nd4 22.Bb2 Nxf3 23.gxf3 Rdf8 24.Nd2

[Don't play 24.Bxe5 Rxf3+ 25.Ke2 Rxh3 26.Bxc7 Rh5+-]

24...Rd7 25.Ke2

[Less strong is 25.Bxe5 Rxd3 26.Ke2 *(26.Bxc7 Rf7±)* 26...Ra3+-]

25...Rf5 26.Rg1 Rdf7 27.Rg3 b6 28.Ne4 g6 29.Bc3 Rf8 30.Ng5 Re8 31.Rg1 Re7 32.h4 Re8 33.a5 bxa5 34.bxa5 Rf4 35.Bxe5 Rxh4 36.Bxc7 e5 37.Ke3 Kg7 38.Ne4 Rh2 39.Rb1 Ra2 40.Rb7 Re7 41.Bxe5+ Kf7 42.Ng5+ Ke8 43.Rb8+ Kd7 44.Rb7+ Ke8 45.Rb8+ Kd7 46.f4 Rxa5 47.Ke4 h6 48.Rb7+ Ke8 49.Rb8+ Kd7



50.Nh7 Kc6

[50...Ke6 51.Nf6]

51.Nf6 Ra1 52.Nd5 Rb7 53.Rf8 Re1+ 54.Kd4 h5 55.Rf6+ Skewer, Double Attack **55...Kd7 56.Rxg6 Rbb1 57.Rg7+ Kd8 58.Kc5** Kc6 would kill now. **58...Rg1 59.Rh7 Rb3 60.f5** White mates. **60...Ke8 61.Bd6 Rg8 62.Kc6 Rb6+ 63.Kxb6 Rf8 64.Re7+ Kd8 65.Kb7 Rxf5** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.35 **66.Bc7#**

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357 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **3095**

■ **admete_bot** **2413**

Rapid 14.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

Sokolov,I: 'Inf 91/283' Lukacs: 'LesEchecs.com: 'C50: Partie italienne (gambit Evans refusé)

" **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6** 0.54/23

[Black should play 5...Ba5= -0.27/21]

6.0-0 White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.d4! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 Bxe5 10.Qd5±]

8.Re1 White is slightly better. **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ (47) Short,N (2712)-Sokolov,I (2690) Sarajevo Bosnia 34th 2004 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.Bd3 Rb8N

[11...Na5 12.Qc2 *(12.Qa4 b6 13.Nf1 Bb7 14.Ng3 Qf8 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.f4 Ree8 18.e5 d6 19.Ba3 Bc6 20.Qd1 Nd7 21.Qg4 Nb7 22.Nf5 Kh8 23.Re3 Nbc5 24.Rae1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Re6 26.Qh4 Rg6 1-0 (33) Felgaer,R (2593)-Harikrishna,P (2646) Dos Hermanas-A 2005 (4))* 12...b6 13.Rb1

Bb7]

[11...b6 12.Nc4 1) Evans Gambit- Evans Gambit: 4...Bxb4 #4]

12.Rb1 b5 Repels Nc4 **13.Qd1! a6 14.a4 Qd8 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxb5 Ra8 17.Rb3 Ba6 18.Bc2 Rb8 19.Bb2 Ra8 20.h3** -0.14/19

[20.dxe5± 0.56/20 Nxe5 21.c4]

20...Rb8 0.52/19

[20...Na5= -0.14/19]

21.Rxb8 Qxb8 22.Qa1 exd4 0.79/19

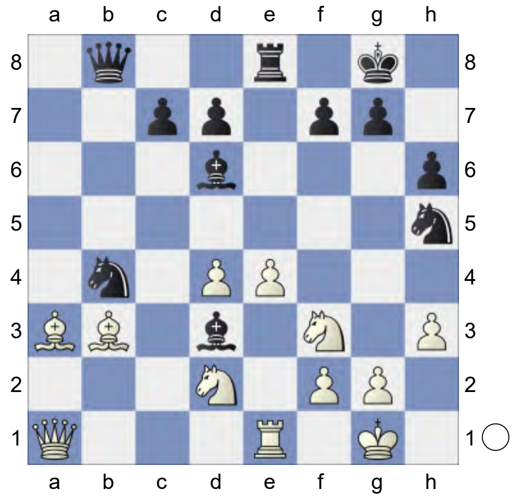
[22...Qb6!= 0.30/20 might be stronger.]

23.cxd4± Nb4 White now steadily converts the win. **24.Bb3 Nh5** 1.37/20

[⌓24...Be7 0.73/18]

25.Ba3 Bd3 1.55/16

[⌓25...Qb7 1.19/18]



26.Bxb4! Qxb4

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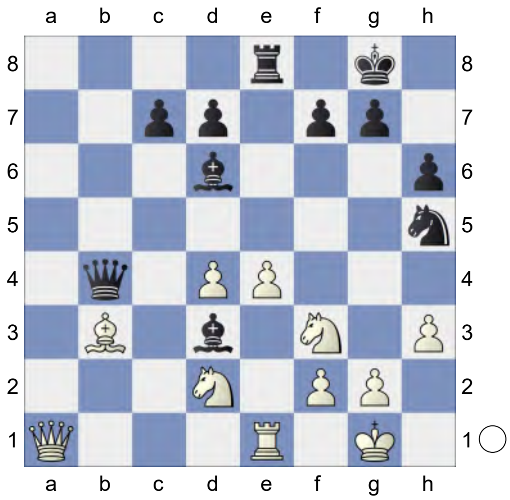

27.Re3! aiming for Qa2!. **27...Nf4** 2.38/20

[27...Bb5± 1.30/17 keeps fighting.]

28.g3+- Ne2+ 29.Kg2 Qb5 30.Qa2 Nc1 31.Bxf7+ Kf8 32.Qa1 Kxf7 33.Qxc1 c6 34.Qc3 Be2 35.Qc2 Kg8 36.Qa2+ Kh8 37.Qf7 Rd8 38.Qg6 2.72/20

[⌓38.Ne5 1.97/17]

38...Bc7 39.e5 Rf8 40.Nh4 Qd5+ 41.Ne4 Bd1 42.Nf5 Qf7 43.Qxf7 Rxf7 44.g4 Bc2 45.Kg3 Bxe4 46.Rxe4 Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **46...Kh7 47.Re2 Rf8** 4.33/22

[⌓47...g6 2.94/18]

48.Ra2 Bb6 Dodges Ra7 **49.Ra4 c5 50.d5 Re8 51.f4 Rb8 52.Kf3 Re8 53.Nd6 Rb8 54.Nc4 Bd8 55.Ra7 Rb3+ 56.Ke2 Rb4 57.Rxd7 Rxc4 58.Rxd8 Rxf4** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **59.e6 Kg6 60.Ke3 Rf1 61.Kd2 Rf2+ 62.Kd3 Rf3+ 63.Kc4 Re3 64.Kxc5 Kg5 65.Kd6 Rxh3 66.e7 Re3 67.e8Q Rxe8 68.Rxe8** KR-KPP **68...Kh4 69.Ke6** White mates. **69...Kxg4 70.d6 h5 71.d7 Kf4 72.d8Q Kg4 73.Rf8 g6 74.Qd4+ Kg3 75.Qf2+ Kh3 76.Rf3+ Kg4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.28 (precise)

77.Qg3#
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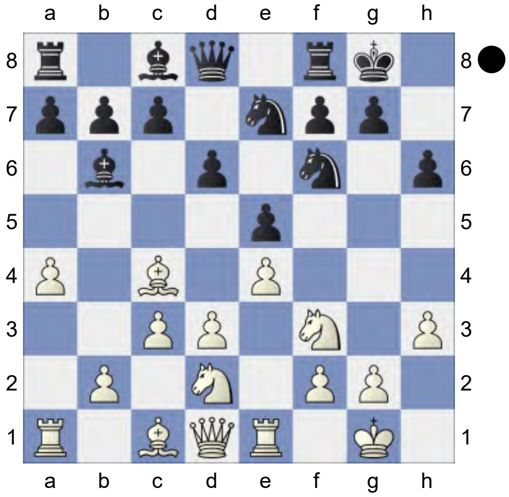
359 **C54**
☐ **Volokitin,Andrei** **2665**
■ **Adams,Michael** **2687**
UK-UKR Solidarity m (3) 24.03.2023
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.Re1** is the new trend. ist der neue Trend. is the new trend.ist der neue Trend. **7...Bb6 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.a4**



And now a4-a5 would win. **10...a5 11.Bb3 c6 12.Nf1 Ng6 13.Ng3 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Re8 17.Rxe8+ Qxe8 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Be3 Bc7**

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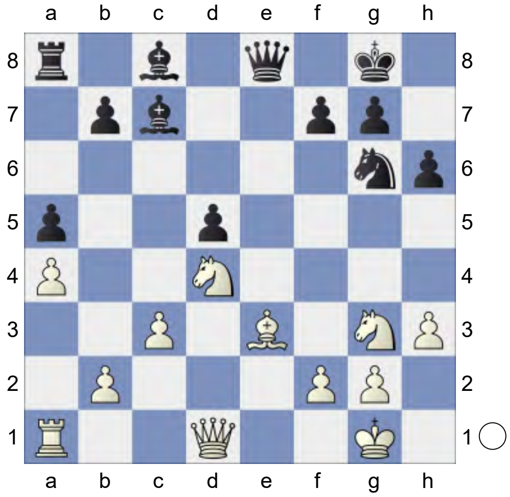


Hoping for ...Bc7xg3. **20.Qd3N**

[Predecessor: 20.Qd2 Bd7 Inhibits Nd4-b5. 21.b3 Bxg3 22.fxg3 Qe5 23.Qf2 0.28/24 (*23.Bf2*± 0.61/21) 23...Rc8= 24.Rf1 f6 25.Re1 Strongly threatening Be3-f4. Qd6 26.Nf5 Bxf5 27.Qxf5 ½-½ (32) Vidit,S (2727)-Esipenko,A (2714) Wijk aan Zee 2022]

20...Bxg3N

[20...Bd7 21.b3 7) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Tre-Italian 4...Bc5 - Trendy Bb6]

21.fxg3 Bd7 22.b3! Qe5 23.Bf2 Re8 24.Re1 Qb8 25.Rxe8+ Qxe8 26.Nb5 0.29/23

[26.Nf3± 0.65/22]

26...Qe5 27.Kh2 Ne7 28.Bd4 Qe6 29.g4 0.01/24

[29.Bg1± 0.34/23 is more appropriate.]

29...f5= 30.gxf5 Nxf5 31.Bf2 Qe5+ 32.Kg1 Kh8 33.Nd4 Kg8 34.Qe2 Qf4 35.Qf3 -0.01/25

[White should try 35.Nf3± 0.49/23]

35...Qxf3 The position is equal.

[35...Nxd4 with more complications. 36.Qxd5+ Be6 37.Qd8+ Kh7]

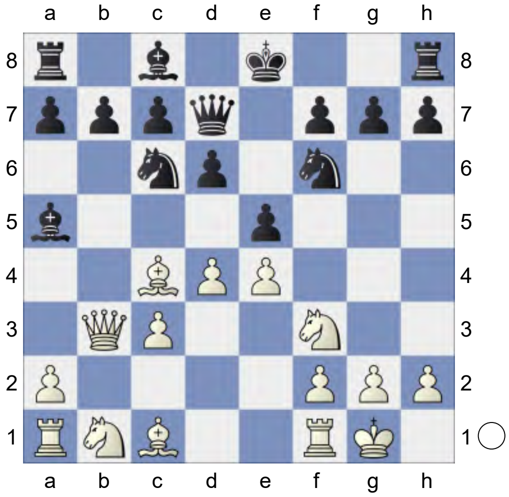
36.Nxf3 b5 37.axb5 Bxb5 38.Nd4 Nxd4 39.Bxd4 a4 40.bxa4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /

Black=0.05 (flawless)
½-½

360 C52
☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo 3109**
■ **admete_bot 2404**
Rapid 15.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Nf6 0.72/19

[8...Bb6!∓ -0.42/20 keeps the upper hand.]



9.dxe5!± Nxe4

[9...Nxe5? 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Rd1+-]

[9...dxe5? 10.Rd1+-]

10.Re1 Nc5 1.33/20

[10...Qf5? 11.Bd3 Nc5 *(11...d5? 12.Qxd5 Nxc3 13.Nxc3+-)* 12.exd6+ *(12.Bxf5 Nxb3 13.exd6+ Kd8+-)* 12...Kd8 13.Bxf5+-]

[Black should try 10...d5 0.94/22]

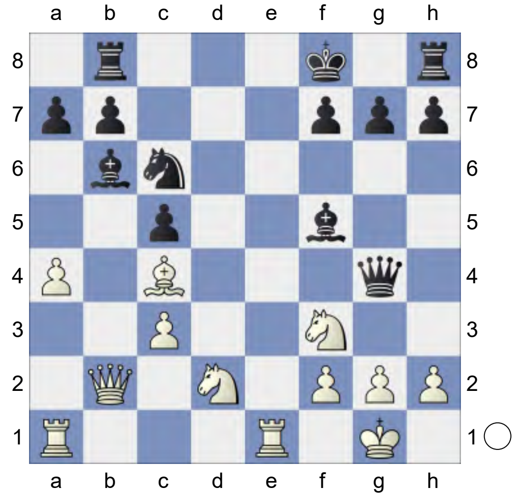
11.exd6+ Kf8 12.Qc2N White has more active pieces. The black rooks are passive.

[12.Qa3 Qxd6 13.Bb5 Bb6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.Bb2 Nd7 16.Ne4 Qxa3 17.Bxa3+ Kg8 18.Rad1 h6 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.c4 Ba5 21.Re3 Nb6 22.Ne5 Nxc4 23.Rg3 Nxa3 24.Nd7 f5 25.Nef6+ Kf7 26.Nh5 g5 ½-½ (31) Muir,W-Clement,P Friendly match 1966/67]

12...cxd6 13.Nbd2 Qg4 14.Ba3 Bf5 1.86/19

[14...Bb6± 1.29/15]

15.Qb2+- Bb6 16.Bxc5 dxc5 17.a4 Rb8



18.a5! White has strong compensation.
18...Bc7 19.Qb5 Qg6 2.35/18

[19...g6 1.82/19 was worth a try.]

20.a6

[20.Qxc5+?! Bd6 21.Qe3 Qh6±]

[20.Nh4 Qd6 21.Nxf5 Qxh2+ 22.Kf1 Qh1+ 23.Ke2 Qh5+ 24.Kf1 Qh1+ *(24...Qxf5 25.a6±)* 25.Ke2 Qh5+ 26.Nf3 Qxf5±]

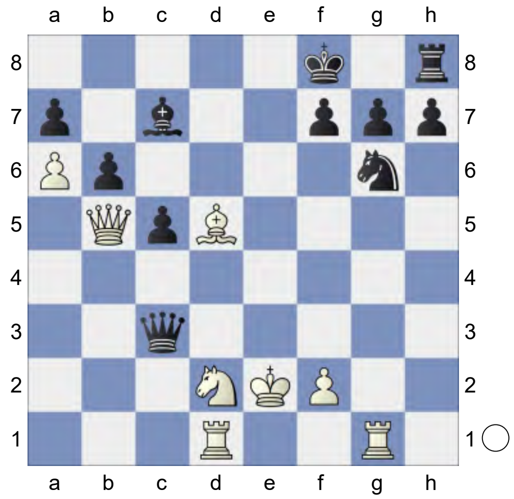
20...b6 3.03/19

[⌓20...bxa6 1.92/18 21.Qxc5+ Bd6]

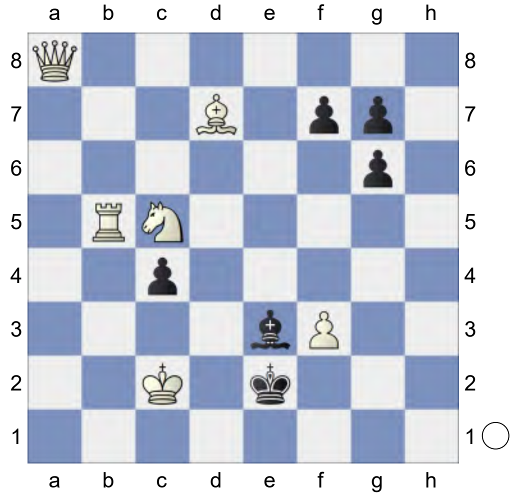
21.Nh4 Deflection **21...Qh6 22.Nxf5 Qxh2+ 23.Kf1 Qh1+ 24.Ke2 Qxg2 25.Rg1 Re8+ 26.Ne3 Rxe3+ 27.Kxe3 Qh3+ 28.Ke2 Ne5 29.Bd5 Qxc3** Black is weak on the light squares
30.Rad1 Ng6 7.28/19

[⌓30...Bb8 4.02/18 31.Rg3 Qb4

32.Qxb4 Remove Defender cxb4]



31.Rxg6! Qe5+ 32.Ne4 Qh5+ 33.f3 Black must now prevent Qd7!. **33...Qh2+ 34.Kd3 hxg6 35.Qd7 Qf4 36.Qc8+** Skewer **36...Ke7 37.Qxh8 Qe5 38.Bc6 c4+ 39.Kc2 Qh2+ 40.Qxh2 Bxh2 41.Rd7+ Ke6 42.Rxa7 b5 43.Bd7+ Ke5 44.Rb7 Bg1 45.Rxb5+ Kf4 46.Nc5 Ke3 47.a7 Ke2 48.a8Q** White mates. **48...Be3**



49.f4! Bxc5 50.Qg2+ Ke3 51.Rxc5 f6 52.Qg3+ Ke2 53.Bb5 Kf1 White took control after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.66

54.Bxc4#
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361 C54
☐ Hakobyan,Aram 2612
■ Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi 2723
Speed Chess Q1 KO Lose blitz (1.6)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
Pezzi/Carosi: 'Glenn Flear: 'Think before castling! --- The following miniature illustrates the problem with 'castling into it'. Here this means committing the king early, followed by provoking the opponent to advance his pawns on that front. This doesn't mean that I'm against castling, far from it, but it shouldn't be a routine move. The general rule should be: think before committing your king!'' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.c3N**

[6.h3 Na5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.cxb3 h6 9.Nc3 Be6 10.Bd2 g5 11.b4 Bb6 12.Nh2 g4 13.hxg4 Rg8 14.d4 Nxg4 15.g3 Bxd4 16.Ne2 Bb6 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 18.Kg2 Qh4 19.Qa4+ Bd7 20.Qb3 Qxe4+ 0-1 (23) Diaz Avila,J (1374)-Gonzalez Bolivar,J (1524) COL-ch U14 Cartagena 2023 (5)]

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 ½-½ (24) IBd7 (2698)-Behrmann (2553) Daring Defences 2020 (6.2)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+

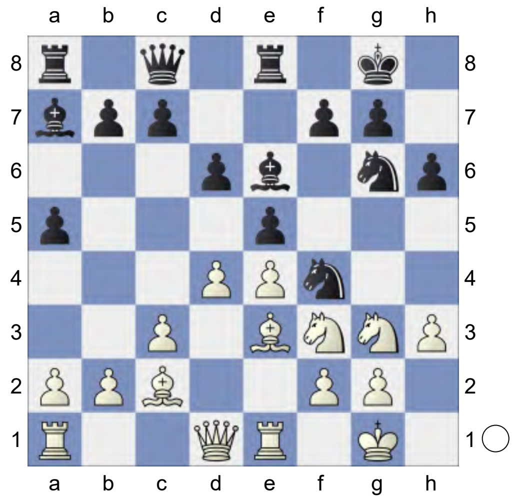
14.gxf3 Bxf3 15.h3 0-1 Knorr,V-Chigorin,M 010 St Petersburg 1874]

6...a5 7.Re1 Ba7 8.Bb3 0-0 The position is equal. **9.h3** Prevents Ng4. **9...h6 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Ba4!?** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. **11...Ne7 12.d4 Ng6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 Nh5N**

[Vorgänger: 14...exd4 0.55/22 14...c6 0.18 15.cxd4 d5! and ...dxe4 would now be decisive 16.e5 and Bxg6! should not be overlooked Ne4 17.Ng3! Nxg3 18.fxg3 c5 1-0 Giri,A (2761)-Vidit,S (2723) Chessable Masters Prelim rapid 2022 (12)]

15.Be3 Nhf4 16.Ng3 Qc8 1.52/20

[Black should play 16...Bb6± 0.36/18]



17.Nf5!± Bd7 1.95/19

[17...exd4± 1.32/17 was necessary. 18.N3xd4 (*18.cxd4 d5=*) 18...Bxd4]

18.Qd2+- a4 2.13/20

[18...b5± 1.56/19 19.Rad1 Be6]

19.Kh2 Qd8 20.g3 Ne6 21.Kg2 0.54/20 White has more active pieces.

[21.b4± 1.15/18]

21...Nef8 0.90/19

[21...Bb6± 0.54/20]

22.h4± Qf6 23.Nh2 exd4 0.95/20

[23...Ne7± 0.52/22 might be stronger.]

24.Ng4 0.09/21

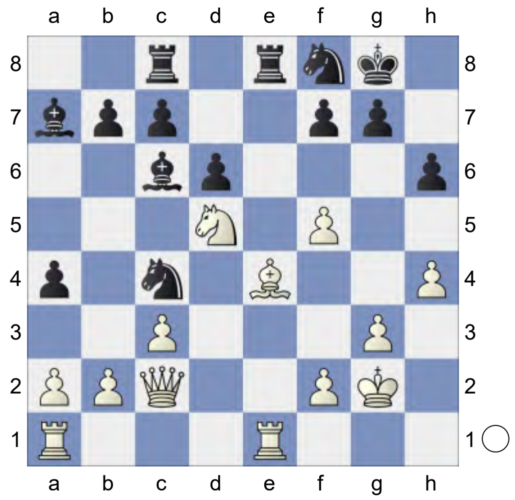
[24.Nxd4?! Ne5=]

[24.cxd4 Ne7=]

[24.Bxd4± 0.95/20 Bxd4 25.cxd4]

This costs Black the game. **24...Qxf5** 3.13/23 **25.exf5+- dxe3 26.Nxe3 Bc6+ 27.Nd5 Ne5 28.Be4 Nc4 29.Qc2** White is clearly winning. **29...Rac8** 7.32/23

[⌓29...Nd7 4.79/18 30.Nb4 (*30.Nxc7 Rxe4 31.Rxe4 Nf6=* Pin) 30...a3 31.Bxc6 bxc6 32.Rxe8+ (*32.Nxc6 axb2 33.Rxe8+ Rxe8+-*) 32...Rxe8]



30.Ne7+! Discovered Attack **30...Rxe7 31.Bxc6** Discovered Attack **31...Rxe1 32.Rxe1 bxc6 33.Qxa4 Bxf2 34.Kxf2 Nxb2 35.Qa6 Rb8 36.Rb1**

[36.Qxc6 Nd3+ 37.Kf1 Nxe1+-]

36...Nd7 37.Qe2

[Weaker is 37.Qxc6 Nd3+ 38.Ke3 Rxb1+-]

37...Ne5 38.Kg2

[38.Rxb2? loses. Rxb2 39.Qxb2 Nd3+ 40.Ke2 Nxb2-+]

38...Ned3 39.a4 Ra8 40.Rxb2 Nxb2

41.Qxb2 Rxa4 Endgame KQ-KR **42.Qb8+ Kh7 43.Qxc7 f6 44.Qxc6 Ra2+ 45.Kh3 Rd2 46.Qe8 Rd3 47.c4 Rd4 48.Qe6 Kh8 49.Kg2 Kh7 50.Kf3 Rd3+ 51.Ke2 Rd4 52.Ke3 Rd1 53.Qd7 Kg8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.67

54.c5

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362 **C50**
☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2661**
■ **Martirosyan,Haik M** **2675**
Astana Satty Zhuldyz Blitz (14) 25.04.23
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.a4 h6 **8.Be3!** The position is equal. The position is equal. now scores much better than the old 8.h3. punktet besser als das ältere 8. h3. now scores much better than the old 8.h3. punktet besser als das ältere 8.h3. **8...0-0 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.Nd5**

[10.h3 Qd6 11.Nd2 b6 12.Nd5 Rb8 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Qf3 Qxf3 15.Nxf3 Re8 16.c3 Na5 17.Bd5 Be6 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.b4 cxb4 20.cxb4 Nc6 21.b5 Nb4 22.Rfc1 Rb7 23.Ra3 f6 24.Kf1 a5 4.c3 Nf6 5. e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3) 1-0 4.c3 Nf6 5.e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3) 1-01-0 4.c3 ♘f6 5. e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1. 3)]

10...Be6

[10...Qd6 11.Ne3 g6 12.Bd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Ne7 14.Nc4 Qxd5 15.Ncxe5 b6 16.Qd2 Nf5 17.Rfe1 Kg7 18.Ng4 Qd6 19.Ne3 Nd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Nc4 Qf6 22.Qb4 Bb7 23.Qe7 Qc6 24.Qe5+ f6 25.Qg3 Gorgs,A (2319)-Gottwald,B (2408) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (2.1) 1/2-1/2 Gorgs,A (2319) -Gottwald,B (2408) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (2.1) 1/2-1/2½-½ Gorgs,A (2319)-Gottwald,B (2408) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (2.1)]

[10...Rb8 11.a5 Bg4 12.Ne3 Bh5 13.h3 Ne8 14.Bd5 Nd4 15.g4 Nxf3+ 16.Qxf3 Bg6 17.Qg3 Qd6 18.Nc4 Qe7 19.Nxe5 Bh7 20.f4 Nd6 21.f5 Kh8 22.Nf3 c6 23.Ba2 c4 24.e5 Nb5 25.Bxc4 Sindarov,J (2639)-Harutyunian,T (2426) Wch Blitz Almaty 2022 (4) 1-01-0 Sindarov,J (2639)-Harutyunian,T (2426) Wch Blitz Almaty 2022 (4)]

11.Ne3 **Bxc4N**

[11...b6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.c3 Qe7 14.Nc4 Nd7 15.g3 Rf6 16.h3 Raf8 17.Nh2 Rg6 ½-½ (28) Sindarov,J (2651)-Martirosyan,H (2666) Tashkent 2022]

[Predecessor: Predecessor: RR 11...Re8 12.Nd2 Bxc4 13.Ndxc4 b5 14.Nd2 Nd4 RR 15.b3 0.00/22 *(15.c3± 0.40/19 Ne6 16.Qc2; 15.Kh1 Qd7 16.b3 c6 17.f3 Nh5 18.Rf2 Nf4 19.g3 Nh3 20.Rg2 g6 21.Qf1 Qd6 22.Rd1 Rad8 23.Nb1 h5 24.Nc3 Qf6 25.g4 h4 26.Ne2* Sindarov,J (2677)-Vokhidov,S (2650) Chess.com INT 2024 0-1 (48)*)* 15...c6 16.Nf3 g6 17.g3 Kg7 18.Nxd4 cxd4 1-0 (81) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Niemann,H (2688) Chess.com INT 2022 19.Ng2 Qd7 20.Nh4 c5 21.f4 exf4 22.Rxf4]

12.Nxc4 Qe7N

[RR 12...Re8 13.Ne3 b6

B3-N,N Lifetime Repertoires: Jan Gustafsson's 5. Nc3 #12 Italian 5. Nc3 & 5. Bg5 B3-N,N Lifetime Repertoires: Jan Gustafsson's]

13.a5 Rfb8 0.62/20

[13...Qe6= 0.21/19 might be stronger.]

14.Kh1 0.14/20

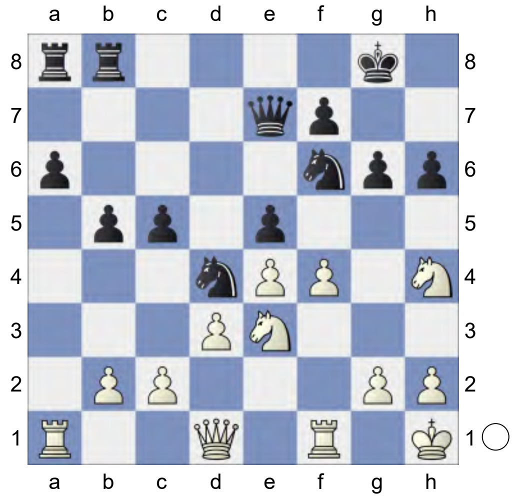
[14.Nh4!⩲ 0.62/20]

14...b5= 15.axb6 cxb6 16.Ne3 b5 17.Nh4 g6 0.65/20

[17...Qc7= 0.26/19 is more appropriate.]

18.f4⩲ Nd4 2.03/21

[18...Rb6⩲ 0.55/19]



Prevents Qd1-f3 **19.fxe5!+- Nd7 20.c3?** 0.06/21

[20.Nf3+- 2.16/20]

20...Qxh4= 21.cxd4 cxd4 22.Ng4 Strongly threatening Qd1-b3! **22...h5?** 5.68/24

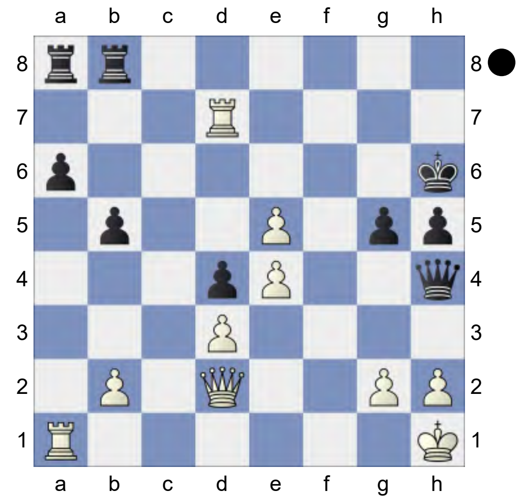
[22...Kg7!= 0.01/22]

23.Nh6++- Kg7 24.Rxf7+ Kxh6 25.Qd2+

[25.Rxd7 Qg5 26.Qc1 (*26.Rxd4 Qxe5 27.Rd7 Qf4±*) 26...Qxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Re8⩲]

25...g5 26.Rxd7

(Diagram)



Threatening mate with Qd2-b4! **26...Rf8 27.Qb4** Qb4-d6+ would kill now. **27...Rg8 28.Qe7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.82

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363 **C50**
☐ **Warmerdam,Max** **2663**
■ **Bok,Benjamin** **2587**
NED-ch KO Utrecht (3.1) 10.07.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.Bg3 d6 8.a4 0-0** The position is equal. **9.a5!?** Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V (2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3) 0-1 0-1 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V

(2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3)]

[RR 9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7]

[RR 9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7]

9...a6N

[9...Be6 10.Bxe6 *(RR 10.Nbd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.0-0 Qa2 15.Qc1 Nh5 16.Ne3 Nxg3 17.hxg3; RR 10.Nbd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.0-0 Qa2 15.Qc1 Nh5 16.Ne3 Nxg3 17.hxg3)* 10...fxe6 11.0-0 *(11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 24.Nexg4 R2f4 25.c4 bxc4* Caruana,F (2794) -Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.9) 1-0 1-0 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.9)*; RR 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 24.Nexg4 R2f4 25.c4 bxc4; RR 11.0-0 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 23.f4 Nh5 24.fxe5 Nxg3 25.Nxg3 dxe5)* 11...b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 *(RR 22...Rf8)* 23.f4 Nh5 *(RR 23...Rc5)* 24.fxe5 Caruana,F (2794) - Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.7) 1/2-1/2 RR ½-½ Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.7) dxe5 25.Bxe5 Rc5]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 23.f4 Nh5 24.fxe5 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (66)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 *(RR 16...Bf6)* 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 *(RR 19.dxe5 g4 20.hxg4 Nxe5 21.c4)* 19...Nd8

- **A)** RR 20.c4 b4 21.Nh2 *(RR 21.Qxb4 h5)*;
- **B)** 20.Nf1
  - **B1)** RR 20...Rxe4 21.Qc2 Ref4 22.Qg6+ Kh8 23.Qxh6+ Kg8 24.Nxg5 Bxg5 25.Qxg5+ Qg7 26.Qxg7+ Kxg7 27.dxe6 *(RR 27.f3 exd5 28.Rxd5 Ne6)* 27...Nxe6 28.f3;
  - **B2)** 20...h5
    - **B2a)** RR 21.c4 Nb7 *(RR 21...Rxe4 22.cxb5 Qxb5 23.Qxb5)* 22.cxb5;
    - **B2b)** 21.Ne3
      - **B2b1)** RR 21...Rxe4 22.Qc2 Ref4 23.Qg6+ Kh8 24.dxe6 *(RR 24.Qxh5+ Kg7; RR 24.Nxg5 Bxg5 25.g3 Rf3)* 24...Qxe6 (RR

24...Nxe6 25.Nxe5 Qc8 26.Qh6+ Kg8 27.Ng6) 25.Qxh5+ Kg7 26.Nd5 (RR *26.Nxg5 Qg6*);

B2b2) 21...g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2

B2b21) RR 23...Rxe4 24.Qc2 Ref4 25.Qg6+ (RR *25.Nexg4 Bg5*) 25...Kh8 26.Qh6+ (RR *26.Nexg4 R4f7*) 26...Kg8 27.Nhxg4;

B2b22) RR 23...Bg5;

B2b23) 23...Rxf2 24.Nexg4 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36) RR Bh4]

10.c3N

[Vorgänger: 10.Nbd2 Be6 0.47/20 (*10...b5= 0.11/22 might be stronger. 11.axb6 cxb6*) 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 Nh7 13.c3 Ng5 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.Rfe1 Rab8 16.h3 Caruana,F (2795)-Xiong,J (2681) Saint Louis Rapid 2023 (9) 1-0 1-0 Caruana,F (2795)-Xiong,J (2681) Saint Louis Rapid 2023 (9)]

10...g6 11.Nbd2 Nh5 12.h3 Bg5 13.Bh2 Kg7 14.Nf1 -0.25/21

[14.d4± 0.36/21]

14...Bf4 0.37/21

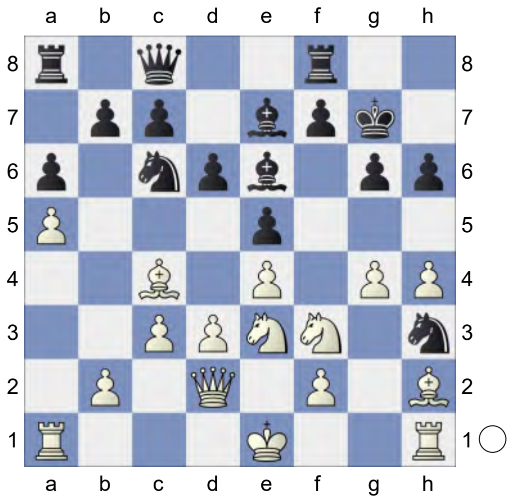
[Better is 14...f5= -0.25/21]

15.g3± Bg5 16.h4! Be7 17.Ne3 Qe8 18.g4 Nf4 19.Rg1 0.26/20

[White should try 19.d4± 0.80/18]

19...Be6= 20.Qd2 Nh3 21.Rh1 Qc8

(Diagram)



22.Bxe5+! Nxe5 23.Nxe5 Bc4xe6 is the strong threat.

[23.Rxh3? Bxg4 (*23...Nxg4? 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nd4+-*) 24.Nxe5 Bxh3-+]

23...Nxf2 0.96/21

[23...Nf4!= 0.27/21 keeps the balance. 24.Nf3 (*24.Bxe6 fxe6 25.Nf3 Nxd3+ 26.Qxd3 Rxf3=*) 24...d5 25.Bxd5 Nxd5 26.exd5 Bxg4]

24.Qxf2± dxe5 25.Qg3 White is more active. **25...Bxc4** 1.51/23

[⌓25...Kh7 0.97/19 26.Bxe6 (*26.Qxe5 Bd6±*) 26...Qxe6]

26.Nxc4 Bd6 27.0-0-0

[27.Nxe5? Qe6 (*27...f6? 28.g5-+*) 28.Kd2 (*28.d4? f6-+*) 28...Bxe5-+ (*28...Qxe5? 29.Qxe5+ Bxe5 30.d4-+*)]

27...Qe6 28.Rdf1 f6 29.Qf3 Bc5 1.79/22

[29...Rad8± 1.40/23 was necessary. 30.h5 g5]

30.h5+- Strongly threatening h5xg6.

30...g5 31.Qf5 Qe8 3.02/23

[31...Qxf5± 1.56/23 keeps fighting. 32.Rxf5 Ba7]

32.d4 Bd6 3.02/24

[⌓32...Ba7 2.12/21 33.d5 (*33.dxe5*

fxe5 34.Qxe5+ Qxe5±) 33...Kh8]

33.Rd1 Rd8 34.Kb1 Qf7 3.07/25

[⌓34...exd4 1.82/25 35.Rxd4 *(35.cxd4 Bf4±)* 35...Bf4 36.Rxd8 Qxd8]

35.d5 Qe8 36.Kc2 Bc5 37.Rd3 1.45/23

[37.b4+- 2.85/24 Ba7 38.Kb2]

37...Kh8? 3.10/23 A mistake that costs the game.

[37...Qa4+± 1.45/23 38.Kb1 *(38.b3 Qa2+ 39.Nb2 Ba3±)* 38...Qxc4 39.Qg6+ Kh8 40.Qxh6+ Kg8 41.Qg6+ Kh8 42.Qh6+ *(42.Rdh3? Rd7-+)* 42...Kg8 43.Qg6+ Kh8 44.Qh6+ *(44.Rdh3? Rd7-+)*]

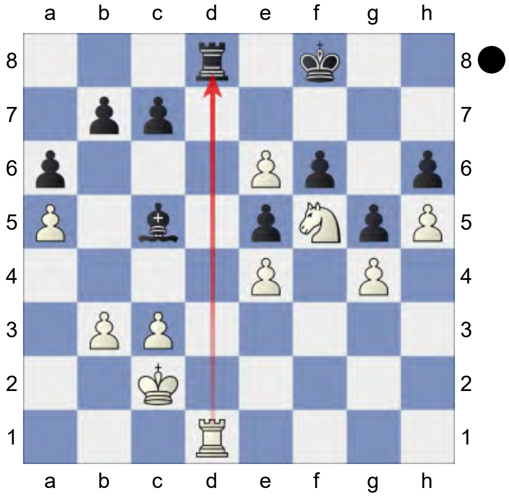
38.b3 Black is weak on the light squares **38...Bd6 39.Ra1 Kg7 40.Qe6 Qxe6 41.dxe6 Rfe8 42.Ne3 Kf8 43.Nf5 Bc5?** 5.95/26

[43...Rb8 3.54/23 might work better. 44.Nxh6 *(44.Nxd6 cxd6 45.Rxd6 Red8+-)* 44...Rxe6]

44.Rxd8 White is clearly winning.

[44.Nxh6 Rxd3 45.Kxd3 Rxe6=]

44...Rxd8 45.Rd1



Bd6 46.c4 Ke8 8.55/24

[⌓46...Re8 5.20/23 47.Nxd6 *(47.Nxh6 Rxe6 48.Nf5 Kg8+-)* 47...cxd6 48.Rxd6 Rc8]

47.Nxh6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) / Black=0.41 Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) / Black=0.41

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364 **C54**
☐ **Volokitin,Andrei** **2664**
■ **L'Ami,Erwin** **2627**
FIDE Grand Swiss (10) 04.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.c3 d6 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 a6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Re8 The position is equal. **11.b4**

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 Ne7N

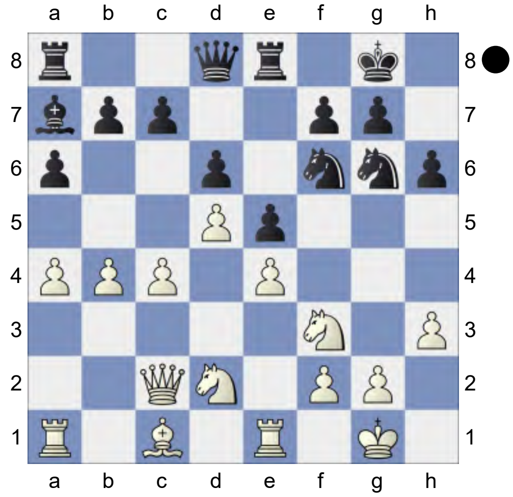
[13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ 1-0 (74) Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 1-0 (74)

Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7)]

14.d4!? is currently scoring better than 14.Nf1. Leaves trodden paths. wohl besser als 14.Sf1. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade. **14...Ng6 15.d5** -0.21/23

[⌓15.Nf1 0.16/19]

15...Re8= 16.c4



a5N 0.27/22 **17.bxa5 Nd7** 0.50/21

[17...c6= 0.07/21]

18.Nb3⩲ Nc5 19.Be3 Nxb3 20.Qxb3 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 Nf8 1.09/24

[21...Qc8⩲ 0.66/22 is more appropriate.]

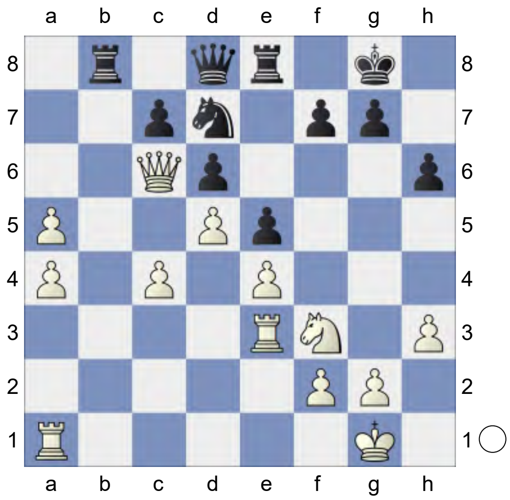
22.Qxb7 0.65/25

[White should play 22.Nd2⩲ 1.09/24]

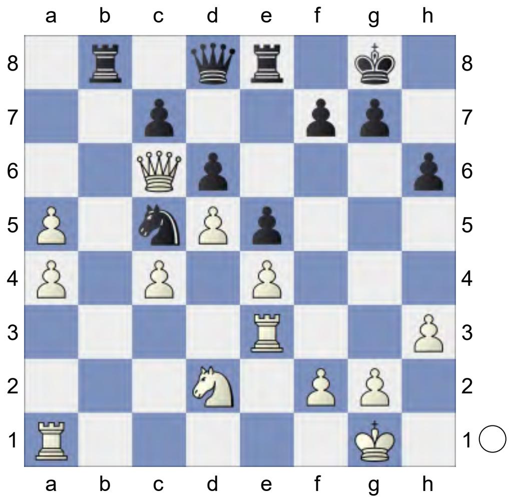
22...Rb8 23.Qc6 Nd7 1.56/23

[Black should try 23...Qd7 0.72/24]

(Diagram)



Prevents c5 **24.Nd2!± Nc5**



25.Raa3? 0.18/23

[25.Rb1!+- 1.97/21]

25...Qc8= 26.Reb3 Nxb3 27.Rxb3 Rf8 28.a6 Rxb3 29.Nxb3 Endgame KQR-KQN **29...f5 30.a7↑** White is more active. **30...fxe4 31.Nd2 Qa8?** 6.90/31

[31...Qf5= -0.01/21 32.Nxe4 (*32.a8B Qxf2+ 33.Kh2 Qf4+ 34.Kg1 Qxd2-+*) 32...Qxe4]

32.Qxc7+-

[32.Nxe4 Qxc6 (*32...Qxa7 33.Kh2=*) 33.dxc6 Ra8⩱]

32...Rf7 33.Qb8+

[33.Qxd6 Qxa7 34.Nxe4 Qd4=]

33...Rf8 34.Qc7 -0.01/24

[34.Qxd6 Qxa7 35.Nxe4 Qd4=]

[34.Qxa8+- 6.43/27 Rxa8 35.Nxe4 Rxa7 36.Nxd6 Rxa4 37.c5 Ra1+ 38.Kh2]

34...Rf7= 35.Qb8+ Rf8 36.Qxa8 White is clearly winning.

[Worse is 36.Qxd6 Qxa7 37.Nxe4 Qd4=]

36...Rxa8 37.Nxe4 Rxa7 38.Nxd6+- KR-KN **38...Rc7 39.a5 Kf8 40.a6 Ra7 41.c5 Rxa6 42.c6 Ra1+ 43.Kh2** c7 is the strong threat. **43...Rc1 44.Kg3 Rc3+ 45.Kg4 g6 46.Nb5 Rc2 47.c7 Ke7 48.d6+ Kd7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.40

49.Na7

1-0

365 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **3017**

■ **admete_bot** **2447**

Rapid 12.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3 Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6N

[9...Ne7 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Ng6 13.d4 Bd7 14.Qb3 Ng4 15.Re1 Kh8 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nbd2 Qf6 18.Re3 Nf4 19.Nf1 g5 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Rd1 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Nxh3+ 23.Kg2 g4 24.Ng3 0-1 (27) Leconte,J-Miles,E Jugoslavija 76/203 1999]

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.a5 Ba7 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Na3 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Be3 c6 19.g4 Nc3 20.Qc2 Bxd3 21.Qxc3 Rxf3 22.Qxd3 Qd6 0-1 Bacrot,E (2594)-Almasi,Z (2676) Szeged m 2000 (3)]

10.Nbd2 Ng4 11.Re2 d5 1.16/20

[11...h6= 0.30/19 remains equal.]

12.exd5± Bxd5 and ...e4! would now be decisive **13.Qb3! Bxc4** 1.24/23

[⌓13...Nf6 0.75/21]

14.Qxc4 Qd7 15.Ne4 Rfd8 2.15/22

[15...Kh8± 1.07/20]

16.h3+- Nf6 17.Nxf6+ gxf6 18.Qh4! Qxd3 2.59/23

[18...Qf5± 1.57/19]

19.Re4 Ne7? 3.46/23

[19...Rd6 1.78/22]

20.Bh6!

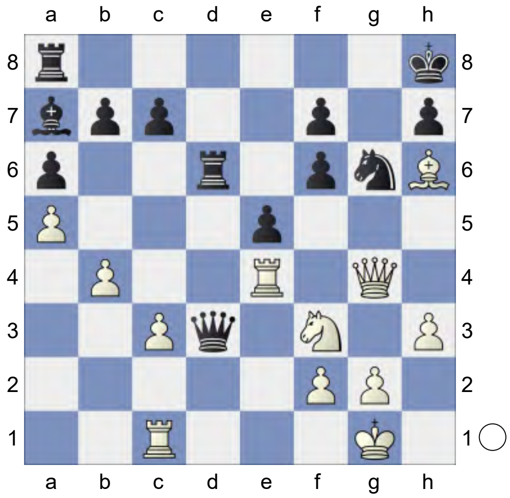
[20.Rg4+ Ng6 21.Qxf6 Rd6 22.Qxe5 Re6=]

20...Rd6

[20...Qxc3 21.Qxf6 (*21.Rc1 Qxc1+ 22.Bxc1 Ng6+-*) 21...Bxf2+ (*21...Qxa1+ 22.Kh2*) 22.Kxf2+-]

21.Qg4+ Ng6 22.a5 Ba7 23.Rc1 Wards off Qc2 **23...Kh8?** 4.42/23

[23...Rc6 2.44/21]



24.Nh4! Rc6 5.18/22

[⌓24...Rg8 3.38/19]

25.c4 Bd4 26.c5

[Not 26.Nf5 Rxc4 27.Rxc4 Qxc4 28.Nxd4 exd4 29.Rxd4 Qc3+-]

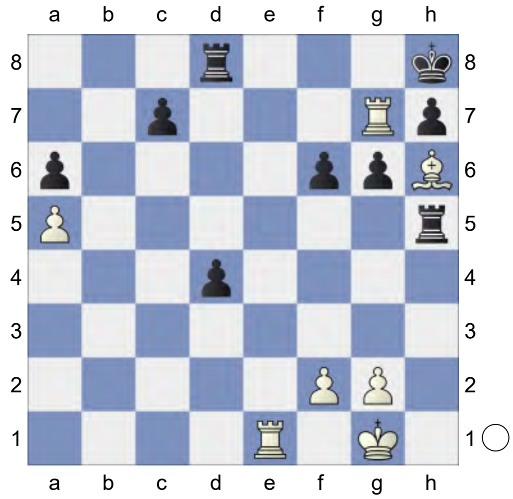
26...Rd8 27.Nf5 Black must now prevent Nxd4. **27...Bb2 28.Rf1 b6 29.h4 Qd7 30.h5 bxc5 31.bxc5**

[31.hxg6 fxg6 32.Ng3 Qxg4 33.Rxg4 c4±]

31...Bd4 6.46/22

[⌓31...Kg8 4.54/20 32.Be3 (*32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Re2 Qxf5±*) 32...Kf8]

32.hxg6 fxg6 33.Nxd4 Qxg4 34.Rxg4 exd4 35.Re4 Rxc5 36.Rfe1 Kg8 37.Re7 Rh5 38.Rg7+ Kh8



39.Rd7! Deflection, Back Rank **39...Rg8 40.Bf4 c5 41.g4 Rh4 42.Bg3 g5 43.Bxh4 gxh4 44.Ree7 Rxg4+ 45.Kh2 h6 46.Rc7 d3 47.Rxc5** 35.82/31

[⌓47.Rh7+ #19/32 Kg8 48.Rhd7 (*48.Rxh6 d2+-*) 48...Kh8 49.Rxc5 Rg8 50.Rcc7 (*50.Rxd3 Kh7+-*) 50...Ra8 51.Rxd3 Kg8 52.Rd6]

47...d2 48.Rd5 Rg7 49.Rxg7 Kxg7 50.Rxd2 KR-KP **50...Kg6 51.Rd6 Kh5 52.Rxa6 Kg4 53.Rxf6** KR-KPP **53...Kg5 54.Rc6 Kf5 55.a6 Ke4 56.a7 Kf5 57.a8Q Ke5 58.Qe8+ Kd4 59.Qe7** Threatening mate with Rc5!. **59...h3 60.Rc5 h5** Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.92

61.Qe3#

1-0

366 C52

☐ **M-Z_Bot 2642**

■ **Mr_Chess_Berserk 2616**

Classical 07.03.2024

[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 25min+1sec C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3

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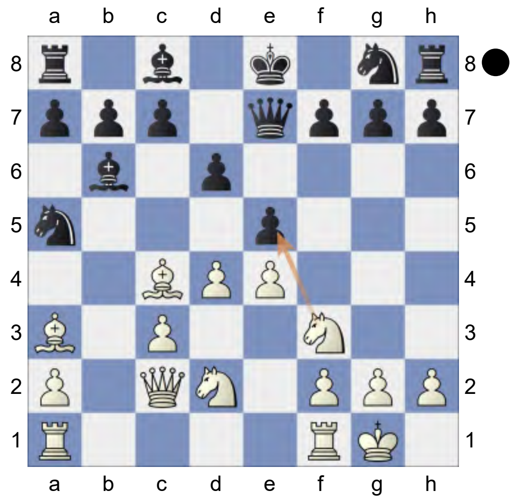


f6 12.Bb5+N

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

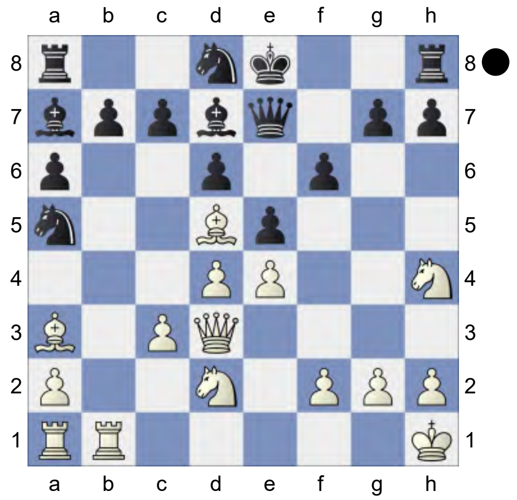
12...Bd7

[12...c6!? 13.Be2 Nh6=]

13.Rfb1 a6 14.Bc4 Nh6! 15.Bd5 Nf7 16.Qd3 Nd8 17.Kh1 -0.27/19

[17.Nf1 0.09/18 deserves consideration.]

17...Ba7 18.Nh4



c6 19.Nc4! Bb8 20.Nxa5 cxd5 21.exd5 b5 Wards off Nc4

[21...e4!? 22.Qg3 g5=]

22.Nf5 Qf7 23.dxe5 aiming for e6.

[23.Bxd6? too greedy. Bxf5 (*23...Qxd5 24.Nxg7+ Kf7 25.Bxb8±*) 24.Qxf5 Bxd6-+]

[23.Nc6 is interesting. Bc7 24.Rd1 Bxf5 25.Qxf5 0-0 26.c4]

23...Bxf5 24.Qxf5 fxe5 25.Qd3 0-0 26.f3 Qh5 27.Rb4 Bc7 28.Nb3 Nf7 29.Nd2 Ng5 30.Rg4 Rae8 31.Ne4 Nxe4 32.Rxe4 Rb8 33.Rd1 The position is equal. **33...Qg6 34.c4 b4 35.Bc1 Bb6 36.Be3 Bxe3 37.Qxe3** c5 poses a challenge **37...Rfc8 38.Qa7 Ra8 39.Qe7 h5 40.h3 a5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **41.Kh2** Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)? **1-0**

367 C54

☐ **Esipenko,Andrey 2702**

■ **Vokhidov,Shamsiddin 2596**

Wch Rapid Samarkand (9) 27.12.2023

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a5**

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2

Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1 Ba7

[RR 7...h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bd7 (RR *9...Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3 c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 a4 24.a3*) 10.Nf1 a4 11.d4 Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Bf1 Ba5 14.dxe5 (RR *14.Qxa4 Bxc3*) 14...Nxe5 15.Be3 b5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Qf3 Rb8 18.Rad1 Qe7 19.a3 Be6 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.Qxf5 c6 (RR *21...g6 22.Qf3 Kg7*) 22.Rd3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Oparin,G (2662) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (65)]

8.Nbd2 0-0 The position is equal.

9.Bb3N A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

[9.Nf1 Ne7 (*9...Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ng3 Ng6 12.h3 c6 13.Ba4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Qc7* Ferri,S (2743)-Molina,R (2862) Kyiv 25/546 2021 CBM 051 Extra [John Watson]) 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.h3 Be6 12.Be3 Re8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.g3 a4 16.Ne3 b5 17.Qc2 c5 18.c4 b4 19.a3 b3 20.Qe2 Re8 21.h4 Nf8 22.Nd5 Ne6 23.Qd2 ½-½ (23) 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2627)-Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2738) Sautron 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson]]

[RR 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 (RR *12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4*) 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 23.Be3 Qc8 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½]

9...Be6 10.h3 Bxb3 11.Qxb3 Qd7 12.a4N

[Vorgänger: 12.Nf1 h6 13.a4 Rfe8 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 Ne7 16.Rad1 Ng6 17.Nh2 b6 18.Nhg4 Nxg4 19.hxg4 1-0 Korneev,O (2521)-Jahncke,G (2326) Heraklion Fischer Memorial 8th 2022 (6)]

12...Rfe8 13.Nc4 d5 14.exd5 Qxd5 15.Be3! Bxe3 16.Rxe3 b6 17.Rae1 Nd7 18.d4 Against Nd7-c5 **18...f6** 0.93/21

[18...Rf8± 0.43/20]

19.Qb5± Qxb5 20.axb5 Na7 21.Na3 c6 22.c4 0.49/24

[22.dxe5± 1.01/23 Strongly threatening b5xc6. Nxe5 23.Nxe5 Rxe5 24.Rxe5 fxe5 25.Rxe5]

22...cxb5⩲ 23.cxb5 e4 24.Rxe4 Rxe4 25.Rxe4 Kf8 26.Nd2 Rc8 1.24/20

[⌓26...f5 0.89/23 27.Re1 Re8]

27.Ndc4± f5 28.Re1 g6 1.58/22

[Black should try 28...Rd8 1.24/21 29.Nd6 g6]

29.Nd6 Rd8 30.Re6 Against Nd7-f6 **30...Nc8 31.Nac4** 0x0.0025e7a66b5bdp-1022s more active pieces. **31...Nxd6 32.Nxd6+-** Endgame KRN-KRN **32...Kg7** 2.00/24

[⌓32...Rb8 1.63/20 33.g4 fxg4]

33.Nb7 Rf8 34.Rd6 Nf6 35.Nd8!

[Worse is 35.Rxb6 Rb8 36.Kf1 Nd7∓]

35...Ne4 2.30/21

[35...Re8? 36.Ne6+ Kf7 37.Ng5+ Kg7 38.Rxb6]

[35...Kh6 1.80/22 was called for. 36.f3 (*36.Rxb6 Rxd8 37.Rxf6 Rxd4=*) 36...Ne8 37.Rxb6 Nc7]

36.Ne6+ Kf7 37.Rxb6

[Stronger than 37.Nxf8 Nxd6 38.Nxh7 Nc4=]

37...Rc8 38.f3 Rc1+ 39.Kh2 Nd2 40.Kg3 Rc2 41.d5 Ne6-g5+ is the strong threat. **41...Nf1+?** 4.26/20

[41...h6 2.15/19 42.Nd8+ Ke8]

42.Kf4 Rxb2 6.47/24

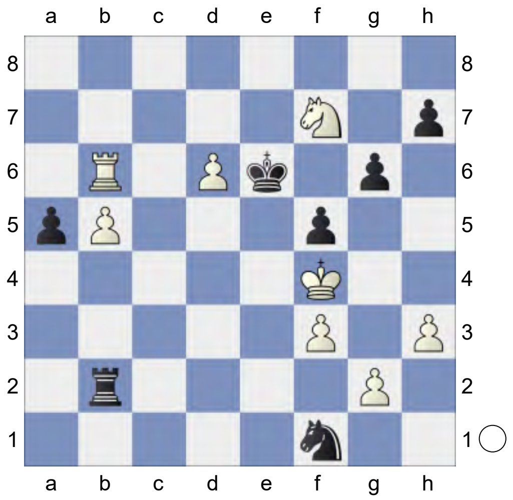
[⌓42...h6 4.37/19 43.Nd4 Rc1]

43.Ng5+ Ke7 44.d6+ Kd7 45.Nf7? 1.19/20

[45.Nxh7+- 9.11/22 is more deadly. Threatening mate with Nh7-f8+. Ke6 46.Nf8+ Kf7 47.d7!]

45...Ke6±

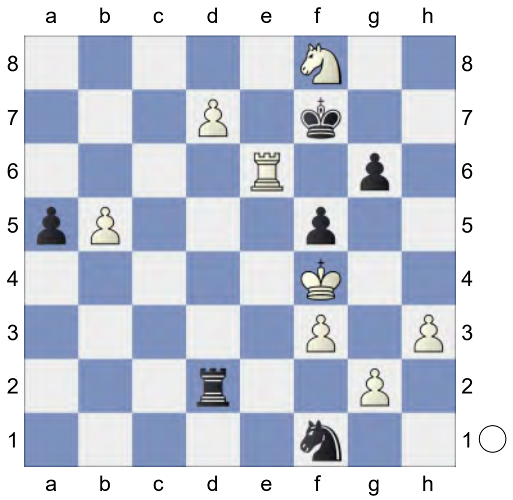
(Diagram)



46.Ng5+ 0.01/18

[46.Nd8+!± 1.24/21 Kf6 47.d7+ Ke7 48.Nc6+ Kxd7 49.Nxa5]

46...Kd7= This costs Black the game. **47.Nxh7** White threatens Nh7-f8+ and mate. **47...Rd2 48.Nf8+ Ke8 49.Rb8+ Kf7 50.d7 Kf6 51.Rb6+ Ke7 52.Re6+ Kf7**



53.Kg5! a4

[53...Rxd7 54.Rf6+]

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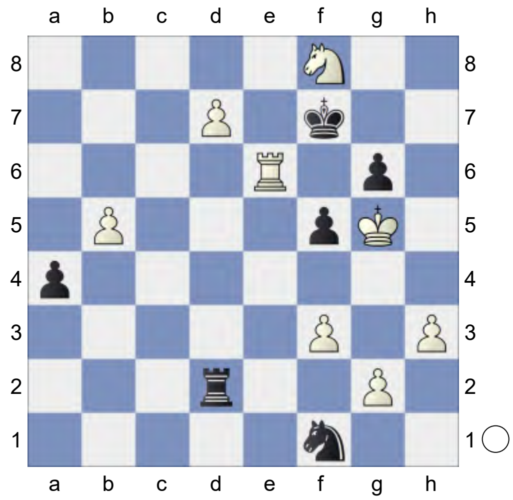


54.b6! 12.34/16 **Rxg2+**

[54...Rxd7 55.Nxd7]

55.Kh6 Rh2 56.d8Q Re6-f6+ would kill now. **56...Rxh3+ 57.Kg5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) / Black=0.21 (precise)

1-0

368 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **3011**

■ **admete_bot** **2449**

Rapid 11.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 exd4 8.Qxd4 Nf6 9.e5!** White has compensation. **9...Nc6 10.Qh4 Nd5** The position is equal. **11.Qg3 Kf8 12.0-0 d6** 0.80/21

[12...h5!= 0.01/20 remains equal. 13.h4 d6 14.Rd1 Nb6 15.Na3 Bg4 16.Bf4 d5 17.Nb5 Bxh4 18.Nxh4 Bxe2 19.c4 Bxc4 20.a4 a6 21.Nf5 Rh7 22.Nxc7 Qxc7 23.e6 Qd8 24.Bg5 f6 25.Bh6 gxh6 26.Qg6 Qc7 27.a5 Ne5 1-0 Bergsaker (2219)-Haslinger,S (2247) Moscow (rapid) 61/(487) 1994]

13.Rd1↑ 0.29/22 White is pushing.

[13.c4± 0.80/21 Nb6 14.Rd1]

13...Be6 1.30/21

[13...Nb6= 0.29/22]

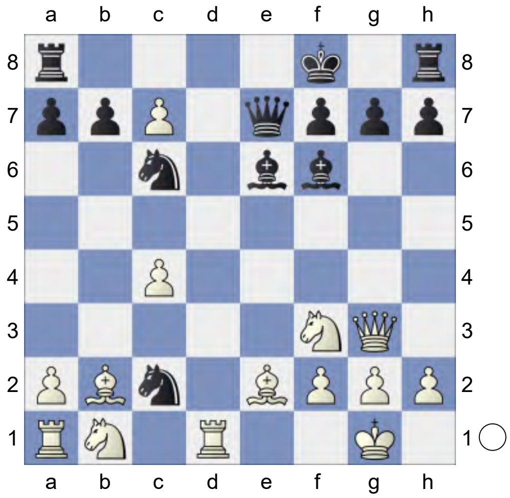
14.c4± Ndb4N 2.68/19

[14...Nb6± 1.29/20 keeps fighting. 15.c5 Nd5 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.Bc4 Nc7 18.exd6 Bf6 19.Bg5 Bxc4 20.Na3 Be2 21.dxc7 Qc8 22.Bxf6 gxf6 23.Re1 Bxf3 24.Qxf3 Qxc7 25.Nb5 Qa5 26.Qxf6 Rg8 27.Qd6+ Kg7 28.Re3 Qd8 29.Qf4 Kh8 1-0 Csom,E (2521)-Virgillito,C (2191) Chapter 2 (3) (6) 30.Nd6]

15.Bb2+- Nc2? 3.85/24

[15...Na6 2.09/18 16.exd6 Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6]

16.exd6! Bf6 17.dxc7 Qe7



18.Nc3! Nxa1 19.Bxa1 h5? 5.05/24

[19...Qe8 3.11/18 20.Ng5 Bf5]

20.Nd5 Bxd5 21.cxd5 Qxe2 22.Re1 Qxa2 9.68/27

[22...Qc4 3.96/23]

23.Qd6+ Kg8 24.dxc6 Qa6 25.Bxf6 gxf6 26.cxb7 Black is weak on the dark squares

[26.Qxf6 Qxc6 27.Qg5+ Qg6+-]

26...Qxb7 27.Nd4 Hoping for Nf5!.

[Not 27.Qxf6 Qxc7 28.Ne5 Rc8±]

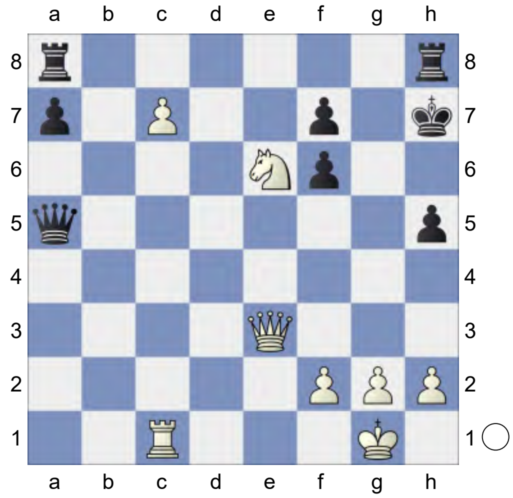
27...Qb6 28.Qd7 Qa5 Repels Nf5 **29.Rc1 Kg7 30.Ne6+**

[30.c8B Rhxc8 31.Rf1 *(31.Ne6+? Kh6-+)* 31...Qe5 32.Nf5+ Kf8-+]

30...Kg6 31.Qd3+

[31.c8B? loses. Raxc8 *(31...fxe6 32.Bb7∓)* 32.Qd3+ *(32.Nf4+? Kh6-+)* 32...Qf5 33.Qg3+ *(33.Qxf5+ Kxf5-+)* 33...Qg4 34.Nf4+ Kh6-+]

31...Kh6 32.Qe3+ Kh7



33.Qe4+! Kh6 34.Qf4+ Kh7 35.Qxf6 Rhg8 Prevents Qg7+ **36.Qxf7+ Kh8 37.Qf6+ Kh7 38.Rd1 Qb5 39.h4 Qe8 40.Rd6 Rg4 41.Ng5+ Kg8 42.Rd8** Intending Qg6+ and mate. Pin **42...Rxg5 43.Qxg5+** KQR-KQR. White is two pawns up. **43...Kf8 44.Qf6+ Kg8 45.Qg6+** Pin **45...Kh8 46.Qxe8+ Kg7 47.Rd7+ Kf6 48.Rf7+ Kg6** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.80 **49.Qe6#**

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369 **C55**

☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2830**

■ **wounded_thirteenth** **2872**

Blitz 08.05.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7** aiming for ...Qc5. **10.Na3** -0.86/19

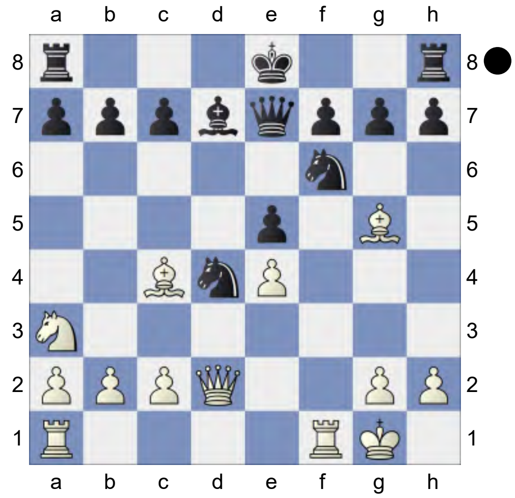
[10.Kh1∓ -0.39/20]

10...Bd7 -0.40/19

[10...Ne6∓ -0.86/19 11.Bh4 a6]

11.Qd2

[11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 Nf4 25.Qb7+ Kd8 1-0 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022]



11...a6N -0.35/18

[11...Nxe4?! 12.Bxf7+ Qxf7 13.Rxf7 Nxd2 14.Re7+ Kd8 15.Rxg7+ Kc8 16.Bxd2±]

[11...Ne6!∓ -0.74/18 12.Bxf6 gxf6]

[11...0-0-0 12.Qf2 Qc5 13.Bxf6 gxf6 Max Lange Gambit-Qe7,C 2008]

12.Qf2∓ Black is slightly better. **12...b5 13.Bd3** -1.02/20

[13.Bxf6= -0.24/21 gxf6 (*13...Qxf6 14.Bxf7+ Ke7 15.Qe1=*) 14.c3]

13...c5 -0.63/21

[13...Ng4∓ -1.02/20 14.Bxe7 Nxf2]

14.c4 b4 -0.25/18

[Black should try 14...h6∓ -0.91/20 15.Qh4 Rg8 (*15...hxg5 16.Qxh8+ Qf8 17.Qxf8+ Kxf8 18.Rfe1∓*) 16.Bxf6 gxf6]

15.Nc2= Nxc2 0.18/17

[⌓15...Ne6 -0.25/21 16.Bxf6 Qxf6]

16.Bxc2 Loses the game. **16...Be6?** 2.19/18

[16...h6= 0.19/18 and Black is okay. 17.Bxf6 gxf6]

17.Ba4++- Kf8 3.25/20

[17...Kd8 2.25/18 18.Qg3 Kc7]

18.Bc6

[18.Bxf6 gxf6± 19.Qh4 Kg7±]

18...h6? 4.47/20

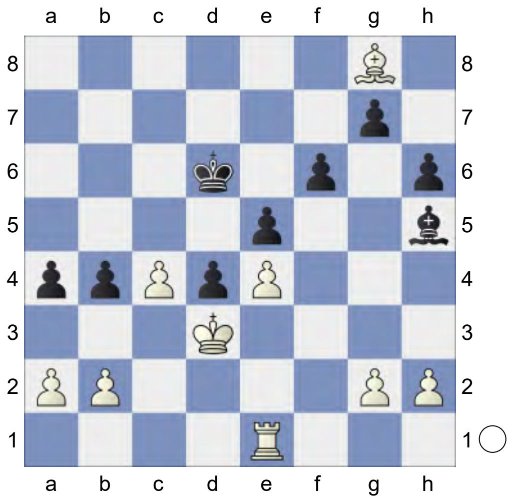
[18...Rd8 2.11/19 was called for.]

19.Bxf6

[Weaker is 19.Bxa8 hxg5 20.a3 Ng4±]

19...Qxf6 20.Bxa8 Qxf2+ 21.Rxf2 Ke7 22.Bd5 Rd8 23.Raf1 f6 24.Rd2 a5 25.Rfd1 Threatens to win with Bxe6. **25...Bg4 26.Re1 a4 27.Kf2 Bh5 28.Ke3 Rd6 29.Bg8 Rd4 30.Rxd4** White is clearly winning. **30...cxd4+ 31.Kd3 Kd6**

(Diagram)



32.c5+! Kxc5 33.Rc1+ Kb5 34.Rc7 g6 35.Bf7 a3 36.bxa3 bxa3 37.Ra7 Kb4 38.Ra6 Bd1 39.Rb6+ Kc5 40.Rxf6 Ba4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.53 **41.Bc4**

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370 **C55**

☐ **HELMUT_LANG** **2812**

■ **littleboy111** **2755**

Blitz 05.05.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N**

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 (*9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)) 10.Na3 Qe7 (*10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3*

Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.Re1+ Be6 9.Ng5 Qd5 10.Nc3 Qf5 11.Nce4 A dynamic duo of knights.

[11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.fxg7 Rg8±]

11...Bf8 1.35/20

[11...0-0-0!= 0.16/19]

12.Nxe6 0.32/16

[12.Nxf7!± 1.35/20 Kxf7 13.Ng5+ Deflection, Double Attack Kg8 14.fxg7 *(14.Rxe6 gxf6 15.Qf3 Qxf3∓; 14.Nxe6 Qxf6 15.Nxc7 Rc8±)* 14...Bxg7 15.Nxe6 *(15.Rxe6 h6∓)*]

12...fxe6⩲ 13.Bg5 Qe2 is the strong threat. **13...0-0-0** 0.52/18

[13...h6!= 0.07/20 14.Bh4 *(14.Qh5+? g6∓)* 14...0-0-0]

14.fxg7 Bxg7 15.Bxd8 Rxd8 16.Ng3 Qg6

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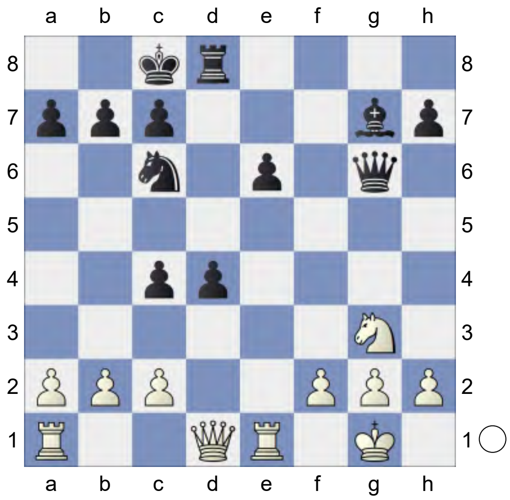


17.Qh5 -0.20/20

[17.Re4!± 0.91/18]

17...e5 0.52/19

[17...Qxh5= -0.20/20 18.Nxh5 Bh8]

18.Qxg6

[18.Qf3 with more complications. Nb4 19.Nf5 Kb8 20.Nxg7 Qxg7 21.Qe4]

18...hxg6 19.Re4 -0.18/19

[19.a3 0.22/20 is superior.]

19...Nb4!= Black has compensation.

20.Re2 c5 0.23/20

[20...Bh6∓ -0.38/19]

21.Ne4? -1.75/24

[21.c3= 0.23/20]

21...b6 -0.55/22

[21...d3-+ -1.75/24 22.cxd3 cxd3]

22.a3 -1.68/21

[White should play 22.Rd1∓ -0.55/22]

22...Nd5 -0.19/19

[22...d3-+ -1.68/21 23.cxd3 cxd3]

23.g3 Kc7 0.23/19

[⌓23...a5 -0.20/20]

24.Rd1 -0.33/20

[24.c3!= 0.23/19]

24...Kc6∓ 25.Ng5 Rd7 26.h4 b5 -0.96/18

[26...c3 -1.33/20 27.b3 Nc7]

27.Kh2 -1.69/19

[27.Nf3∓ -0.96/18 Re7 28.Rde1]

27...b4 -0.60/18

[27...c3-+ -1.69/19 28.b3 c4 29.bxc4 bxc4]

28.axb4! cxb4 -0.25/21

[28...c3!∓ -0.66/19 29.b5+ *(29.bxc3? Nxc3 30.b5+ Kxb5-+)* 29...Kb6]

29.Ra1 -0.76/20

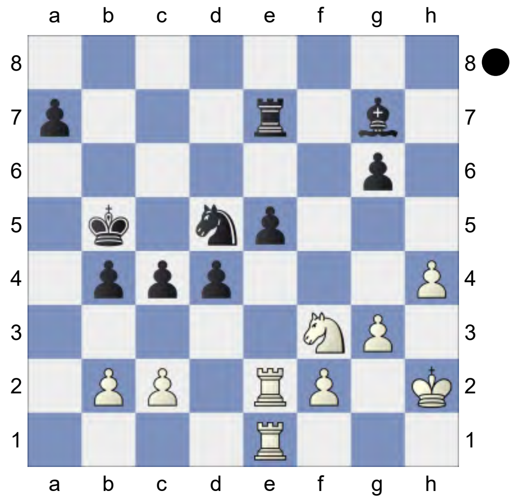
[29.Nf3!= -0.25/21 remains equal. c3 30.Nxe5+ Bxe5 31.Rxe5]

29...Kb5∓ 30.Nf3! Re7 -0.10/20

[30...a5∓ -0.65/21]

Black converts the advantage convincingly. **31.Rae1** -1.57/20

[31.Re4!= -0.10/20 was the only way to keep the balance.]



31...a5! 32.Nxd4+? -3.39/24

[32.Nxe5 -1.71/19 Kc5 33.Nxg6 Rxe2 34.Rxe2]

32...exd4-+ 33.Rxe7 Nxe7 34.Rxe7 Endgame KR-KB **34...Bh6** -0.16/20

[Better is 34...d3-+ -3.68/21 35.cxd3 *(35.Rxg7? dxc2 36.b3 c3-+)* 35...Bxb2 36.dxc4+ Kxc4]

35.Re6? -4.43/21

[35.Kg2= -0.16/20]

35...a4 36.Rxg6 -5.07/21

[36.Re8]

36...Bc1 37.h5

[37.Rg7? b3 *(37...Bxb2 38.Rg5+ Kc6 39.Rg6+ Kd5 40.Rg5+ Ke6 41.Rg6+ Kf7 42.Rb6-+)* 38.cxb3 axb3 39.Rb7+ Kc6-+]

37...Bxb2 38.h6 -5.39/20

[38.Rg5+ -3.42/19 was called for. Kc6 39.Rg6+ Kd7 40.Rg7+ Ke6 41.Rg6+ Kf7 42.Ra6]

38...d3 39.cxd3 -6.96/21

[⌓39.Rg5+ -4.57/18 Kc6 40.Rg6+ *(40.cxd3 cxd3 41.Rg4 d2-+)* 40...Kd7 41.cxd3 cxd3 42.Rg7+ Kd6 *(42...Bxg7 43.hxg7 d2 44.g8Q=)* 43.Rg4]

39...cxd3 Threatens to win with ...a3. **40.Rd6 a3 41.Rxd3 a2 42.Rd1 a1Q**

[Weaker is 42...a1B 43.g4±]

43.Rxa1 Bxa1 KB-K3P **44.g4 b3 45.g5 Be5+** -21.90/20

[⌓45...b2 -#19/24 46.Kg3 b1Q *(46...b1B? 47.Kh4-+)* 47.f3 Bc3 48.Kf4 Bd2+ Deflection 49.Ke5 Kc6 *(49...Bxg5 leads to mate. 50.f4 Qb2+ 51.Ke4 Qb4+ 52.Kf3 Qxf4+ 53.Ke2 Bxh6 54.Ke1 Qh2 55.Kf1 Be3 56.Ke1 Qf2+ 57.Kd1 Qd2#)* 50.g6 Qxg6 *(50...Bxh6 51.g7 Qb8+ 52.Ke6 Qd6+ 53.Kf5 Qf4+ 54.Ke6 Bxg7 55.Ke7 Qf8+ 56.Ke6 Qf6#)* 51.h7 Qxh7 52.Kf6 Bf4 53.Ke6 Qg6+ *(53...Qh3+ 54.Kf7 Qh6 55.Ke7 Qg6 56.Kd8 Qg8+ 57.Ke7 Bg5#)* 54.Ke7 Bd6+ 55.Kd8 Qg8#]

46.f4 Bxf4+ Black mates. **47.Kh3 Bxg5** KB-KP **48.h7 Bf6 49.Kg4 Bh8 50.Kf5 b2 51.Kg6 b1Q+ 52.Kf7 Qxh7+ 53.Kf8 Bf6 54.Ke8** Weighted Error Value: White=1.04/Black=0.55 **54...Qe7#**

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371 **C50**

☐ Firouzja,Alireza 2763

■ Lazavik,Denis 2566

CCT Final Playoff 2023 rapid (6.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.Bg3 d6 8.a4 0-0 9.Nbd2**

[RR 9.a5 Be6 10.Bxe6 (RR *10.Nbd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.0-0 Qa2 15.Qc1 Nh5 16.Ne3 Nxg3 17.hxg3*) 10...fxe6

A) RR 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 24.Nexg4 R2f4 25.c4 bxc4;

B) 11.0-0 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Kh7 21.Rxa8 Rxa8 22.h3 Rc8 (RR *22...Rf8*) 23.f4 Nh5 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (66) (RR *23...Rc5*);

C) 11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.9) 1-0 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1.9) 1-0 1-0 Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen, M (2830) CCT Finals KO 2023 (1. 9)]

[RR 9.h3

A) RR 9...a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7 24.h4;

B) RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0;

C) RR 9...Re8 10.0-0 Bf8 11.c3 Be6 12.Nbd2 Qd7 13.Re1 Rad8 14.Bh4 Be7 15.a5 a6 16.Bg3 Bf8 17.b4;

D) 9...Kh8 10.a5 a6 (RR *10...Nh5*) 11.0-0 Nh7 12.Nc3 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.Nd5 Nf6 15.Re1 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Qd7 17.c3 Bf6

D1) RR 18.Nh2 Nd8 (RR *18...Rae8*) 19.Ng4 Qb5 20.Be4 (RR *20.c4 Qxb2 21.Nxf6 Rxf6 22.d4 Qxd4 23.Qxd4 exd4 24.Re8+ Kh7 25.Rae1*) 20...Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Ne6 22.b4 Rae8 23.h4 (RR *23.Nxf6 Rxf6 24.f3*) 23...Bd8 24.Qd2;

D2) 18.Be4 Rae8 19.Qb3 Nd8 20.Bxf5 Qxf5 21.Re3 Qe6 22.Qa4 Qf7 23.Rae1 Re7 So,W (2757)-Lazavik,D (2578) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 40 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (46) (RR *23...Nc6*);

E) 9...a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V (2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3) 0-1 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V

(2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3) 0-1 0-1 Santos Latasa,J (2659)-Anand,V (2749) XXXVII Magistral de León 2024 (2.3)]

9...Kh8 10.c3 Ng8N

[RR 10...Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 *(RR 13.b4 a6 14.Qe2 Qd7 15.h3 Rae8 16.Rfe1 Bf6 17.Rad1 Ne7 18.Bb3 Bg6 19.Rc1; RR 13.b4 a6 14.Qe2 Qd7 15.h3 Rae8 16.Rfe1 Bf6 17.Rad1 Ne7 18.Bb3 Bg6 19.Rc1)* 13...a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4 Bf6 25.axb5 4.e5 Ng8 5.Nf3_38158 (2623)-4.Nc3 Nd4 5. Bd3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 1-0 4.e5 ♘g8 5. ♘f3_38158 (2623)-4. ♘c3 ♘d4 5. ♗d3_39215 (2498) cor 2023 Chess Today CT-827 [John Watson] 1-0 (44) Demchenko,A (2623)-Salinas Herrera, P (2498) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (44) 4.e5 Ng8 5.Nf3_38158 (2623)-4. Nc3 Nd4 5. Bd3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 1-0 1-0 4.e5 ♘g8 5. ♘f3_38158 (2623)-4. ♘c3 ♘d4 5. ♗d3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 4.e5 Ng8 5.Nf3_38158 (2623)-4.Nc3 Nd4 5. Bd3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 1-0 1-0 4.e5 ♘g8 5. ♘f3_38158 (2623)-4. ♘c3 ♘d4 5. ♗d3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 4.e5 Ng8 5.Nf3_38158 (2623)-4.Nc3 Nd4 5. Bd3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) 1-0 4.e5 ♘g8 5. ♘f3_38158 (2623)-4. ♘c3 ♘d4 5. ♗d3_39215 (2498) cor 2023 Chess Today CT-827 [John Watson] 1-0 (44) Demchenko,A (2623)-Salinas Herrera, P (2498) Chess.com INT 2023 1-0 (44) b6 26.f4 Rae8 27.Rf1 Bg7 28.Ree1 Qf5 29.fxe5 Qxd3 30.Rxf8+ Rxf8 31.Bxd3 Bxe5 32.Bxe5+ dxe5 33.Rxe5 Kg7 34.Be4 Kf6 35.Rd5 Nc4 36.Rd7 Nd6 37.Bd3 Rf7 38.Rd8 Rg7 39.Kf2 Ke5 40.g3 Demchenko, A (2623)-Salinas Herrera, P (2498) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (6) 1-0 Demchenko, A (2623)-Salinas Herrera,P (2498) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (6) 1-0 1-0 Demchenko,A (2623)-Salinas Herrera, P (2498) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (6) Kd5 41.g4 Kc5 42.Rh8 Nf7 43.Re8 Nd6 44.Re5# Demchenko,A (2623)-Ravi,T (2453) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Early blitz 2023 (8) 1-0 Demchenko,A (2623)-Ravi,T (2453) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Early blitz 2023 (8) 1-0 1-0 Demchenko,A (2623)-Ravi,T (2453) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Early blitz 2023 (8)]

11.a5 a6 12.Qb3 f5 13.exf5 Bf6! 14.Be6 Nge7 15.Ne4 Nxf5 16.Bxc8 Qxc8 17.0-0 Be7 18.Rfe1 Rb8 19.Qa4 d5 20.Ned2 Nxg3 21.hxg3 Qf5 22.Nf1 Bc5 23.Ne3 -0.59/21

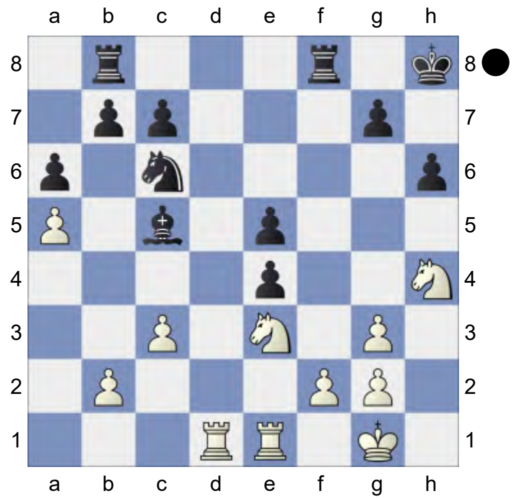
[23.Rad1= -0.01/21]

23...Qxd3∓ 24.Rad1 Qe4 25.Qxe4 -0.77/21

[25.b4!= 0.01/23 Ba7 26.Nxd5]

25...dxe4∓ 26.Nh4

(Diagram)



Nh4-g6+ is the strong threat. **26...Rf7** 0.12/23

[Black should play 26...Kg8∓ -0.80/23 And now ...Bc5xe3! would win. 27.Nef5 Rbd8 (*27...Nxa5 28.b4+-*) 28.Rxd8 (*28.b4 Ba7∓*) 28...Rxd8]

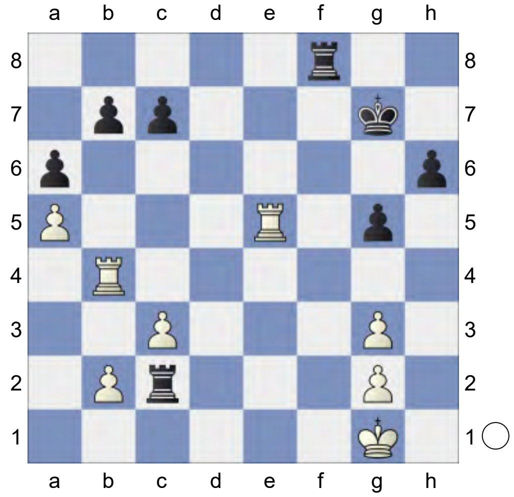
27.Rd5 -0.27/23

[27.g4! 0.12/23 deserves consideration.]

27...Ba7= 28.Nd1 g5 -0.04/22

[Black should try 28...Rf6∓ -0.63/22 29.Rxe4 Kg8]

29.Ng6+ Kg7 30.Nxe5 Nxe5 31.Rxe5 Rbf8 Strongly threatening ...Rf7xf2. **32.R1xe4 Bxf2+ 33.Nxf2 Rxf2** Endgame. KRR-KRR **34.Rb4 Rc2**



...Rf8-f2 would now be deadly. **35.Re7+ Kg6! 36.Re6+**

[36.Rxb7? too greedy. Rff2 37.Rexc7 Rxg2+ 38.Kf1 Kh5-+ (*38...Rxg3 39.Rc6+ Kh5 40.Rbb6=*)]

36...Rf6 0.78/25

[36...Kf7= -0.01/29 37.Re3 (*37.Rxh6 Kg7∓*) 37...Rd8]

37.Rxf6+± Kxf6 38.Rxb7 KR-KR **38...Kf5 39.Rb4 h5 40.Kh2 Ke5 41.Rc4 Rxb2 42.Rc5+ Kf6** The position is equal. **43.Rxc7** Black must now prevent Rc7-a7. **43...Rc2 44.g4 hxg4 45.c4 Kf5 46.Rf7+ Kg6 47.Ra7 Rxc4 48.Rxa6+ Kf5 49.Ra8 Ra4 50.a6** Hoping for a6-a7. **50...Kf6 51.Kg3 Kg6 52.a7 Kg7** Wards off Ra8-g8+. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.11 (very precise) Wards off Ra8-g8+. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.11 (very precise) Wards off Ra8-g8+. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.11 (very precise)

½-½

372 **C50**
☐ **Mendonca,Leon Luke** **2640**
■ **Kuybokarov,Temur** **2602**
Sharjah Masters 7th (7) 20.05.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3**

[RR 5.a4 a5 6.Nc3 h6 7.Be3 Bb4 8.0-0 Bxc3 9.bxc3 Nf6 10.Nd2 0-0 11.f4 Be6 12.Bb5 Ng4 13.Qe1 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 exf4 15.Rxf4 Ne5 16.d4 Ng6 17.Rf2 Qg5 18.Nf1 Rad8 19.Rb1 b6 Gukesh,D (2763)-Caruana, F (2805) Bucharest 2024 Mega2024 Update 36 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (62)]

[RR 5.Be3 Bb6 (RR *5...Bxe3 6.fxe3 Nh6 7.0-0 Na5 8.Nbd2 Nxc4 9.Nxc4 0-0 10.d4 b5 11.Ncd2 Re8 12.d5 g5 13.Qe1 Kh8 14.Qg3 Rg8 15.Rae1 Ng4 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nh2 f5 18.exf5 Nxf5 19.Qf2 Bd7 20.e4*) 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Qd2 Bg4 8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.Bxd5 0-0 10.c3 Bxf3 11.gxf3 Qf6 12.f4 Bxe3 13.fxe3 Ne7 14.Bb3 a5 15.0-0 a4 16.Bc2 a3 17.b4 c5 18.fxe5 Qxe5 19.bxc5 Qxc5]

[RR 5.h3 h6 6.c3 Qf6 7.Nbd2 a6 8.Bb3 Be6 9.0-0 Nge7 10.Re1 0-0 11.Nf1 Bb6 12.Be3 d5 13.Bxb6 cxb6 14.Ng3 Rfd8 15.Qc2 Rac8 16.Qb1 Bxh3 17.Nxe5 Nxe5 18.d4 N5g6 19.gxh3 Qh4]

5...Qf6N

[5...Bb6 6.0-0 (*6.a4 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3* #1 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 d6; RR *6.0-0 h6 7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4*) 6...h6 7.Nbd2 (RR *7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3*) 7...Nf6 8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1) 0-1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) 2000 (1) 0-1]

[RR 5...Bb6 6.a4 a6 (RR *6...Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3*) 7.b4 h6 8.h3

A) RR 8...Nf6 9.g4 (RR *9.Nbd2*) 9...0-0 (RR *9...d5 10.exd5 Nxd5*) 10.g5 hxg5 11.Bxg5 Na7 (RR *11...a5*) 12.a5 Bxf2+ 13.Kxf2 b6 14.Qg1 bxa5;

B) 8...Nge7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.Nf1 (RR *10.0-0 Nf4 11.a5 Ba7 12.Nb3*) 10...0-0 11.Ng3 Be6 12.Qb3 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 Nce7 14.0-0 Qd7 15.Be3 d5 16.Qb3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 Rad8 18.Rad1 dxe4 19.dxe4 Qe6 (RR *19...Qc6*) 20.Qxe6 Firouzja,A (2744)-Caruana,F (2796) Zagreb 2024 Mega2024 Update 37 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (58)]

[RR 5...h6 6.0-0 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.Nbd2 (RR *8.Be3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Nf6 10.Qc2 g5 11.d4 g4 12.Ne1 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Bxd4 15.Bxf7+ Kf8 16.Ba2 Qe7 17.Kh1 h5 18.Nd3 h4 19.Nf4 Rh6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Ng6+ Rxg6 22.Qxg6 Bxb2*) 8...Nge7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Re1 (RR *10.Nc4*) 10...Kh8 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Be3 Ng6 (RR *12...f5*) 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.Ne3 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Qxh4 16.g3 Qf6 17.f4 exf4 18.Rf1 Qg5 19.Rxf4 Bh3 20.Nd5 So,W (2757)-Dubov,D (2707) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (44) (RR *20.Rxf7 Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 Rxf7;* RR *20.Bxf7 Rxf7 21.Ng2 Qg6*) RR 20...Ne7]

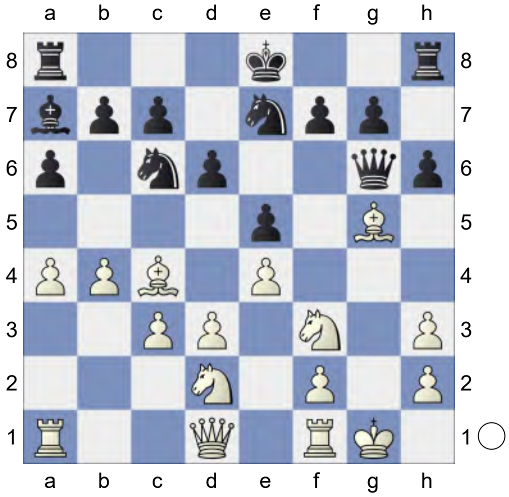
6.a4 aiming for b2-b4.

[6.b4!? Bb6□ 7.0-0±]

6...a6 7.b4 Ba7 8.0-0 White is slightly better. **8...Nge7 9.Bg5 Qg6 10.Nbd2**

[10.Bh4 seems wilder. 0-0 11.b5 axb5 12.axb5 Bxf2+ 13.Bxf2 Rxa1 14.bxc6 Nxc6 15.Qb3]

10...Bh3! 11.gxh3 And now Kg1-h1 would win. **11...h6**



Pin **12.h4 hxg5 13.Nxg5 Nd8** ...f7-f6! would now be deadly. **14.Kh1! Rxh4 15.Rg1** Hoping for Nd2-f3. **15...Qf6**

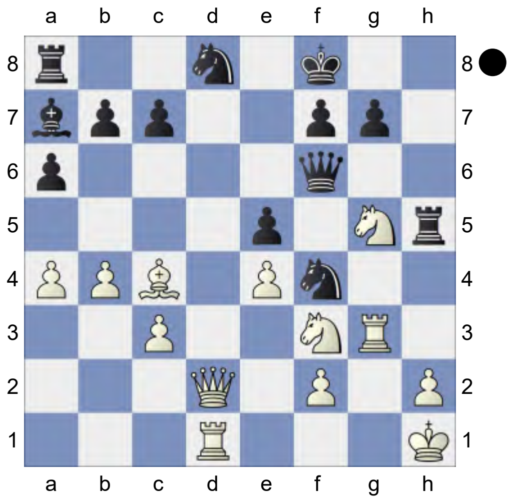
[15...Bxf2? 16.Rg2+-]

16.Ndf3⇄ White is fighting back **16...Rh5 17.d4 Ng6! 18.Rg3 Nf4 19.Qd2 Kf8 20.dxe5** -0.41/21

[White should play 20.Rd1= 0.24/20]

20...dxe5∓ Strongly threatening ...Qf6-d6. **21.Rd1!**

(Diagram)



Qd6 0.72/23 **22.Qc1±**

[22.Qxd6+ cxd6 23.Rxd6 Bxf2 *(23...f6 24.Rd7∓)* 24.Nxf7 *(24.Rg4? f6-+)* 24...Bxg3-+ *(24...Nxf7 25.Bxf7 Ke7 26.Rxg7-+)*]

22...Qe7 4.16/22

[22...Qf6± 0.84/22 is tougher.]

23.Rg4? 0.01/21

[23.Rd7+- 4.16/22 Qe8 *(23...Qxd7? 24.Nxe5+-)* 24.Bxf7 *(24.Rxc7 b5+-)* 24...Nxf7 Remove Defender *(24...Qxd7? 25.Nxe5+-)* 25.Rxf7+ Kg8 26.Qc2 *(26.Rxc7 Bxf2 27.Rg4 Bb6+-; 26.Nxe5? Ne2-+)*]

23...Qf6 1.74/22

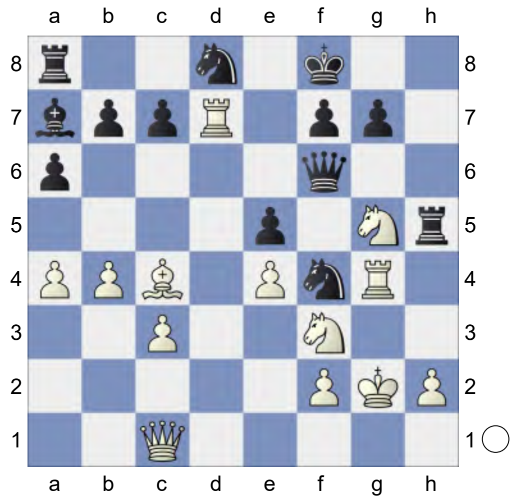
[23...b5!= 0.01/21 24.axb5 axb5 25.Bxb5 Qf6]

24.Rd7+- Nh3 25.Kg2 0.61/23

[White must play 25.Bxf7+- 1.78/23 Nxf2+ *(25...Rxg5? 26.Nxg5 Nxg5 27.Qxg5+-)* 26.Kg2 Nxf7 *(26...Rxg5? 27.Nxg5 Nxf7 28.Nh7+ Ke8 29.Nxf6++-)* 27.Rxf7+ Qxf7 28.Nxf7 *(28.Nxe5? Qa2-+)* 28...Nxg4 29.N7xe5 Ne3+ *(29...Nxe5? 30.Nxe5 Kg8 31.Ng4+-)* 30.Kg3]

25...Nf4+±

(Diagram)



26.Kf1 0.19/20 Dancing on a razor blade. White is much more active.

[White should try 26.Kg3!± 0.75/23 Threatens to win with Qc1-d2! b5 27.Bf1 (*27.Bxf7? Nxf7 28.Rxf7+ Qxf7-+; 27.axb5 axb5 28.Bf1 c6±*)]

26...Nh3= 27.Kg2 -0.01/22

[27.Bxf7? Rxg5-+]

[27.Qd2!⩲ 0.38/25 Nxf2 28.Rg3 (*28.Bxf7 Rxg5* Remove Defender *29.Nxg5 Nxe4+* Discovered Attack (Check) *30.Kg2 Nxg5=*) 28...Rxg5 Remove Defender, Decoy 29.Nxg5 (*29.Qxg5 Nxe4 30.Qg4 Nxg3+ 31.hxg3 b5=*) 29...Nxe4+ 30.Kg2 Nxg5 31.Rxg5 (*31.Qxg5 Qc6+ 32.Kf1 Qxc4+=*)]

27...Nf4+! 28.Kh1 -0.01/19

[White should try 28.Kg3!⩲ 0.70/23 b5 29.Bf1 (*29.Bxf7? Nxf7 30.Rxf7+ Qxf7-+; 29.axb5 axb5 30.Bf1 c6=*)]

28...Nh3! 29.Rg3 1.41/21

[29.Bxf7+- 1.88/24 Nxf2+ (*29...Rxg5? 30.Nxg5 Nxg5 31.Qxg5+-*) 30.Kg2 Nxf7 (*30...Rxg5? 31.Nxg5 Nxf7 32.Nh7+ Ke8 33.Nxf6++-*) 31.Rxf7+ Qxf7 32.Nxf7 (*32.Nxe5? Qa2-+*) 32...Nxg4 33.N7xe5 Ne3+ (*33...Nxe5? 34.Nxe5 Kg8 35.Ng4+-*) 34.Kg3]

29...Bxf2? 4.06/23

[29...Nxg5± 1.41/21 30.Nxg5 Qxf2]

30.Rxh3+-

[30.Bxf7 Nxf7 31.Rxf7+ (*31.Nxh3?* perishes. *Bxg3 32.Qf1 Bxh2-+*) 31...Qxf7 32.Nxf7 (*32.Nxh3?* loses. *Bxg3 33.Nfg5 Bf4-+*) 32...Bxg3⩲]

30...Rxh3 31.Kg2 1.62/22

[⌓31.Qd1 3.88/22]

31...Qh6? 6.10/24

[31...Ke8 1.62/22 32.Nxh3 Kxd7]

32.Qd2 White is clearly winning.

32...Bd4 33.cxd4 Qh5 34.dxe5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.59

1-0

373 **C55**
☐ **HELMUT_LANG** **2805**
■ **Gabrielian** **2745**
Blitz 04.05.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.07/21

[9...Qe7∓ -0.61/17 10.Nd2 h5]

10.Na3= Qe7 11.c3 Nc6 0.45/23

[11...Bxc4!= 0.00/21 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Qa4+ c6]

12.Qf3 White is slightly better. **12...0-0-0 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Qxf6 Rhe8N**

[14...Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Rd2 16.Rf2 Rhd8 17.Raf1 3. 5...Bxd4-5...Bxd4 #11: 6... Nxd4]

15.Qxe7 Rxe7 16.Bxe6+ fxe6 17.Nc4 b5! 18.Ne3 Rd3 19.Rae1 a5 20.Rf3 Red7 Prevents Nd5 **21.Re2 b4 22.cxb4 Nd4 23.Rf8+ Rd8 24.Rxd8+ Kxd8**

Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **25.Re1 axb4 26.Nc4** Prevents Rd2. **26...c5 27.Rf1 Ke8 28.h4 Ne2+ 29.Kh2 Rd4 30.Rf2 Rxc4**

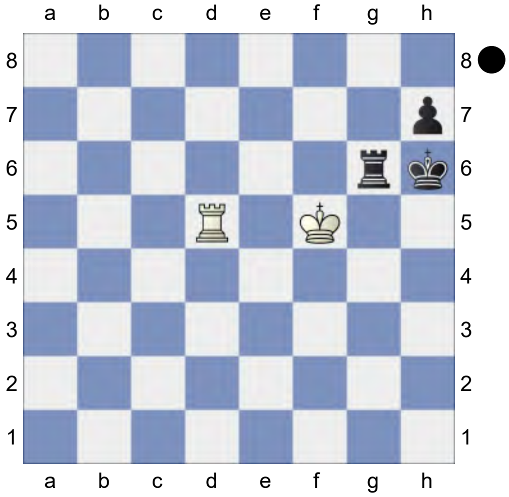
[30...Rxe4? perishes. 31.Nd6+ Kd7 32.Nxe4+-]

31.Rxe2 KR-KR **31...Rc1 32.g4 c4 33.g5 Kf7 34.h5 c3 35.Rf2+ Kg7 36.bxc3 bxc3 37.Rf3 Rc2+ 38.Kg3 Rxa2** White must now prevent ...c2. **39.Rxc3 Re2 40.Rc7+ Kg8 41.Kf3 Re1 42.Re7 Rf1+ 43.Kg4 Rf4+ 44.Kg3 Rxe4 45.Rxe6 Kf7 46.Rf6+ Kg7 47.Ra6 Rc4 48.Ra7+ Kg8 49.Re7 Rc3+ 50.Kg4 Re3 51.Kf5 Rf3+ 52.Ke6**

[52.Kxe5 Re3+ 53.Kd6 Rd3+ 54.Ke6 Re3+ 55.Kd6 Rd3+ 56.Kc6 Rg3]

52...e4 53.h6 Rf8 54.Kd5 Rf5+ 55.Kxe4 Rxg5 56.Rd7 Rg6 57.Kf5 Rxh6 58.Rd8+ Kg7 59.Rd7+ Kg8 60.Rd4 Rg6 61.Rd8+ Kg7 62.Rd7+ Kh6 63.Rd5? -#41/25

[63.Kf4= 0.00/31]

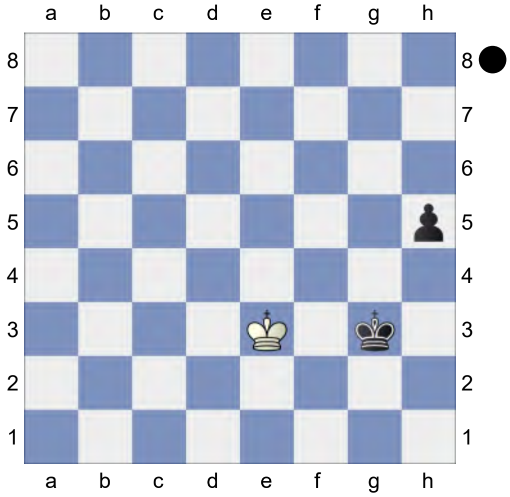


63...Rg5+ 64.Ke4 Rxd5 65.Kxd5 KP-K. Black is a pawn up. **65...Kg5 66.Ke4 Kg4 67.Ke3 Kg3 68.Ke2 h5?** 0.00/27

[68...Kg2 -#27/36 69.Ke3 h5 70.Kf4 h4 71.Kg4 h3 72.Kf4 h2 73.Ke4 h1Q *(73...h1R 74.Ke5 Kg3 75.Kd6 Rd1+ 76.Kc6 Kf4 77.Kc5 Ke4 78.Kc6 Rd5 79.Kc7 Ke5 80.Kc6 Ke6 81.Kc7 Rc5+ 82.Kb7 Kd7 83.Kb6 Rh5 84.Kb7 Rh6 85.Kb8 Kc6 86.Ka7 Rh8 87.Ka6 Ra8#)* 74.Ke5 Kf3 75.Ke6 Qd1 76.Kf6 Qd6+ 77.Kg7 Qe7+ 78.Kh6 Kf4 79.Kg6 Kg4 80.Kh6 Kf5 81.Kh5 Qh7#]

69.Ke3?? -#37/22

[69.Kf1= 0.00/27]



69...Kh2? 0.00/64

[69...h4 -#37/22 mates 70.Ke2 h3 71.Ke3 h2 72.Kd4 h1Q *(72...h1R* is a self mate. *73.Ke4 Rd1 74.Ke3 Kg4 75.Ke4 Rd8 76.Ke5 Kf3 77.Ke6 Kf4 78.Ke7 Rd5 79.Ke6 Rd3 80.Kf6 Re3 81.Kg6 Re6+ 82.Kf7 Kf5 83.Kg7 Re7+ 84.Kf8 Kf6 85.Kg8 Re8+ 86.Kh7 Rf8 87.Kh6 Rh8#)* 73.Kc5 Qc1+ 74.Kd5 Kf4 75.Kd6 Qc4 76.Ke7 Qc6 77.Kd8 Ke5 78.Ke7 Qc7+ 79.Ke8 Kf6 80.Kf8 Qf7#]

70.Kf2 The position is equal. **70...h4 71.Kf1 h3!?**

[71...Kg3!?]
72.Kf2 Kh1 73.Kf1 h2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless) **74.Kf2**
½-½

375 C54
□ Idani,Pouya 2599
■ Efimenko,Zahar 2568
Bundesliga 2425 (15.3) 27.04.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.0-0 Ng6 11.d4 seems to push 11.Bb3 aside.setzt sich inzwischen gegen 11.Lb3 durch. **11...exd4** 0.56/21

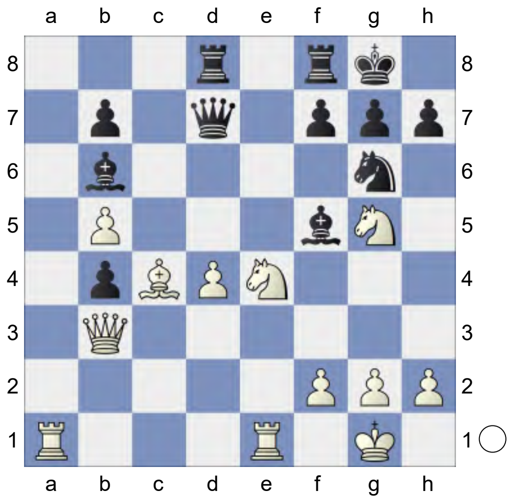
[11...Bg4= -0.04/19]

12.cxd4± d5 0.81/22

[12...Re8± 0.42/21 was preferable.]

13.exd5± White is better. **13...Nxd5 14.Qb3 c6 15.Ba3N**

[15.Re1 Nb4 16.Ne4 Threatens to win with Neg5. cxb5 2.04/24 *(16...h6± 0.85/21)* 17.axb5+- Bf5 18.Nfg5! Qd7? 4.14/23 *(18...Nh8± 1.46/20)* 19.Ba3 2.20/21 *(⌓19.Nxf7 4.14/23 Rxf7 20.Ng5* Pin *)* 19...Rad8 3.28/25 *(⌓19...Nh8 2.20/21 20.Bb2 Rae8)* 20.Bxb4+- axb4

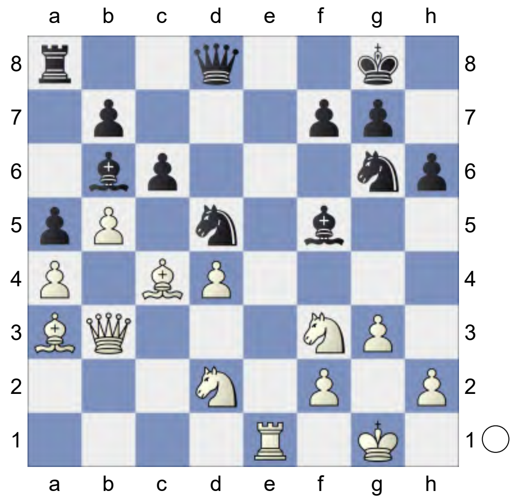


21.Nc5? -0.60/24 1-0 (36) Abdusattorov,N (2744)-Navara,D (2667) Prague Masters 6th 2024 (3) (Only move: *21.Nxf7!+-* 3.38/24 *Rxf7 22.Ng5* Pin *)*]

15...Re8 16.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 17.Rxe1 Bf5 2.03/20

[17...Be6± 0.92/22]

18.g3 h6



19.Bc5! Bxc5 2.28/23

[19...Rb8± 1.39/22 20.Bxb6 Qxb6 21.bxc6 Qxb3 *(21...bxc6? 22.Bxd5 Qxb3 23.Bxb3+-)* 22.Nxb3 bxc6]

20.dxc5 Qd7 2.34/23

[20...Nge7± 1.55/22 21.b6 Kh7]

21.Bxd5+- cxd5 22.Nd4 Bh3 23.Qe3 f6 24.f4 Wards off Ne5 **24...h5 25.N2b3** A dynamic duo of knights. **25...h4** 4.68/23

[⌓25...Rc8 3.26/19 26.Qd3 *(26.Nxa5 Rxc5 27.Qe8+ Nf8±)* 26...Kf7]

26.Kf2 Bg4 27.Qc3 Kh7 4.39/21

[27...Qf7 2.89/19 is a better defense. 28.c6 *(28.Nxa5 hxg3+ 29.Kxg3 Qc7⩲)* 28...bxc6]

28.Qc2

[28.Nxa5 Bh5±]

28...Kh6 6.02/23

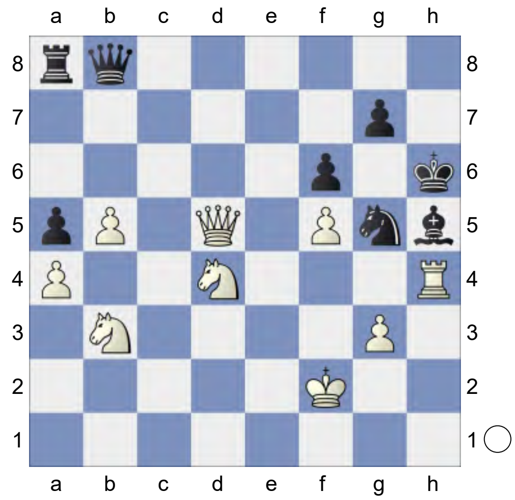
[⌓28...Qc8 3.88/22 29.b6 *(29.gxh4 Qb8±)* 29...Qd8]

29.c6 Qc7 30.cxb7 Qxb7 31.Qc6 Qb8 32.f5

[Weaker is 32.b6 Ra6±]

32...Nf8 33.Qxd5 Nh7 34.Re4 hxg3+ 35.hxg3 Bh5 36.Rh4 Ng5

(Diagram)



Prevents Qf7.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=1.38

37.Rxh5+!

1-0

374 **C54**

☐ **Idani,Pouya** **2599**

■ **Efimenko,Zahar** **2568**

Bundesliga 2425 (15.3) 27.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1

Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.0-0 Ng6 11.d4 -0.22/20 seems to push 11.Bb3 aside.setzt sich inzwischen gegen 11.Lb3 durch.

[⌓11.Bb3 0.22/19]

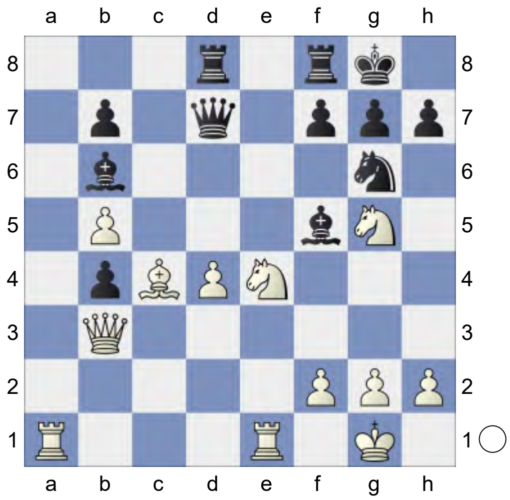
11...exd4 0.44/21

[11...Bg4= -0.22/20]

12.cxd4± d5 13.exd5 White is better. **13...Nxd5 14.Qb3 c6 15.Ba3N**

[15.Re1 Nb4 16.Ne4 Neg5 would now be deadly. cxb5 1.87/23 *(16...h6± 0.90/19)* 17.axb5+- Bf5 18.Nfg5 Qd7? 4.37/23 *(18...Nh8 1.68/21)* 19.Ba3 2.21/21 *(⌓19.Nxf7 4.37/23 Rxf7 20.Ng5 Pin)* 19...Rad8 3.46/26 *(⌓19...Bxe4 2.21/21 20.Rxe4 Rac8)* 20.Bxb4+- axb4

(Diagram)



21.Nc5? -0.91/23 1-0 (36) Abdusattorov,N (2744)-Navara,D (2667) Prague Masters 6th 2024 (3) (White must play *21.Nxf7!+-* 3.24/24 *Rxf7 22.Ng5* Pin)]

15...Re8 16.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 17.Rxe1 Bf5 1.51/21

[⌓17...Be6 0.74/21]

18.g3 h6 19.Bc5 Bxc5 2.23/24

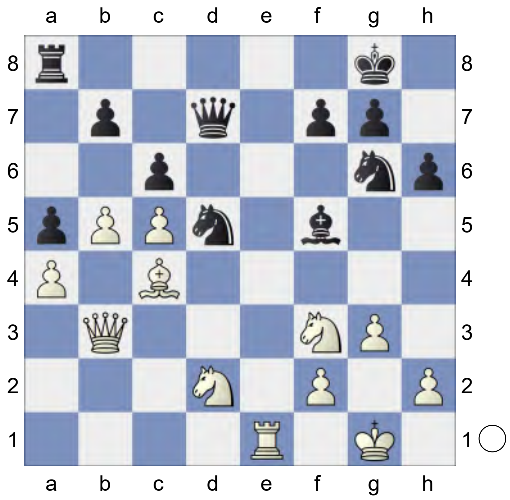
[19...Bc7± 1.52/23 keeps fighting. 20.b6 Bd6]

20.dxc5 1.18/22

[20.Bxd5+- 2.23/24 cxd5 21.dxc5]

20...Qd7 2.70/23

[20...Be6± 1.18/22]



21.Bxd5!+- cxd5 22.Nd4 Bh3 23.Qe3

f6 3.27/22

[⌓23...Nf8 2.23/21 24.N2f3 Ne6]

24.f4 h5 25.N2b3 Excellent horsemanship. **25...h4?** 4.80/21

[25...Rc8 2.99/19 26.c6 *(26.Nxa5 Rxc5 27.Qe8+ Nf8±)* 26...bxc6]

26.Kf2 Bg4 27.Qc3 Kh7 4.61/22

[⌓27...Rf8 2.90/20 28.Nxa5 *(28.Qxa5 Ne5+-)* 28...Ra8]

28.Qc2

[28.Nxa5 Bh5±]

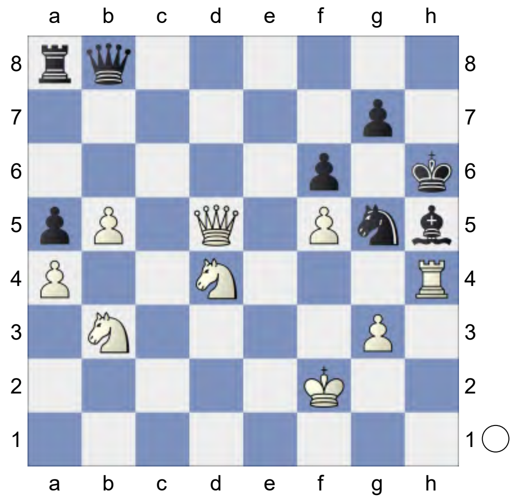
28...Kh6 5.81/23

[⌓28...h3 3.73/19 29.c6 bxc6]

29.c6 Qc7 30.cxb7 Qxb7 31.Qc6 Qb8 32.f5

[Less strong is 32.b6 Ra6±]

32...Nf8 33.Qxd5 Nh7 34.Re4 hxg3+ 35.hxg3 Bh5 36.Rh4 Ng5



Wards off Qf7 Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=1.43

37.Rxh5+!

1-0

376 **C55**

☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2865**

■ **jsl** **2828**

Blitz 13.04.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5! Rg8** -0.10/18

[9...Qe7∓ -0.51/17 10.Nd2 Bd7]

[9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

10.Na3N -0.76/18

[10.Qd3= -0.10/18]

[10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Qh5 Rg6 12.Qxh7 Be6 13.Na3 Bxc4 14.Nxc4 Ne2+ 15.Kh1 Qd4 16.Rad1 Qxe4 17.Rf3 b6 18.c3 Nf4 19.Ne3 Ke7 20.Rxf4 Qxe3 21.Rff1 Qe4 22.Qh3 Rh8 23.Rd7+ Ke8 24.Qxh8+ Kxd7 1-0 Dolzhikova,K (2345)-Klek,H (2291) Bielefeld (Women) rapid op 2024 (3)]

10...Be6 0.41/20

[Black should play 10...Qe7!∓ -0.76/18]

11.c3± Bxc4 White has an edge. **12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Qf3**

[14.Qxd8+ Rxd8 15.Rxf6 a5±]

[14.Qa4+ Kf8 15.Rad1 Qe7 16.Kh1]

14...Qe7 15.Ne3 White has compensation. **15...c6** 1.36/19

[15...0-0-0= 0.11/20 keeps the balance.]

16.Ng4 0.00/20

[16.Qxf6?! Nf4 17.Qxe7+ Kxe7=]

[16.Rad1!± 1.36/19]

16...Nf4 0.66/21

[16...0-0-0!= 0.00/20]

17.g3 0.00/22

[17.Rad1⩲ 0.66/21]

17...0-0-0!= 18.Kh1 Strongly threatening Nh6!.

[18.gxf4? h5 19.fxe5 Rxg4+ 20.Kh1 Qxe5-+ *(20...fxe5? 21.Qe3∓)*]

18...Rd3 0.76/20

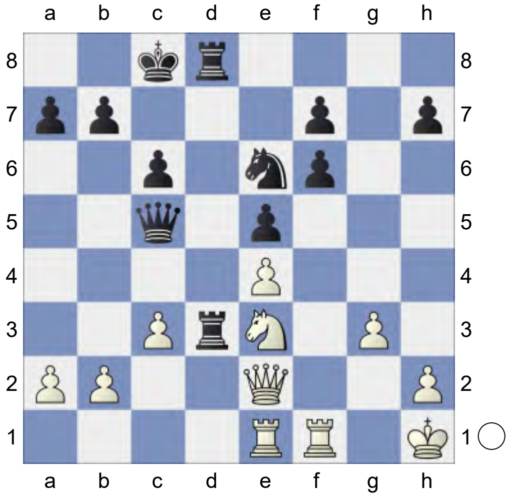
[18...Qe6!= -0.09/18 19.Ne3 Nh3]

19.Ne3± Qc5 20.Rae1 Ne6 21.Qe2

[21.Qxf6 Rxe3 22.Qxf7 Rf8 23.Qxe6+ Kc7 24.Rd1]

21...Rgd8 1.88/19

[21...Rd7!⩲ 0.70/19]



22.Nd5!+- R8xd5

[22...Qc4? 23.b3 *(23.Nxf6 Qb5⩲; 23.Nb4 R3d4+-)* 23...Qc5 24.Qxd3+-]

23.exd5 Qxd5+ 24.Qg2⩲ Qd8 25.Qf2 Ng5 26.c4 0.05/18 Against Qd5+

[26.Qxf6 Qd5+]

[26.Qf5+± 1.26/25 Kb8 27.c4]

26...Nf3= 27.Re3 e4 Decoy **28.Rxe4 Nd2! 29.Qf5+ Kb8 30.Qf4+**

[30.Rf2 simplifies Nxe4 31.Qxe4 h5 32.Kg2]

30...Kc8⇄ Black is not keeping still

31.Qg4+ Rd7

[31...Kc7 feels hotter. 32.Rf2 Nxe4 33.Qxe4 Qd4]

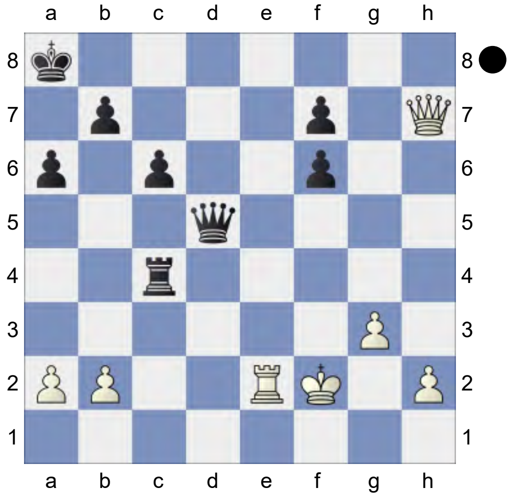
32.Rfe1 -0.48/23

[32.Rf2= 0.00/19 h5 *(32...Nxe4 33.Qxe4 h6 34.Kg2=)* 33.Qf5 Nxe4 34.Qxe4]

32...Nxe4∓ 33.Rxe4 Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **33...Kb8 34.Qf4+ Ka8 35.Re2 a6 36.Kg2 Rd4 37.Qf5 Rxc4 38.Qxh7** -1.72/22

[38.Rf2!∓ -0.61/18]

38...Qd5+-+ 39.Kf2



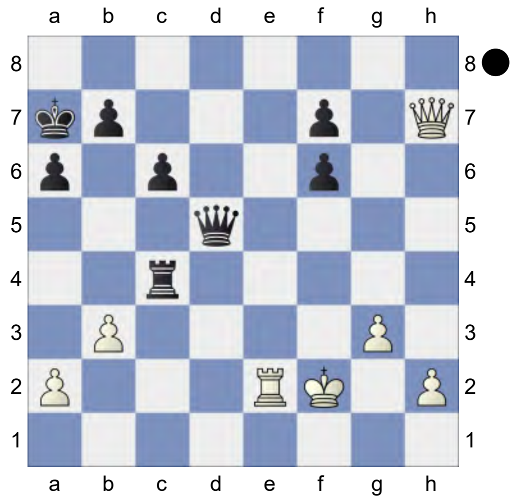
Ka7? -0.94/18

[39...f5!-+ -2.50/18 and Black stays clearly on top. 40.Qh5 Rc5]

40.b3? -2.61/19

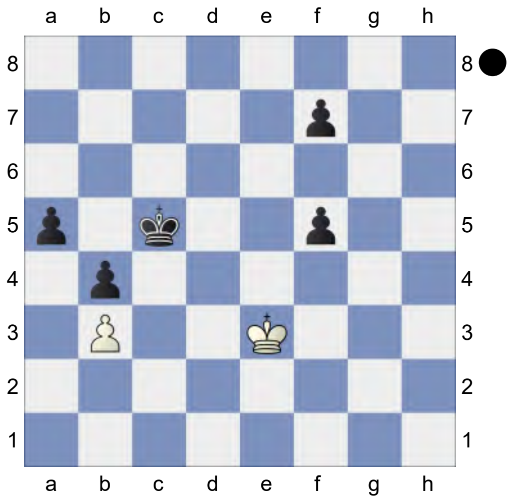
[40.Qh6∓ -0.94/18]

(Diagram)



40...Rc1? 0.00/19
[40...Rd4!-+ -2.61/19 White must now prevent ...a5. 41.Qc2 c5]
41.Qh6? -5.25/20
[41.Qe4= 0.00/19]
41...Rh1 -2.37/17
[⌓41...Qh1 -5.25/20 42.Qe3+ c5]
42.Qe3+? -4.36/19
[42.h4 -2.37/17]
42...c5 43.g4 Rxh2+ 44.Kg3 -8.06/17
[⌓44.Ke1 -5.04/17 Rh1+ 45.Kf2]
44...Rxe2 45.Qxe2 KQ-KQ. Black is two pawns up. **45...Kb6 46.Kh4 Qg5+ 47.Kh3 Qh6+ 48.Kg2 Qg5 49.Qf3 Qe5 50.Qf5?** -12.55/16
[50.a4 -3.30/17]
50...Qxf5 51.gxf5 KP-KP. Black is two pawns up. **51...Kc6 52.Kf3 Kd5 53.Ke3 Ke5 54.Kd3 b5 55.Kc3 Kxf5 56.Kd3 Ke5 57.Ke3 Kd5 58.Kf3 c4 59.Ke3 cxb3 60.axb3 b4** (→ ...f5) **61.Kd3 a5 62.Kc2 Kc5 63.Kd3 f5** (→ ...f4) **64.Ke3**

(Diagram)

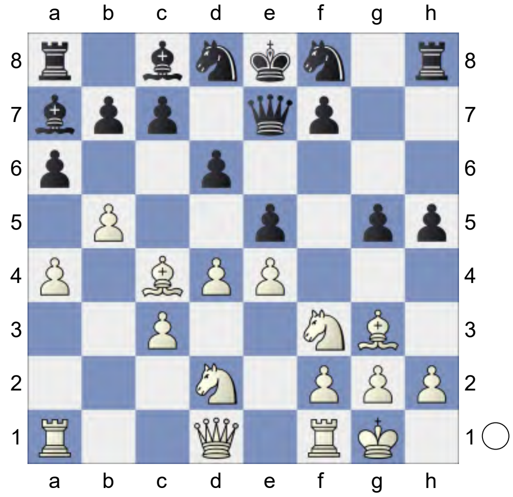


f4+! 65.Kd3
[65.Kxf4 Kd4]
65...f3 66.Ke3 Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.60 **66...f2**
0-1

377 C54
□ **Demchenko,Anton 2608**
■ **Sevian,Samuel 2698**
AI Cup Div 3 L rapid (6.2) 28.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
%evp 0,72,26,26,26,26,13,10,12,19,19,-3,-11,2,25,-15,-6,-31,-4,7,15,14,26,26,26,-5,12,26,37,37,44,-22,35,24,36,47,43,41,55,44,55,52,32,28,28,-32,-36,-31, -12,-89,-87,-97,-66,-104,-122,-142,-105,-156,-80,-163,-139,-139,-139,-130,-149, -197,-156,-181,-149,-244,-164,-208,-295,-303,-331 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 d6 6.c3 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 a5N** 0.47/20
A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.
[Vorgänger: 9...Qe7 10.0-0 *(10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4*

Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3) *25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8* Reference Games-Anand,V*)*
10...g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 12.b4 Nf8! 13.b5 Nd8 14.d4 h5 1.56/19 *(14...Ng6=* 0.12/19 remains equal. *)*



15.h3? -0.16/20 *(15.h4!± 1.56/19)* 15...Ng6 0-1 So,W (2753)-Gukesh,D (2758) Armageddon Grand Final W blitz 2023 (1.2)]

[9...g5= -0.01/23 10.Bg3 Nh5 *(10...0-0 11.0-0 Kg7 12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1* 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5) *)*]

[9...0-0 10.b4 g5 11.Bg3 Kg7 12.Qe2 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Ng6 15.0-0 Re8 16.Bb3 c5 17.bxc5 dxc5 18.Qc4 Nh8 19.e5 Nh5 20.N4f3 Nxg3 21.hxg3 g4 22.Rad1 gxf3 23.Ne4 Be6 24.Rxd8 0-1 (25) Zhao,J (2619)-Lou,Y (2485) China (rapid) 155/114 2022 Rc8 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 0-1 Zhao,J (2619)-Lou,Y (2485) CHN-chT Div-A Rapid 2022 (8.1)]

10.Qe2 White is slightly better. **10...Bd7 11.Bb3** -0.35/20

[11.Nf1= 0.24/19]

11...Be6 0.01/20

[11...Qe7∓ -0.35/20]

12.Nc4 Rg8 13.0-0-0 g5 14.Bg3 g4 15.Nh4 Nh5 16.Kb1 Qf6 Repels Nf5 **17.Qc2** -0.01/23

[17.Rdf1± 0.35/22]

17...0-0-0= 18.Ne3 Ne7 19.Rhe1 -0.51/23

[19.Nc4= 0.01/20]

19...Kb8 20.Rd2 Rg5 21.Qd1 Nxg3 22.hxg3 h5 23.Bc4 -0.66/20

[White should play 23.Nc4= -0.15/19]

23...d5 0.01/25

[23...Bxe3∓ -0.66/20 24.Rxe3 Qh6]

24.exd5

[24.Nxd5 feels hotter. Nxd5 25.exd5 Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Rxd5 27.f4]

24...Nxd5 25.Nxd5 Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Rxd5 27.Qe2 -0.37/23

[27.f4= 0.13/22 gxf3 *(27...exf4 28.gxf4 Rg8 29.g3=)* 28.Nxf3 *(28.Qxf3 Qe6=)* 28...Rxg3 29.Rde2]

27...Bb6 28.Qe4! Rd8 0.33/23

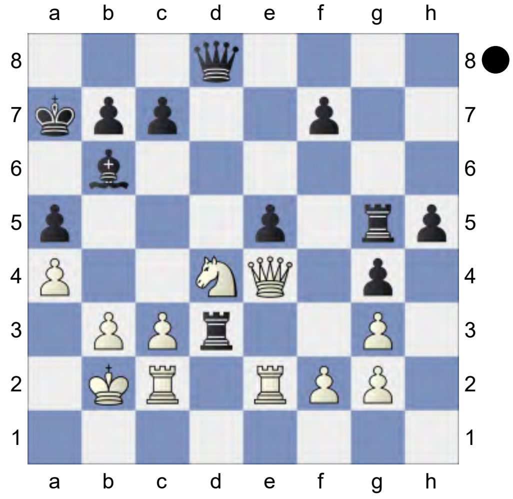
[28...Bxf2? 29.Rf1 *(29.Qxd5? Bxe1 30.Rd1 Bxg3-+)* 29...Qd6 30.Rfxf2+- *(30.Rdxf2 Rxd3 31.Rxf7 Rxg3+-)*]

[28...Qe6∓ -0.53/24]

29.Kc2 -0.13/23

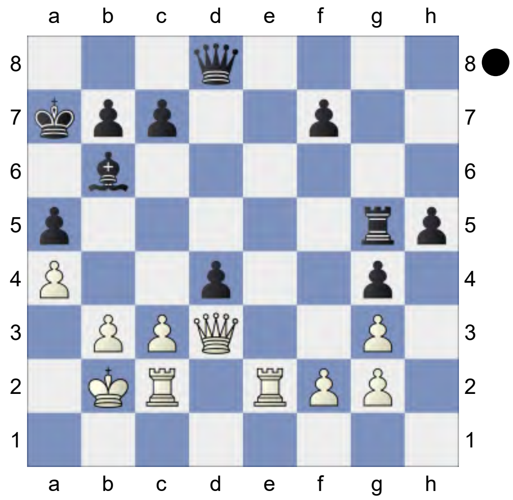
[29.f4± 0.33/23 should be considered. gxf3 30.Nxf3]

29...Qe6 0.41/23
[29...Bxf2? 30.Rf1+-]
[29...Re8= -0.13/23]
30.b3 -0.98/21
[30.f4!⩲ 0.41/23 keeps the upper hand. gxf3 31.Nxf3 Rxg3 32.Qxe5]
30...Qf6 0.16/25
[Black should play 30...f6⩱ -0.98/21]
31.Ree2 Rd6 0.35/23
[31...Qd6= -0.18/23 32.Qc4 f6]
32.Kb2 -0.62/24
[32.f4⩲ 0.35/23 exf4 33.Qxf4]
32...Ka7⩱ 33.Rc2 -0.97/24
[33.Rd1⩱ -0.47/22]
33...Qd8 Now White is beyond hope.
34.Nf5? -2.55/23
[34.Rcd2⩱ -0.78/21]
34...Rxd3-+ 35.Nd4? -4.85/26
[35.Ka2 -2.44/22 might work better.]



35...exd4! 36.Qxd3

(Diagram)



dxc3+ Discovered Attack **37.Rxc3 Rd5 38.Qc4 Bd4** Pin **39.Rec2 c6** White is weak on the dark squares
[39...Bxc3+? 40.Qxc3 Kb8 41.Qg7-+]
40.Ka2 Bxc3 41.Qxc3 Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **41...Qe7 42.f3 Qe5 43.Qxe5 Rxe5** KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **44.Kb2 Kb6 45.Rf2 f5 46.Kc3 Kc5 47.Kd3** Prevents Re3+. **47...Kb4 48.Kc2 Ka3 49.fxg4 hxg4 50.Rf1 Re2+ 51.Kc3 Re3+ 52.Kc4 Rxg3 53.Rxf5 b6**
[53...Rxb3? 54.Rxa5 Rb4+ 55.Kc3-+]
54.Rf6 Rxg2 55.Kd3 Rg3+ 56.Kc4 Rxb3 57.Rxc6 Kxa4 58.Rg6 b5+ 59.Kc5 g3 60.Kb6 Rf3 61.Rg4+ b4 62.Rg5 Ka3 63.Rxa5+ Kb2 and ...Kb1 would now be decisive **64.Rg5 b3** (-> ...Kc2) **65.Kb5 Kc1** Black mates. **66.Rc5+ Kd2 67.Ka4 b2 68.Rb5**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.27 (precise)
68...Kc2
0-1

378 **C50**
☐ **Aronian,Levon** **2745**
■ **Hakobyan,Aram** **2620**
American Cup Blitz 2023 (2.2) 26.03.23
[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Na4 Bb6 7.d3 h6 8.a3** The position is equal.

[RR 8.c3 Na5 *(8...0-0 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Re1 Bg4 11.Bb3 Qd7 12.h3 Bh5 13.Kh1 Kh8 14.Qe2 g5 15.Qe3 Bg6 16.Nh2 Kg7 17.Bc2 b5 18.Bd2 d5 19.Red1 d4 20.Qe1 Nh5 21.a4 dxc3 22.bxc3 b4)* 9.Bb3 Nxb3 10.axb3 Bd7 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Be3 0-0 13.h3 Re8 14.Qc2 Bc6 15.b4 Rxa1 16.Rxa1 d5 17.Nd2 Qd7 18.Re1 Rd8 19.f3 dxe4 20.dxe4 Qe6 21.Nf1 Ne8 22.Rd1 Ra8 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2603)-Behrmann (2553) Baku 2023 Steinitz/Chigorin [John Watson] 0-1 (50)]

8...0-0

[RR 8...Bg4 9.c3

A) RR 9...0-0 10.b4 d5 *(RR 10...Qd7)* 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Re1 *(RR 12.h3 Bh5 13.Re1)* 12...Qd6 13.h3 Bh5 14.g4 *(RR 14.Bxd5 Qxd5 15.c4)* 14...Bg6 15.b5 *(RR 15.Bxd5 Qxd5 16.c4 Qxd3 17.Qxd3 Bxd3 18.c5)* 15...Na5 16.Rxe5;

B) RR 9...Na5 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Ba2 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.g4 Nxg4 14.hxg4 Bxg4 15.d4 Qf6 16.Kg2 Nc6 17.Qd3 exd4 18.Nh2 Bh5 19.Bd2 Qg6+ 20.Kh1 Ne5 21.Qg3 Qxe4+ 22.f3 Qc2 23.cxd4 Ng6 24.Bc3;

C) 9...Qc8 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.Bb3 Ne7 12.h3 Be6 *(RR 12...Bh5)* 13.Ba4+ *(RR 13.Bc2)*

C1) RR 13...b5 14.Bc2 *(RR 14.Bxb5+ c6)* 14...Ng6;

C2) 13...Bd7 14.Bc2 Ng6 15.Nh2 0-0 16.f4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Nxf4 18.Rxf4 Qd8 19.d4 Ra5 20.Qd3 d5 *(RR 20...Re8)* 21.exd5 *(RR 21.e5 Ne4)* 21...g6 22.c4 b5 23.Raf1 Rapport,R (2719)-Carlsen,M (2830) Karlsruhe 2024 Mega2024 Update 22 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79) RR bxc4 24.Qf3 Bf5 25.Bxf5 Nxd5 26.Rg4]

9.h3 9.h3 is the recent fashion. 9.h3 ist aktuell in Mode. **9...Re8**

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Nh5 13.Ra2 Rd8 *(RR 13...Qg6 14.Nh4 Qf7 15.Nf3 Qg6 16.Nh4 Qf7 17.Nf3 Qg6)* 14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rf8 19.Rd3 Nf4 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Mayank,C (2457)-Manish,A (2328) Chennai 2025 ½-½ (51)]

10.b4 Bd7N A relevant novelty. Eine relevante Neuerung.

[Predecessor: Predecessor: RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 *(12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1* 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d *)* 12...Ne7

A) RR 13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Qg6+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rae8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6;

B) 13.Re1 c6 *(RR 13...Ng6 14.g3 c6 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 d5*

17.cxd5 cxd5 18.Qb3 Rd6 19.Be3 Qd7) 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 25.a5 Larand,M (2683)-Osnos,V (2780) Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] ½-½ (39);

C) 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 c6 15.Re1 Ng6 16.Bd2 d5 ½-½ (38) Nihal,S (2677)-Alekseenko,K (2707) Linares 2022]

[RR 10...a6 11.Nxb6 cxb6 12.Bb3 b5 13.Re1 Be6

A) 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Bb2 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.c4 Qd6 (RR *17...bxc4 18.dxc4)* 18.Qb3 Nh5 19.c5 Qe7 20.d4 exd4 21.Rxe6 Qxe6 22.Qxe6 (RR *22.Nxd4 Nxd4 23.Qxe6 Nxe6;* RR *22.Qc2 Nf4 23.Re1 d3 24.Qd2)* 22...fxe6 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.Bxd4 Rd8 25.Be5 Kollars,D (2648)-So,W (2757) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (45);

B) 14.c4 bxc4 15.dxc4 b5 16.Qd3 bxc4 17.Bxc4 d5 (RR *17...Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qd7 19.Bb2 Qb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Qd3 Red8 22.Qe2 Ne7 23.Nd2 Ng6)* 18.exd5 Bxd5 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 Nxd5 21.Bb2 f6 22.Rac1 Nce7 23.g3 Nb6 24.Nd2 Rec8 25.Kf1 Navara,D (2681)-Lazavik,D (2578) Chess.com INT 2024 ½-½ (72)]

[RR 10...Nd4 11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.c3 Bb6 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bc2 d5 15.Qe2 dxe4 16.dxe4 Qe7 17.Bb2 Rad8 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.c4 Nd7 20.Rac1 f6 21.Bd3 Nf8 22.c5 bxc5 23.Rxc5 Rd7 24.Bc1 Red8 25.Bb1]

11.Re1 Nd4 12.Nxb6 Nxf3+! 13.Qxf3 axb6 14.Bb3 Be6 15.c4 Nd7 16.Qg3 Kh8 17.Rf1 b5 18.Rb1 bxc4 19.dxc4 f5 20.exf5 Bxf5 21.Rb2 -0.33/20

[21.Ra1= 0.14/23]

21...Nf6 0.23/20

[Black should play 21...Rxa3∓ -0.33/20 22.Rd2 Ra1]

22.Re1 -0.14/22

[⌓22.Re2 0.23/20]

22...Qd7 0.28/21

[⌓22...Rxa3 -0.14/22 23.Rbe2 Ra1]

23.Rbe2= Rf8 24.c5 Bh7 25.Qh4 Rae8 0.64/20

[⌓25...Bg8 0.31/21 26.Bc2 Bh7]

26.a4 Bg8 27.Bxg8 Nxg8 0.66/23

[⌓27...Kxg8 0.33/23 28.cxd6 cxd6]

28.cxd6 cxd6 29.b5 Ne7 30.Bb2 0.08/21

[30.Qg4± 0.55/22 feels stronger. Qxg4 31.hxg4]

30...Ng6

[30...Rf4!? 31.Qg3 Rxa4=]

31.Qb4 -1.42/22

[31.Qg4= 0.02/22 Qxg4 32.hxg4]

31...Rf6 -0.14/21

[31...Nf4∓ -1.42/22 32.Rd2 Qf5]

32.Rd2 -0.50/23

[32.Bc1= -0.14/21 should be considered.]

32...Qe6 0.01/24

[32...d5!∓ -0.50/23]

33.Qg4

[33.Red1 keeps more tension. Nf4 34.Qxd6 Rg6 35.Qxe6 Rxg2+ 36.Kf1]

33...Qf7 34.Qb4 -0.81/22

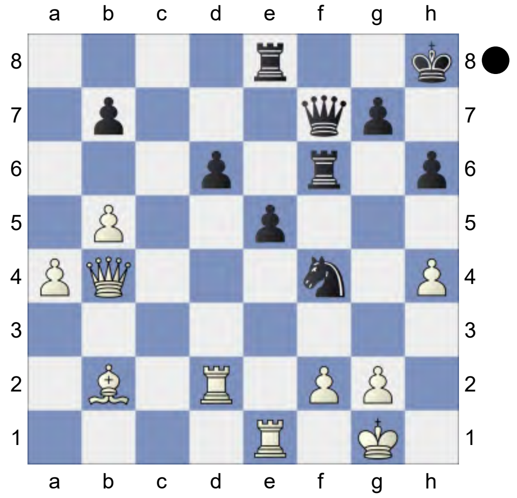
[34.Red1= -0.01/21]

34...Nf4∓ And now ...Rf6-g6 would win.

35.h4? -5.42/24

[Not 35.Rxd6? Qg6 36.Qxf4 exf4-+]

[35.Kh2∓ -0.80/22]



White does not recover from this.

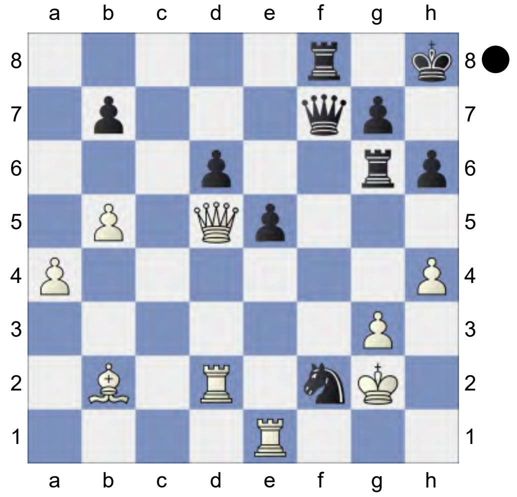
35...Rf8

[Stronger than 35...Qg6 36.Qe4 Qg4 37.Re3∓]

36.Qe4 -5.43/26

[36.f3 -3.12/23 keeps fighting. Qh5 37.Re4 (*37.Rxd6? Qxh4 38.Rxf6 Rxf6-+*) 37...Qxh4 38.Rc2]

36...Rg6 37.g3 Nh3+ 38.Kg2 Nxf2 39.Qd5



Black must now prevent Qd5xf7.

39...Qf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/Black=0.31

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■ ReinforcementTrial 2643

Classical 31.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6

Black has an edge.

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Nec6 13.Re1N

[13.Ba3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Rad1 Qe7 17.e5 fxe5 18.Nf3 Nc6 19.Bd5 Kd8 20.Rfe1 Qf6 21.Bxc6 bxc6 22.Qxc6 Rb8 23.Rc1 Bb6 24.Nxe5 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Nf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxd6+ Qd7 ½-½ Castro Salguero, R (2515)-10. ♗e7 ♕e7 11. ♘e2_13982 (2637) 68/488 Nis 1996 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Qxb8 Kd8 30.Qf4 Qf5 31.Qg3 g6 32.a5 Bxa5 33.Qd6+ Bd7 34.Qb8+ Ke7 35.Qxa7 Qd5 36.Qc5+ 1-0 Beggi,P-Jagodzinski,W

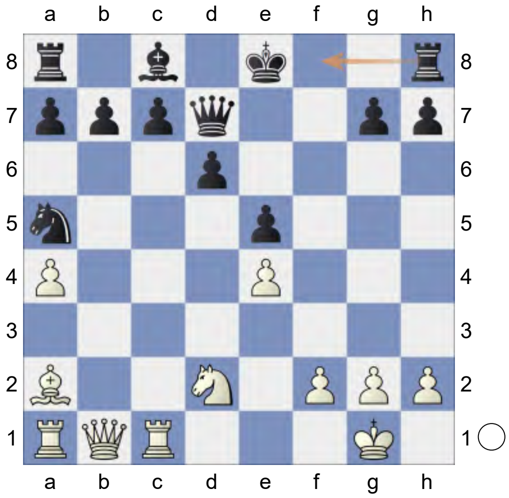
Reggio Emilia 6566 1965 (8)]

13...exd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.cxd4 Bxd4 16.Bb2 Qc6 17.Qb1 Be5

[17...Qxa4? 18.Bf7+ Kxf7 19.Rxa4+-]

18.Bxe5 fxe5 19.Rc1! Qd7

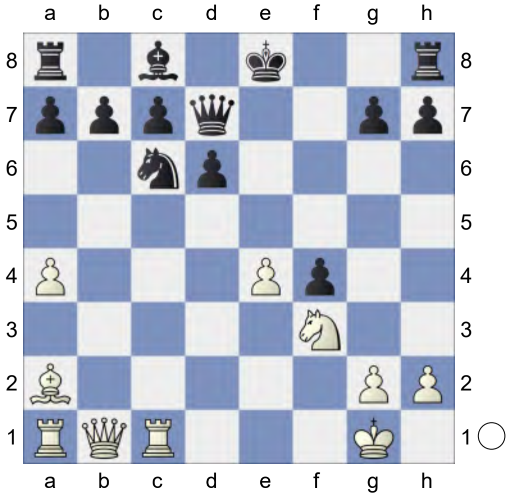
[19...Qxa4? 20.Bf7+ *(20.Rxc7 Qd4+-)* 20...Kxf7 21.Rxa4+- *(21.Rxc7+ Qd7+-)*]



20.f4! Nc6

[20...Qxa4? 21.Bf7+ *(21.Rxc7 Qd4+ 22.Kh1 Qxd2=)* 21...Kxf7 22.Rxa4+-]

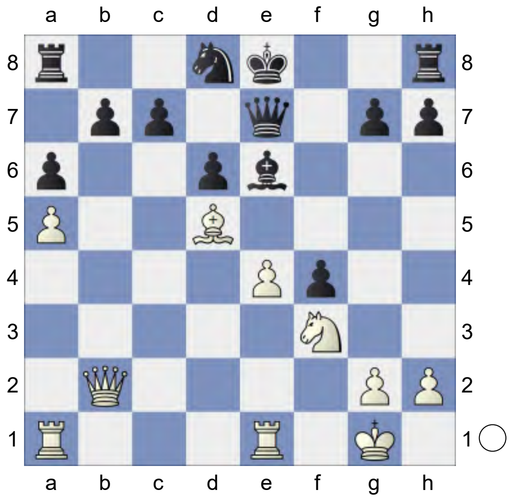
21.Nf3 exf4



22.a5! a6 23.Qb2 White has compensation. **23...Nd8**

[23...Nxa5 24.e5 Nc6 25.exd6 cxd6 26.Qb6∓]

24.Re1 Qe7 25.Bd5 Be6!



26.e5! 0-0!

[26...Bxd5? 27.exd6 cxd6 28.Rxe7+ Kxe7 29.Qxg7+ Nf7 30.Re1+ Kd7 31.Qg4+ Kc7 32.Qf5+- *(32.Qxf4 Rae8+-)*]

27.exd6 Qxd6 28.Bxe6+ Nxe6 29.Rad1 Qe7 30.Re5 Qf7 31.Qxb7 Rfb8 32.Qe4 Nf8 33.Re1 c6 34.h3 Ng6 The position is equal. **35.Re6 Qa7+ 36.Kh1 Qc5** Prevents Ng5. **37.Rxc6 Qxa5 38.Qc4+ Kh8 39.Rc5 Qb6 40.Ng5 h6 41.Nf7+ Kh7 42.Ng5+ hxg5 43.Rxg5 Qb5! 44.Rxb5 Rxb5 45.Re6 Rf8! 46.Rxa6 Rbf5 47.Kg1 f3 48.g3 f2+ 49.Kf1 Ne5 50.Qh4+ Kg8 51.Qe7 Nf3** (→ ...Nd2+) **52.Kxf2 Ne5+ 53.Ke3 Rf1** aiming for ...Re1+. **54.Re6**

[54.Qxe5!? Re1+□ 55.Kd4 Rxe5 56.Kxe5=]

54...Nc6 55.Qd7

[55.Rxc6? is the wrong capture. Re1+ 56.Kd4 Rxe7-+]

55...Nd4 56.Rg6 R8f3+ 57.Kxd4

[But not 57.Ke4 Nf5 *(57...Re1+ 58.Kxd4 Rd1+ 59.Ke4=)* 58.Qe8+ Kh7]

57...Rd1+ 58.Ke4 Rxd7 59.Kxf3= Endgame KR-KR. White is a pawn up.

59...Rd1 60.h4 Ra1 61.Rb6 Rc1 62.h5 Ra1 63.Kg4 Rc1 64.Kg5 Ra1 65.Kg6 Ra8 Dodges Rb8+ **66.g4 Rc8 67.g5 Ra8 68.Re6 Rb8 69.Rd6 Ra8 70.Rb6**

[70.Rd3!? Ra6+☐ 71.Kf5=]

70...Rc8 71.Re6 Ra8 72.Rb6 Rc8 73.Re6 Ra8 74.Rc6 Rb8 75.Ra6 Rc8 76.Rb6 Ra8 77.Rd6

[77.Rb3!? Ra6+☐ 78.Kf5=]

77...Rb8 78.Rc6 Ra8 79.Kf5

[79.Rc5!? Ra6+☐ 80.Kf5=]

79...Ra5+ 80.Kg6 Ra8 Against Rc8+ **81.Kf5 Ra5+ 82.Kf4 Ra4+ 83.Kf3 Ra1 84.g6 Rf1+ 85.Ke2 Rf4 86.Kd3 Rf1 87.Rc8+ Rf8 88.Rc7 Rf1 89.Ke2 Rf4 90.Ke3 Rf1 91.Rc8+ Rf8 92.Rc1 Rf5 93.Ra1 Re5+ 94.Kd4 Rf5 95.Ra8+ Rf8 96.Ra5 Rf1 97.Kd3 Rd1+ 98.Kc2 Rf1 99.Ra4 Rf2+ 100.Kd3 Rf1 101.Ra7 Rd1+ 102.Kc4 Rc1+ 103.Kd4 Rd1+ 104.Kc4 Rc1+ 105.Kb5 Rb1+ 106.Kc6 Rc1+ 107.Kb5 Rb1+ 108.Kc6 Rc1+ 109.Kb7 Rb1+ 110.Kc7 Rc1+ 111.Kb6 Rb1+ 112.Kc7 Rc1+ 113.Kb6 Rb1+ 114.Kc5 Rc1+ 115.Kd5 Rd1+ 116.Ke6 Re1+ 117.Kf5 Rf1+ 118.Ke5 Re1+ 119.Kf5 Rf1+ 120.Ke5 Re1+ 121.Kd4 Rd1+ 122.Kc5 Rc1+ 123.Kd6 Rd1+ 124.Ke7 Re1+ 125.Kd8 Rb1 126.Ra8 Rb7 127.Ra1 Rb2 128.Ra7** Kc7 is the strong threat. **128...Rb1 129.Rc7 Ra1 130.Kc8 Rb1 131.Rc5 Ra1 132.Rb5 Rc1+ 133.Kd8** Threatening mate with Rb8. **133...Ra1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless) **134.Ke7**

½-½

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☐ **ManuDavid2910 2839**
■ **wounded_thirteenth 2861**
Blitz 08.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 a6N**

[10...Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7 12.Qe1 0-0-0 *(12...a6 13.Qf2 Ne6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 b5 16.Bb3 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rg6* Heid,R-N,N URS-ch Soviet Union 1983 *)* 13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2) b6 26.Re5 a6 2 Bianchi,E-Noshin,A Chapter 7 Part]

[10...Bd7 11.Qe1 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Wastfelt,T (2659)-10.0-0 cd4 11. ♘e4 (2579) Chapter 1 (2) (6)]

11.Kh1 Be6 -0.14/20

[11...Bd7∓ -0.55/19]

12.c3= The position is equal. **12...Bxc4** 1.25/23

[12...Nb5!= -0.14/20 remains equal.]

13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Ne3 and Nd5 should not be overlooked. White has more active pieces. **15...Qd7 16.Qxd7+**

[16.Rxf6?! 0-0-0±]

16...Kxd7 17.Rxf6 Raf8 18.Rd1+ Kc8 19.Ng4 0.54/21

[19.Rd5+- 1.71/20]

19...Nc5!⩲ 20.Re1 0.17/20

[20.Nxe5 Nxe4 21.Rf4 Nd6]

[20.Rdf1⩲ 0.56/21 should be considered.]

20...Nd3 0.83/23

[20...Rd8!= 0.17/20]

21.Re2 0.27/22

[21.Ref1!± 0.83/23]

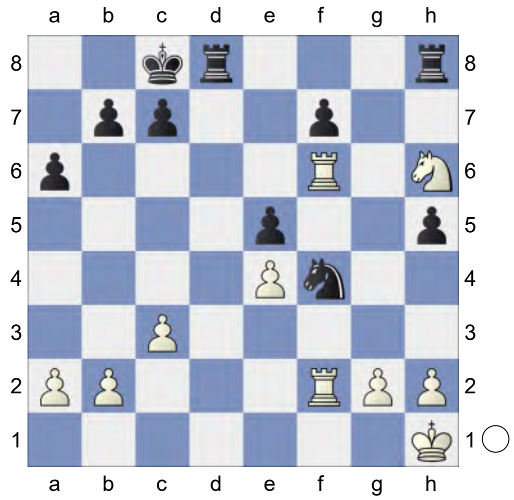
21...h5= 22.Nh6 Nf4 0.58/20

[22...Rh7= 0.09/21]

23.Rf2↑ White has strong initiative.

23...Rd8 1.72/22

[23...Rh7± 0.90/20]



24.h3 0.92/19

[24.Nxf7? Rd1+]

[24.Rf1 Rd2⩲]

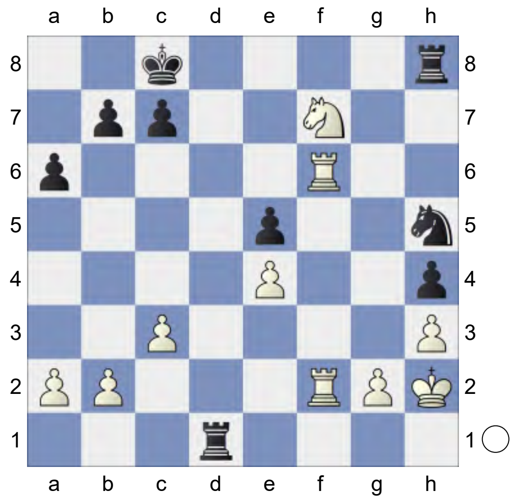
[24.h4!+- 1.72/22]

A mistake that costs the game. **24...h4** 2.24/24

[24...Rd1+± 0.92/19 was worth a try. 25.Kh2 Nd3]

25.Nxf7+- Rd1+ 26.Kh2 Nh5

(Diagram)



and ...Ng3! would now be decisive **27.Rf1! Nxf6 28.Rxd1** Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **28...Re8 29.Rf1 Nxe4 30.Re1 Ng3 31.Nxe5**

[31.Rxe5? perishes. Rf8 32.Rg5 Rxf7-+]

31...Nf1+ 32.Rxf1 Rxe5 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **33.Rf4 Re2?** 5.14/20

[33...Rh5 2.23/19 34.Kg1 b5]

34.Rxh4 Rxb2 35.Rf4 Rxa2 36.h4 Re2 37.h5 b5 38.Kh3 a5 39.h6 Re8 Dodges Rf8 **40.g4 Rh8 41.g5 Kb7 42.Kg4 a4 43.Kh5 a3 44.g6 c5 45.g7 Rd8 46.h7 a2 47.Rf1 Rd5+ 48.Kh4 Rf5 49.Ra1**

[Not 49.g8B Rxf1 50.Bd5+ Kc7=]

49...Rf4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=1.19

50.Kg5 #22/17

[50.Kg3+- 25.08/17 Rc4 51.g8Q (*51.g8B Rxc3+ 52.Kg4 Rd3+-*) 51...Rxc3+ 52.Kg4 Rc4+ 53.Kg5 (*53.Qxc4 bxc4 54.h8Q Kc7 55.Qf6 Kc8 56.Qc6+ Kb8 57.Rxa2 c3 58.Ra8#*) 53...Kc7 54.h8Q (*54.h8R Re4 55.Qd8+ Kb7 56.Qd7+ Ka6 57.Ra8+* Skewer *Kb6 58.Rb8+ Ka6 59.Qb7+ Ka5 60.Qxb5#*) 54...Rd4 55.Rxa2 Re4 56.Qhh7+ Kd6

57.Qd8+ Ke6 58.Qf5#]

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■ **Rap_Monster** **2820**

Blitz 08.04.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.95/19

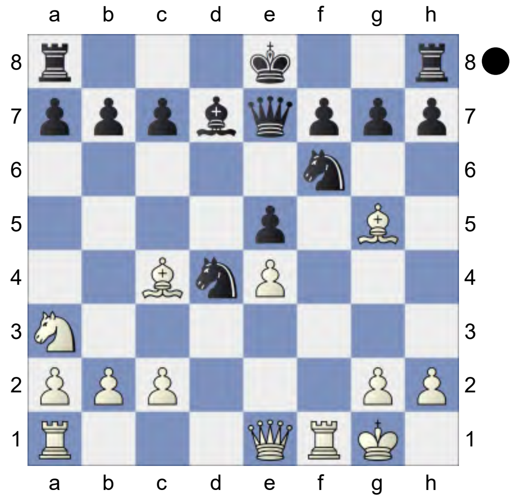
[10.Kh1∓ -0.40/18]

10...Bd7 -0.35/20

[10...Ne6∓ -0.95/19 11.Bh4 0-0]

11.Qe1∓

[11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 Nf4 25.Qb7+ Kd8 1-0 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022]



11...0-0-0 -0.30/22

[Better is 11...Ne6!∓ -0.76/19 12.Bh4 b5 13.Bxe6 (*13.Nxb5? Qc5+ 14.Rf2 Qxc4-+; 13.Bxb5? Bxb5 14.Nxb5 Qc5+ 15.Qf2 Qxb5-+*) 13...Qxe6]

12.Qf2= Black has an edge. **12...Rhg8N** 0.31/16

[12...a6= -0.28/19]

[12...Qc5 13.Bxf6 gxf6 Max Lange Gambit-Qe7,C 2008]

13.c3⩲ Ne6 14.Qxa7!

[14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Kh1 Kb8 16.Qxf6 Rge8=]

14...c6? 3.68/20

[14...Qc5+⩲ 0.46/18 15.Qxc5 Nxc5]

15.Be3+- Nc7 Prevents Ba6 **16.Bc5 Qe8 17.Bb6** This pair of bishops is nice. **17...Be6** 4.54/17

[17...Bg4 3.12/17 keeps fighting. 18.Bb3 Be2]

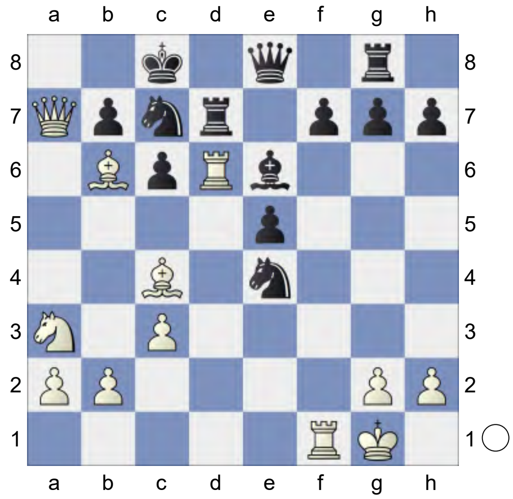
18.Qa5 Rd7 19.Rad1 Strongly threatening Bxc7.

[19.Qxe5 Bxc4 20.Qxe8+ (*20.Nxc4 Qxe5 21.Nxe5 Re7±*) 20...Rxe8⩲]

19...Kb8 20.Rd6 Decoy **20...Nxe4 21.Qa7+?** 1.05/5

[21.Rxd7+- 4.41/20 Qxd7 22.Bxe6 (*22.Qxe5 Nd6±*) 22...fxe6 23.Qa7+ (*23.Qxe5 Nf6+-*) 23...Kc8 24.Nc4]

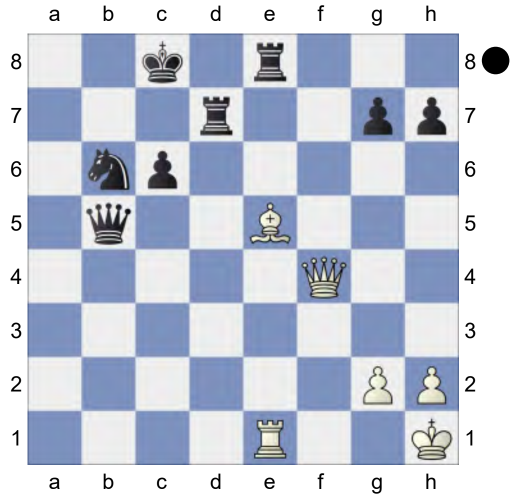
21...Kc8±



22.Rxc6 0.34/19 White has more active pieces. **22...bxc6⩲ 23.Ba6+?** -3.92/19

[23.Bxe6!± 0.52/19 was forced to keep a grip. Qxe6 24.Bxc7 Remove Defender]

23...Nxa6-+ 24.Qxa6+ Kb8 25.Re1 f5 26.Nc4 Bxc4 27.Qxc4 Rb7 28.Be3 Rf8 29.b4 Qd7 30.a4 Qd5 31.Qf1 f4 32.Bc1 Nxc3 33.Bb2 Nxa4 34.Bxe5+ Kc8 35.Qa6 Nb6 Repels Qa8+ **36.b5 Qc5+ 37.Kh1 Qxb5 38.Qa1 Re8 39.Qd4 Rd7 40.Qxf4**



Rxe5! 41.Ra1

[41.Rg1 Rf5]

41...Red5 42.Qg4 Inhibits Rd1+. **42...Kb7 43.h3 Qb2 44.Rf1 Qc2** And now ...Rd1 would win. **45.Kh2 Rd1 46.Rf3 Qc1 47.Qb4 Rh1+ 48.Kg3 Qe1+ 49.Qxe1 Rxe1 50.Kh4 Red1 51.g4 R1d4 52.Rf5 h6 53.Rf1 R7d5 54.Kg3 Rg5 55.h4 Rgxg4+ 56.Kh3 Rxh4+ 57.Kg3 Rdg4+ 58.Kf3 Re4** (→ ...Rhf4+) **59.Rb1 Rhf4+ 60.Kg3 Rb4 61.Rd1 Rg4+ 62.Kh3 Rgf4 63.Rf1 Rg4** -10.87/15

[⌓63...Rxf1 -#5/17 64.Kg2 Ra1 65.Kg3 Ra3+ 66.Kh2 Rb2+ 67.Kh1 Ra1#]

64.Rd1 Rh4+ 65.Kg3 Rhg4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.76/ Black=0.49 **66.Kh3!** An unexpected result.

½-½

382 C50

☐ Pranav,V. 2608

■ Gukesh,Dommaraju 2736

chess.com Junior Speed blitz (2.22)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.c3 d6 7.Nbd2** 7.Re1 is a critical line. 7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. 7.Re1 is a critical line.7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...h6 8.h3 a5 9.Re1 a4N**

[9...Be6 10.Bb5 Nd7 *(10...Bb6 11.Nf1 Ne7 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Ng3 Nxg3 16.fxg3 c6 17.Bd3 Nf5 18.Bxf5 Bxf5 19.Be3 Be4 20.Nd2 Bg6 21.Bf2 a4 22.a3 Qd7 23.Qe2 Rae8 24.g4 Ba5 25.Rf1* ½-½ Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Titled Tuesday intern op 13th Feb Late blitz 2024 (5)*)* 11.Nf1 d5 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Be3 Bd6 14.Ng3 Re8 15.Qc2 c5 16.c4 c6 17.Rad1 Bf8 18.Qc1 a4 19.Bd2 Qf6 20.Nh2 Qg6 21.Nf3 Qf6 22.Kh2 Rab8 23.Qc2 Ra8 24.Bc3 1-0 Vachier Lagrave,M (2725)-Deac,B (2692) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Mar Early blitz 2025 (8)]

10.Nf1 Bd7 White is slightly better. **11.a3 Ne7!N** 0.57/24 A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung .A top novelty. Eine Top Neuerung.

[Predecessor: 11...Bb6 12.Ng3 Re8 13.Nh4 -0.42/25 *(13.Qc2=* 0.17/22 *)* 13...Ng4 *(13...Na5!? 14.Ba2 Ng4=)*

14.hxg4 -1.28/20 *(14.Nhf5∓* -0.35/23 *Bxf2+ 15.Kf1 Bxg3 16.Qxg4 Bxf5 17.exf5)* 14...Qxh4∓ 15.Qf3 -1.71/25 *(15.Be3∓* -1.28/23 *Bxg4 16.Qc2)* 15...Bxg4-+ 16.Qxf7+? -4.35/22 *(16.Nf5* -1.69/22 *Bxf3 17.Nxh4)* 16...Kh7-+ 17.Be3 Rf8 0-1 Dominguez Perez,L (2739)-Caruana,F (2811) PRO League Stage rapid 2018 (4)]

[11...Re8= 0.07/26]

12.Ng3 Ng6 13.d4 Bb6 14.dxe5 -0.32/22

[14.Be3± 0.51/20]

14...dxe5∓ 15.Qe2 Be6 0.29/22

[Better is 15...Re8∓ -0.33/23]

16.Nf5 -0.30/23

[White should play 16.Bxe6 0.29/22 fxe6 17.Be3]

16...Re8 17.g4 -0.67/20

[17.Bxe6= -0.12/20 Rxe6 18.Rb1]

17...Qd7 18.Bb5 c6 19.Rd1 Qc7 20.Bc4 Rad8! 21.Bd2 -1.66/22

[21.Rxd8∓ -0.85/24 Qxd8 *(21...Rxd8 22.Bd2∓)* 22.Bd3]

21...Bxf5 -0.54/22

[21...Rxd2-+ -1.66/22 22.Nxd2 Nf4]

White does not recover from this.

22.exf5? -2.17/21

[22.gxf5∓ -0.54/22 Nf8 23.b3]

22...e4 Threatens to win with ...Qg3+.

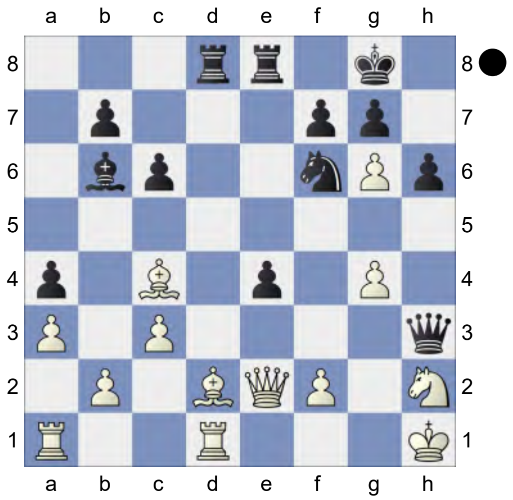
[22...Nf4 23.Bxf4 exf4 24.Qc2∓]

23.fxg6? -6.64/21

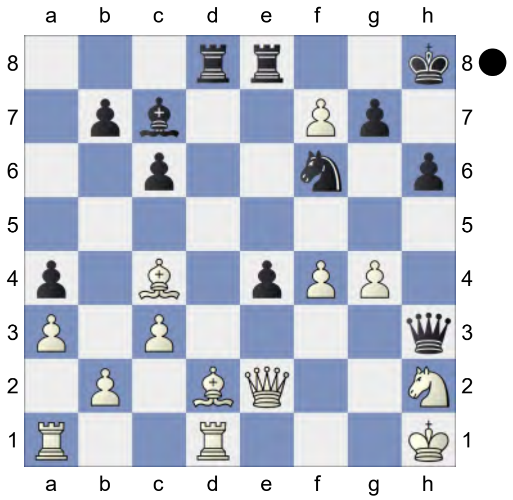
[23.Bxf7+ -2.29/20 Kh8 *(23...Kxf7 24.fxg6+ Kxg6 25.Nd4∓)* 24.Nd4 *(24.Bxg6?* perishes. *Qg3+ 25.Kh1 Qxh3+ 26.Nh2 Bc7-+)* 24...Bxd4 *(24...Qxf7? 25.fxg6 Qxg6 26.Nf5∓)* 25.cxd4 Qxf7 26.fxg6 Qxg6 27.Be3]

23...Qg3+-+ 24.Kh1 Qxh3+ 25.Nh2

(Diagram)



Bc7! 26.gxf7+ Kh8 27.f4



exf3! 28.Qf2 Nxg4

[Don't go for 28...Re4? 29.Bf4 *(29.Qxf3? Qxh2#)* 29...Rc8 30.Bf1 *(30.Qxf3 Qxf3+ 31.Nxf3 Rxf4=; 30.Bxc7 Nxg4 31.Qxf3 Qxf3+ 32.Nxf3 Rxc4+-)* 30...Bxf4 *(30...Nxg4? 31.Qc5+-)* 31.Bxh3+-]

29.fxe8Q+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.67/Black=0.15 (very precise)

29...Rxe8

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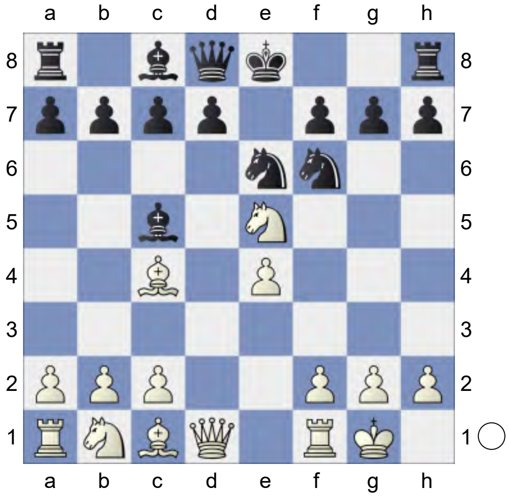
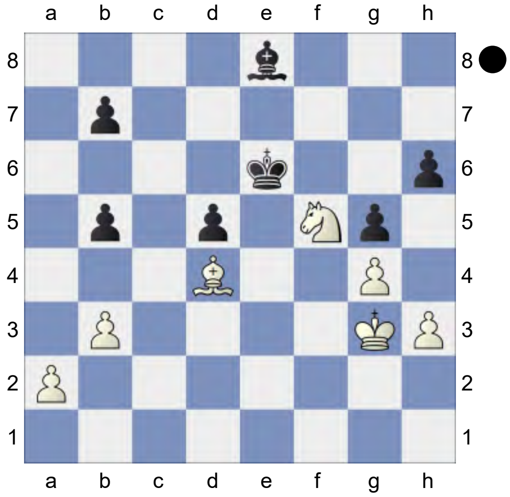
383 **C55**
☐ **Drvitman** **3000**
■ **elshadgancaliyev** **2591**
Rapid 06.06.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Nxd4 6.Nxe5 Ne6** 1.38/19
[⌓6...Qe7 0.94/20]



7.Bxe6!±
[7.Nc3 0-0 8.Nd3 d6 9.Nxc5 Nxc5 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 Be6 12.Bxe6 fxe6 13.b4 Ncd7 14.f4 Qe8 15.Qe2 a6 16.Qc4 Rc8 17.f5 Ne5 18.Qb3 Kh7 19.fxe6 c6 20.Rf2 Qe7 21.Raf1 Rce8 1-0 4.c3 ♘f6 5.e5/6...f5 (2441)-6. f4 ♘bd7 (2632) Polish Ekstraliga 2006 (1) 22.Nd5 cxd5 23.exd5 g5 24.Bg3 Nfg4 25.Rxf8 Rxf8 26.Rxf8 Qxf8 27.h3 Nf6 28.Bxe5 dxe5 29.Qd3+ e4 30.Qd4 e3 31.Qxe3 Qxb4 32.Qd3+ Kg7 33.d6 Qb6+ 34.Kh2 Qd8 35.d7 Ng8 36.Qd4+ Kf8 0-1 Pavlov,S (2433)-Drozdovskij,Y (2587) Geller Memorial op-A 4th 2008 (9)]
7...fxe6 8.Nd3 White is more active. **8...Bb6** 2.19/20
[8...Be7± 1.39/20]
9.e5+- Nd5N 3.37/20
[⌓9...Ng8 2.07/19 10.a4 (*10.Qg4 Qe7 11.c4 d6 12.Nc3 Bd7 13.Bg5 Qf7 14.exd6 cxd6 15.c5 Bxc5 16.Nxc5 dxc5 17.Ne4* 1. 5...Nxd4?!- 5...Nxd4?! #2: 6... Ne6) 10...a5]
10.c4 Ne7 11.c5 Ng6 12.cxb6 axb6 13.Nc3 0-0 14.f4 d6 15.exd6 cxd6 16.Qe2 d5 17.Nb5 Bd7 18.Nd4 Re8 19.Be3 e5 20.fxe5 Nxe5 21.Nxe5 Rxe5 22.Qf2 Qe7 23.Bf4 Re4 24.Qd2 Qc5 25.Be3 Rae8 26.Rfe1 Qe7 27.Bf2 Qf6 28.Rxe4 Rxe4 29.Re1 Qe5 30.Rxe4 Qxe4 31.b3 Qb1+ 32.Be1 h6 33.h3 Qe4 34.Kh2 g5 35.Bg3 White is clearly winning. **35...Be8 36.Qe2 Qg6 37.Qe6+ Qxe6 38.Nxe6 b5 39.Nd4 Kf7 40.Be5 Kg6 41.g4 Kf7 42.Kg3 Ke7** 6.76/19
[⌓42...Kg6 4.77/19 43.Kf3 Kh7]
43.Nf5+ Ke6 44.Bd4



Threatens to win with Ng7+. **44...h5** 10.55/20
[⌓44...Bg6 5.11/17 45.Nxh6 Bb1]
45.Ng7+ Kd6 White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.44
46.Nxh5 5.79/17

[⌓46.Nxe8+ 16.83/22 Ke6 47.gxh5]
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384 **C55**
☐ **ManuDavid2910** **2824**
■ **Medarde94** **2800**
Blitz 07.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.67/19

[10.Qd3= -0.28/17]

10...Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7 Against Nb5 **12.Qe1** Black is better. **12...0-0-0** -0.45/21

[12...Ne6!∓ -0.82/19 13.Be3 Nxe4]

13.Qf2∓

[13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 a6 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

13...Be6! 14.c3 Nc6 15.Rae1N -1.38/19

[15.Qe2∓ -0.43/20]

[15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rg4 19.Kg1 Rxe4 20.b3 Rd3 21.Rc1 Nd8 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt]

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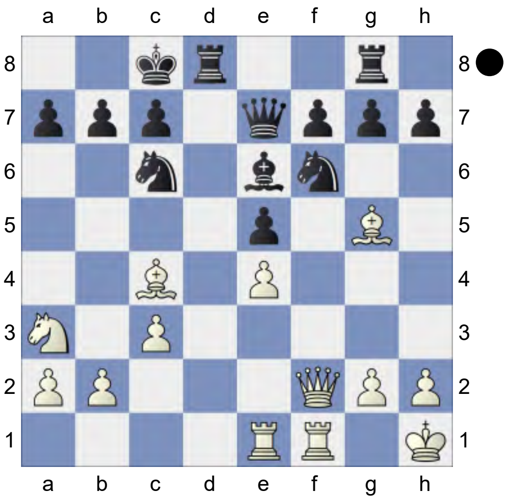


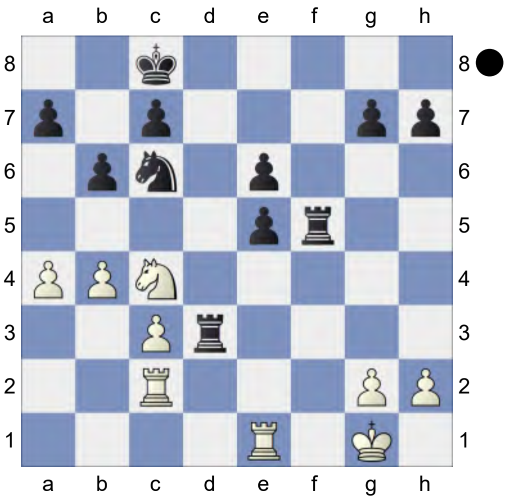
15...Nxe4!∓ Discovered Attack, Double Attack **16.Bxe6+**

[16.Rxe4 Qxg5]

16...fxe6 17.Bxe7 Nxf2+ 18.Rxf2 Nxe7 19.Nc4 Rgf8 20.Rfe2 Nc6 21.Kg1 Rf5 22.a4 b6 23.b4 -2.38/23

[23.Re4∓ -1.58/19]

23...Rd3 24.Rc2



e4! -1.55/19 **25.Nb2 Rdd5 26.Rxe4 Rfe5 27.Rce2 Rxe4 28.Rxe4** Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **28...Rd6** -0.60/18

[28...Re5-+ -1.68/21 29.Rg4 Re1+ 30.Kf2 Rc1]

29.h3 -1.67/20

[Better is 29.Nc4!∓ -0.60/18 Rd1+ 30.Kf2]

29...e5 -0.79/23

[29...Ne7-+ -1.67/20 is more deadly. 30.b5 Nd5]

30.Nc4 Rd3 31.b5 Na5 -0.03/23

[31...Nd8∓ -0.79/23]

32.Nxe5 Rxc3 33.Rf4 Kd8 34.Rf7 Re3 35.Rd7+? -2.35/22

[35.Nf3 Re7 36.Rf8+ Kd7]

[35.Nc6+= 0.00/21 and White is okay. Nxc6 36.bxc6]

35...Ke8-+ 36.Rd5 Re4 37.Kh2 Rxa4 38.Nf3 Rc4 39.Re5+ Kd7 -1.63/19

[⌓39...Kd8 -3.28/20 40.Ng5 h6 41.Ne6+ Ke7]

40.Rd5+? -3.78/20

[40.Rh5 -1.63/19 is a better defense. Rc5 41.Rxh7]

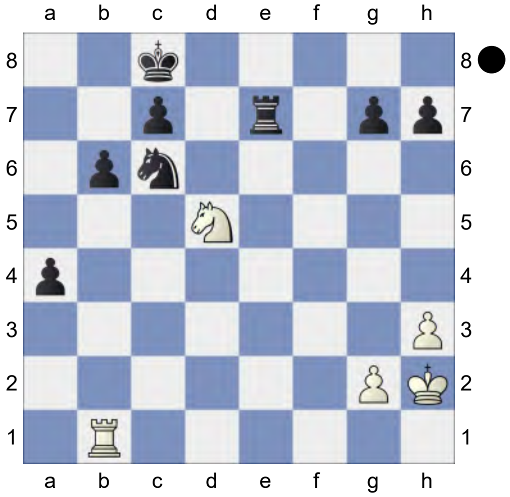
40...Kc8 41.Rf5 Rc5 42.Rf7 Rxb5 43.Nd4? -4.86/19

[43.Rxg7 -2.72/18 was the only defense. Nc6 44.Rxh7]

43...Rd5 44.Ne6 Rd7 45.Rf8+ Kb7 46.Rf1 Nc6 47.Rb1 a5 48.Nc5+ Kc8 49.Ne6 -5.85/19

[49.Nxd7 -2.83/17 was the crucial defense. Kxd7 50.h4]

49...Re7 50.Nf4 a4 51.Nd5



Kb7 -2.43/19 **52.Nc3** -6.37/17

[52.Nxe7 -2.43/19 Nxe7 53.Rb4]

52...a3 53.Ra1 Re3 54.Rxa3 b5 55.Nxb5 Rxa3 56.Nxa3 KN-KN. Black is a pawn up. **56...Nd4 57.Nc4 c5** -2.59/20

[⌓57...Kc6 -4.44/22 58.Ne3 Kd6]

58.Kg3 Kc6 59.Kf4 Kd5 60.Ne3+ -2.31/22 **Kc6?** -0.13/24

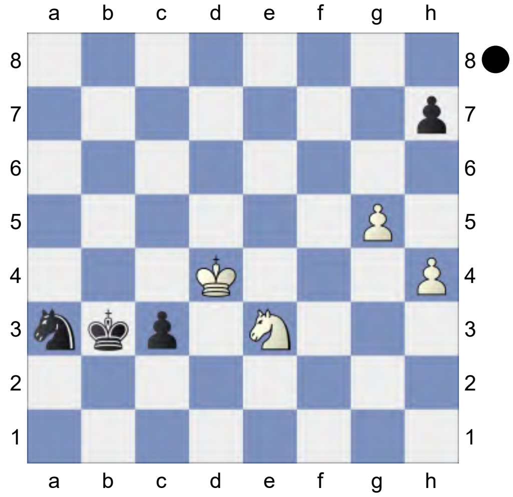
[Black should try 60...Ke6!-+ -2.31/22 61.Nc4

A) 61...Kd5 ⌓62.Nb6+ -1.71/20 Ke6 *(62...Kd6 63.Ke4)* 63.Na4∓;

B) 61...Nb5]

61.Ke4 Ne6 62.Ke5 Nc7 63.Nf5 Nb5 64.Nxg7 c4 65.Nf5 c3 66.Ne3 Kc5 67.g4 Kb4 68.h4 Kb3 69.g5 Na3! 70.Kd4? -4.65/27

[70.Kd5= 0.00/25]



Wards off Nc4 **70...Nc2+?** 0.00/25

[Not 70...c2 71.Nxc2 Nxc2+ *(71...Kxc2? 72.h5+-)* 72.Ke4=]

[70...Nc4!-+ -4.65/27 ...Nxe3 is the strong threat. 71.Nxc4 c2 72.Nd2+ Kb2]

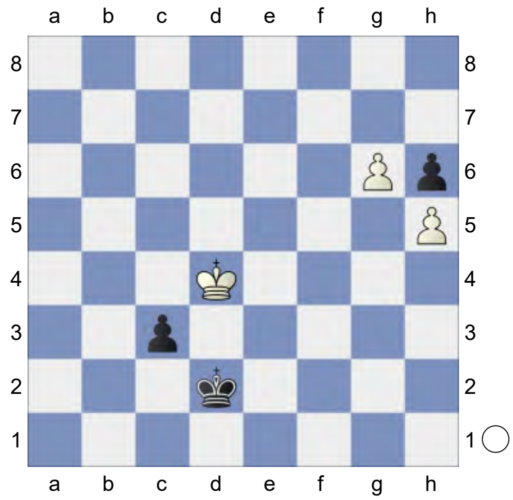
71.Nxc2= Kxc2 KPP-KPP **72.h5 Kd2**

[72...Kb2!? 73.g6□ c2=]

73.g6 h6? #47/25

[73...c2= 0.00/23 74.g7 c1Q *(74...c1B? loses. 75.g8Q+-)*]

(Diagram)



74.g7! c2 75.g8Q Intending Qg2+ and mate. **75...c1Q** KQ-KQ **76.Qg2+?** #30/22

[76.Qa2+= 0.00/18 Ke1 77.Qf7]

76...Kd1 White mates. **77.Qf3+ Kd2 78.Qe3+ Kd1 79.Qxc1+ Kxc1** KP-KP **80.Ke5 Kd2 81.Kf6 Ke3 82.Kg6 Kf4 83.Kxh6 Kf5 84.Kg7 Ke6 85.h6 Ke7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.26 (precise) **86.h7**

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385 **C55**
☐ **cygnet26** **2827**
■ **Somesweeties** **2741**
Blitz 29.03.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6 9.f4 Bg4 10.Bxf6!** The position is equal. **10...Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Nc3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7 16.Nxf4 Rhe8**

[16...Rde8 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 Re4 24.h3 g5 25.Rf3 a5 26.Kf2 d5 27.Rf6 Rh8 28.a3 Rc4 29.Bg6 Rc1 30.Nf8 Rh1 31.Kg3 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10)]

17.Bd3 Re5 Against Nh5 **18.Rf1N c6 19.Ne2 Rf8 20.Nd4 d5 21.Nf3** White has compensation. **21...Re7 22.exd5 cxd5 23.Nd4 g6** 2.41/18 Prevents Nf5

[23...Rg8± 0.38/21]

24.Bxg6+- Pin **24...a6 25.Bc2 Kc7 26.Nf5** 1.38/17

[26.Rd1+- 2.59/18]

26...Re5 2.58/18

[26...Re2± 1.38/17 27.Bb3 Rxb2]

27.Nxh6 Re2 28.Bb3

[28.Rxf7+? Rxf7 29.Nxf7 Rxc2-+]

28...Rxb2 2.83/18

[⌓28...d4 2.01/16 29.Rd1 (*29.Rxf7+ Rxf7 30.Nxf7 d3±; 29.Nxf7 d3+-*) 29...f5 30.Rxd4 Rxb2]

29.Bxd5 f6 30.h4 Rd8 31.Bb3 0.34/18

[31.Rf5+- 2.71/18]

31...Rdd2± 32.Kh2

[32.Rxf6 Rxg2+ 33.Kf1 Rh2∓]

32...Rxg2+ 33.Kh3 Rh2+ 34.Kg4 Rbg2+ 35.Kf3 Rxh4 1.54/26

[35...Rd2± 0.31/21]

36.Kxg2 Rxh6 Endgame KRB-KR **37.Kf3** 0.98/23

[Better is 37.Rf5 1.51/27]

37...b5± 38.Rf2 Kb6 1.17/25

[38...a5± 0.67/24]

39.Ke4 a5 40.Bf7 Kc5 1.97/19

[40...a4± 0.77/23 keeps fighting.]

41.Rf5+!+- Kb6 42.Be8? 0.12/25

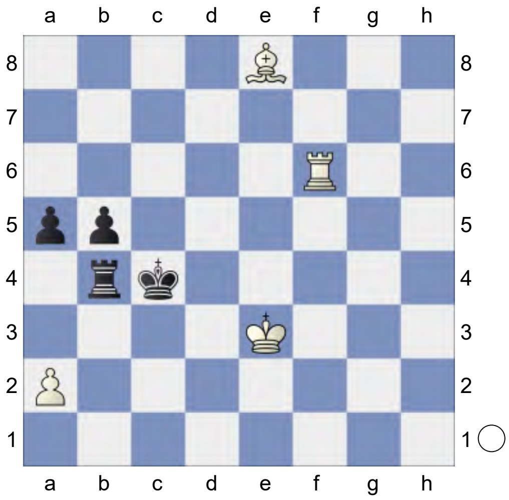
[42.Kd4+- 3.44/25]

42...Rh4+ 43.Kf3 Rb4 44.Rxf6+ 0.31/22

[44.Ke3! 0.68/22 is more appropriate.]

44...Kc5± 45.Ke3 Rc6+ is the strong threat. **45...Kc4?** 2.17/24

[45...Rb2= 0.22/22 and Black stays safe.]



46.Bf7+? 0.12/24

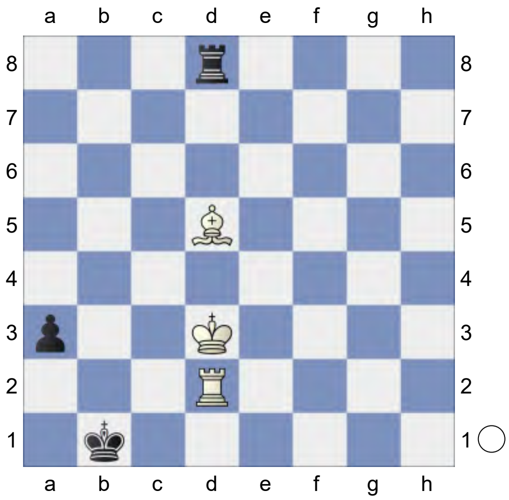
[46.Rc6+!+- 2.17/24 Kd5 47.Rc8]

46...Kc3= 47.Rc6+ Kb2 48.Kd2 a4 49.Rc5 Rd4+ 50.Ke3 Rb4 51.Kd3 Ka3 52.Rc3+ Kb2 53.Rc5 Ka3 54.Be8 Kxa2 55.Bxb5 a3 56.Bc4+ Kb2 57.Bd5 Rb8 58.Rc2+ Kb1

[58...Ka1 59.Ra2+ Kb1 60.Rxa3+-]

59.Rd2 Rd8? 7.33/23

[59...Rc8= 0.00/29]



60.Kc3!+- Rxd5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/Black=0.48 **61.Rxd5**

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386 C54
☐ Petrov,Martin 2536
■ Aronian,Levon 2729
Olympiad-45 Budapest (3.1) 13.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3

[6.h3 a5 7.Nc3 h6 8.Be3 0-0 9.d4 Bb4 10.d5 Ne7 11.Bd3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Ng6 13.Kh2 Nh7 14.Nd2 Qh4 15.Qe1 f5 16.f3 Qe7 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bxf5 Rxf5 19.Ne4 b6 20.c4 Rff8 ½-½ (32) Jumabayev,R (2590)-Nogerbek,K (2493) Asian Continental op 20th 2023 (8)]

6...a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7N The position is equal.8...Ba7 is setting a new trend. Leaves trodden paths. 8...La7 setzt einen neuen Trend. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

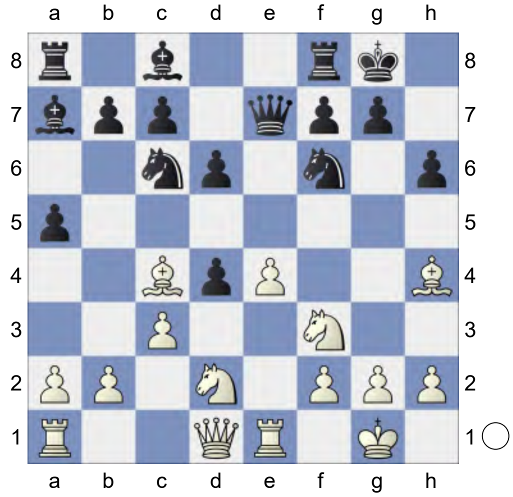
[8...Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 0-1 (34) Boskovic,M (2688)-Kennaugh,C (2720) 45: Lloyds Bank 1994 (6.1) Bxg4 24.Ne3 Bxe3 25.Rexe3 Ng6 26.Be2 Be6 27.Qb5 Qf4 28.Qc5 Rh8 29.Qxc7 Rh6 30.Bf3 Rc8 31.Qxa5 Rch8 32.Kf1 Rh1+ 33.Ke2 Bc4+ 34.Kd2 Rf1 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9.d4N

[Vorgänger: 9.Nbd2 Bg4 10.h3 0.01/20 (*10.Bb5± 0.54/20*) 10...Bd7!= 11.Kh1 g5 12.Bg3! 0-0-0 0.03/20 (*12...Ba7!∓ -0.40/20*) 13.a3 -0.99/20

(*13.b4!=* 0.03/20 keeps the balance. *axb4 14.cxb4 Bxb4 15.Qc2*) 13...Rdg8 14.b4 Bb6 -0.37/20 (Black should try *14...Ba7⩱* -0.89/20) 15.Bb5 0-1 Firouzja,A (2777)-So,W (2753) Chess.com Speed Chess blitz 2023 (2.25)]

9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 0-0 11.Re1! exd4



12.e5! -0.28/23 **dxe5**

[12...Nxe5 13.Ne4]

13.Ne4 Nxf6+ is the strong threat.

13...dxc3! This move loses the game for White. **14.Bxf6** -1.87/20

[14.Nxf6+= -0.20/23 and White has nothing to worry. gxf6 15.Rb1]

14...gxf6-+ 15.Nh4 -2.17/26

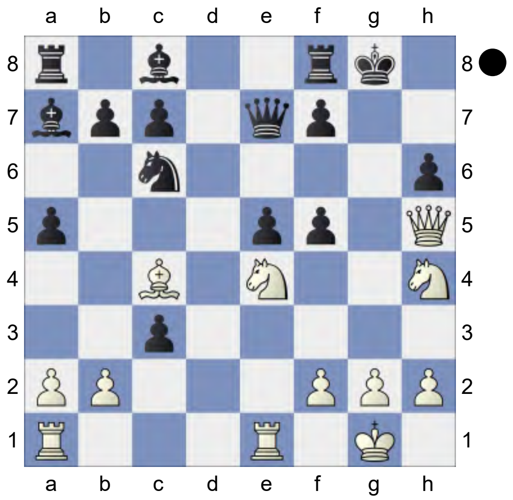
[15.Qc1 -1.61/22 was called for. Kg7 16.bxc3]

15...f5

[15...cxb2 16.Qh5 Kg7 (*16...bxa1B 17.Qg6+ Kh8 18.Qxh6+ Kg8 19.Ng6 Bxf2+ 20.Nxf2 Re8 21.Qh8#*) 17.Rad1]

16.Qh5

(Diagram)



Kg7 Prevents Qg6+.

[Worse is 16...fxe4 17.Qg6+ Kh8 18.Qxh6+ Kg8 19.Qg6+ (*19.bxc3?* perishes. *Rd8-+*) 19...Kh8 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.Qg6+ Kh8 22.Qh6+=]

17.Ng3 -5.28/22

[17.Nxf5+ -1.70/22 was the crucial defense. Bxf5 18.Qxf5 cxb2 19.Rab1]

17...Qg5 Black is clearly winning. **18.Nhxf5+ Bxf5 19.Nxf5+ Kf6 20.Qxh6+ Qxh6 21.Nxh6 cxb2 22.Rab1 Bd4 23.Ng4+ Kg5 24.Ne3 a4 25.a3 Na5** ...Bxe3 is the strong threat. **26.h4+ Kf6 27.Ba2 Nb3 28.Nc2 c5 29.Nxd4 exd4**

[29...cxd4 30.Rxb2 Rfd8 31.Bxb3 axb3 32.Rxb3⩲]

30.Rxb2 Rfe8 31.Rd1 c4 32.Rc2 b5 33.Kf1 d3 34.Rc3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/ Black=0.08 (flawless)

34...Re2

0-1

387 **C54**
☐ **Svane,Frederik** **2626**
■ **Sadhwani,Raunak** **2641**
FIDE Grand Swiss (11) 05.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Bg5 7.Re1 is becoming the main line.7.Te1 wird zur Hauptvariante. **7...h6 8.Bh4 a5 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.a3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh7** 0.38/19

[11...Kh8= -0.01/18]

12.Kh1

[12.b4!?]

12...Kh8 13.b4 h5 0.73/20

[13...Ne7= 0.28/19]

14.b5± Nb8N

[Vorgänger: 14...Ne7 2.20/22 14...Nb8 0.83 15.Bxe5+? -0.01/20 *(15.Nxg5!+- 2.20/22 Nxg5 16.Qxh5+ Nh7 17.f4)* 15...dxe5= 16.Nxe5 Kg7 17.f4 g4 18.d4 -0.78/22 *(18.f5= 0.02/22 remains equal.)* 18...f6∓ 19.Nd3 f5 And now ...Nf6 would win. 20.Ne5 -0.92/19 *(20.Qe1!∓ -0.33/19)* 20...Nf6 0.01/23 0-1 Adhiban,B (2672)-Vidit,S (2727) Tata Steel India Rapid 2021 (1) (Black should play *20...c5∓* -0.92/19 *21.bxc6 bxc6*)]

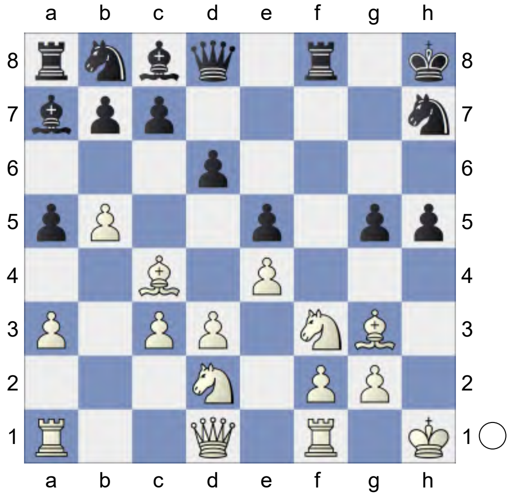
15.h4 1.19/19 White is more active.

[15.h3 0.72/21]

15...f6? 2.99/20

[15...g4± 1.19/19]

16.hxg5+- fxg5



17.Nxe5 Discovered Attack **17...Qe8** Prevents Ng6+ **18.Nef3 h4 19.Bh2 Nd7 20.d4** Black is weak on the light squares **20...Qh5 21.Ne1 g4 22.Be2?** -0.01/19

[22.Nd3!+- 1.78/20]

22...Ndf6= 23.Nd3 Ng5 24.e5

[24.Nf4 Qh6 25.e5 Nfe4 26.Nxe4 Nxe4 27.Bxg4 Rxf4 28.Bxf4 Qxf4 29.Bxc8 Rxc8 30.exd6 cxd6 31.Qh5+]

24...Nfe4! 25.exd6 cxd6 26.Nf4 Qh6 27.Bd3 -0.43/21

[27.Nxe4= -0.01/24 Nxe4 28.Qc1]

27...g3!∓

[27...Nxc3 28.Qb3 Bxd4 29.Ng6+ Kg7 30.Nxf8 *(30.Qc4 Bf6+-)* 30...Kxf8 *(30...a4? 31.Qc4+-)* 31.Qc4+-]

28.Nxe4? -1.95/23

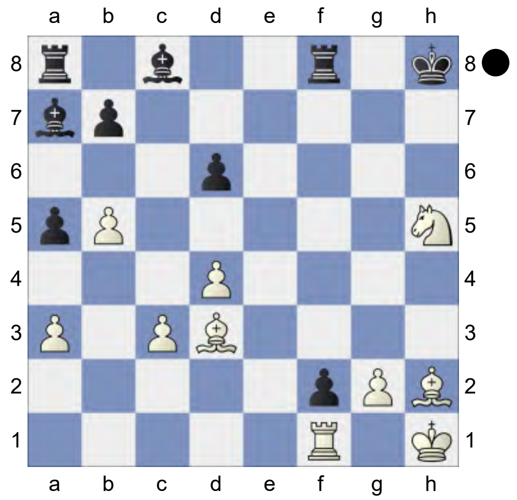
[28.Ng6+!∓ -0.35/24 Qxg6 29.fxg3 Rxf1+ 30.Qxf1]

28...Nxe4-+ 29.fxg3 hxg3 Pin **30.Qh5 Qxh5 31.Nxh5 Nf2+**

[31...Nxc3 32.Rxf8#]

[31...Rxf1+ 32.Rxf1 Nf2+ 33.Kg1±]

32.Rxf2 gxf2 33.Rf1



Bg4!

[33...Bf5 34.Be2∓]

34.Nf4 Kg7 35.Rxf2 Rac8? 0.01/22

[35...Rae8-+ -2.11/24 36.Kg1 Bb8]

36.Be2= Bd7 37.Nh5+ Discovered Attack **37...Kg6 38.Rxf8 Rxf8 39.Bxd6 Rh8 40.g4 Bb8 41.Bxb8 Rxb8** Endgame KRB-KBN **42.Kg2 Kg5 43.Ng3** -0.37/26

[43.Kg3= -0.01/24]

43...Bxg4∓ 44.Kf2 Re8 -0.01/24

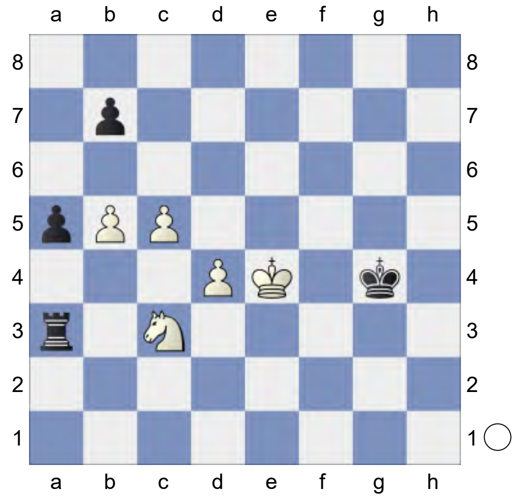
[44...Rh8!∓ -0.49/28 45.Ne4+ Kf4 46.Bxg4 Rh2+ *(46...Kxe4 47.Bf3+ Kd3 48.Bxb7=; 46...Kxg4 47.Ke2±)* 47.Kg1 Ra2]

45.c4= Kf4 46.Bxg4 Kxg4 KR-KN **47.Ne2! Rf8+ 48.Ke3** and c5 should not be overlooked **48...Rf3+ 49.Ke4 Rxa3 50.c5 Ra2**

[50...Rb3? 51.c6 bxc6 52.bxc6+-]

51.Nc3 White has compensation.

51...Ra3



52.Kd3 0.14/26

[Better is 52.Nd5!± 0.74/26]

52...Kf5 53.Kc2

[53.d5!? Kf6□ 54.Kc2=]

53...a4 54.c6 bxc6 55.bxc6 Ke6! 56.d5+ Ke7!

[But not 56...Kd6? 57.Nb5+ Kxd5 58.c7+- *(58.Nxa3 Kxc6 59.Kc3 Kc5=)*]

57.Nb5

[57.d6+ simplifies Kxd6 58.Nb5+ Kxc6 59.Nxa3 Kd7 60.Nc4]

57...Rh3 58.d6+ Ke6 59.c7 Kd7 60.Na7 Really sharp! **60...Rh8 61.c8Q+ Rxc8+ 62.Nxc8 Kxc8** The position is equal. **63.Kb2 Kd7 64.Ka3 Kxd6 65.Kxa4** White used his chance.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise)

65...Ke5

½-½

388 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-Open** **3008**

■ **Cheng-4** **2461**

Rapid 17.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.24/20

[6...d6 -0.20/21 was preferable.]

7.Qb3!= Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4! The position is equal. **9...Nxd4**

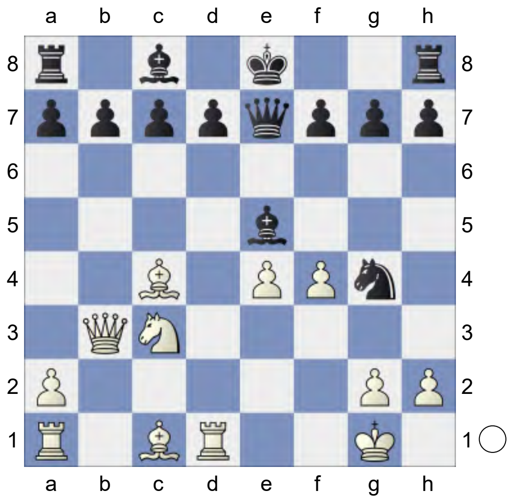
[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Rd1N White has compensation. White is more active.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens,A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]

[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 13.f4 White stays focused until the end. **13...Ng4** 1.55/26



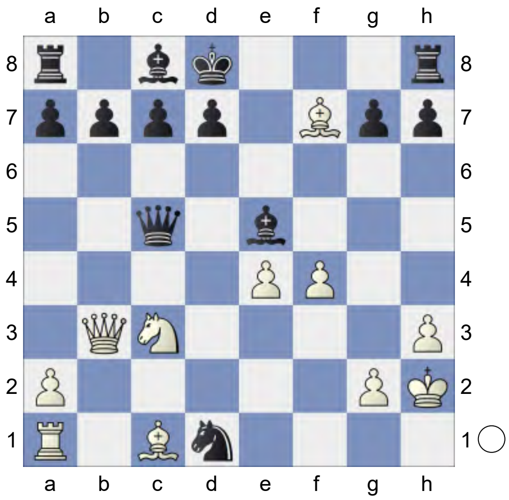
14.h3!±

[14.fxe5 Qc5+]

[14.Ba3 Qh4 15.fxe5 *(15.Bxf7+? Kd8-+)* 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ *(16...Qxe5? 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5±)* 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 Qg5+ 20.Kf2 Qf4+ 21.Kg2 Qg4+ 22.Kf2 Qf4+ 23.Kg2 Qf3+ 24.Kg1 Qg3+ 25.Kf1 d6-+]

14...Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1** Pin **17.Bxf7+ Kd8**

(Diagram)



18.Nd5 Bd6 ...Rf8! is the strong threat. **19.e5! Bf8** 6.34/22

[19...c6± 1.33/22]

20.f5!+-

[20.Qxd1 c6=]

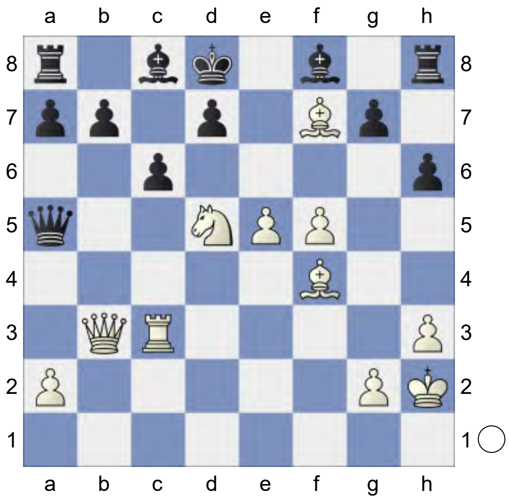
20...h6 Prevents Bg5+. **21.Bf4**

[21.Qxd1 c6=]

21...c6 9.66/23 **22.Rc1 Nc3 23.Rxc3**

[Stronger than 23.Qxc3 Qxc3 24.Nxc3 a5∓]

23...Qa5

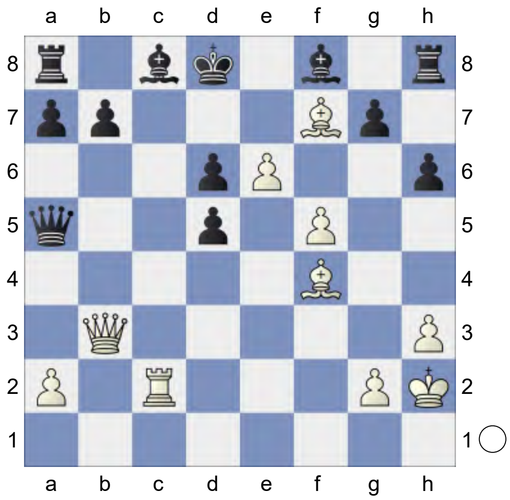


24.e6! cxd5

[24...d6 25.Ne3]

25.Rc2 Hoping for Qg3. **25...d6**

(Diagram)



26.f6! Rh7

[26...gxf6 27.Bd2]

27.e7+ Bxe7 28.fxe7+ Kxe7 29.Bg6 White threatens Qe3+ and mate.

[29.Qxd5 Qxd5 30.Bxd5 Kd8∓]

29...Rh8 30.Qg3

[Weaker is 30.Bd2 Qb6 31.Qg3 Be6=]

30...Be6 31.Bxd6+ Kd7 32.Rc7+ Qxc7 33.Bxc7 This pair of bishops is nice. **33...Ke7 34.Be5 Bf7 35.Qa3+ Ke8 36.Qa4+** Deflection **36...Kd8 37.Bf5 Ke7 38.Qb4+ Ke8 39.Bd6** White mates. **39...Be6 40.Qxb7 Kd8 41.Qe7+ Kc8**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=1.33

42.Bxe6#

1-0

390 C54

☐ **Sadhwani,Raunak 2632**

■ **Malakhov,Vladimir 2646**

AI Cup Play In rapid (5) 18.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3

Nf6 5.0-0 h6 6.c3 d6 6...d6 is better than 6...0-0.6...d6 ist besser als 6...0-0. **7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 a6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Re8** The position is equal. **11.b4**

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 Qd7N

[13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ 1-0 (74) Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 1-0 (74) Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7)]

14.Rb1 b5 15.Ra1 Ree8 16.Nf1 d5 17.Ng3 Rad8 **18.axb5N**

[Vorgänger: 18.Nf5 Qe6 1.26/23 *(18...dxe4= 0.01/22 19.dxe4 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3)* 19.axb5± axb5 20.Be3 0.02/21 *(20.Bxh6!± 1.26/21 gxh6 21.Nxh6+ Kg7 22.Ng5)* 20...Bxe3= 21.Nxe3 dxe4 22.dxe4 Ne7 23.Ra5 c6 0.78/21 *(23...Rb8!= 0.27/22)* 24.c4 ½-½ Vachier Lagrave,M (2751)-So,W (2772) Aimchess US Rapid Prelim 2021 (8)]

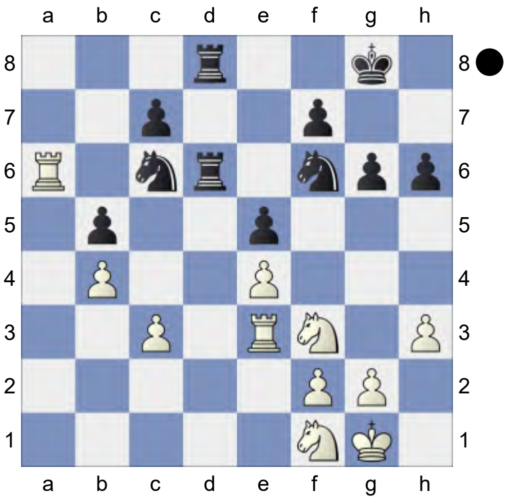
[18.Bd2!?]

18...axb5 19.Bd2 Bb6 20.Qb3 dxe4 21.dxe4 Qe6

[21...Qd3 is interesting. 22.Qa2 Na7 23.Be3 Nc8]

22.Qxe6 Rxe6 23.Be3 Bxe3 24.Rxe3 g6 25.Nf1 Red6 26.Ra6 -0.81/24

[26.Ree1= -0.07/23 keeps the balance.]



26...Nd4!∓ Discovered Attack **27.Ra5**

[27.Rxd6 Nxf3+]

27...Nxf3+ 28.gxf3?? -5.80/23

[28.Rxf3∓ -0.70/23 c6 *(28...Nxe4 29.Re3=)* 29.Ra6 *(29.Ra7 Kg7∓)*]

28...c6? -0.85/23

[28...Rd1!-+ -5.80/23 29.Rxb5 Rb1]

29.Ng3? -2.37/22

[29.Re1∓ -0.85/23]

29...Rd2 30.c4 -2.13/23

[30.Ra6∓ -1.58/21]

30...Rb8? -0.30/24

[30...bxc4-+ -2.13/23 31.Rc5 Rb2]

31.c5 -1.67/23

[31.cxb5= -0.30/24 and White has nothing to worry. Rxb5 *(31...cxb5 32.Rc3=)* 32.Rb3]

31...Rb2 -0.94/27

[Black should try 31...Nh7-+ -1.67/23 32.h4 Nf8]

32.Rd3 -1.51/26

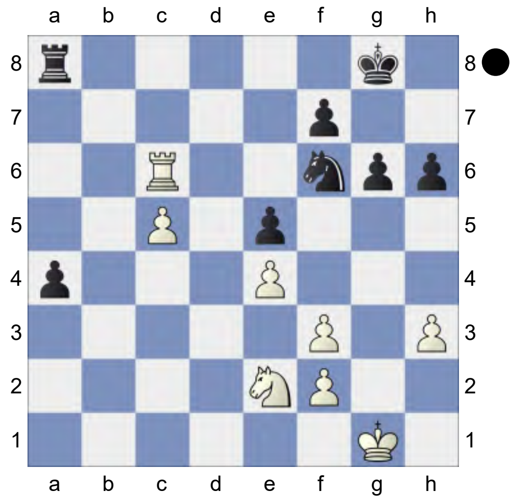
[⌓32.Ra6 -0.94/27]

32...Rxb4 Black is more active. **33.Rd6** -2.50/27

[⌓33.Ra6 -1.65/27]

33...Ra4!-+ 34.Rxa4 bxa4 35.Rxc6 Endgame KRN-KRN **35...Ra8! 36.Ne2** -3.95/26

[36.Rd6 -2.64/24 was called for.]



36...a3! 37.Nc3

[37.Rxf6? a2 38.Kg2 a1Q-+ *(38...a1B 39.c6±)*]

[37.Nc1 Nh7]

37...Nh5

[37...a2 38.Nxa2 Nxe4 39.fxe4=]

38.Na2 Nf4 39.h4 Ra5? -1.28/27

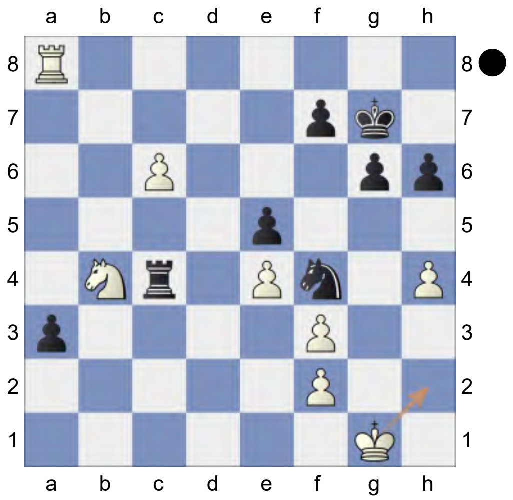
[39...Ne6-+ -3.63/24 has better winning chances. 40.Kg2 Kg7]

40.Rc8+∓ Kg7 41.c6 Rc5 -0.36/26

[41...Ne6∓ -1.16/26 42.Kg2 h5]

42.Nb4 Rc4! 43.Ra8

(Diagram)



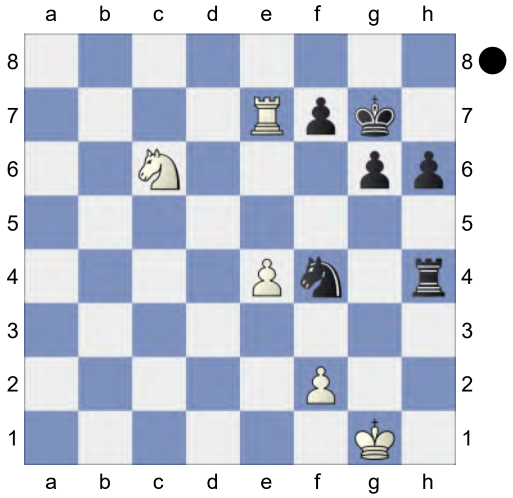
a2! Deflection **44.Nxa2 Rxc6 45.Nb4** -1.20/27

[45.Ra3∓ -0.58/28]

45...Rc3 46.Ra5 Rxf3 47.Rxe5 Rh3 -1.00/26

[⌓47...Rc3 -1.40/26 White must now prevent ...Rc4. 48.Rb5 Rc1+ 49.Kh2 Rb1]

48.Re7 Rxh4 49.Nc6



Ne6! 50.f3

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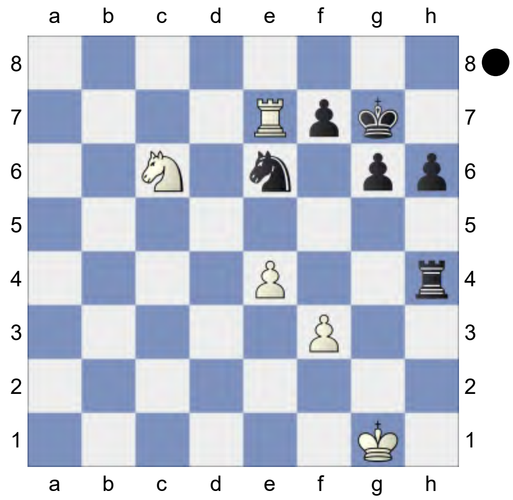


Rh5! 51.Nb4? -2.94/23

[51.Rd7∓ -1.20/23]

51...Rb5 52.Nd5 -5.69/24

[52.Nd3 -2.36/23]

52...Rb2 53.f4 Nd4 54.Kf1 h5 55.e5? -6.83/23

[55.Ra7 -2.62/23]

55...Ne6 Black is clearly winning. **56.Nc7** -7.84/25

[⌓56.Ra7 -4.99/23 h4 57.Ra4]

56...Nxc7-+ 57.Rxc7 Rb4 58.e6 Rxf4+ 59.Kg2 Rf6 60.exf7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.40

60...Rxf7

0-1

389 **C54**

☐ **Dominguez Perez,Leinier** **2745**

■ **Kovalev,Vl** **2582**

AI Cup Play-In Match 2023 rapid (1.3)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 h6 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3 Ba7 10.Nbd2 The position is equal. **10...Ne7** 0.42/21

[10...Be6= 0.05/20]

[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

11.Bb3N is now more promising than 11. Nf1. im Vergleich zu 11.Sf1 vielversprechender.

[11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2) 26.g3 Qe7 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Nf3 Nc7 29.Ne3 Ng4 30.Nxg4 Bxg4 31.Nd2 g5 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Nc4 Qh6 34.Ne3 Bc8 35.Bg2 Nb5 36.Rbb1 Qf6 37.Kf1 Be6 38.Rbd1 Qe7 39.Qb2 Rxd1 40.Rxd1 Rd8 ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa Vergani Cup 2023 (2)]

11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 b5 14.Nf1 c5 0.63/23

[14...Bd7= 0.19/19]

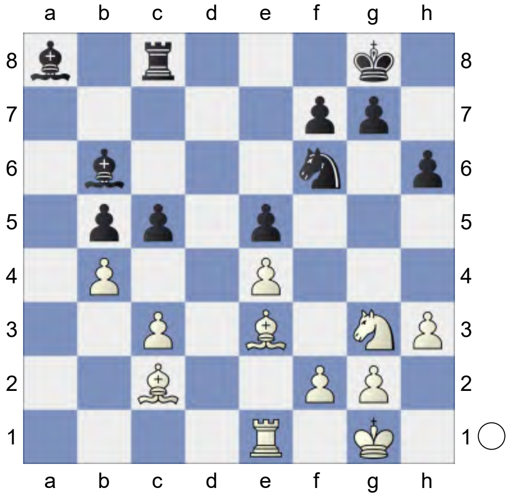
15.Ng3 Bb7 0.72/22

[15...Bd7⩲ 0.32/21]

16.Be3 exd4N

[Vorgänger: 16...Bb6 17.axb5 axb5 18.Rxa8 Bxa8 19.dxe5 Nxe5 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Qxd8 Rxd8 22.b4 Rc8 1.76/27 *(22...g6± 1.05/22)*

(Diagram)

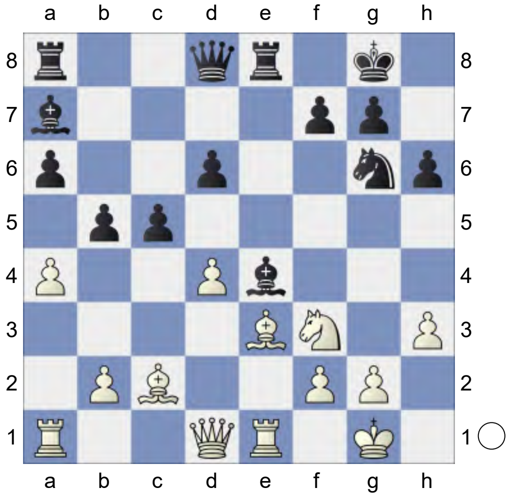


23.Nf5!+- Kf8? 3.05/25 Prevents Ne7 *(23...Rc7± 1.34/24)* 24.Nd6+- Rc6? 5.28/27 *(24...Rb8* 2.48/24 keeps fighting. *25.bxc5 Bc7)* 25.Ra1!+- Rxd6 26.Rxa8+ Rd8 7.06/25 *(⌓26...Ke7* 4.49/26 *27.bxc5 Rd8)* 27.Bxc5++- Kg8 28.Rxd8+ Bxd8 29.Bd3 Nd7 30.Bd6 1-0 Neiksans,A (2627)-Tari,A (2584) PRO League Eastern rapid 2017 (1)]

17.cxd4 This move loses the game for Black. **17...Nxe4?** 3.19/24

[17...cxd4⩲ 0.49/21 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.Qxd4 *(19.Nxd4 d5=)* 19...Rc8]

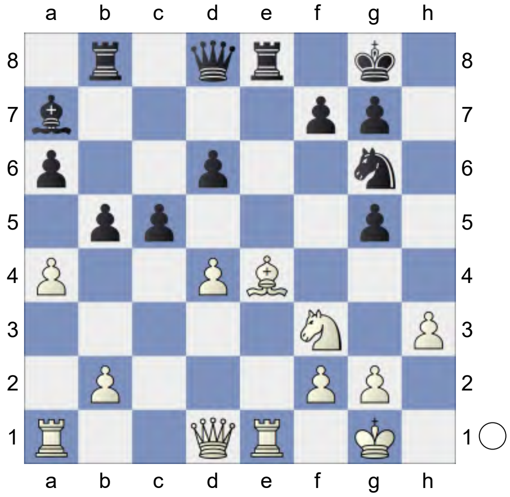
18.Nxe4+- Bxe4



19.Bg5! hxg5 20.Bxe4

[20.Rxe4 c4= *(20...Rxe4 21.Bxe4 d5 22.Bxg6±)*]

20...Rb8



21.Bxg6 fxg6 22.axb5 Hoping for Qb3+. **22...cxd4 23.Qb3+**

[23.bxa6 Rxe1+ 24.Qxe1 Kh7+-]

[23.Rxa6 Rxe1+ 24.Qxe1 Bb6 25.Qe6+ Kf8 26.Qxg6 Qf6+-]

23...d5 5.47/23

[⌓23...Kf8 3.88/23 24.Rxa6 Rxe1+ 25.Nxe1 Qe8]

24.Rxe8+ White is clearly winning.

[24.Rxa6 Rxe1+ 25.Nxe1 Bb6±]

24...Qxe8 25.Qxd5+

[25.Nxg5 Rxb5 26.Qg3 d3±]

25...Qf7 26.Qxf7+

[26.Qxg5 Rxb5 27.Qd8+ Qf8=]

26...Kxf7 Endgame KRB-KRN **27.Ne5+**

[27.Rxa6 Bc5=]

[27.bxa6 Kf6 28.Ra4 d3±]

27...Ke6 28.Nc6

[28.Nxg6 Rxb5 29.Rxa6+ Bb6∓]

[28.Rxa6+ Kxe5 29.Rxa7 Rxb5∓]

28...Rxb5 29.Nxa7 Rxb2 30.Rxa6+ KRN-KR **30...Kd5 31.Ra5+**

[31.Rxg6 d3 32.Nc8 *(32.Rxg5+ Kc4±; 32.Rxg7 d2=)* 32...d2 33.Rd6+ *(33.Rxg7? d1Q+ 34.Kh2 Qc1-+; 33.Rxg5+? Kd4-+)* 33...Ke5±]

31...Kc4 32.Nc6

[32.Rxg5 d3 33.Rxg6 *(33.Rg4+*

Kb3±) 33...Rb1+ 34.Kh2 d2=]

32...Rb1+ 33.Kh2 d3 34.Ne5+

[34.Rxg5 d2 35.Ne5+ *(35.Rxg6?* perishes. *d1Q-+)* 35...Kb3 36.Rg3+ *(36.Rxg6? d1Q-+)* 36...Kb4∓]

34...Kb4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.66

35.Rd5

[Not 35.Nxd3+ Kxa5 36.Ne5 Kb4=]

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☐ **Horvath,Dominik 2532**

■ **Alekseenko,Kirill 2654**

PlusCity Grand Prix Blitz (7) 29.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.0-0 **Qe7N** The position is equal. Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.Bc2 *(15.a4 Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5* (33) Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982*)* 15...Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9. ♗e3 00 10. ♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5 30.Ra1 b4 31.c4 h5 32.gxh5 Nh6 33.g3 e4 34.Rae1 Qe5 35.Qg2 Qxb2 36.dxe4 Ng4 37.c5 Qc3 38.Qe2 Ne5 39.Rc1 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020]

10.Re1 Bd7

[10...g5!? 11.Bg3☐ g4=]

11.Bd5N

[11.d4! g5 12.Bg3 h5 13.h4! g4 14.Ng5 0-0! 15.dxe5 -0.75/20 *(15.Nf1!⩲* 0.52/18 stays ahead.*)* 15...Nxe5∓ 16.Kh2 -1.47/19 *(16.Kh1* -0.88/19 *)* 16...b5∓ 17.Bf1 0-1 (62) Yeletsky,I (2502)-Ponkratov, P (2589) RUS-ch Higher League 76th 2023 (2)]

11...g5 12.Bg3 Nh7 0.73/21

[12...0-0-0= 0.01/21 keeps the balance.]

13.Nc4± Nf8 1.61/20

[13...h5!⩲ 0.68/18]

14.d4+- f6 15.Ne3 1.03/18

[⌓15.Qb3 1.39/18 Nd8 16.a4 *(16.Nxa5 c6⩱; 16.Bxb7? a4-+)*]

15...Ng6± 16.Nf5 0.72/21 Wards off Qg7

[16.Rb1 1.11/17]

16...Qh7 17.a3 -0.11/23

[17.Rb1⩲ 0.69/19]

17...h5= 18.h4 g4 1.51/22

[Black should play 18...0-0-0!= -0.26/20]

19.Nd2↑ White is on the roll. **19...Nge7** 1.67/22

[19...Bxf5± 1.04/22 20.exf5 Nge7]

20.Nxe7+- Nxe7 21.Bxb7 Rb8 22.Ba6 0-0 23.Nc4 Strongly threatening dxe5.

23...f5? 3.63/22

[23...Bc6 1.76/19]

24.exf5? 1.38/21

[24.dxe5 f4 *(24...fxe4? 25.exd6 Nf5 26.dxc7+-)* 25.Kh2 Qh6 *(25...fxg3+ 26.fxg3 Qh6 27.exd6⩱)* 26.exd6 cxd6∓ (*26...fxg3+ 27.fxg3 cxd6 28.b4∓*)]

[24.Nxe5!+- 3.63/22 is the precise move to win. dxe5 25.Bc4+ (*25.Bxe5 Qf7∓*) 25...Rf7 26.Bxe5 (*26.Bxf7+ Qxf7 27.Bxe5 fxe4±; 26.dxe5 Be8±*)]

24...Nxf5 2.53/22

[24...exd4± 1.38/21 25.Nxd6 (*25.Nxa5 Nxf5 26.cxd4 Bxd4=*) 25...cxd6 26.Bc4+ d5 (*26...Kh8 27.Bxd6 Nc6 28.Bxb8±*) 27.Bxb8 Rxb8]

25.Kh2? -0.06/22

[25.Nxa5 Qg7= (*25...Nxg3 26.fxg3 Rxb2 27.Nc4∓*)]

[25.Nxe5+- 2.53/22 dxe5 26.Bc4+ (*26.Bxe5 Bb5∓*) 26...Kh8 27.Bxe5+ (*27.Rxe5 Nxg3 28.fxg3 Rxb2∓*) 27...Ng7 28.Qd2 (*28.Bxc7 Rxb2 29.Ra2 Rxa2=*)]

25...exd4= 26.cxd4 Bxd4 27.Qd2 -0.49/21

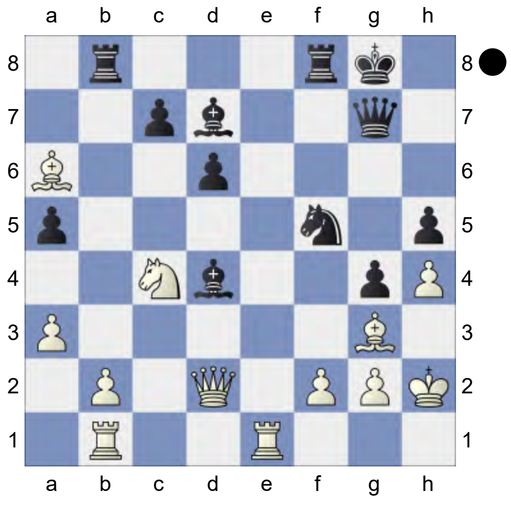
[27.Rc1= -0.05/24]

27...Qg7 -0.01/19

[27...Kh8∓ -0.49/21]

28.Rab1 -1.40/20

[28.Rad1= -0.01/19]



28...a4 -0.22/20

[28...Qf6!∓ -1.40/20 29.Qxa5 Be6 (*29...Bxb2? 30.Qxc7 Nxg3 31.fxg3+-; 29...Nxh4 30.Qxh5 Nf5 31.Re4∓*)]

29.Bf4? -4.23/19

[29.Ne3!= -0.22/20 and White has nothing to worry.]

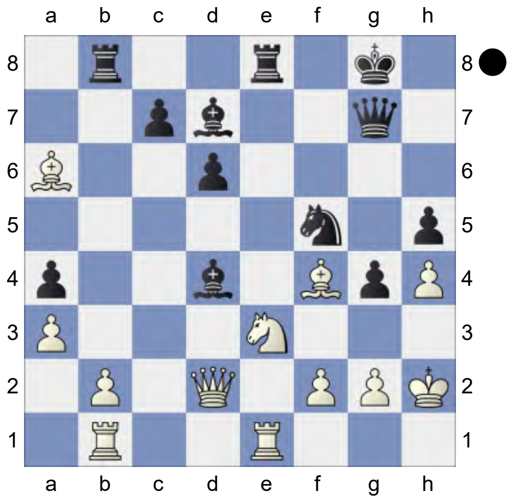
29...Rfe8? -1.21/20

[29...Nxh4 30.Re4 Bf5 31.Rxd4∓]

[29...Rb3-+ -4.23/19 aiming for ...g3+. 30.Rbd1 Qf6 (*30...Bxb2 31.Nxb2 Rxb2 32.Qd5+ Qf7 33.Bc4∓*)]

30.Ne3 -1.64/22

[30.g3∓ -1.21/20 keeps fighting.]



30...Nxe3? 0.32/19

[30...Nxh4 31.Bd3∓]

[30...g3+!-+ -1.64/22 31.Kh1 gxf2 (*31...Nxh4 32.Bc4+ Kh7 33.Bd3+ Ng6 34.Bxg3=; 31...Rxb2 32.Rxb2 Nxe3 33.Rxe3±*) 32.Qxf2 Nxe3 (*32...Rxb2? 33.Rxb2 Bxb2 34.Nxf5+-*) 33.Bxe3 Rxe3 (*33...Rxb2 34.Rxb2 Bxb2 35.Rf1∓; 33...Bxb2 34.Bg5=*) 34.Rxe3 Bc6]

31.Bxe3± Be5+ 0.66/22

[31...Bxe3= 0.21/23 is more appropriate. 32.Rxe3 Rxe3 33.Qxe3 Qf6]

32.Kg1? -0.95/22

[32.Bf4!± 0.66/22]

32...g3∓ Black is more active. **33.f4?** -4.18/22

[Better is 33.Bc4+∓ -0.70/20 Kh8 34.Re2]

33...Bf6-+

[Less strong is 33...Rxb2 34.Qd5+ Be6 35.Qc6∓]

[33...Bxb2 34.Bc4+ Be6 35.Bxe6+ Rxe6 36.Qd5∓]

34.Bc4+ Kh8 35.Qd1 -8.45/23

[⌓35.Qd3 -4.30/20 Rf8 *(35...Bxh4 36.Ba7∓; 35...Rxb2 36.Rxb2 Bxb2 37.Kf1∓; 35...Bxb2 36.f5∓)* 36.Qe4]

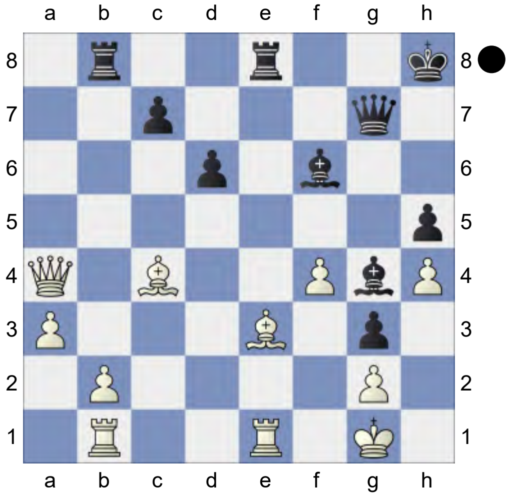
35...Bg4? -2.36/22

[35...Rxb2 36.Rxb2 Bxb2 37.Qxh5+ Qh7 38.Qg5=]

[35...Rxe3 -8.45/23 36.Rxe3 Bd4 Pin]

36.Qxa4? -20.73/27

[36.Qd3 -2.36/22 Rxb2 *(36...Bxh4 37.b4∓; 36...Bxb2? 37.Kf1-+)* 37.Rxb2 Bxb2 38.Kf1]



36...Rxe3! 37.Rxe3 Bd4 Pin. This pair of bishops is nice. **38.Rbe1 Qe7** Pin, Double Attack **39.Kh1**

Weighted Error Value: White=1.25/ Black=0.90

39...Qxh4+

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■ JuleVerne 2715

Blitz 27.03.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7! 9.f4 Qc5 10.fxe5** Black is better. **10...Nf3+** Discovered Attack (Double Check). A dynamic duo of knights.

[10...Nxc2+?! 11.Rf2 Nxa1 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7=]

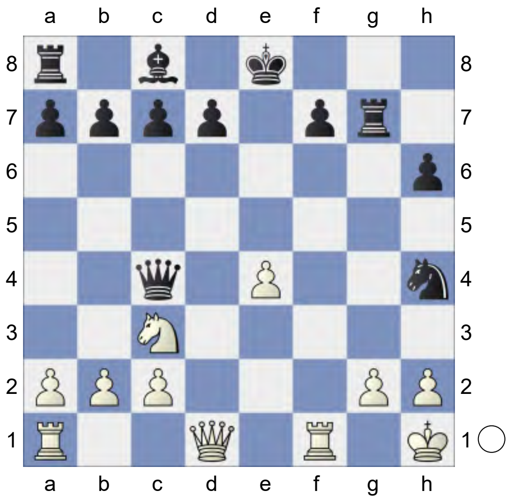
11.Kh1 Nxh4 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 Rxg7N 2.24/22

[14...c6!∓ -0.77/22 Strongly threatening ...d6!.

A) 15.Qd2 d6 *(15...Ng6 16.e5 Rxg7 17.Rae1 Qb4 18.Qxh6 Qf8 19.Ne4 Kd8 20.Nd6* #4 *Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6)* 16.Rae1 Be6 17.Nd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Rxg7 19.dxe6 Qc6 20.exf7+ Kd7 21.Re2 Rf8 22.Qe3 #2 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6;

B) 15.Qh5 Ng6 16.Qxh6 d6 17.Qh7 Ne7 18.Rae1 Be6 The Quiet Italian and 4. 0-0-5.d4 with 7.Bg5,9]

(Diagram)



15.Qh5!+- Against d6 **15...Ng6** 3.22/26

[15...Nxg2? 16.Qe5+ Kf8 17.Nd5+-]

[⌓15...d6 2.16/19]

16.Qxh6? 1.12/20

[16.Nd5+- 3.22/26]

16...Rg8? 2.81/24

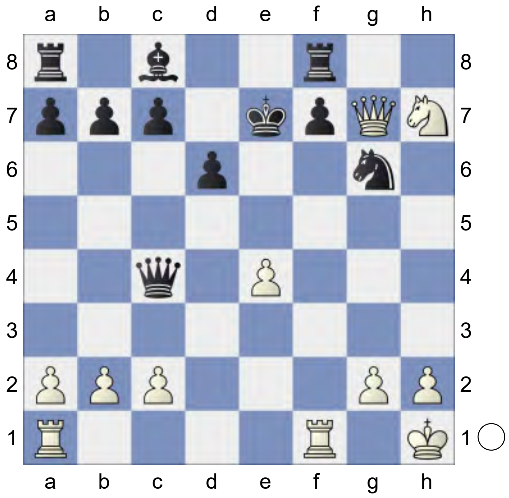
[16...Kf8± 1.12/20]

17.Nd5 Rh8? 4.83/23

[17...Qxe4? 18.Nf6+ *(18.Nxc7+ Kd8+-)* 18...Ke7 19.Nxe4+-]

[17...Rf8 2.88/20 18.b3 Qc5]

18.Qg7 Rf8 19.Nf6+ Ke7 20.Nh7 d6



21.Nxf8 0.15/17

[21.b3!+- 3.18/20 Qe6 22.e5 *(22.Nxf8 Nxf8 23.Rae1 Nd7=; 22.Rf6 Qe5+-)* 22...dxe5 *(22...Qxe5? 23.Rae1+- Pin)* 23.Rf6 *(23.Nxf8 Nxf8 24.Rf3 e4=)*]

21...Nxf8= 22.Qf6+ -0.26/18

[22.Rf4 0.15/20 feels stronger. Be6 *(22...Qxc2 23.Rxf7+ Ke8 24.Rxf8#)* 23.Raf1]

22...Ke8 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Be6 25.b3 Qc6 26.Rae1 Rd8 27.c4→ Black needs to defend precisely. **27...Ng6 28.Qg7 Ne7?** 3.46/21

[Better is 28...Kd7± 0.32/19]

29.Qh8++- Kd7 30.Rd1+ Skewer **30...Nd5 31.cxd5**

[31.Rxd5+ Bxd5 32.cxd5 Qxd5±]

31...Rxh8 32.dxc6+ Kxc6 Endgame KRR-KRB **33.Rc1+ Kb6 34.Rf4 c5 35.Kg1 Kc6 36.Ra4 a6 37.b4?** 0.85/20

[37.h4+- 3.10/21 and White stays clearly on top.]

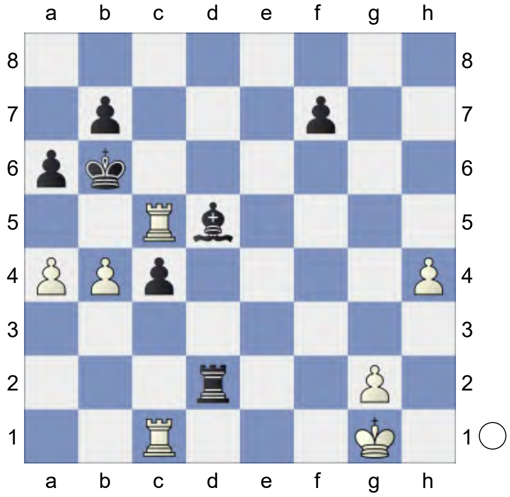
37...c4 2.14/19

[37...Kb5± 0.85/20 38.Ra5+ *(38.Rxc5+? Kxa4 39.Rc7 Rb8-+)* 38...Kxb4 39.Raxc5 *(39.Rcxc5? b5-+)* 39...Bxa2]

38.Ra5 Rd8? 3.97/19

[38...b6 2.23/19 is a better defense. 39.Rxa6 Kb5]

39.Rc5+ Kb6 40.a4 Rd2 41.h4 White is clearly winning. **41...Bd5**



42.Rxd5! Remove Defender **42...Rxd5**

43.Rxc4 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **43...a5 44.b5 f5 45.Rf4 Kc5 46.h5 Kd6 47.h6 Ke5 48.Rh4** Threatens to win with h7. **48...Rd8 49.h7 Rh8 50.Kf2 Kf6 51.Kf3 Kg5 52.g3 Kg6 53.Kf4 b6 54.Ke5 Kg5 55.Kd6 f4 56.Rxf4**

[Weaker is 56.Rh3 Kg4 57.Rh6 fxg3=]

56...Rxh7 57.Kc6 Rh6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.54 **58.Kb7**

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☐ **Mamedov,Rauf** **2657**

■ **Van Foreest,Lucas** **2530**

FRA-chT Top 16 GpA (1.3) 22.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 (45) Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6.Nbd2 0-0 7.0-0

[7.h3 a5 8.0-0 Be6 9.Bb5 Ba7 10.Re1 Ne7 11.d4 c6 12.Bf1 exd4 13.Nxd4 Ng6 14.N2f3 Bd7 15.Qb3 Qc7 16.Bg5 Nh5 17.Rad1 h6 18.Be3 1-0 (68) Mamedov,R (2646)-Van Foreest,L (2585) Braila GP RO Stage 5 rapid 2022 (7)]

7...Bb6 8.a4 a5 9.h3 h6 10.Ba2!? White is slightly better.Exploring less charted territory.Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **10...Be6 11.Nc4 Ba7 12.Be3N**

[12.Re1 Re8 13.Ne3 Bxa2 14.Rxa2 d5 15.Qc2 Bxe3 16.Bxe3 Qd6 17.Raa1 Rad8 18.Red1 ½-½ (90) Olsarova,K (2286)-Kanakova,N (2134) CZE-ch (Women) 2020 (2)]

12...Bxe3 13.fxe3 Kh8 14.Qc2 Ne7 15.Nh4 Neg8 16.d4 Nh7 17.Nf3 Ng5 18.dxe5 Nxf3+ 19.Rxf3 dxe5 20.Nxe5 Qe7 0.52/22

[20...Bxa2= 0.08/23 should be considered. 21.Rxa2 Nf6]

21.Bxe6± Qxe6 22.Ng4 Ne7 0.71/22

[22...h5= 0.30/19 23.Nf2 Nf6]

23.Raf1± Rae8 0.99/19

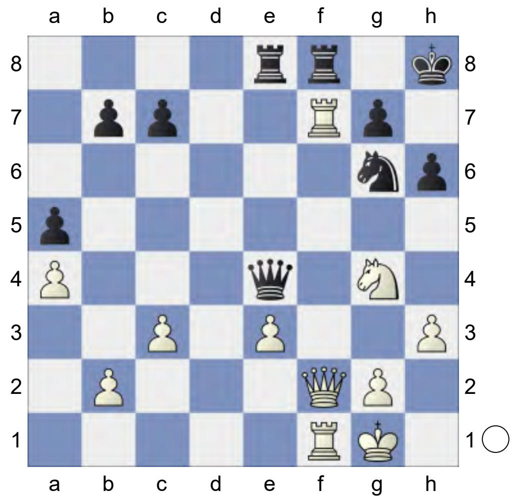
[23...Kg8± 0.53/19]

24.Qf2 Ng6 1.74/22

[24...Kg8± 0.85/22]

25.Rxf7+- A mistake that costs the game. **25...Qxe4?** 3.55/23

[25...b6± 1.57/21 26.Rxf8+ Rxf8]



26.Nxh6! Deflection **26...Rxf7 27.Nxf7+ Kg8 28.Ng5 Qxe3 29.Qxe3 Rxe3** Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **30.Rd1 Kf8 31.Rd7 Re2?** 4.56/23

[31...Re5 2.66/24]

32.Rxc7 Ke8 6.11/24

[⌓32...Rxb2 3.96/23 33.Ne6+ Ke8 34.Nxg7+ *(34.Rxg7 Ne7+-)* 34...Kf8 35.Ne6+ Ke8]

33.Rxb7 White is clearly winning.

33...Nf4 34.Rf7

[34.Rxg7 Rxg2+ 35.Kf1 Rxb2±]

34...Nd3 35.Rxg7 Nxb2 36.Ra7 Nc4 37.Nf3 Ra2 38.h4 Ne3 39.Rxa5

[Not 39.Ra8+ Kf7 40.Rxa5 Rxg2+ 41.Kh1 Rc2±]

39...Nxg2 40.h5 Nf4 41.h6 Ne2+ 42.Kf1 and h7 would now be decisive **42...Kf7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.47

43.Rg5

1-0

394 C50

☐ Demchenko,Anton 2645

■ Santos Latasa,Jaime 2677

Bundesliga 2223 (10.8) 18.03.2023

[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 d6 6.0-0 0-0** 6...h6 is a critical line. 6...h6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.6...h6 is a critical line.6...h6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7.h3**

[7.c3 a6 8.b4 Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.d4 c6 12.h3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxe4 14.Bxf7+ Rxf7 15.Nxe4 d5 16.Nc5 h6 17.Ra3 Bf5 18.Ne5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 Qh4 20.Rf3 Bxc5 21.bxc5 Re8 Molina,R (2853)-10. ♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2769) Mar del Plata 2016 CBM 056 Extra [CC20 (Feb.1968) pp24-5] ½-½ (51)]

7...Be6N

[7...h6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.c3 a5 12.Nbd2 d5 13.Qb3 b6 14.Rae1 Qd6 15.exd5 Qxd5 16.e4 Qxb3 17.Nxb3 Rad8 18.Re3 Nh5 19.Nbd2 Nf4 20.Ne1 Rd7 21.Kh2 Rfd8 22.Rff3 Ronneland,D (2707)-8. ♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2624) Wheeling 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 1-0 (51)]

8.Bxe6 fxe6 The position is equal.

9.Be3N

[Predecessor: 9.a5 d5 10.Nbd2 Bd6

11.c3 Nb8 0.54/21 (*11...Qd7=* -0.01/17) 12.b4 0.16/19 (*12.exd5⩲* 0.54/21 *exd5 13.Qb3*) 12...Nbd7 13.a6 0.10/21 (*13.Qb3⩲* 0.43/17) 13...b5 14.Qb3 -0.26/19 (White should try *14.Nb3* 0.27/20) 14...c6 0.06/18 (*⌓14...c5* -0.26/19) 15.c4 -0.67/22 1-0 (42) Melkumyan,H (2649)-Santos Ruiz,M (2597) Chess.com INT 2022 (*15.Re1=* 0.06/18)]

9...Bxe3 10.fxe3 d5 11.Nbd2 Qd6 12.c3 h6 13.Qb3 Kh8 14.Rf2

[RR 14.Qxb7? Rfb8 15.Qa6 Rb6-+ (RR *15...Rxb2 16.Rab1*)]

14...b6 15.Raf1 Rae8 16.Qc2N

[RR 16.g4 dxe4 (RR *16...Nh7*) 17.dxe4 a6 18.Qc4 Nb8 (RR *18...b5 19.axb5 axb5*) 19.g5 hxg5 20.Nxg5 Kg8 21.Ndf3 Qc6 22.Qe2 (RR *22.Qxc6 Nxc6 23.b4*) 22...Nxe4 23.Nxe5

A) RR 23...Qc5 24.Rxf8+ (RR *24.Nxe4 Qxe5 25.Rf4 a5*) 24...Rxf8 25.Rxf8+ (RR *25.Nxe4 Qxe5 26.Qd3 Nc6*) 25...Qxf8 26.Nxe4 Qf5;

B) 23...Rxf2 24.Rxf2 Ng3 25.Qf3 Qxf3 26.Rxf3 (RR *26.Ngxf3 Ne4 27.Rg2 Nc5*) 26...Nf5 27.e4 Nd6 28.b4 Rf8 (RR *28...a5*) 29.Kf2 (RR *29.Nxe6 Re8 30.Nxc7 Rxe5*) 29...Rf6 30.Ke3 a5 Pichot,A (2650)-Tari,A (2619) Douglas 2023 Mega2023 Update 53 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (51)]

16...dxe4 0.58/24

[Better is RR 16...a5= 0.07/18]

17.Nxe4⩲ Nxe4 18.dxe4 a5 0.92/25

[18...Qc5⩲ 0.56/22 is more appropriate.]

[RR 18...Kg8]

19.Qe2 Qc5 20.Qb5

[20.Nh4 is more complex. Kh7 21.Qg4 Nd8 22.Rxf8 Rxf8 23.Rxf8 Qxf8 24.Qg6+]

20...Qxb5 21.axb5 Na7 22.c4

[22.Nxe5 Rxf2 23.Rxf2 (*23.Kxf2 Rf8+ 24.Nf3 Nxb5=*) 23...Nxb5⩲]

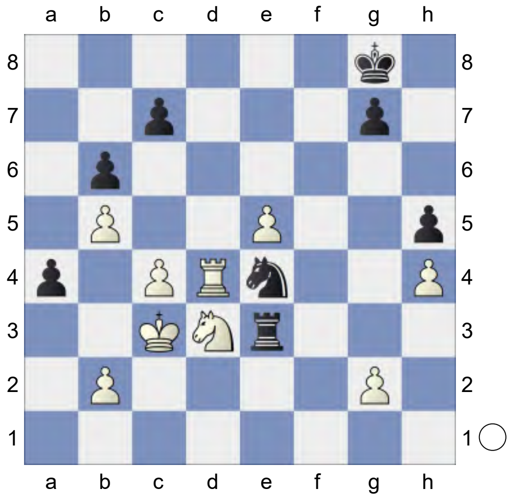
22...Nc8 23.Nxe5 Rxf2 24.Rxf2± Endgame KRN-KRN

[But not 24.Kxf2 Rf8+ 25.Kg1 Rxf1+ 26.Kxf1 Nd6=]

24...Kg8 25.Rd2 aiming for Rd2-d7. & Bianco is more active. **25...Nd6 26.Rd4 Kh7 27.h4 h5 28.Kf2 a4 29.Ke2 Kg8 30.Kd2 Rf8 31.Nf3** 0.63/25

[31.Ke1± 1.06/24]

31...e5!⩲ 32.Nxe5 Rf2+ 33.Kc3 Ne5-d3 is the strong threat. **33...Re2 34.Nd3** Threatens to win with e4-e5. **34...Rxe3 35.e5 Ne4+**



36.Kc2!

[Don't do 36.Kb4?! Kf7⩲]

36...Re2+ 1.68/23

[36...Kf8± 1.12/23]

37.Kc1+- Rd2 2.18/23

[⌓37...Nf2 1.66/21]

38.e6

[38.Rxe4?! Rxd3 39.e6 Kf8±]

38...Kf8 39.Rd7

[Don't take 39.Rxe4?! Rxd3 40.Rf4+ Ke7±]

39...Ke8 40.Nf4? 1.15/28

[40.c5+- 3.05/24 is more deadly.]

40...Rxd7± 41.exd7+ Kxd7 42.Nxh5 KN-KN **42...g5** 1.80/26

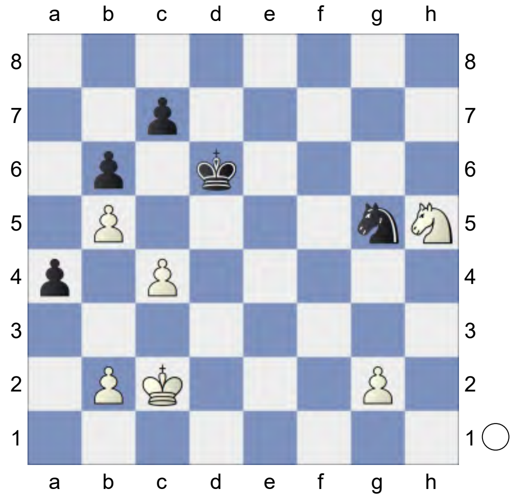
[42...Nd6± 1.14/25]

43.hxg5+- Nxg5 44.Kc2 0.97/25

[⌓44.Kd2 1.59/28]

44...Kd6 2.01/27

[44...Ne4± 0.97/25]



45.Kc3! Ke5 46.Kb4 Ne6 47.Kxa4 Kf5 48.Kb4 Black must now prevent Nh5-g3+. **48...Kg4?** 4.85/30 Prevents Nh5-g3. A mistake that costs the game.

[48...Kg6± 1.33/25 is a better chance.]

49.Nf6+ Kg3 50.Kc3 Kxg2? 9.30/34

[50...Kf4 3.87/25 51.Kd3 Kf5]

51.Kd3 Kf3 52.Nd5 Kf2 53.Ke4 Ke2 54.Ke5 Ng5 55.Nxc7 Kd3 56.c5 bxc5 57.b6 Nf7+ 58.Kd5 Intending b6-b7 and mate. **58...Nd8 59.Ne6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) / Black=0.51

1-0

395 C54

☐ Vachier Lagrave,Maxime 2734

■ Le,Tuan Minh 2567

Titled Tuesday intern op 09th Jan Early b..

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat John Watson Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6**

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5

17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.a4

[RR 7.Bb3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bc2 (RR *12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Bxb3 14.Qxb3 Qd7 15.a4*) 12...d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ng3 Rad8 15.b4 Bc8 16.a4 b5 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qe2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Nh4 Qa2 Nigmatov,O (2447)-Jin,Y (2309) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (41)]

7...Ba7 8.Nbd2

[RR 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6]

8...0-0 9.Re1N White has an edge.

[RR 9.b4 h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 (RR *13.cxd4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.b5*) 13...d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) Sochi 2022 0-1 (52)]

[RR 9.h3 Re8 (RR *9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7*) 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4

A) RR 19.Qxc7 Rf6 20.Rf1 (RR *20.Qxb7 Qxf2+ 21.Kh2 Qf4+ 22.Kg1 Rf8;* RR *20.Nf3 Rxf3 21.gxf3 Nf4*)

A1) RR 20...axb5 21.axb5 (RR *21.Qxb7 Qd8*);

A2) 20...Nf4 21.Nf3 (RR *21.Nb3 Qd6 22.Qxb7*) 21...Nxh3+ 22.Kh2 Rxf3 23.gxf3 Nf4 24.Qxb7 (RR *24.bxa6 bxa6 25.Rad1*) 24...Qd8 25.Rfc1;

B) RR 19.Qxc7 Rf6 20.Rf1 Nf4 21.Nf3 Nxh3+ 22.Kh2 Rxf3 23.gxf3 Nf4 24.Qxb7 Qd8 25.Rfc1;

C) 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 (RR *21.bxa6 Raxa6 22.Qc5*) 21...Qg5 22.Rh1

C1) RR 22...Nf4+ 23.Kf1 Ne6 (RR *23...Nxh3 24.bxa6 bxa6 25.a5;* RR *23...Rxh3 24.Rxh3 Nxh3 25.Qxc7*);

C2) 22...Rd8 23.d4 (RR *23.h4 Qf6 24.Qxc7*)

C2a) RR 23...exd4 24.Qxc7 Rhd6 (RR *24...axb5 25.h4*);

C2b) 23...Rg6 Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Wheeling 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Wheeling 2023 TD 92\01 [John Watson] 0-1 (40) Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) Düsseldorf 2023 Mega2023 Update 43 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (40)]

[RR 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) Düsseldorf 2023 Mega2023 Update 43 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (40)]

[RR 9.b4 h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8]

9...Ng4 10.Re2 Kh8 11.Nf1N

[11.h3 f5

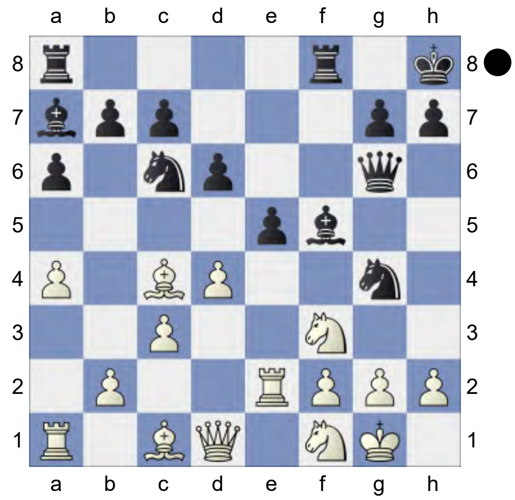
A) 12.exf5 Nxf2 (*12...Nh6 13.Be6 Nxf5 14.Bxc8 Rxc8 15.Nf1 Qd7 16.Ne3 d5 17.Ng4 Qd6 18.Ngxe5 Ng3 19.d4 Nxe2+ 20.Qxe2 Nxe5 21.dxe5 Qg6 22.Be3 Bxe3 23.Qxe3 Rce8 24.b4 Qe4 25.Qc5 Rxf3 26.gxf3 Qxe5 27.Rd1* 14.♕d2 ---_14427 (2509)-Novikov Igor A (UKR) (2558) Moscow 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] ½-½ (80)) 13.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 14.Kxf2 d5 15.Bb3 Bxf5 16.Kg1 Bxd3 17.Ne1 Bg6 18.Ndf3 e4 19.Nh2 Ne7 20.Be3 Qd6 21.Nc2 Rad8 22.Qd2 c5 23.Rd1 h6 24.Ng4 Bh5 25.Ba2 a5 26.Qe1 Be8 11...♕c7 12.♘bd2 cd4 13.c,4 (2761)-Osnos,V (2787) Buenos Aires 2016 HCM [Harding, Chess Mail 1/1997] 1-0 (45);

B) 12.d4 fxe4 13.Nxe4 d5 14.hxg4 Bxg4 7. a4 #18 Italian c3-d3 Mainline with a]

11...f5! 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.d4 Qg6! White must now prevent ...e5-e4. **15.Bc1?** -2.06/22

[15.h3∓ -0.50/20]

(Diagram)



Loses the game. **15...exd4!-+ 16.cxd4 Be4 17.Nh4** -4.84/23

[17.Rxe4 -2.28/23 Qxe4 18.Be3]

17...Qf6 18.Rxe4 Nxf2

[18...Qxh4 19.Rxg4 Qxf2+ 20.Kh1=]

19.Bg5 Qxg5 20.Nf3 Rxf3 21.Qxf3 Nxe4 22.Qxe4 Qe5

[22...Nxd4? 23.Qxb7 Nc2+ 24.Kh1-+]

23.Qxe5 Nxe5

[23...dxe5? is the wrong capture. 24.Kh1-+]

24.Be2 Bxd4+ 25.Kh1 Rf8 26.Ng3 g6

[Don't go for 26...Bxb2? 27.Rb1 Bd4 28.Rxb7-+]

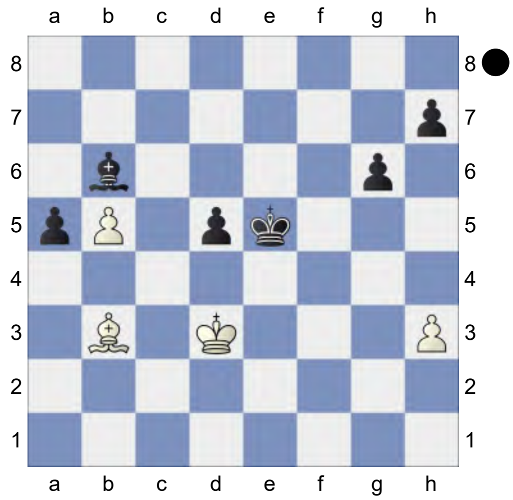
27.Rd1 Bb6 28.h3 a5 29.b3 Rf4 30.Nf1 Kg7 31.Nd2 Rd4 32.g3 Bc5 33.Kg2 Bb4 34.Nc4 Rxd1 35.Bxd1 Nxc4 36.bxc4 Endgame KB-KB **36...Kf6 37.Kf3 Ke5 38.Ke3 Bc5+ 39.Kd3 Bf2 40.Bf3 c6**

[Worse is 40...Bxg3 41.Bxb7 h5 42.Ke3]

41.Bg4 Bxg3 42.Bc8 b5 43.cxb5 cxb5 44.axb5 Bf2 45.Bg4 Bb6 46.Bd1 d5 ...g6-g5 is the strong threat. **47.Bb3?** -4.55/32

[47.Be2 -2.50/25 was necessary.]

(Diagram)



47...Kd6 48.Kc3 Kc5 49.Kd3 -4.45/29
[⌓49.Bc2 -2.86/27]
49...Bd8 -2.62/24
[⌓49...h5 -4.45/29 aiming for ...h5-h4. 50.Kc3 g5]
50.Ba2? -9.43/30
[50.b6 -2.62/24]
50...h5 Black is clearly winning. **51.Bb3 g5 52.Bd1 h4 53.Bf3 a4 54.Kc2 d4 55.Be2 Kb4 56.Kb2 a3+ 57.Ka2 Bb6 58.Bf1 Bc5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.61/Black=0.17 (very precise)
0-1

396 **C50**
☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2658**
■ **Yakubboev,Nodirbek** **2616**
Qatar Masters op (8) 19.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 a6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 d6 10.a4 Be6 11.Nd2 Na5**
[RR 11...Bxc4 12.Nxc4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Nf4 *(RR 14...Nxc3 15.bxc3 b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd6 18.Rg3 Qe6 19.Kh2 Kh7 20.h4 c6 21.Qf3 Rae8 22.Rf1 f6 23.h5 Rb8 24.axb5 axb5 25.d4 b4 26.d5 Qd7 27.c4 b3 28.dxc6 Qxc6 29.Nf5)* 15.Kh2 Ng6 16.a5 Qd7 17.Nd5 Nce7 18.Nde3 f6 19.g3 Rad8 20.h4 Nh8 21.Rf2 Nf7 22.Qh5 Nd6 23.Raf1 Nxc4 24.Nxc4 Qe8 25.Qg4 Nc6 26.Rxf6 1-0 Brodsky,M (2707)-Persse,D (2728) Reykjavik op 1996 (1.1) Brodsky,M (2707)-Persse,D (2728) Reykjavik op 1996 (1.1) 1-0]
12.Ba2 Nc6N
[RR 12...Bxa2 13.Rxa2 Nc6 14.Ra1 d5 15.Qf3 d4 16.Ne2 dxe3 17.Qxe3 16) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - P-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Pract]
13.Bc4 Na5 13...Na5 is a critical line. 13...Sa5 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.
14.Ba2N
[Vorgänger: 14.Bxe6 fxe6
A) 15.b4!? Nc6□ 16.Qb1= *(16.b5 Nb8 17.Ne2 Nbd7 18.c4 c6 19.bxc6 bxc6 20.a5 Qc7 21.Qc2 Qa7 22.d4 exd4 23.exd4 e5 24.Qc3 exd4 25.Nxd4 Nc5 26.Rae1 Rae8 27.Nxc6 Ncxe4+ 28.Nxa7 Nxc3 29.Nc6 Na4 30.Ne7+ Kh7* ½-½ Saydaliev,S (2422)-Goganov,A (2526) Tashkent Schev Team 2023 (8.1) Saydaliev,S (2422)-Goganov,A (2526) Tashkent Schev Team 2023 (8.1) 1/2-1/2 *)*;
B) 15.d4 Nc6 16.Nf3 exd4 17.exd4 d5 18.Qd3 Nh5 19.Ne2 Nf4 0.55/22 *(19...dxe4= 0.12/20 20.Qxe4 Qd6)* 20.Nxf4 Rxf4 21.e5 0.01/23 ;1-0 Sindarov,J (2629)-Borisek,J (2577) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (3.3) ;Sindarov,J (2629)-Borisek,J (2577) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (3.3) 1-0 *(21.Rae1± 0.45/21)*]
[RR 14.Bd5 Nc6 ½-½ (14) Paehtz,E

(2458)-Koneru,H (2530) Shymkent KAZ 2024 [Kitty Kat]]

14...Nc6 15.Rf2 Bxa2 16.Nxa2 d5 17.Qf3 d4 18.exd4 Nxd4 19.Qd1 b5 20.Nc3 Qd6 21.Ne2 Rad8 22.Nf1 Qc5 23.Neg3! Kh7 24.Qd2 Ng8 25.Ne3 Ne7 26.Kh2

[26.Ng4 keeps more tension. f6 27.axb5 axb5 28.Ra6]

26...f6 27.axb5 axb5 28.Rff1 Ra8 0.53/21

[Better is 28...Qb6= 0.01/21]

29.Rxa8!⩲ Rxa8 30.c3 Ne6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

Weighted Error Value: White=0. 06 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless)

½-½

397 **C54**

☐ **Esipenko,Andrey** **2683**

■ **Sanal,Vahap** **2603**

FIDE Grand Swiss (1) 25.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1! The position is equal. is more profitable than 9.Bb3 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 9.Lb3.

9...h6 10.Ng3 Na5 11.Bb3 Nxb3 12.axb3 Re8 13.h3 Bd7 14.Bd2 Nh7N

[Vorgänger: 14...Qe7 15.d4 Qf8 16.Qc2 Bb6 17.Be3 Re7 18.Re2 Rae8 19.Rae1 g6 20.Qd2 Kh7 ½-½ Svane,R (2592)-Mastrovasilis,A (2521) EU-chT 22nd Batumi 2019 (4.6)]

15.d4 Nf8 16.Be3 Ng6 17.Qd2 Nh4 18.Nxh4 Qxh4 19.Kh2

[19.b4 simplifies Rad8 20.d5 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 g6 22.Rf3]

19...Rad8 20.f4 exd4 0.49/24

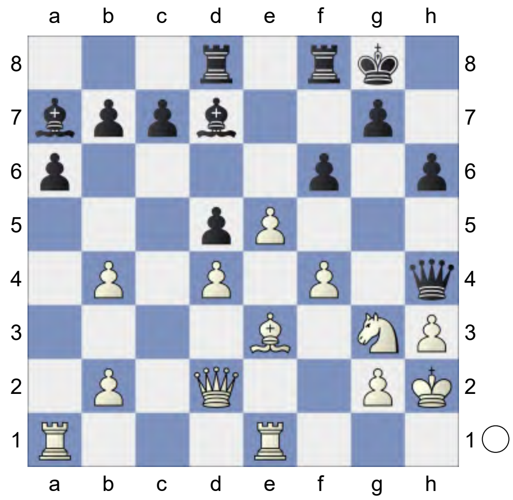
[20...c6!= 0.01/21 should be considered.]

21.cxd4⩲ d5 1.28/22 **22.e5±**

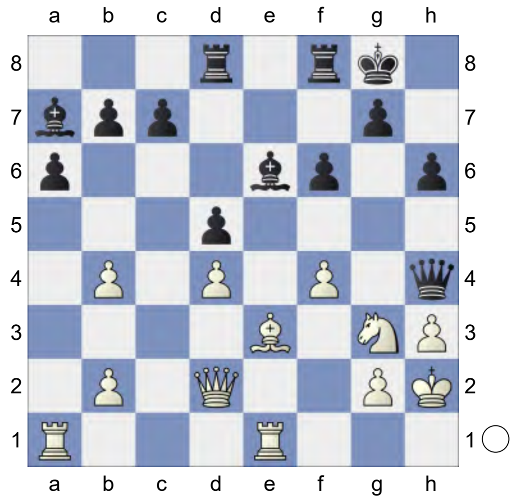
[22.exd5 Qf6 23.Bf2 Rxe1 24.Rxe1 Qd6∓]

22...f6 23.b4 Rf8 2.18/24

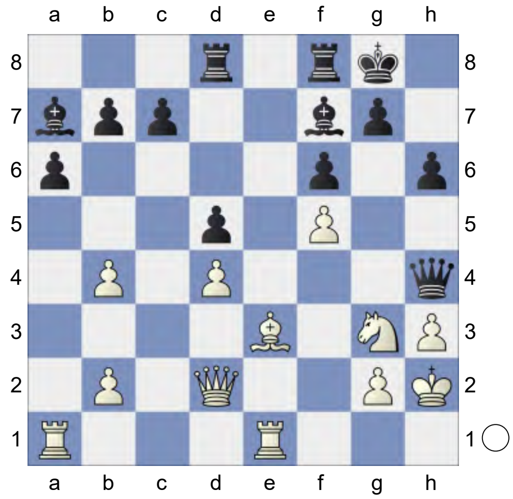
[23...Kh8± 1.13/20]



24.e6!+- Bxe6



25.f5! Bf7



26.Rf1! White has strong compensation. **26...h5 27.Rf4 Qg5 28.Rf3 Qh4 29.b5** 0.88/27

[29.Ra3+- 2.10/25 has better winning chances.]

29...Rfe8± White must now prevent ...Rxe3!. **30.Bf4 Bb8 31.bxa6**

[31.Nf1 seems wilder. c6 32.g3 Bxf4 33.Rxf4 Qg5 34.h4]

31...bxa6 Black is weak on the dark squares **32.Rxa6 c6 33.Rxc6** White is more active. **33...Bxf4** Remove Defender **34.Rxf4**

[34.Qxf4 Qxf4 35.Rxf4 Rb8∓]

34...Qg5 35.h4 Qh6 36.Rb6 0.50/27

[White should try 36.Rf2± 1.01/26]

36...Ra8 37.Rf2↑ White has the initiative. **37...Qxd2 38.Rxd2** Threatens to win with b4. This move loses the game for Black. **38...Re7?** 2.74/24

[38...Reb8± 0.72/24 39.Rxb8+ Rxb8]

39.b4+- Re3 4.08/24

[39...Be8 2.64/23 40.b5 Rea7]

40.b5 Raa3? 4.15/25

[40...Rb3 2.48/23 41.Rc2 Be8]

41.Rb8+ 2.30/28

[⌓41.Ne2 4.15/25]

41...Kh7 42.Ne2 Rab3 Inhibits Rb2. **43.Nf4 Re4?** 5.42/24

[43...Be8 2.95/25 was worth a try. 44.b6 *(44.Nxd5 Re4±)* 44...Re4]

44.g3 White is clearly winning. **44...Be8** 7.24/25

[⌓44...Rb1 4.91/25 45.Ra2 Rxd4]

45.Ne6

[Not 45.Nxd5 Bxb5 46.Rxb5 Rxb5+-]

[45.b6 Bd7⩲]

45...Bxb5 46.Nc5 Rb1 47.Nxe4 dxe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.41

48.d5

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398 **C50**
☐ **Santos Latasa,Jaime** **2615**
■ **Petrosyan,Manuel** **2627**
Chessable Masters Play In rapid (1)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Be3 Bxe3 6.fxe3 d6 7.0-0 0-0 8.a4N** 8.Qe1 is a critical line. A promising side line. 8.De1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

[8.Qe1 Be6 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.a3 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 a5 12.a4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Qg3 f6 15.Rae1 Ndb4 16.Na3 e4 17.dxe4 Qxe4 18.Qxc7 Nxc2 19.Nxc2 Qxc2 20.Nd4 Nxd4 4.Nc3 Nd4_39213 (2608)-Tsiganova, M (2538) 2016 (8) 0-1 4.Nc3 Nd4_39213 (2608)-Tsiganova,M (2538) 2016 (8) 0-1]

[8.Nc3 Ne7 9.Qe1 c6 10.Qg3 b5 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.Ng5 a5 13.a3 Ra7 14.h4 Ba6 15.Rf2 c5 16.Rd1 c4 17.Ba2 h6 18.Nf3 Qb6 19.Nd2 b4 20.Nxc4 Bxc4 21.Na4 Qc6 22.Bxc4 Qxa4 Gunsberg,I-Showalter,J 6th American Congress 1889 (2.29) 1-0]

8...Ne7N The position is equal.

[RR 8...a5 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Nh4 Ng6 11.Nxg6 hxg6 12.Nf3 c6 *(RR 12...Ng4 13.Qe1 Kh7 14.h3 Nh6 15.g4 g5 16.h4 f6 17.hxg5 fxg5 18.Nh2 Bd7)* 13.h3 d5 14.Bb3 Qe7 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Qe1 Bd7 17.Qh4 Rfe8 18.Ng5 Be6 19.Rxf6 Qxf6 20.Rf1 Qd8 21.Qh7+ Kf8 22.Qxg6 Qd7 23.e4 Paravyan,D (2620)-Petrosyan,M (2631) Chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (37)]

9.Nc3 Ng6 10.Qe1 c6 11.a5 d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Bb3 h6N 0.47/20

[Vorgänger: 13...Be6= 0.01/21 feels stronger. 14.d4 e4 15.Ne5! Ne7 16.a6 b6 17.h3 -0.56/21 *(17.Nb5⩲ 0.35/21)* 17...Ne8!∓ 18.Qe2 -1.14/20 *(18.Ba4!= 0.01/21 keeps the balance.)* 18...Nd6 19.Rf4 Ndf5 -0.47/20 ;Kanov,N (2377)-Kollars, D (2610) Sitges Sunway op 9th 2022 (9) 0-1 *(19...f6∓ -1.07/21 20.Raf1 Qc8)*]

[13...Be6= 0.01/21 feels stronger.]

14.Nh4 Nxh4 15.Qxh4 Be6 16.d4 e4 0.74/22

[16...exd4= 0.10/20 remains equal. 17.exd4 a6]

17.h3 0.18/21 White has more active pieces.

[Better is 17.Rxf6± 0.74/22 Qxf6 18.Qxf6 gxf6 19.Bxd5 *(19.Nxd5 Kg7=)*]

17...a6 1.10/22

[17...Rc8= 0.18/21]

18.Ne2 0.39/21

[18.Rxf6± 1.10/22 Qxf6 19.Qxf6 gxf6 20.Nxd5 *(20.Bxd5 f5±)*]

18...Ne8 19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.Nf4 Nc7 21.Rfc1 g5 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Ra4 Rc8 2.21/24

[23...Rd6± 0.84/22 might work better.]

24.c4+- Nb5 25.Rc2? 0.51/25

[25.Rb4!+- 2.13/23]

25...Nd6⩲ 26.cxd5 Rxc2 27.Bxc2 exd5± 0.86/26 Endgame. KRB-KRN

[27...Rc8!⩲ 0.40/26 28.Bb3 Rc1+ 29.Kh2 Rb1]

28.Bb3 Rf5 2.12/25

[28...Kf7± 1.01/24]

29.g4+- Deflection **29...Rf3 30.Bxd5+ Kf8 31.Ra3** Threatens to win with Kg1-g2. **31...Rxh3** 0.88/25

[⌓31...h5 1.39/26]

32.Kg2 0.29/26

[32.Rb3± 0.88/25]

32...Rh4= 33.Kg3! Rh1 34.Rb3 Ra1 35.Rb6!

[Don't play 35.Bxb7 Rxa5 36.Bc6 Ra2=]

35...Ke7 36.Bxb7 Rxa5 37.Bxa6

[37.Rxa6? is the wrong capture. Nxb7 38.Rxh6 Nd6 39.Rh7+ Nf7-+]

37...Ra1 38.Be2 Re1 39.Kf2 Rc1 40.b4 Rc2 41.Ke1 Rb2 42.b5 0.66/27

[42.Rb8± 1.03/27]

42...Rb3 43.Kf2 Rb2 44.Ra6 0.51/25

[44.Rb8!± 1.22/26]

44...Ke6 1.18/26

[44...Ne8⩲ 0.51/25]

45.Rc6 0.31/28

[45.Ra8!± 1.18/26]

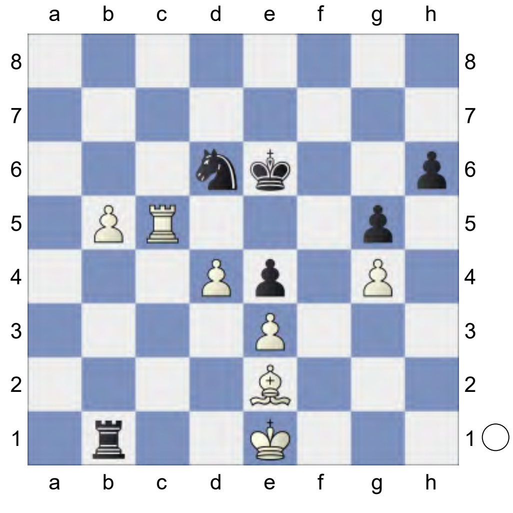
45...Kd7⩲ -0.01/28 **46.Rc5** 0.07/26

[46.d5⩲ 0.44/27]

46...Ke6 0.61/26

[46...Rb1= 0.07/26]

47.Ke1 Rb1+



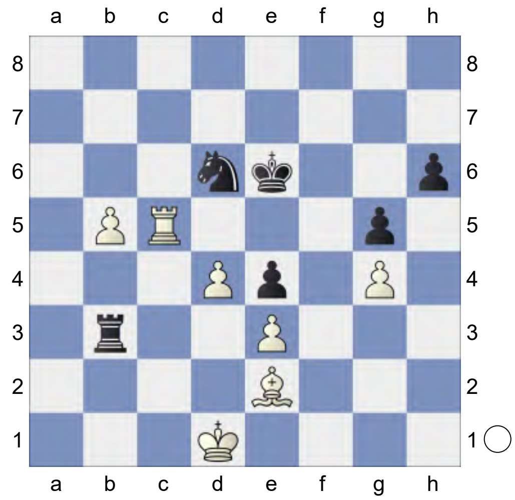
48.Kd2! Rb2+ 49.Kd1 0.42/27

[49.Rc2± 1.15/29 Rb1 50.Bd1]

49...Rb3 1.42/25

[Black should try 49...Kd7⩲ 0.42/27]

(Diagram)



50.Re5+ 0.01/27

[White should play 50.Kc2!± 1.42/25 Rxe3 51.Bc4+ Nxc4 52.Rxc4 Re2+ *(52...Kd5? 53.Rb4+-)* 53.Kc3]

50...Kd7 51.Kd2 Rb2+ 52.Ke1 Rb3 53.Kf2 Rb2 54.Rc5 Rb1= 0.07/26

55.Rc6 Nxb5 0.39/27

[55...Rb2= -0.01/28]

56.Rxh6 0.01/25

[56.Bxb5⩲ 0.39/27 Rxb5 57.Rxh6]

56...Nc3= ...Rb1-b2 is the strong threat. **57.Bc4 Rb2+ 58.Ke1 Ke7?** 3.01/26

[58...Kc7!⩲ 0.62/24]

59.Rg6+- Rg2 60.Rxg5 Kf6 61.Rf5+ Kg6 62.Rf4 Black must now prevent d4-d5. **62...Kg5** 5.37/24

[⌓62...Rg3 3.39/25 63.Kf2 Rh3]

63.d5 White is clearly winning. **63...Na4 64.d6** d6-d7 would kill now. **64...Nb6 65.Be6 Rc2 66.Rxe4 Rc6 67.d7 Rd6 68.Rd4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.31

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399 **C55**
☐ **HELMUT_LANG** **2813**
■ **Thunder-In-Paradise** **2663**
Blitz 28.04.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.85/18

[10.Kh1∓ -0.34/19]

10...Ne6∓ 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Qf3 Black is better. **12...Nf4 13.g3! Rg8N** 0.00/22

[13...Nh3+!∓ -0.39/20

A) 14.Kh1 Ng5 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Rxf6 Bh3 1) Italian Game-Italian D4 Gambit (*16...Ke7 17.Rh6 Kf8 18.Kg2 Kg7 19.Rh4 Rd8* Italian Gambit 2021);

B) 14.Kg2 Rg8]

14.Kh1!= Bh3 15.Rf2 -1.35/23 Against Bg2+

[15.gxf4⩲ 0.35/22 was the only good move. Bg2+ 16.Qxg2 Rxg2 17.Kxg2]

15...Bg4∓ 16.Qe3 Nh3 17.Rd2 Ng5 -0.61/20

[17...h5∓ -1.30/20 18.Rf1 Rh8]

18.Bb5+ -1.18/20

[18.Be2!∓ -0.61/20 Bxe2 19.Rxe2]

18...c6 -0.48/18

[18...Kf8∓ -1.18/20 19.Bd3 Bf3+ 20.Kg1 Qd7]

19.Be2∓ Repels Bf3+ **19...h5** 1.28/21

[19...Be6!∓ -0.71/21 keeps the pressure on. 20.c3 Rd8]

20.Nc4± White has strong compensation. **20...Kf8** 1.35/22

[20...Bh3 0.93/20]

21.Rf1 0.00/21

[21.h4± 1.35/22]

21...Kg7? 2.31/20

[21...Bh3= 0.00/21 and Black has nothing to worry. 22.Rfd1 Rh8]

22.Nd6? 0.62/20

[White must play 22.h4!+- 2.31/20 Bxe2 23.Nd6 (*23.Qxe2 Ne6+-*)]

22...Bh3 23.Rfd1

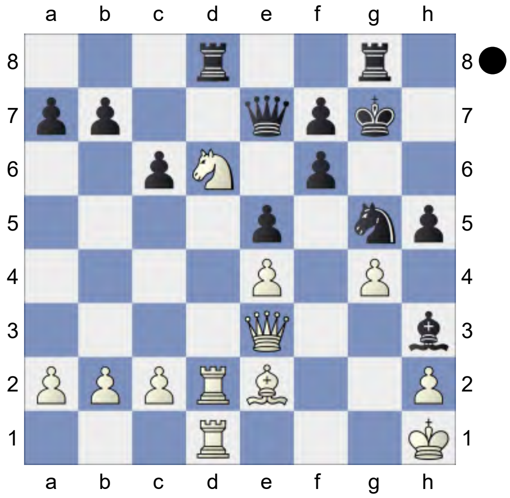
[23.Bxh5!? Qe6 24.Rf5=]

23...Rad8 1.59/20

[23...Kg6⩲ 0.39/19]

24.g4? -1.08/17

[24.Bxh5± 1.59/20 is forced if you want to stay better. And now g4! would win. Rgf8 25.g4 (*25.Qxa7 Rd7⩲*)]



White is much more active. **24...Rxd6!∓ 25.Rxd6 hxg4**

[25...Bxg4 26.Bxg4 hxg4 27.Qg1±]

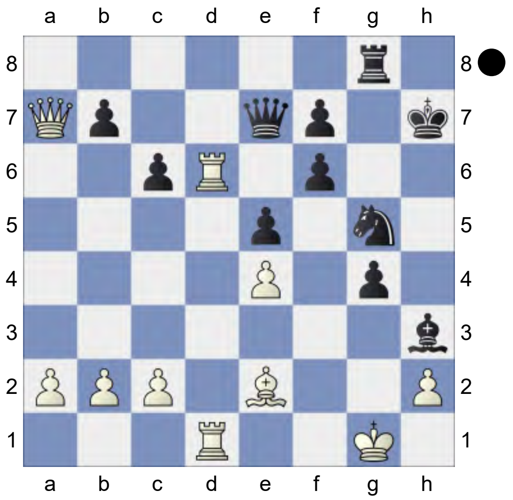
26.Kg1 Kh7 -0.80/18

[⌓26...Rh8 -1.30/19 27.a3 Ne6]

27.Qxa7 -2.24/18

[27.Kh1∓ -0.80/18]

(Diagram)



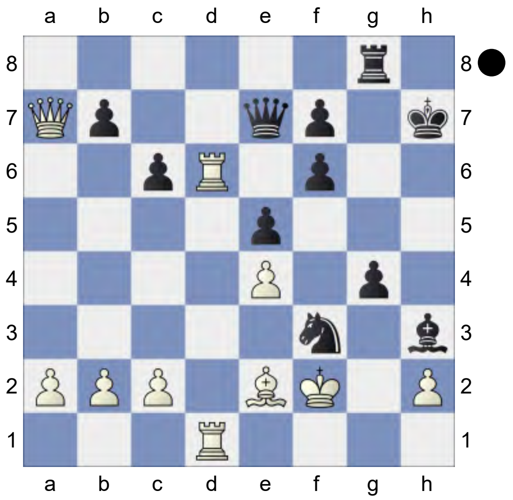
27...Nf3+ -0.78/18

[27...Nxe4 28.Rd7 Qe6 29.Bd3+- *(29.Qxb7? Qf5-+)*]

[27...f5!-+ -2.24/18 28.exf5 Nf3+ 29.Kh1 Qh4 *(29...Nd4 30.Qc5=)*]

28.Kf2 -2.52/19

[28.Kh1∓ -0.78/18]



28...f5!-+

[28...Nxh2 29.Qe3 *(29.Kg3 f5-+)* 29...Rg6 *(29...g3+ 30.Kg1∓)* 30.Kg3=]

29.Rd7 Qh4+ 30.Ke3 Qg5+? -0.39/15

[30...Nxh2? 31.Rxf7+ Kh8 32.Rdd7+- *(32.exf5 g3∓; 32.Rxf5 Nf3+-)*]

[30...f4+-+ -2.48/15 31.Kd3 Nd4 *(31...Nxh2 32.Rxf7+ Kg6 33.Kc3+-)*]

31.Kd3∓ fxe4+

[31...Nxh2? 32.Rxf7+ *(32.Rxb7 f4±)* 32...Rg7 33.Rxf5+- *(33.Rxb7 f4±)*]

32.Kc3! Rg7 33.Rxb7 Nd4

[33...Nxh2 34.Rdd7 *(34.Rxf7 g3+-)* 34...Kg6 35.Rxf7 *(35.Rd6+ Kh5+-)* 35...Rxf7 36.Rxf7+-]

34.Rxd4 exd4+ 35.Qxd4 Qa5+? 3.12/25

[35...Bg2∓ -0.78/21 and ...c5 should not be overlooked 36.b4 Bf3]

36.b4+- Qf5 37.Re7? 0.58/17

[37.a4+- 3.01/17]

37...g3? 4.62/19

[Better is 37...Bg2!⩲ 0.58/17]

38.hxg3

[38.Qxe4? is the wrong capture. Qxe4 *(38...gxh2 39.Qh4+ Kg6 40.Qg3+ Qg5 41.Qxh3⩲)* 39.Rxe4 g2-+]

38...Rxg3+ What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.67/Black=0.85 **39.Kb2**

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400 **C51**
☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3002**
■ **admete_bot** **2444**
Rapid 09.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3 Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6N**

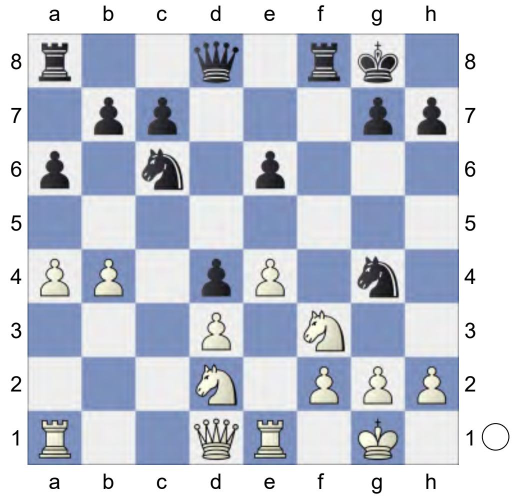
[9...Ne7 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Ng6 13.d4 Bd7 14.Qb3 Ng4 15.Re1 Kh8 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nbd2 Qf6 18.Re3 Nf4 19.Nf1 g5 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Rd1 Bxh3 22.gxh3

Nxh3+ 23.Kg2 g4 24.Ng3 0-1 Leconte,J-Miles,E Jugoslavija 76/203 1999]

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.a5 Ba7 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Na3 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Be3 c6 19.g4 Nc3 20.Qc2 Bxd3 21.Qxc3 Rxf3 22.Qxd3 Qd6 0-1 Bacrot,E (2594)-Almasi,Z (2676) Szeged m 2000 (3)]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Be3 Bxe3 White has an edge. **12.Rxe3 d5 13.Nbd2! d4 14.cxd4 exd4 15.Re1** Hoping for b5. **15...Ng4** 1.28/20

[15...Nd7± 0.34/19]



16.h3!± Nge5 17.b5↑ Keeping Black busy. **17...axb5 18.axb5 Rxa1 19.Qxa1** This costs Black the game. **19...Nxd3?** 3.82/24

[19...Nxf3+± 0.92/23 20.Nxf3 Nb4]

20.bxc6+- Nxe1 21.Nxe1

[Not 21.Qxe1 bxc6 22.Ne5 *(22.Nb3 Qd6±)* 22...c5±]

21...bxc6 22.Nd3 Qd6 5.19/24

[⌓22...h6 3.54/20 23.Nc4 Kh7]

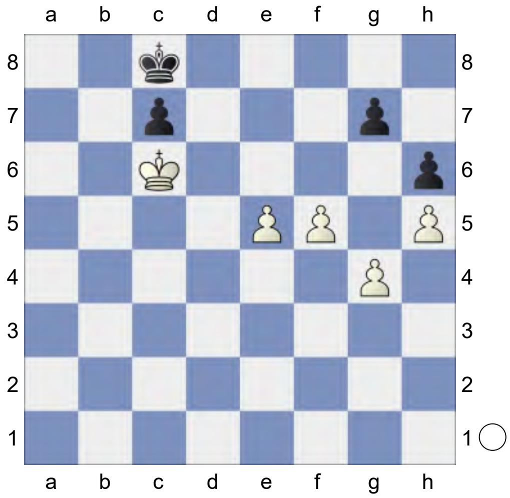
23.Qa4 Rb8 24.g3 c5 25.Nc4 Wards off Qb6 **25...Qf8 26.Kg2** Inhibits Qf3+. **26...Rd8 27.Nce5 Qd6 28.h4 h6 29.h5 Kh7 30.Nf7** A dynamic duo of knights. **30...Qd7 31.Qxd7 Rxd7 32.Nfe5**

[32.Nxc5? Rxf7 33.f4 e5 34.fxe5 g6 35.hxg6+ Kxg6-+]

32...Rd8 33.Nxc5 Kg8 34.Ned3

[34.Nxe6? Re8 35.Nxc7 Rxe5-+]

34...Kf7 35.e5 Ra8 36.Kf3 Ra2 37.Ke4 Ra5 38.Kxd4 Ra1 39.f3 Rg1 40.g4 Rf1 41.Ke3 Rb1 42.Nf4 Rb6 43.Nfxe6 Rxe6 44.Nxe6 Kxe6 Endgame KP-KP. White is a pawn up. **45.Ke4 Ke7 46.Kd5 Kd7 47.f4 Ke7 48.Kc6 Kd8 49.f5 Kc8**



50.g5! Kd8

[50...hxg5 51.f6]

51.g6 Ke8 52.f6 gxf6 53.exf6 K3P-KPP. White is a pawn up.

[53.Kxc7? too greedy. fxe5 54.Kd6 e4-+]

53...Kf8 54.Kd7 White wants to mate with f7!. **54...c5 55.f7** White mates. **55...c4 56.Ke6 c3 57.Kf6 c2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=1.09 **58.g7#**

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401 **C50**

☐ **Svane,Frederik** **2626**

■ **Ragger,Markus** **2615**

Bundesliga 2324 (8.7) 04.02.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a4 d6 7.0-0** is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie. **7...h6 8.Be3** The position is equal. **8...0-0 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.Nd5**

[10.h3 Qd6 11.Nd2 b6 12.Nd5 Rb8 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Qf3 Qxf3 15.Nxf3 Re8 16.c3 Na5 17.Bd5 Be6 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.b4 cxb4 20.cxb4 Nc6 21.b5 Nb4 22.Rfc1 Rb7 23.Ra3 f6 24.Kf1 a5 4.c3 Nf6 5.e5/ 6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3) 1-0 4.c3 Nf6 5.e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3) 1-0]

10...Qd6

[RR 10...Be6 11.Ne3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Qe7 13.a5 Rfb8 14.Kh1 b5 15.axb6 cxb6 16.Ne3 b5]

[RR 10...Re8 11.c3 *(RR 11.Ne3 Qd6 12.Nh4 Be6 13.Nhf5 Qd7 14.f4 Kh7 15.Qe1 Nh5 16.fxe5 Nxe5 17.Bd5)* 11...Be6 12.Ne3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 b5 14.Ne3 Qd7 15.Qc2 Qe6 16.Rfd1 Red8 17.h3 g6 18.Kh2 Kg7 19.g3 Rab8 20.axb5 axb5 21.Nh4 Rd7 22.Qe2 Ne7 23.Ra5 Rb6 24.Ra8 Rbd6 25.Qf3 Agasarov,B (2410)-Gharibyan,M (2462) Yerevan 2024 0-1 (44)]

11.Ne3 b6N

[Vorgänger: RR 11...g6 12.Bd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Ne7 14.Nc4 Prevents f7-f6 Qxd5 15.Ncxe5 b6 *(15...f6!? 16.Nc4□ Nc6=)* 16.Qd2 Nf5 17.Rfe1 *(17.Ng4!? Kg7 18.Rae1=)* 17...Kg7 Garcia Martin,M (2319)-Garrido Outon, A (2408) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (2.1) 1/2-1/2 18.Ng4 Qd6 19.Ne3 Nd4 20.Nxd4 cxd4 21.Nc4 Qf6 22.Qb4 Bb7 23.Qe7 Qc6 24.Qe5+ f6 25.Qg3 Rae8 26.f3 Garcia Martin,M (2319)-Garrido Outon, A (2408) Linares 2023 ½-½ (63) Gorgs,A (2319)-Gottwald,B (2408) Guingamp 2023 CT-1266 [John Watson] ½-½ (63) Qc5 27.b4 Qc6 28.Qf4 Qd7 29.a5 b5 30.Nd2 g5 31.Qg3 Re3 32.Nb3 Rfe8 Gorgs,A (2319)-Gottwald,B (2408) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2010 (2.1) 1/2-1/2 33.Nc5 Qe7 34.Rxe3 Qxe3+ 35.Kh1 f5 36.f4 Qxg3 37.hxg3 Bd5 38.Nxa6 Re2 39.Nxc7 Bc6 40.Rg1 Kf7 41.Na6 Rxc2 42.Nc5 Bd5 43.fxg5 hxg5 44.g4 f4 45.Ne4 Bxe4 46.dxe4 Ke6 47.Ra1 d3 Garcia Martin,M (2319) -Garrido Outon,A (2408) ESP-chT CECLUB Honor 2023 (2.1) 1/2-1/2]

12.Nh4 Ne7 13.Ba2 Ne3-c4 would now be deadly. **13...Be6 14.Nc4 Bxc4 15.Bxc4 Qd7 16.Qe2 b5 17.Ba2 Rab8 18.c3 Rfd8 19.Rad1**

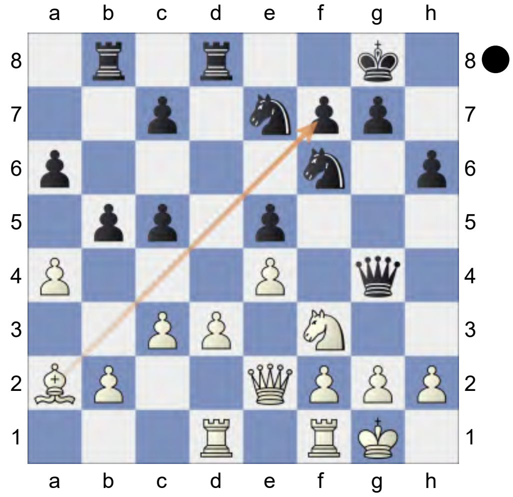
[19.axb5 simplifies axb5 20.Bb1 g5 21.Nf3]

19...Qg4 0.33/23

[Black should play 19...g5= -0.25/21 20.Nf3 Ng6]

20.Nf3

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with Ba2xf7+! **20...Ng6 21.Qe3 Nd7** 0.39/19

[21...c4= -0.01/21 feels stronger. 22.h3 Qe6]

22.h3± Qf4 23.axb5 axb5 24.Qe2 Qf6 25.g3 Inhibits Ng6-f4. **25...Ra8 26.Bd5 c6 27.Bb3 Nb6 28.Nh2 Qe7 29.Ng4 Rab8** 0.82/20

[29...Nc8= 0.29/20]

30.Ne3± Qf6 31.h4 Nd7 32.h5 Ne7 1.17/22

[32...Ngf8± 0.69/22 deserves consideration.]

33.f4 White is more active. **33...c4** 1.82/22 **34.dxc4+-** Black must now prevent Ne3-g4. **34...exf4 35.gxf4**

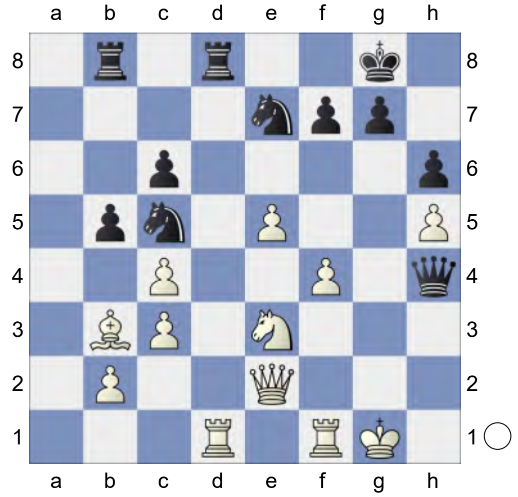
[35.Rxf4?! Qe6±]

35...Nc5 2.30/23

[35...Qe6± 1.58/21]

36.e5 Qh4

(Diagram)



37.Qf3! f5

[37...Nxb3? 38.Ng2+-]

38.Ba2

[38.cxb5+? Nxb3 39.bxc6 Nd2-+]

38...Rxd1 39.cxb5+ Discovered Attack (Check)

[39.Nxd1 Ra8 40.Bb1 Nb3∓]

[39.Qxd1 bxc4 40.Bxc4+ Kh7±]

39...Rd5 40.bxc6

[40.Bxd5+? is the wrong capture. cxd5 41.Ng2 Qg4 42.Qxg4 fxg4-+]

40...Rxb2 41.Bxd5+ Nxd5 2.76/25 Loses the game.

[41...Kh8± 1.26/26 was called for. 42.Ng2 Rxg2+ 43.Qxg2 Nxd5]

42.Qxd5+ Kh7 43.Ng2

[43.Qxc5? Qh2#]

43...Qe7 7.15/22

[43...Qg4 3.32/24 44.Qf3 Qxf3 45.Rxf3 Rb1+ 46.Kh2 Rb6]

44.Qd6 Qa7 ...Nc5-e4+ is the strong threat. **45.Kh2 Ne4 46.Qd7 Rxg2+ 47.Kxg2** Endgame. KQR-KQN **47...Qa2+ 48.Kg1 Ng3 49.Rf2 Qb1+ 50.Kg2** c6-c7 would kill now. **50...Nxh5 51.c7 Qe4+ 52.Kh2 Nxf4 53.Qd4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.26 (precise)

1-0

402 **C50**
☐ **Maghsoodloo,Parham** **2728**
■ **Kovalev,Vladislav** **2623**
Airthings Play-In Match (1.1) 03.02.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 h6**

[7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 0-1 Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

8.Re1! 8.Re1 is better than 8.Nbd2. 8. Te1 ist besser als 8.Sbd2. **8...Ba7 9.Nbd2N**

[9.b4 0-0 10.Ra2 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.Nf1 c6 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Ng3 Qe8 16.d4 Rd8 17.h3 exd4 18.cxd4 e5 19.Be3 exd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qf7 22.Rd2 Ne5 23.Ndf5 Ne8 1-0 Cardenas,R (2499)-Medvegy,Z (2153) Amsterdam ACT op 2nd 2005 (3) 24.f4 Nc4 25.Rf2 b5 26.e5 Nc7 27.Qg4 Kh7 28.e6 1-0 Nevednichy,V (2499)-Makropoulou,M (2153) Wch Seniors 50 30th 2022 (3)]

9...0-0 10.Nf1 The position is equal. **10...Ne7 11.Ng3 Ng6 12.h3 c6 13.Bb3 Re8 14.d4 Be6 15.Bc2 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a5N**

[Vorgänger: 17.c4 b5 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Nf8 20.Nd2 Bb6 21.Re3 N8d7 22.Rea3 bxc4 23.Nxc4 0-1 (62) So,W (2770)-Caruana,F (2835) Lichess.org INT 2020]

17...c4 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Rc8 20.Ba4 Nf4 21.Nd2 Bb5 22.Nf5 Kh7 0.63/19

[22...h5= 0.17/18]

23.Bxb5 -0.07/21

[23.Rf3± 0.63/19]

23...axb5= 24.a6 -0.37/20

[24.b3= -0.01/18]

24...g6∓ 25.axb7 Rb8 26.Ng3 Rxb7 27.b3 cxb3 28.Nxb3 Qc7 29.Na5 Ra7 30.Nc6 Rxa1 31.Qxa1 Nd7 32.Qd1 -0.68/20

[White should try 32.Ne2= 0.00/18]

32...Nc5 -0.01/21

[32...Ra8∓ -0.68/20]

33.h4 -0.60/20

[33.Ne2= -0.01/21]

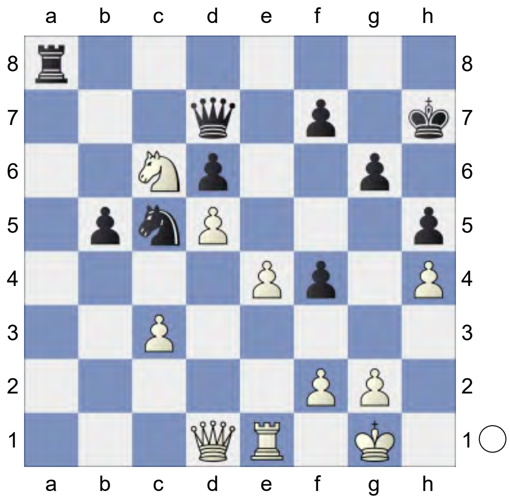
33...Ra8 -0.19/20

[33...Kg7∓ -0.60/20 is superior.]

34.Ne2= Qd7? 1.26/20

[34...Nh5∓ -0.31/20]

35.Nxf4± exf4 36.Re1 h5



37.e5 0.23/20

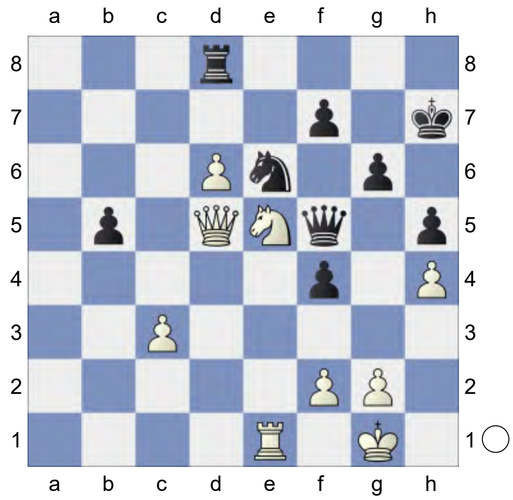
[37.f3!± 1.15/20]

37...dxe5? 3.11/22

[37...Re8!= 0.23/20]

38.Nxe5+- Qf5 39.d6 Rd8 40.Qd5 Ne6

(Diagram)



41.Qc6 1.06/21

[41.Qxb5 Rxd6 42.c4 Kg7=]

[41.d7 f6 42.Qd6 fxe5±]

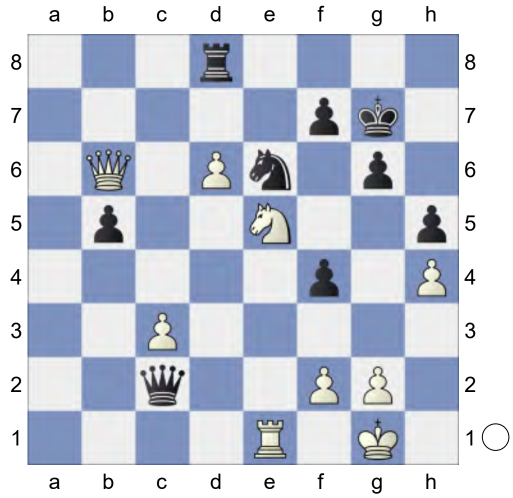
[41.Ra1!+- 2.26/20 and White stays clearly on top.]

41...Kg7± 42.Qb6 Hoping for Ne5xf7! White is much more active.

[Much worse is 42.Qxb5?! Rxd6 43.Qb4 Rd2=]

42...Qc2? 8.42/20

[42...f3± 0.74/20]



43.Nxf7!+- Discovered Attack, Decoy

43...Kxf7

[43...Rd7 44.Nd8]

44.Qb7+

[44.Qxb5 Rxd6 45.Qb7+ Kf6-+]

44...Kg8 45.Rxe6 Re6-e7 would kill now. **45...Qc1+ 46.Kh2 f3 47.Rxg6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.39

1-0

403 **C54**

☐ **Matlakov,Maxim** **2674**

■ **Petrosyan,Manuel** **2604**

FIDE Grand Swiss (2) 26.10.2023

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Re1 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6**

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 (RR *10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5*) 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Ba4 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie.

[RR 12.Nf1 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bd7 (RR *13...d5*)

A) RR 14.Bxd7 Nxd7 15.Ng3 Re8 16.f4 Qh4 17.Ngf5 (RR *17.Kh2*) 17...Qf6 18.Kh2 Bxd4 19.Nxd4 (RR *19.cxd4 d5 20.Ng3 dxe4 21.f5*) 19...Nc5 (RR *19...Nxf4 20.Rf1 Rxe4*) 20.f5 (RR *20.Qc2*);

B) 14.Bd3 Re8 15.Ng3 d5 16.Bg5 h6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.exd5

Rxe1+ 19.Qxe1 Nf4 20.Qe4 g6 21.Bc4 (RR *21.Nge2 Nxe2+ 22.Bxe2*) 21...Re8 22.Qc2 Bxd4 (RR *22...Qg5 23.Qb3 b5 24.Bxb5 Rb8*) 23.cxd4 Qxd4 (RR *23...h5 24.Bf1 Nxd5*) 24.Rd1 Qc5 25.Ne4 (RR *25.Qc1 g5 26.b3 a4 27.Qa1*) 25...Qe7 26.Ng3 h5 Maurizzi,M (2620)-Bjerre,J (2653) Biel 2024 Mega2024 Update 38 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (38)]

12...c6N

[RR 12...Nh5 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 23.Be3 Qc8 24.Qc3 Qc6

A) RR 25.dxc5 Bxg2 26.Bd4 Rd5 (RR *26...Nf4 27.Bxg7 Bh1 28.f3*);

B) 25.f3 cxd4 26.Bxd4 Qd6 27.Rac1 Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) ICCF 2018 ½-½ (RR *27.Bxg7 Rdc8 28.Qf6 Qxf6 29.Bxf6 Rxc2*)]

[RR 12...h6 13.Bc2 Re8 14.Nf1 exd4 15.cxd4 c5 16.d5 Bd7 17.a4 Qc8 18.Ng3 c4]

13.Bc2 Nh5 14.Nf1 Nhf4 15.Ng3 f6

[15...Re8 16.Be3 b5 17.a4 b4 18.cxb4 axb4 19.Rc1 c5 20.d5 Bd7 21.Bb3 Rf8 22.Nf5 Ne7 23.Nxd6 Bxh3 24.Nxf7 Rxf7 25.d6 Neg6 26.Bxf7+ Kxf7 27.gxh3 Qf6 28.Qb3+ Kf8 29.Kh1 Nxh3 30.Nh2 8... ♘bd7 (2698)-Moiseenko,A (2674) Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] 1-0 (49)]

16.Be3 Qd7 17.Ne2N

[Vorgänger: 17.Bb3 Kh8 18.Bxe6 Qxe6 19.Qb3 -0.05/22 (White should play *19.h4±* 0.65/20) 19...d5= 20.Rad1 -0.64/22 (*20.Bxf4=* 0.01/18 *Nxf4 21.Rad1*) 20...a4 21.Qc2 dxe4! 22.Nxe4 exd4 (*22...Qf5!?*) 23.Nxd4 Qxa2 0.22/21 ;½-½ Gledura,B (2644)-Sevian,S (2684) Saint Louis Spring-A 2023 (1) (*23...Nxh3+!∓* -0.36/22 *24.Kf1 Qc4+ 25.Qe2 Qd5*) 24.c4 a3 25.bxa3 Qxa3 26.Nf5 Bxe3 27.Rxe3 Qa5 28.Ned6 Ne5 29.Nxb7 Qa4 30.Qxa4 Rxa4 31.Nbd6 g6 32.Ng3 c5 33.Ne2 Nxe2+ 34.Rxe2 Nxc4 35.Nxc4 Rxc4 36.Rd7 Rh4 37.Rc7 f5 38.Rxc5 Kg7 13.f4 ♗g7 14.0-0 e6_13114 (2644)-8... ♘bd7 (2684) Deutschland 111/159 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson] ½-½ (40)]

17...Nxg2 0.52/20 **18.Kxg2± Bxh3+ 19.Kh1 f5**

[19...Qg4 20.Ng3±]

20.exf5 e4 1.91/24

[20...Bxf5± 0.44/23 21.Nh2 Bxc2 22.Qxc2 d5]

21.Bxe4 1.28/22

[21.fxg6?! exf3 22.gxh7+ Kh8=]

[21.Nh2!+- 1.91/24 Bxf5 22.Ng3]

21...Bxf5± 22.Bxf5 Qxf5 23.Neg1 Rae8 24.Bd2 Rxe1 25.Qxe1 Bb8 1.62/23

[25...c5± 0.97/23 was necessary.]

26.Qe2 1.02/25

[26.Qe3+- 1.62/23]

26...d5 2.00/23

[26...Qh5+± 1.02/25 27.Nh2 Qxe2 28.Nxe2 Rxf2]

27.Ng5 1.04/22

[27.Bg5 h6 28.Bd2 (*28.Bh4 Qh5∓*) 28...Qh5+ 29.Kg2 Rxf3!=]

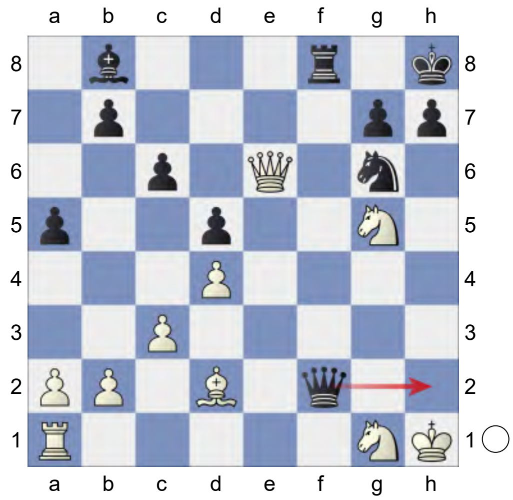
[27.Re1!+- 2.00/23]

27...Qxf2 1.39/24

[⌓27...Rf6 1.04/22 28.N5h3 Nf8]

28.Qe6+! Kh8

(Diagram)



29.Qh3 Against Qf2-h2+ **29...h6 30.N5f3 Nf4 31.Bxf4 Bxf4 32.Rf1 Qxb2** 2.45/26

[32...Qg3± 1.46/25 was called for. 33.Qxg3 (*33.Ne5 Kg8±*) 33...Bxg3]

33.Ne5 White threatens Ne5-g6+ and mate. **33...Kh7** Prevents Ne5-g6. **34.Qg2** 0.92/22 Prevents Qb2-c2. The board is on fire.

[34.Nd3+- 2.89/24 and White stays clearly on top. Qxa2 35.Nxf4]

34...Qxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Threatens to win with Ng1-e2. **35...Rf6 36.Ng4 Rf8 37.Ne5** 0.01/23

[37.Nf3± 0.69/23]

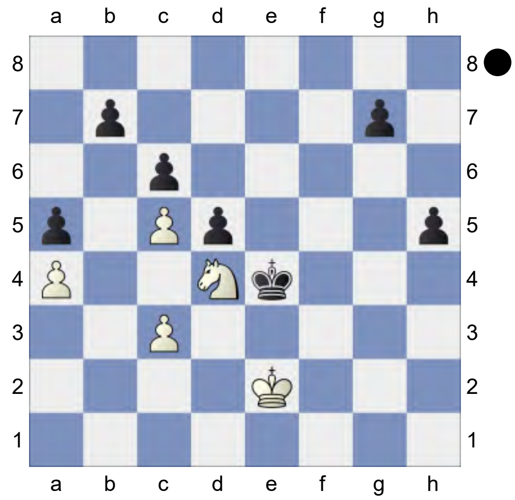
37...Rf6!= 38.Nd7 0.16/25

[Better is 38.Ngf3!± 0.82/24]

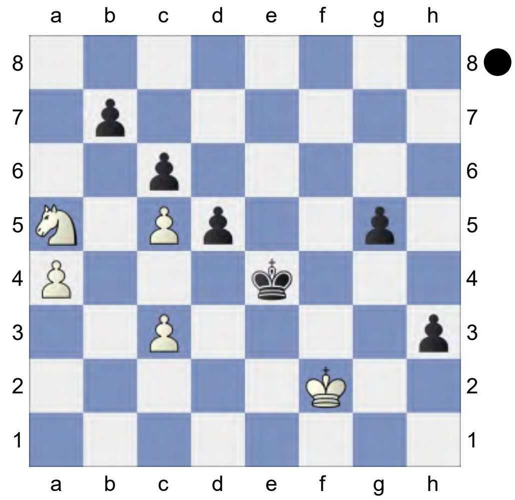
38...Rg6+ 39.Kf3 Bd6 Prevents Nd7-f8+. **40.Ne2** Prevents Rg6-g3+. **40...Rg5 41.Ke3 h5 42.Nc5 Bxc5 43.dxc5** Endgame KRN-KR **43...Re5+ 44.Kf2 Rf5+ 45.Kg2 Rxf1 46.Kxf1** KN-KP **46...Kg6 47.a4 Kf5** Hoping for ...Kf5-e4. **48.Nd4+ Ke4** aiming for ...Ke4-d3. **49.Ke2** -3.85/28

[49.Nb3= 0.00/26 and White stays safe.]

(Diagram)



49...g5!-+ 50.Nb3 h4 51.Nxa5 h3 Strongly threatening ...h3-h2. **52.Kf2**



d4? 0.00/29

[Black should try 52...g4!-+ -4.19/28 53.Nb3 (*53.Kg3? Ke3-+*) 53...Kd3]

53.cxd4= The position is equal. **53...Kxd4 54.Nxb7** a4-a5 would kill now. **54...Kc4! 55.Kg3 g4 56.a5** Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) / Black=0.24 (precise) Quite a comeback for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)

[Don't go for 56.Kxg4? h2 57.Kh5 h1Q+-+]

½-½

404 **C50**
□ **Kadric,Denis** **2584**
■ **Martirosyan,Haik M** **2708**
EU-chT 24th Budva (1.2) 11.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 John Emms **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Re1 Ng4!** is recently more successful than 6...d6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6...d6. is recently more successful than 6...d6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6...d6.

[RR 6...d6]

7.Re2 Kh8 8.h3 White is slightly better. **8...f5**

[RR 8...Nh6 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.d4]

9.Bg5!

[RR 9.hxg4 fxg4 10.Ng5 Qf6∓ *(10...g3 11.c3 h6)*]

9...Nf6!

[RR 9...Qe8 10.exf5 Nxf2 11.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 12.Kxf2 Rxf5 13.Kg1 d6 14.Nbd2]

10.exf5N Black must now prevent Nb1-c3!

[10.Nc3 d6

A) 11.Nd5 fxe4 12.dxe4 Be6 13.Nxf6 gxf6 (RR *13...Bxc4 14.Nxh7 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Rxf3 16.Bxd8 Rxf2 17.Qxf2 Bxf2+ 18.Kxf2 Rxd8 19.Ng5 Rf8+ 20.Ke3*) 14.Bxe6 fxg5 15.c3 (RR *15.Rd2 Qf6 16.Bg4 Ne7 17.Qe2 Qg6*) 15...Qf6 16.Bg4

A1) RR 16...a5 17.g3 Ne7 18.Qd2 Rg8 19.Kg2 Qg6 20.Rh1 Raf8 (RR *20...h5 21.Bd7*) 21.h4 gxh4 22.Rxh4 Qf6;

A2) 16...Ne7 17.Qd2

A2a) RR 17...h6 18.Bh5 (RR *18.b4 Bb6 19.Rc1 a5 20.a3*) 18...Qg7 19.Rf1 Ng8 20.Bg4;

A2b) 17...Rg8 18.b4 Bb6 19.a4 (RR *19.Rc1 Rad8 20.c4 Bd4 21.Nxd4 exd4 22.Rd1 b6 23.b5 c5 24.bxc6 Nxc6 25.Bf5*) 19...a5

A2b1) RR 20.Qd3 Rgf8 21.bxa5 Rxa5 22.Rb2 Qg6 23.Rab1 h5 (RR *23...Rxa4 24.Rxb6 cxb6 25.Rxb6 Qxe4 26.Qxe4 Rxe4 27.Rxb7*) 24.Bd7;

A2b2) 20.Qa2 Qg6 21.Qe6

A2b21) RR 21...h5 22.Bf5 (RR *22.Qxg6 Nxg6*) 22...Qg7;

A2b22) 21...Qg7 22.bxa5 Bxa5 23.Rb1 Ra7

A2b221) RR 24.Reb2 Nc6 (RR *24...Bxc3 25.Rxb7*) 25.Qc4 Bb6 26.g3;

A2b222) 24.Qc4 Qg6

A2b2221) 25.Nd4 Rga8 (RR *25...exd4 26.Qxd4+*) 26.Nf5 Nxf5 27.Bxf5 Qg8 28.Qd3;

A2b2222) 25.Rb5 c6 1-0 Carlsen,M (2832)-Aronian,L (2793) GCT Rapid YourNextMove 2017 (1.1) Carlsen,M (2832)-Aronian,L (2793) GCT Rapid YourNextMove 2017

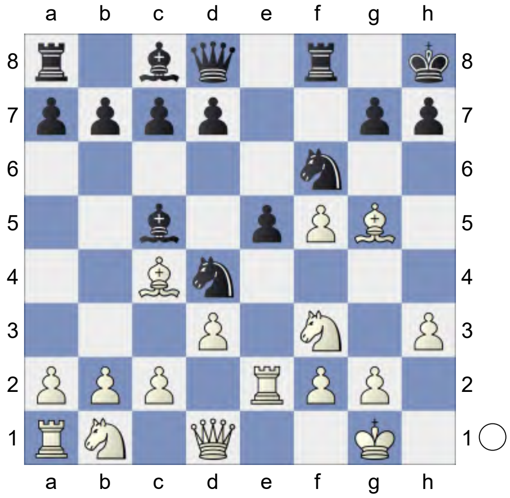
(1.1) 1-0 1-0 Carlsen,M (2832)-Aronian,L (2793) GCT Rapid YourNextMove 2017 (1.1);

B) 11.exf5 Bxf5 12.Na4 Bb6 13.Nxb6 axb6 14.d4 h6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Bh4 e4 17.Nh2 Qe7 (*17...Qe8 18.Qe1 Qg6 19.Re3 Nd4 20.Rc1 Ra4 21.Bb3 Nf3+ 22.Nxf3 exf3 23.Bg3 Re4 24.gxf3 Rh4* So,W (2773)-Mamedyarov,S (2759) Zagreb (rapid) 154/(108) 2022 So,W (2773)-Mamedyarov,S (2759) Zagreb (rapid) 154/(108) 2022) 18.Nf1 Bg6 19.Rd2 Qb4 20.Bxf6 Rxf6 21.Bb3 Dominguez Perez,L (2754)-Aronian,L (2775) chess24.com (Int.-rapid) 154/(108) 2022 Dominguez Perez,L (2754)-Aronian,L (2775) chess24.com (Int.-rapid) 154/(108) 2022]

10...Nd4N 1.63/21

[Vorgänger: 10...d6 11.c3 -0.26/19 (*11.g4± 0.45/19*) 11...Bb6 1.24/20 (*11...h6= -0.26/19 12.d4 Bb6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 12.d4 -0.15/21 (*12.Nh4± 1.24/20*) 12...exd4 1.05/21 (*12...Bxf5= -0.15/21 13.dxe5 dxe5*) 13.cxd4 0.39/22 (Better is *13.Be6±* 1.05/21) 13...Bxf5 14.Nc3 Nc3-d5 would now be deadly. h6 15.Be3 Ne7 16.d5 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 1-0 Vachier Lagrave,M (2763)-Nakamura,H (2736) Meltwater Tour Final rapid 2021 (7.5) Vachier Lagrave,M (2763)-Nakamura,H (2736) Meltwater Tour Final rapid 2021 (7.5) 1-0 1-0 Vachier Lagrave,M (2763)-Nakamura,H (2736) Meltwater Tour Final rapid 2021 (7.5)]

[10...d5= 0.20/22 11.Bb5 Bxf5]



11.Nxd4!+-

[11.Rxe5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Bd4=]

11...exd4 12.Bd5 1.06/22

[White should try 12.g4+- 1.71/20]

12...c6± 13.Bf3 White is more active.

13...d5 14.g4 g6 1.64/21

[14...Rg8± 1.21/21 keeps fighting.]

15.fxg6+- Rg8 16.Bxf6+ 0.42/22

[16.Qe1± 1.60/20]

16...Qxf6± 17.gxh7 Kxh7 aiming for ...Qf6-h4! **18.Nd2 Bd6** 1.44/22

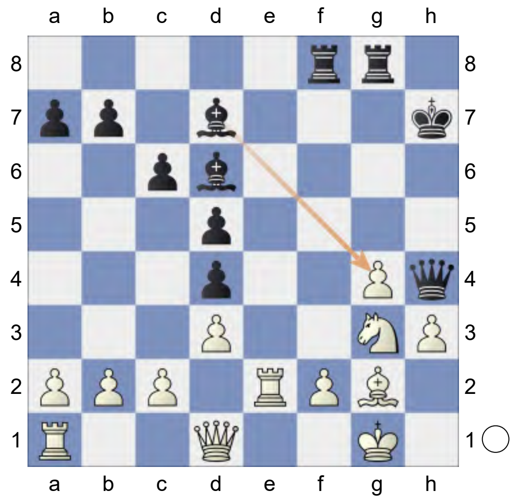
[18...Qh4!± 0.69/21 19.Bg2 Bxg4 20.hxg4 Rxg4]

19.Bg2± Bd7 20.Nf1 Raf8 21.Ng3 1.29/20

[21.Qd2+- 1.67/21]

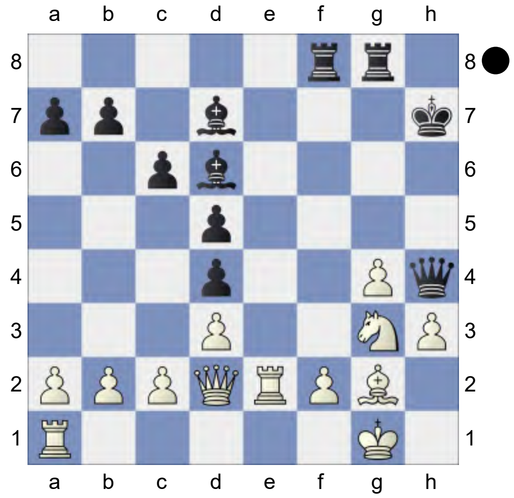
21...Qh4

(Diagram)



22.Qd2 -0.01/22

[White should play 22.Qe1!± 1.45/22]



22...Bxg4!= The position is equal. **23.hxg4 Rxg4 24.Rae1** And now Re2-e8 would win. **24...Rxg3! 25.fxg3 Bxg3 26.Bxd5 cxd5 27.Rh2! Bxh2+ 28.Qxh2 Qxh2+ 29.Kxh2 Rf2+ 30.Kg3 Rxc2 31.Re7+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

½-½

405 C53

☐ Zemlyanskii,Ivan 2543

■ Nihal,Sarin 2676

Qatar Masters Open 2024 (4.4) 06.12.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...h6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 Brest 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Be7 7.Qb3 '!' is now more promising than 7.b5.im Vergleich zu 7. b5 vielversprechender. **7...0-0 8.a4 d6** White has an edge. **9.Nbd2 Nb8 10.d4**

exd4 11.cxd4 c6 'N'

[11...a5 12.e5 Nh5 13.b5 Nf4 14.g3 d5 15.Bf1 Ne6 16.Bg2 c6 17.0-0 Nd7 0-1 (63) Firouzja,A (2760)-Nakamura,H (2789) Candidates Tournament 2024 (5)]

12.e5 Nd5 13.b5 Nf4 0.31/19

[13...dxe5= -0.13/21 is superior. 14.Nxe5 Nd7]

14.0-0 -0.51/23

[14.exd6± 0.31/19 cxb5 15.axb5 *(15.dxe7 Qxe7+ 16.Ne5 Nxg2+ 17.Kf1 bxc4=)* 15...Bxd6 16.0-0]

14...d5∓ 15.Bd3 c5 0.58/23

[Black should try 15...Nxd3!∓ -0.55/21 16.Qxd3 a6]

16.dxc5± Nd7 17.Bc2 0.09/20

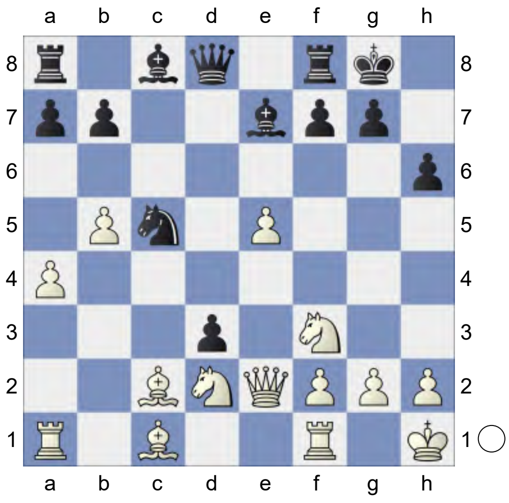
[Don't go for 17.c6? Nc5-+]

[17.Bb1!± 0.57/22]

17...Ne2+= The position is equal.

[But not 17...Bxc5?! 18.g3 Nh3+ 19.Kg2±]

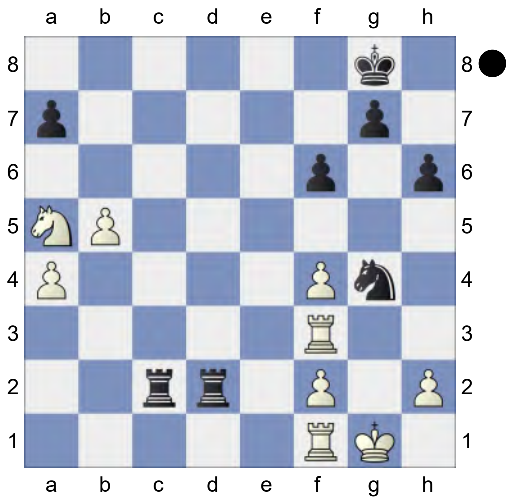
18.Kh1 Nxc5 19.Qe3 d4 20.Qxe2 aiming for Ba3. **20...d3**



21.Bxd3 Qxd3 22.Qxd3 Nxd3 23.Ba3 Bxa3 24.Rxa3 Rd8 25.Nc4 Bg4 26.Nd6 Bxf3! 27.gxf3

[27.Rxd3? perishes. Be2 28.Rfd1 Bxd3 29.Rxd3 Rac8-+]

27...Nxe5 28.Nxb7 Rd2 29.Na5 Rc8 30.Re3 f6 31.f4 Ng4 32.Rf3 Rcc2 33.Kg1



Hoping for h3. **33...h5 34.Nc6 Ra2! 35.Nxa7** And now h3 would win. **35...Rxa4 36.Nc8 Rb4** Repels Rb1 **37.b6 Kh7 38.Ne7 Rxb6 39.Nf5 Rb5 40.Ne3 Nxe3 41.fxe3** Endgame. KRR-KRR **41...Re2 42.R1f2 Rb1+ 43.Kg2 Rbe1 44.Rxe2 Rxe2+** KR-KR **45.Kg1 Kg6 46.Rg3+ Kf5 47.h4 g6 48.Kh1 Ke4 49.Rxg6 Rxe3 50.Rxf6 Rh3+ 51.Kg2 Rxh4 52.Kg3 Rg4+ 53.Kh3 Rxf4 54.Rxf4+ Kxf4 55.Kh4 Kf5 56.Kxh5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

406 **C55**
☐ **Drvitman** **2784**
■ **tirakhtor** **2740**
Blitz 30.12.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N**

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

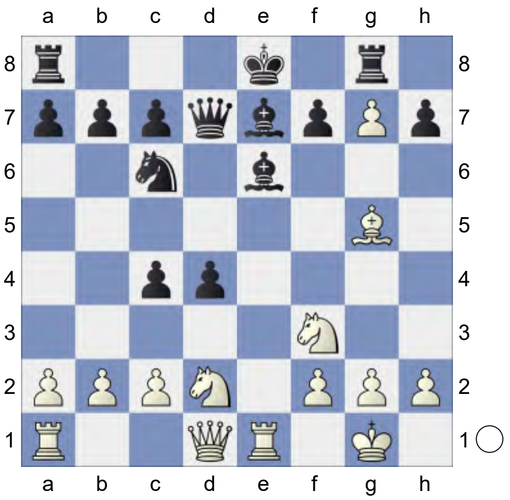
A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3*

0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

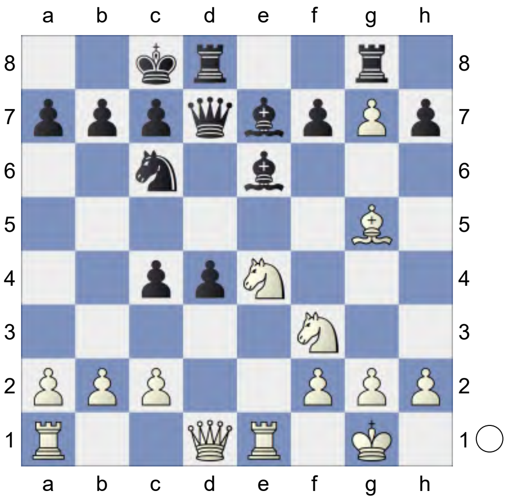
6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.Re1+ Be6 9.fxg7 Rg8 10.Bg5 Qd7 11.Nbd2 Be7

(Diagram)



12.Ne4! 0-0-0 1.18/20

[Black should try 12...Rxg7 0.73/18 13.Bxe7 Kxe7]



13.Nf6!± White is more active.

[Stronger than 13.Bf6 Bd5 14.Bxe7 *(14.Bxd4 f5∓)* 14...Qxe7∓]

13...Bxf6 14.Bxf6 And now Ne5! would win. **14...Bd5?** 3.36/23 **15.Bxd8 Qxd8 16.Nxd4 Bxg2?** 4.60/20

[16...Rxg7 2.77/20 17.g3 Rg8 18.Nxc6 Bxc6 19.Qxd8+ Rxd8]

17.Qg4++- Kb8 18.Kxg2 Nxd4 5.14/18

[18...Qxd4 3.46/17 was worth a try. 19.Qxd4 Nxd4]

19.Rad1 c5 20.Qf4+ Qc7 21.Qxc7+ Remove Defender **21...Kxc7**

Endgame KRR-KRN **22.Re7+ Kc6 23.Rxf7 Ne6 24.Kh1 Nxg7 25.Rg1 Rd8 26.Rgxg7 Rd2 27.Rc7+ Kb5 28.Rxb7+ Ka4 29.Rxa7+ Kb5 30.Rgb7+ Kc6 31.Rc7+ Kb6 32.Rab7+ Ka6 33.Rb8 Rxc2 34.Rxc5 h5 35.Rxh5** Threatening mate with Rh3. **35...Rxf2 36.Rh6+** 16.33/25

[⌓36.Rh3 #16/23 Ka7 37.Rb4 *(37.Kg1 Rxh2 38.Kxh2 Kxb8+-)* 37...c3 38.Rxc3 *(38.bxc3 Rf1+ 39.Kg2 Rf5+-; 38.Ra4+ Kb6+-)* 38...Rf6 39.Ra3+ Ra6 40.h4 *(40.Rxa6+ Kxa6 41.h4 Ka5 42.Rb3 Ka6 43.h5 Ka7 44.h6 Ka6 45.h7 Ka7 46.h8Q Ka6 47.Qa8#)* 40...Rxa3 41.bxa3]

36...Ka7 37.Rb4 Rc2 38.Rh3 White mates. **38...c3 39.Rxc3 Rxb2** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.80 **40.Ra3#**

1-0

407 **C50**
☐ **Huschenbeth,Niclas** **2609**
■ **Sadhwani,Raunak** **2650**
AUT-chT 2324 (1.1) 22.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo During the event, in public interviews, Magnus complained both of a lack of motivation, and later food poisoning, leading to him forcing a draw with the white pieces in the 2. classical game of this match, but for the deciding playoff both the joy and energy-level seemed to be there: Während des Turniers klagte Magnus in öffentlichen Interviews über mangelnde Motivation und später über eine Lebensmittelvergiftung, die dazu führte, dass er in der 2. klassischen Partie dieses Matches mit den weißen Figuren ein Remis erzwang, aber im entscheidenden Playoff schienen sowohl die Freude als auch die Energie vorhanden zu sein: **1.e4** Nielsen,Peter Heine IM Georgios Souleidis/The Big Greek **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 d6**

[RR 5...a5 6.Be3 Bxe3 *(RR 6...d6 7.Bxc5 dxc5 8.Bb5)* 7.fxe3 h6 8.Nc3 *(RR 8.0-0)* 8...d6 9.Qe2

A) RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.0-0-0 0-0 *(RR 11...Qe7 12.d4)* 12.Rdg1;

B) RR 9...Nb4 10.h3 c6 11.g4;

C) 9...Ne7 10.0-0-0]

[RR 5...d5 6.exd5 Nxd5 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nbd2 Bg4 *(RR 8...h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Ne4 Be7 11.Ng3 Bf8 12.a5)* 9.h3 Bh5 10.Re1

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Ne4 Bf8 12.Bg5 *(RR 12.g4)* 12...Be7 13.Bxe7 Rxe7 14.Ng3 Bg6 15.Nh4;

B) 10...Nb6 11.Ba2 Nxa4 12.c3 Nb6 13.b4 Bd6 14.Ne4]

6.0-0 a5

[RR 6...0-0 7.Be3 Bb6 8.Nbd2 h6 9.c3 Ng4 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.d4 Re8 12.Re1 Nf6 13.Bb5 *(RR 13.Qb3 Rf8 14.Bf1)* 13...Bd7 14.h3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Nxd7 16.Nf1 Ng6 17.Ng3 Nf6 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.c4]

[RR 6...a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 *(RR 7...0-0)* 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Nbd2 *(RR 9.h3)* 9...Ne7 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 12.Bb3]

[RR 6...h6 7.Be3

A) RR 7...0-0 8.Nbd2 *(RR 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.Nbd2)*

A1) RR 8...Re8 9.Bxc5 dxc5 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Nc4;

A2) RR 8...Be6 9.Bxc5 dxc5 (RR *9...Bxc4 10.Nxc4 dxc5 11.Ncxe5*) 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nc4;

A3) 8...a6 9.h3 Re8 10.Bxc5 dxc5 11.Re1;

B) 7...Bxe3 8.fxe3 RR 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Bxe6 (RR *10.Nbd2*) 10...fxe6 11.c3 d5 12.Nbd2 a5 13.Qb3

B1) RR 13...b6 14.Rae1 Qd6 15.exd5 Qxd5 (RR *15...exd5 16.Ne4 Qe6 17.Ng3*) 16.e4 (RR *16.Qc2 Rad8 17.d4*) 16...Qxb3 17.Nxb3 Rad8 18.Re3 Nh5 (RR *18...g5 19.Nbd2 Nd7 20.Nc4 Nc5*) 19.Nbd2 Nf4 20.Ne1 Rd7 21.Kh2 Rfd8 22.Rff3 h5

B1a) RR 23.h4 Ng6 24.Rg3 Nf4 (RR *24...Nxh4 25.Kh3*) 25.Nc4 Kh7 26.b4 axb4 27.cxb4 Nxb4 28.Nxe5 Rd4 (RR *28...Re7 29.Rg5 g6 30.Rf3*) 29.Ref3 Ne2 30.Rg5;

B1b) 23.g3 Ng6 24.Nc4 Nb8 25.h4 Na6 26.g4 hxg4 27.Rg3 Nc5 28.Rxg4;

B2) RR 13...dxe4 14.Nxe4 Nxe4 15.dxe4;

B3) 13...Qd6 14.exd5 Qxd5 (RR *14...exd5 15.Ne4 Qe6 16.Nxf6+ Rxf6 17.e4*) 15.d4 e4 16.Nh2]

7.Be3! now scores much better than the old 7.c3. punktet besser als das ältere 7. c3. **7...Bxe3**

[RR 7...0-0 8.Bxc5 dxc5 9.Bb5]

[RR 7...Ba7 8.Bxa7 Rxa7 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 (RR *10...Ra8 11.d4;* RR *10...Re8 11.Nc3*) 11.Bb5]

8.fxe3 0-0 9.Nbd2 Be6N

[9...Qe7 10.h3 Be6 11.Qe2 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Nb8 13.Qe1 b6 14.Qh4 Nbd7 15.g4 Nc5 16.b3 Rae8 17.Rf2 Nfd7 18.Qxe7 Rxe7 19.Raf1 g6 20.Nfd2 Nb8 (RR *20...Kg7 21.Nb1*) 21.Nb1 Nc6 22.Nc3 Nb4 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5 Topp (2699)-Moiseenko,A (2673) USSR Ch., (Game 48) 2004 (3) 1-0 1-0 Topp (2699)-Moiseenko,A (2673) USSR Ch., (Game 48) 2004 (3) Kg7 25.e4 Rh8 26.h4 h5 27.g5 Rf8 28.Na3 Ree8 29.Nb5 Rc8 30.Na7 Ra8 31.Nb5 Rac8 32.Rf6 Nd7 33.R1f3 Nxf6 34.Rxf6 Rfd8 35.Kf1 Kf8 36.Ke1 Ke7 37.Na7 c5 38.Nxc8+ Rxc8 39.Kd2 Sjugirov,S (2699)-Matlakov,M (2673) Budapest Hetenyi Memorial 2023 (3) 1-0 1-0 Sjugirov,S (2699)-Matlakov,M (2673) Budapest Hetenyi Memorial 2023 (3)]

[9...Ne7 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 (RR *11...h6 12.Qg3 Nh5 13.Qf3 Nf6*) 12.Bb3 Qd6 (RR *12...Be6 13.Qg3 Nd7;* RR *12...dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.dxe4;* RR *12...Ng6 13.Nxg6 hxg6 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Qh4;* RR *12...Be6 13.Qg3 Nd7*) 13.Qg3

A) RR 13...Be6 14.Rxf6;

B) RR 13...Ng6 14.Nf5 (RR *14.Nxg6 hxg6 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Nf3*);

C) RR 13...dxe4 14.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *14...Qd8 15.Rxf6*) 15.Nb6;

D) 13...Nh5 14.Qg5 g6 (RR *14...Nf6 15.h3 h6 16.Qg3 Nh5 17.Qf3 Nf6 18.Rf2;* RR *14...Nf6*) 15.Nf5 (RR *15.Nhf3;* RR *15.d4*) 15...Bxf5 16.exf5 Kg7 17.Kh1 Qf6 18.Qxf6+ Nxf6 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.e4 dxe4 21.dxe4 Rad8 22.Rf2

(RR 22.Rad1 b5) 22...Rd4 *(RR 22...Ng4 23.Re2)* 23.Raf1 Neg8 24.c3 Praggnanandhaa,R (2690)-Carlsen,M (2835) FIDE World Cup 2023 (8.3) 0-1 0-1 Praggnanandhaa, R (2690)-Carlsen,M (2835) FIDE World Cup 2023 (8.3)]

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 12.Bb3 Qd6 13.Qg3 Nh5 14.Qg5 g6 15.Nhf3 f6 16.Qh4 Italienische Partie-3.Lc4 Lc5 4.d3 Sf6 5.a4 [IM Georgios Souleidis/The Big Greek]]

[RR 9...Qe7 10.h3 Be6 11.Qe2 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Nb8 13.Qe1 b6 14.Qh4 Nbd7 15.g4 Nc5 16.b3 Rae8 17.Rf2 Nfd7 18.Qxe7 Rxe7 19.Raf1 g6 20.Nfd2 Nb8 21.Nb1 Nc6 22.Nc3 Nb4 23.Nd5 Nxd5 24.exd5]

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nh4 Ng6 11.Nxg6 hxg6 12.Nf3 c6 *(RR 12...Ng4 13.Qe1 Kh7 14.h3 Nh6 15.g4 g5 16.h4 f6 17.hxg5 fxg5 18.Nh2 Bd7)* 13.h3 d5 14.Bb3 Qe7 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Qe1 Bd7 17.Qh4 Rfe8 18.Ng5 Be6 19.Rxf6 Qxf6 20.Rf1 Qd8 21.Qh7+ Kf8 22.Qxg6 Qd7 23.e4 Ra6 24.Nh7+ Paravyan,D (2620)-Petrosyan,M (2631) Chess.com INT 2024 1-0 (37)]

[RR 9...Ne7 10.Nh4 c6 11.Qe1 d5 12.Bb3 Qd6 13.Qg3 Nh5 14.Qg5 g6 15.Nf5 Bxf5 16.exf5 Kg7 17.Kh1 Qf6 18.Qxf6+ Nxf6 19.fxg6 hxg6 20.e4 dxe4 21.dxe4 Rad8 22.Rf2 Rd4 23.Raf1 Neg8 24.c3 Praggnanandhaa,R (2690)-Carlsen,M (2835) Baku 2023 CBM 216 [Nielsen, Peter Heine] 0-1 (47)]

10.Qe2N

[Vorgänger: 10.h3 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Qe7 12.Rf2 b6 13.Nfd2 Nb8 14.Nb1 Nbd7 15.Nc3 c6 16.d4 -0.01/21 *(16.Qf3⩲ 0.37/21)* 16...d5= 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Nxd5 cxd5 19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Qxe5 21.Qd4 Aronian,L (2735)-Giri,A (2764) Tata Steel-A 85th 2023 (7) 1/2-1/2 ½-½ Aronian,L (2735)-Giri,A (2764) Tata Steel-A 85th 2023 (7)]

[RR 10.h3 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Qe7 12.Rf2 b6 13.Nfd2 Nb8 14.Nb1 Nbd7 15.Nc3 c6 16.Qf3⩲ 0.37/21]

10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nb8 12.Qe1 b6 13.Qh4 Nbd7 14.Rf2 g6 15.Raf1 Nh5 16.Qh3 f6 0.69/20

[16...Qe7= 0.27/19]

17.Qe6+⩲ Kh8 18.d4 Wards off Nd7-c5. White has more active pieces. **18...Ng7 19.Qd5 Qe7** 2.03/22

[19...Rc8⩲ 0.53/22]

20.Na3? 0.23/21

[20.dxe5!+- 2.03/22 Rae8 21.exd6 Qxe4 22.Qxe4 Rxe4 23.Nfd2]

20...Rac8= 21.Nb5 Ne6 0.91/20

[21...f5= 0.23/21]

22.Nd2 Nb8!= -0.01/20 remains equal. **23.Qb7 Nd7 24.Qd5** -0.01/20

[24.Nc4± 0.80/21]

24...Kg7 0.93/20

[24...Nb8!= -0.01/20 remains equal.]

25.Nb1 0.45/21

[25.b3± 0.93/20]

25...Nb8⩲ 26.N1c3 Qd7 White must now prevent ...c7-c6. **27.Qa2** Threatens to win with Nc3-d5. **27...Rf7 28.Nd5 Rcf8 29.c3** -0.44/21

[29.h4⩲ 0.57/19]

29...Nc6 0.40/20

[29...Qd8!⩱ -0.44/21 30.Nxb6 Ng5]

30.h3 -0.13/21

[30.Qc4⩲ 0.40/20]

30...h5 0.50/20

[30...Ne7= -0.13/21]

31.Qb3 -0.10/23

[White should play 31.Rd1⩲ 0.50/20]

31...Ne7= 32.Nxe7 -0.71/23

[32.Qc4= -0.08/21 Nc8 *(32...c6 33.Nxb6 cxb5 34.axb5±)* 33.dxe5 dxe5 34.Rd2]

32...Rxe7∓ 33.Qc2 c6 -0.01/23

[33...Ng5∓ -0.52/22 34.h4 Nh7]

34.Na3 Ng5 aiming for ...e5xd4. **35.h4 Nh7 36.Nc4** -0.66/22

[36.dxe5= 0.01/21 Rxe5 37.Nc4]

36...d5!∓ 37.Nd2 -1.14/21

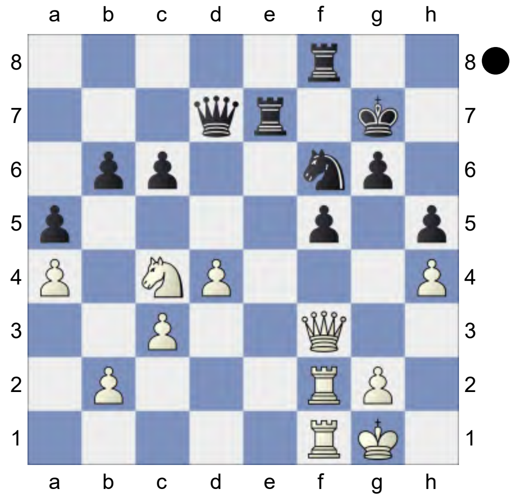
[37.Nxb6? too greedy. Qd8 38.Nxd5 *(38.Qb3? Rb7-+)* 38...cxd5 39.exd5 exd4-+ *(39...Qxd5? 40.e4-+)*]

[37.exd5∓ -0.59/22 cxd5 38.Na3 *(38.Nxb6? Qc6-+)*]

37...dxe4!∓ 38.Qxe4 f5! 39.Qf3 -1.58/23

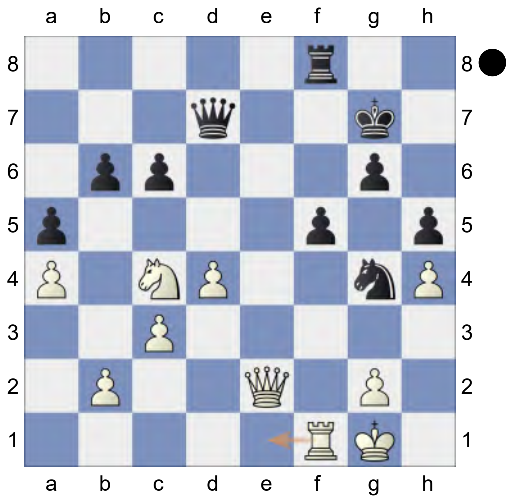
[39.Qc2∓ -0.65/20]

39...Nf6 40.Nc4 exd4 41.exd4



Ng4! Inhibits Nc4-e5. **42.Re2 Rxe2 43.Qxe2**

(Diagram)



Re8! 44.Ne5 Qe7 -0.76/25

[⌓44...Qd8 -1.52/25 45.g3 c5]

45.Qc4 Nxe5 -0.57/24

[Weaker is 45...Qxh4 46.Qf7+ Kh8 47.Nxg6#]

[45...c5∓ -0.99/25 ... Ng4-e3 would now be deadly. ...Ng4-e3 would now be deadly. 46.Re1 Qf6 *(46...Qxh4 47.Qf7+* Deflection, Double Attack *Kh8 48.Nxg6#; 46...cxd4 47.cxd4 Qe6 48.Qc7+ Re7 49.Qc3=)*]

46.dxe5∓ Qxe5 -0.17/24

[46...Qc7∓ -0.61/24 is superior. 47.e6 Qd6]

47.Qxc6∓ Endgame. KQR-KQR **47...Qe3+ 48.Kh2 Qe5+ 49.Kg1 Re6 50.Qb7+ Kh6** -0.03/25

[50...Kf6∓ -0.51/23 51.Qh7 Qd6]

51.Qf7 Re8 52.Rd1 Qe3+ White happily takes the draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) / Black=0. 24 (precise) White happily takes the draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)

½-½

408 **C54**
☐ **Fedorchuk,Sergey A** **2560**
■ **Milov,Vadim** **2576**
GER CupT Augsburg (4.4) 15.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.0-0 0-0N

[7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 *(8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6* 1-0 (50) 13.b3 ♗f8 14. ♗b2 (2133)-Martinez Catalan,F (2358) FRA-chT Top 16 GpA 2006 (6) *23.axb6 cxb6 24.a5 b5 25.c4 Qh5 26.cxb5 Rdg8 27.Rbb2 Bc5 28.d4 Bh3 29.dxc5 Bxg2 30.Rxg2 Qxf3 31.Qa2 dxc5 32.Rxg7 Rxg7+ 33.Rg2 Rg4 34.Rxg4 Qxg4+ 35.Qg2 Qd7 36.b6 Qe6 37.Nd2 Kd7* 1-0 (50) Quinn,R (2133)-Keller,P (2358) Dublin Irish New Year IM 2023 (6)*)* 8...0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 0-1 (40) Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11)]

8.h3 Be6 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Re1 White has an edge. **10...h6**

[10...Nh5 11.Ba2 Qf6 12.Nf1 Qg6]

11.b4 Ne7 is now debated instead of 11...Qd7. wird nun anstelle von 11...Dd7 disktutiert. **12.Qb3 Qd7 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Nf1 Ng6 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3** **Nh5N**

[16...Nf4 17.N3h2 -0.26/19 *(17.d4 0.15/19)* 17...Qf7 18.Qd1 Rad8 19.Qe1 g5 20.d4 Nd7 21.Rd1 Nb6 0.21/22 *(⌓21...Qg7 -0.30/19)* 22.dxe5 -0.16/22 *(22.a5 0.21/22* should be considered. *Nc4 23.Rg3)* 22...Nc4 1-0 (61) Karjakin,S (2752)-Naroditsky,D (2621) Speed Chess Invitational blitz 2020 (1.5)]

17.Rd1 Kh8 18.d4 exd4 19.cxd4 Qe7 20.e5 -0.12/19

[20.g3± 0.59/18]

20...Nhf4= 21.exd6 Qxd6 0.12/21

[21...cxd6∓ -0.54/20 22.Rde1 Qf7]

22.Ng3 -0.42/21

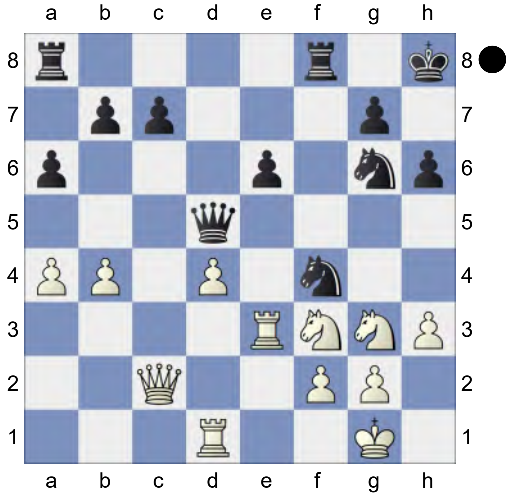
[22.Rde1= 0.12/21]

22...Qd5 0.25/19

[22...Nd5∓ -0.42/21 23.Re4 Ndf4]

23.Qc2? -2.81/23

[23.Rc1= 0.25/19]



23...Rf6? 0.59/20

[23...Nxg2!-+ -2.81/23 24.Ne5 N6h4 *(24...Nxe3 25.Nxg6+ Kg8 26.fxe3±)*]

24.Qe4 0.05/20

[24.Qxc7? Nxg2 *(24...Nxh3+ 25.Kf1∓)* 25.Kxg2 Rxf3-+ *(25...Nh4+? 26.Kh1-+)*]

[24.Ne4± 0.59/20 Rff8 25.Rd2 *(25.Qxc7 Nxg2* Remove Defender *26.Kxg2 Rxf3∓)*]

24...Raf8 25.Qxd5

[25.Rc1 Qa2 26.b5 Qxa4 27.Rxc7 Nd5 28.Rxb7 Nxe3 29.fxe3 axb5 30.Nh5]

25...exd5 26.Ne5 Nxe5

[26...Nh4 27.Nd7 Nfxg2 28.Rc3 Rf3]

27.dxe5 Rb6 28.Rd4 Ne6 29.Rxd5 Rxb4 30.a5 Rb1+ 31.Nf1 Rb2 -0.09/21

[Black should play 31...Rb5∓ -0.89/24 32.Red3 Kg8]

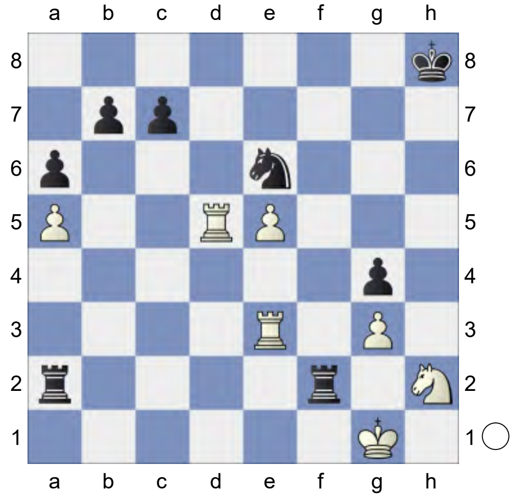
32.Nd2 Ra2 33.Nf3 -0.32/25

[33.g3= 0.07/22]

33...Rf7 0.23/26

[33...Ra1+∓ -0.32/25 34.Kh2 Ra2]

34.g3 g5 35.Kg2 h5 36.Kg1 g4 37.hxg4 hxg4 38.Nh2 Rfxf2



(-> ...Ng5) **39.Nxg4 Rfc2** (-> ...Rc1+) **40.Rf3 Ng5 41.Rf8+** -4.48/27

[41.Rd8+= -0.01/21 and White is okay. Kg7 42.Rd7+ Kg6 43.Rf6+ Kh5 44.Ne3]

41...Kg7-+ 42.Rf1 -6.48/23

[⌓42.Rfd8 -4.35/26 Kf7 43.e6+ Ke7 *(43...Nxe6?* perishes. *44.R5d7+ Kg6 45.Rg8+ Kf5 46.Ne3+ Kf6 47.Nxc2±; 43...Kxe6 44.Re5+ Kf7 45.Rf5+ Kg6 46.Rf6+ Kh5 47.Ne3∓)* 44.R5d7+ Kxe6 45.Rd1]

42...Nh3+? -0.25/5

[42...Rg2+-+ -6.48/23 43.Kh1 Ne4 *(43...Rxg3? 44.Rd7+ Kg6 45.Rf6+ Kh5 46.Nf2-+)* 44.Rd7+ Kg6]

43.Kh1= Kg6 Hoping for ...Kg5. The position is equal. **44.e6** Rf6+ would kill now. **44...Nf2+ 45.Nxf2 Rxf2 46.Rxf2 Rxf2** Endgame KR-KR **47.Rd7 Re2 48.Rxc7**

[48.e7 b6 49.Rxc7 bxa5 50.Ra7]

48...Rxe6

[48...Kf6 looks sharper. 49.e7 Kf7 50.Rxb7 Ra2]

49.Rxb7 Re2 50.Rb6+ Kg5 51.Rxa6 Ra2 52.Ra8 Kg4 53.Kg1 Kxg3 54.Kf1 Kf3 55.Ke1 Ke4 56.a6 Kd5 57.a7 aiming for Rd8+. **57...Kc6 58.Rc8+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.43/Black=0.33

58...Kb7

½-½

409 **C50**

☐ **Kozak,Adam** **2607**

■ **Safarli,Eltaj** **2614**

Bucharest Grand Prix op rapid (6)

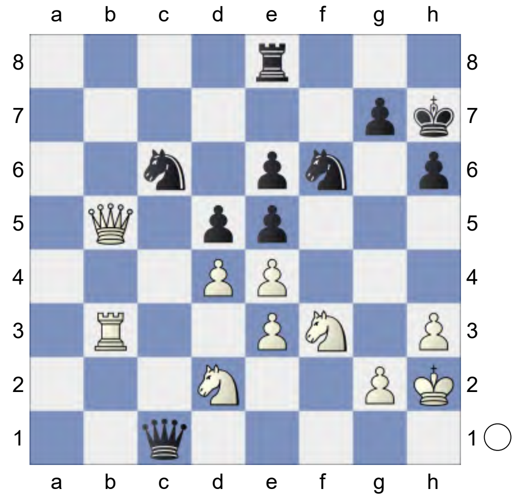
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.a4 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.a5 0-0 7.0-0 d6 8.h3** The position is equal. **8...a6 9.c3 Be6N**

[9...Ba7 10.Be3 Bd7 *(10...d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Nxe5 Qg5 15.Ng4 Nxa5 16.Ba2 h5 17.Ne3 Bxh3 18.Qf3 Be6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Nf1 Nb3 21.Ra3 Nc5 22.d4 Ncd3 23.Re4 Nxf2 24.Re5 Qg6 25.Qg3* Alekseenko,K (2686) -Lazavik,D (2544) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (2) 0-1*)* 11.Nbd2 Ne7 12.Re1 Ng6 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.exd5 Bb5 16.Bb3 Nxd5 17.Nc4 Qf6 18.Nce5 Rad8 19.Ng4 Qd6 20.Bxh6 gxh6 21.Bxd5 Nf4 22.Re5 Kh8 23.Qd2 Nxd5 24.Rxd5 Nevednichy,V (2548)-Georgiev,K (2623) 138/140 Thessaloniki 2018 1-0 Qg6 25.Nfe5 Qg7 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Nxf7+ 2 Chapter C50-Games Chapter C50 Game]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Ba7 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.fxe3 b6 14.axb6 cxb6 15.Nbd2 b5 16.d4 a5 17.Qb3 Re8 18.bxa5 Rxa5 19.Rxa5 Qxa5 20.Rb1 Kh7 21.Kh2 d5 22.Qxb5 Qxc3 23.Rb3 Qc1 1.66/25

[23...Qc2= 0.01/26 and Black is okay.]



24.Qd3+-

[24.dxe5 Nxe4 25.Rb1 Qc2=]

24...Kh8? 5.82/24

[24...Qd1 1.87/22 is tougher.]

25.Rb1

[Not 25.Nxe5 Nxe5 26.dxe5 Nd7=]

[25.dxe5 Nd7±]

25...dxe4 26.Nxe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.49

1-0

410 **C50**
☐ **Mamedov,Rauf** **2637**
■ **Kourkoulos Arditis,Stamatis** **2570**
Olympiad-45 Budapest (9.2) 20.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 Kitty Kat GM Luis Supi ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.Be3**

[RR 6.h3 d6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.a3 Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.b4 0-0 11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 (RR *12.c3*) 12...Nd4 (RR *12...Bd4*) 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana,F (2820) Paris 2021 CBM 203 Extra [GM Luis Supi] 1-0 (64)]

6...Bxe3

[RR 6...Bb6 7.h3 d6 8.Qd2 Be6 9.Bb5 Qe7 10.Ba4 Bxe3 (RR *10...Bd7 11.0-0-0 0-0-0 12.Rhe1 Ba5 13.d4 Nxe4 14.Qd3 Nxc3 15.bxc3 e4 16.Bd2 exd3 17.Rxe7 Nxe7 18.Bxd7+ Rxd7 19.cxd3*) 11.fxe3 Bd7 12.0-0-0 0-0 13.g4 g6 14.g5 hxg5 15.Nxg5 Nd8 16.Bb3 Ne6 17.h4 Kg7 18.Rdf1 c6 19.Rf3 Nxg5 20.hxg5 Nh5 21.Qg2 Gopal,K (1890)-Ayaan,C (1742) New Delhi 2025 ½-½ (63)]

[RR 6...Bb6 7.a4 d6 8.Nd5 (RR *8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Nd2 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Qf3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Qg5 14.Rae1 Nd4 15.exd4 Bxd4+ 16.Kh1 Qxd2 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Qxd5 Qxc2 19.Rxf7 Rxf7 20.Qxf7+ Kh8 21.Rf1 Qxa4 22.Bd5 Qe8*) 8...Be6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bb5 0-0 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.0-0 c5 13.b3 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.Kh2 d5 16.g4 Bg6 (RR *16...dxe4 17.Nxe5 Qe7*) 17.Nxe5 dxe4 18.Nxg6 fxg6 19.dxe4 Nxe4 20.Qxd8 Raxd8 21.a5 Mamedov,R (2651)-Nakamura,H (2788) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 14 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (32) RR Ra8]

7.fxe3 d6

[7...Qe7 8.0-0 d6 9.Nh4 Na5 10.Bb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 c6 12.Qe1 Be6 13.h3 a6 14.d4 0-0 15.Rd1 Rad8 16.d5 cxd5 17.Nxd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Bd7 19.e4 Rc8 20.c3 Qd8 21.Qf2 Qc7 22.Kh2 Bryson,D (2365)-Arakhamia Grant,K (2430) SCO-ch Edinburgh 1999 (2) 1-0]

8.a3N 8.a4 is a critical line. 8.a4 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.8.a4 is a critical line. 8.a4 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

[8.0-0 0-0 (*8...Be6 9.Nd5 Bxd5 10.exd5 Ne7 11.e4 0-0 12.Qe1 Qd7 13.h3 Ng6 14.d4 Rae8 15.Bd3 Re7 16.Qb4 c6 17.Rad1 Qc7 18.dxe5 Nxe5 19.Nxe5 Rxe5 20.Qd4 c5 21.Qc4 Rfe8 22.Rde1 Qe7 23.Rf2* Albayrak,M (1362)-Golke,P (1374) GER-ch U25-B 2023 (8) 0-1) 9.Qe1 Be6 10.Bb3 Bxb3 11.axb3 a6 12.Qg3 Qd7 13.Nh4 Rad8 14.Rxf6 Ne7 15.Rxh6 c6 16.Rf1 g6 17.Nf5 Qe6 18.Qh4 Nxf5 19.exf5 Qe8 20.Rh8+ Kg7 21.f6# Kiarner,H-4.f4 Nf6 5.Bd3 0-0_44103 British Chess Association tourney sf 1875 (2.1) 1-0]

[8.Nd5 Nxd5 9.Bxd5 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rf2 Be6 Chess Informant Eco-N,N Chess Informant ECO C5 2006]

[RR 8.Qe2 0-0 9.Rg1 Na5 10.0-0-0 Re8 11.h3 c6 12.g4 b5 13.Bb3 Nxb3+ 14.axb3 a5 15.g5 hxg5 16.Nxg5 a4 17.bxa4 bxa4 18.Qg2 g6 19.Rdf1 Be6 20.Qf2 Kg7 21.Qh4 Qe7 22.Rg2 Rh8 Tonndorf,M (1930)-Schulte Wuelwer,T (1610) Frenswegen 2001 EXT 2003 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (40)]

[RR 8.d4 Bg4 9.Qd2 Qe7 10.0-0-0 a6 (RR *10...Qd7 11.h3 Bxf3 12.gxf3 a6 13.f4 0-0-0*) 11.h3 Bh5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nb8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qc3 Nd7 17.Rh2 Qd6 18.Nh4 Be4 19.Nf5 Bxf5 20.gxf5 0-0-0 21.Rg2 g5 22.e4 Nf6 Miller,R (1935)-Vidyarthi,O (2183) Santo Domingo 2024 0-1 (53)]

8...0-0 9.Qe2 Be6 0.89/20

[9...a6= 0.09/20]

10.0-0-0N 0.51/19

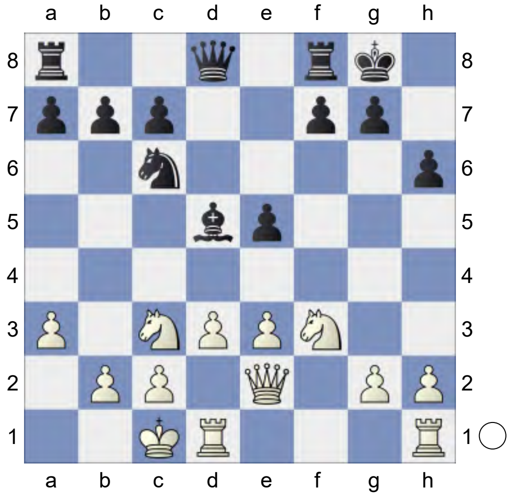
[Vorgänger: 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Rg1 0.22/21 (*11.0-0-0⩲ 0.68/20*) 11...Nh7 0.79/21 (*11...d5= 0.22/21* keeps the balance. keeps the balance.) 12.0-0-0± Ng5 13.Nd2 Nh7 14.g4 d5 1.49/21 (*14...Qe7⩲ 0.47/22*) 15.exd5!± exd5 16.Qg2 Piroska,I (2137) -Dankhazi,A (2329) HUN-chT2 Charousek 1718 2017 (3.5) 1-0]

[10.Rg1± 0.89/20]

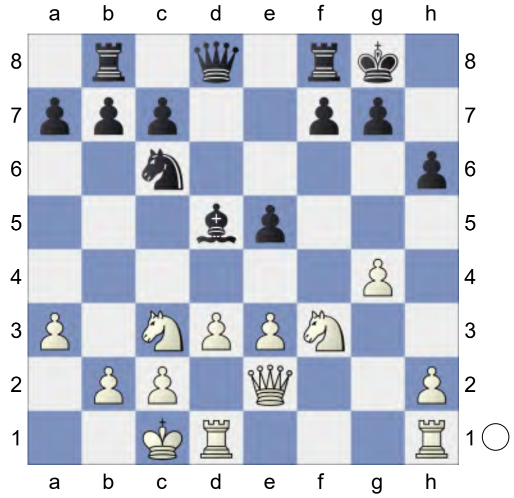
10...d5 1.49/22

[Better is Better is 10...Rb8⩲ 0.51/19]

11.exd5± Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Bxd5



13.g4! Rb8



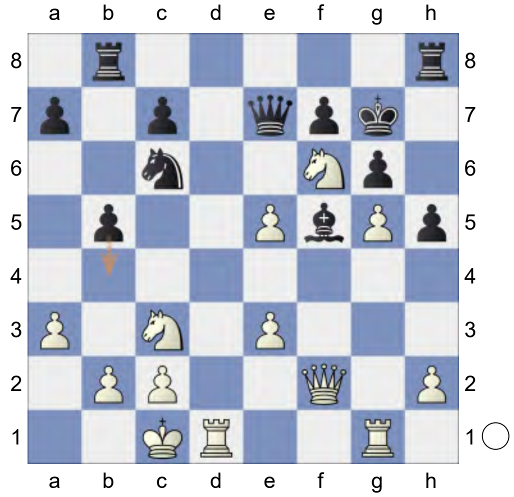
14.g5! Hoping for g5xh6. Hoping for g5xh6. **14...h5**

[14...Bxf3 15.Qxf3]

15.Rhg1 g6 16.Nd2 Kg7 17.Qf2 Be6 18.Nde4 Bf5 2.35/20

[18...Bg4± 1.03/21 is a better defense. is a better defense.]

19.Nf6+- Nf6xh5+! is the strong threat. Excellent horsemanship. Nf6xh5+! is the strong threat. Excellent horsemanship. **19...Rh8 20.d4 b5 21.dxe5 Qe7**



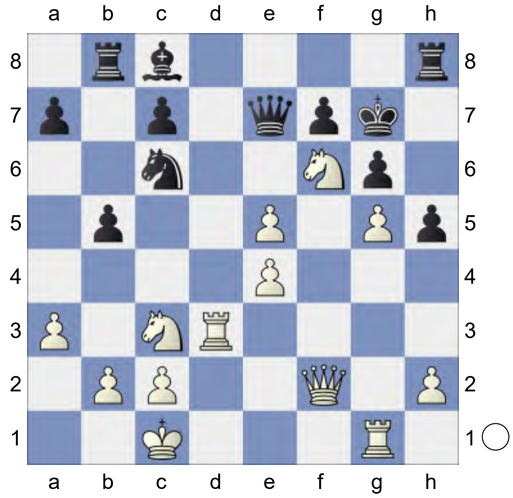
22.e4!↑ Keeping Black busy. Keeping Black busy. **22...Bh3** 3.62/20

[22...Bg4 1.88/21]

23.Rd3

[23.Ncd5 Qxe5 24.Nf4 Be6 25.Nxe6+ Qxe6+-]

23...Bc8



24.Nd7 Clearance Clearance **24...Bxd7**

[24...Rb7 25.Qf6+]

25.Qf6+ Kg8 26.Qxe7 Remove Defender Remove Defender **26...Nxe7 27.Rxd7 Nc6 28.e6**

[28.Rxc7 Nxe5 29.Rf1 *(29.Rxa7 Kg7+-)* 29...Kg7 30.Rxa7 Rhf8+-]

28...fxe6 29.Rxc7 Ne5 30.Re7

[30.Rxa7 h4 31.Rd1 Rh5±]

30...Nf3 31.Rg2 Rb6 5.51/24

[⌓31...Rh7 3.70/21 32.Rxe6 Kg7]

32.Rf2 Nxg5 33.h4 Nh7 8.17/26

[⌓33...Nh3 5.10/21]

34.Rff7 g5 35.Rg7+ 5.48/5 Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.71 Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.71

[⌓35.e5 #10/20 g4 36.Rg7+ *(36.Rxa7 g3+-)* 36...Kf8 37.Ref7+ *(37.Rxh7 Rxh7 38.Rxh7 g3+-)* 37...Ke8 38.Rxa7 *(38.Rxh7 Rxh7 39.Rxh7 b4+-)* 38...Kf8 39.Rgc7 *(39.Rxh7 Rxh7 40.Rxh7 b4+-)*

39...Rb8 40.Nxb5 Back Rank Back Rank (*40.Rxh7 Rxh7 41.Rxh7 Rb6+-*)]

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411 **C54**

☐ **Lodici,Lorenzo** **2556**

■ **Leko,Peter** **2666**

Olympiad-45 Budapest (4.2) 14.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 **7.c3!** now scores much better than the old 7. h3. punktet besser als das ältere 7.h3. **7...a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.0-0 g5** The position is equal. **10.Bg3 0-0 11.Re1N** 11.Bb3 is vanishing. 11.Lb3 scheint zu verschwinden.

[11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 (*15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9.♗e3 00 10. ♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976) 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 (33) Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.fxe5 Rhf8 31.d4 dxe5 32.d5 Nb8 33.Kg1 Nd7 Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/ (107) 2020]

11...Nh7 12.h3 h5 13.d4 Qf6 **14.Be2!?N** -0.23/19 An interesting novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Bb5 g4 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Nc4 Rd8 20.Qa4 ½-½ (38) Erigaisi,A (2701)-So,W (2766) Airthings Masters Div 1 L rapid 2023 (3.2)]

[14.dxe5 0.26/21 feels stronger. dxe5 15.Bd5]

14...Qg7 15.dxe5 dxe5

[15...h4!? 16.Bh2□ dxe5⩲]

16.Nc4 Nf6 0.22/22

[Black should play 16...Re8!⩱ -0.38/19]

17.Nfd2 -1.03/21

[17.Bxe5 Nxe5 18.Ncxe5 Nxe4-+]

[17.Nfxe5 Nxe4 18.Qd3 h4 19.Bxh4 (*19.Qxe4 hxg3 20.Nd3 Rd8∓*) 19...Nc5-+ (*19...Nxe5? 20.Qxe4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4∓*)]

[17.Ncxe5= 0.22/22 remains equal. Nxe4 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Nd4 Nxg3 20.fxg3]

17...g4? 0.55/19

[17...Rd8!⩱ -1.03/21 ...Nxe4 is the strong threat. 18.Qc1 (*18.Bxe5? Nxe5 19.Nxe5 g4-+* Decoy; *18.Bxh5? Be6∓; 18.Nxe5 h4∓*) 18...Be6]

18.h4⩲ Re8 0.95/20

[18...Be6⩲ 0.37/20]

19.Qc2 Qg6 20.Bd3 0.59/21

[20.Na3!± 0.99/20]

20...Be6 21.Ne3

[21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Bxe5 g3⩱]

21...Bxe3 22.Rxe3 Nd7 23.f3 0.21/20

[23.Rd1⩲ 0.60/20]

23...gxf3= 24.Rxf3 Nf6 0.80/24

[24...Bg4⩲ 0.36/21 25.Re3 Ne7]

25.Nc4 Ng4 26.Raf1 Rad8 1.29/23

[⌓26...f6 0.71/22]

27.Qe2 0.63/21

[27.Ne3!± 1.29/23]

27...Qh6 1.26/22

[27...f6⩲ 0.63/21]

28.Be1± Qg7 1.60/22

[⌓28...Rf8 1.02/21]

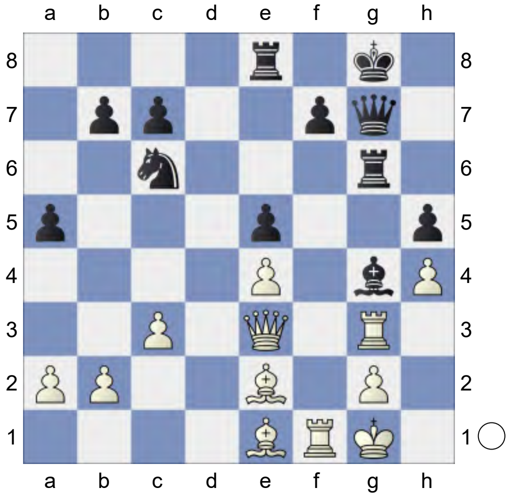
29.Ne3 Nxe3 2.87/25

[29...Kh8 1.75/22 30.Bc2 f6]

30.Qxe3+-

[30.Rxe3 Bg4 31.Qf2 Rd6±]

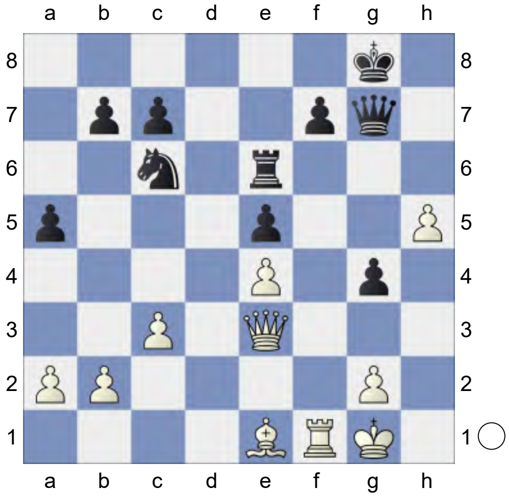
30...Rd6 31.Rg3 Pin **31...Bg4 32.Be2 Rg6**



33.Bxg4 Rxg4 34.Rxg4

[34.Rf5 f6 35.Qf3 (*35.Rxh5 Rxg3 36.Bxg3 Nd8+-*) 35...Rxg3 36.Bxg3 Rf8±]

34...hxg4 35.h5 Re6



36.Bh4 1.36/24

[36.Rf5!+- 2.31/24 f6 37.Bh4]

36...f6 3.38/21

[36...Qh6± 1.36/24 37.Qg5+ Qxg5 38.Bxg5 Rd6]

37.Qe2 Rd6 38.Kh2 1.46/22

[38.Qf2+- 3.26/23 Kf7 39.Qf5]

38...Nd8 2.76/21

[38...Kh7± 1.46/22 39.Kg3 (*39.Qf2 Ne7±*) 39...Ne7 40.Qxg4 Ng8]

39.Kg3 Nf7 40.Qxg4 Nh6 41.Qxg7+ Kxg7 Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **42.Kf3 a4 43.Rf2 c5** 1.86/25

[43...Ng8± 1.47/23 44.Ke2 Rc6]

44.g4 Nf7 2.58/24

[44...c4± 1.47/22 was worth a try.]

45.c4 Nh6 46.g5 fxg5 47.Bxg5 Rd3+ 48.Ke2 Rh3 49.Bf6+ Kh7? 8.81/24

[49...Kg8 2.32/24 50.Rg2+ (*50.Bxe5 Rxh5 51.Bd6 Nf7±*) 50...Kf7]

50.Bxe5? 2.66/24

[50.Rg2 8.81/24]

50...Rxh5 51.Bd6 1.15/24

[51.Bc3+- 2.49/22 and White stays clearly on top. Black must now prevent Rg2. Rh4 52.e5]

51...Kg6± 52.Rf8 0.57/22

[White should try 52.Rg2+± 1.26/23 Kf7 53.Bc7]

52...Nf7± 53.Bf4 Rh4 54.Kf3 White now steadily converts the win. **54...Rh3+** 1.20/23

[54...Rh1⩲ 0.60/24]

55.Kg4± White is more active. **55...Rd3** 4.61/25

[55...Rh1± 1.00/25 is a better chance.]

56.Rg8++- Kf6 57.Re8 Rd4 58.e5+ Kg6? 7.51/24

[58...Nxe5+ 3.87/27 59.Rxe5 Rxc4]

59.Re6+ White is clearly winning. **59...Kg7 60.Kf5 Kf8 61.Rf6 Ke8 62.e6 Nd6+ 63.Bxd6 Rxd6** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **64.Rh6 Rd4 65.Rh8+ Ke7 66.Rh7+ Ke8 67.b3 a3 68.Rxb7 Rd2 69.Kf6** White wants to mate with Rb8+.

[Stronger than 69.Rb8+ Ke7=]
69...Rf2+ 70.Ke5 Rxa2 71.Kd6 Rd2+ 72.Kxc5 a2
Weighted Error Value: White=0.32/ Black=0.51
73.Ra7
1-0

412 **C51**
□ **Zhigalko,Sergei** **2572**
■ **Le,Tuan Minh** **2598**
Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early b..
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 now supersedes 7.Nxe5.löst 7.Sxe5 inzwischen ab. **7...d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Qe8N** 0.49/22 An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[11...Bd6 12.Nf3 Nc6 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Bg4 Hoping for ...Bxf3. 15.Nbd2 Re8 0.53/19 *(15...Bf4=* 0.12/21 is superior.*)* 16.Rfe1 0.06/20 *(16.Nd4±* 0.53/19 *)* 16...g5 0.47/21 *(16...a6=* 0.06/20 *)* 17.Bg3± Threatens to win with e5. Bxg3 18.hxg3 ½-½ (67) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Vachier Lagrave,M (2732) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th Apr Early blitz 2024 (4)]

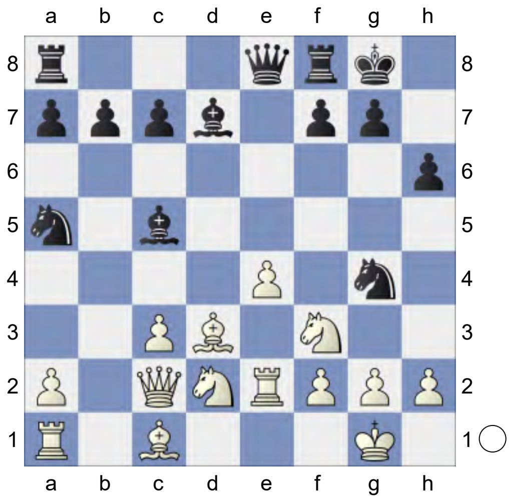
[11...c5= -0.10/24 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.f4 Be6 14.Ndf3 c4 15.Be2 Ng4 16.Nxg4 Bxg4 17.Be3 Bc5 18.Nd4 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Chapter Part6 Quick Repertoir (2225)-Johnson,D (2201) Italy-France team m 1992]

[11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 1-0 (60) Ganguly,S (2571)-Bharath,S (2488) La Plagne Soleil op 2023 (9) fxg6 27.Nd5 b5 28.Nxd4 bxc4 29.Nxc7 Rac8 30.Ncb5 Rd5 31.Nxa7 Rcd8 32.Ndc6 c3 33.Nb4 Rd1 34.e6 Rxf1+ 35.Kxf1 Rd1+ 36.Ke2 Rd6 37.e7 Re6+ 38.Kd3 Rxe7 39.Nb5 Re1 40.Nc2 Rf1 41.Ke2 ½-½ (60) Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

[11...Nd7 12.Nxd7 Qxd7 13.Bf4 Rd8 14.Be2 b6 15.Rd1 Qc6 16.Rxd8+ Bxd8 17.Bf3 Be6 18.Nd2 Be7 19.e5 Bd5 20.Rd1 Rd8 21.Ne4 h6 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.Ng3 Qe6 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.h3 Nc6 26.Nf5 0-1 (36) Vasilyev,A (2417)-7.g3 ♗g7 8. ♗g2 00 9.00 ♘ (2609) Nova Gorica HIT op 27th 2023 (7)]

12.Nd2 h6 13.Re1 Bc5 14.Nef3 Threatening e5. **14...Ng4 15.Re2 Bd7** 1.59/22

[15...f6= 0.21/21 remains equal.]



16.Nb3? 0.01/21

[16.e5!± 1.59/22]

16...Nxb3= 17.axb3 Ne5 18.Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Be3 -0.51/23

[19.Kh1= 0.19/21]

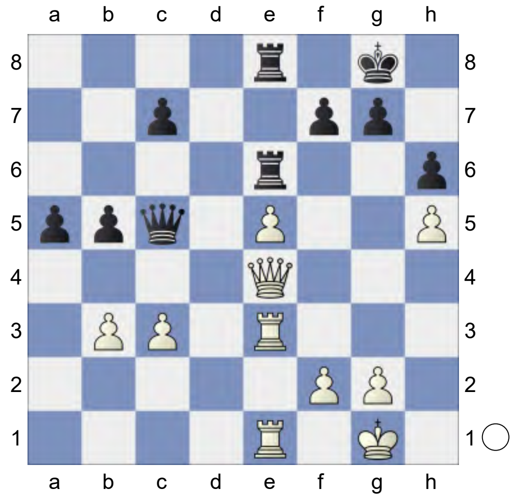
19...a5 20.Bxc5 Qxc5 21.e5 Rfe8 22.Rae1! Rad8 0.28/22

[Black should play 22...b5 -0.26/20]

23.Bh7+ -0.15/23

[⌓23.Re3 0.28/22]

23...Kf8 24.Bf5 Bxf5 25.Qxf5 Kg8 Against Qh7+ **26.Re3 b5 27.Qg4 Re6 28.h4 Rg6 29.Qe4 Re8 30.h5 Rge6**



31.Qd4 Qc6 32.f4 -0.38/22

[32.Rg3= -0.01/23]

32...f5 0.94/22

[32...f6∓ -0.38/22 stays ahead.]

33.Qd3 0.55/24

[33.c4± 0.94/22]

33...Rf8⩲ 34.Rd1

[34.Rg3 is more complex. a4 35.bxa4 bxa4 36.Ra1]

34...a4 35.c4 b4 36.bxa4 Qxa4 37.Qd5 Qe8 38.c5 0.01/21

[Better is 38.Rg3⩲ 0.52/23 Qc6 39.Rb1]

38...Kh7!= 39.Rh3 Ra6 40.Rb1 Ra3 41.Rh4 -6.38/24

[41.Rbb3= -0.18/25]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.22 (precise)

41...Qe7

0-1

413 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3052**

■ **admete_bot** **2403**

Rapid 19.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Bd6**

[11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½ Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

[11...c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024]

12.Nf3

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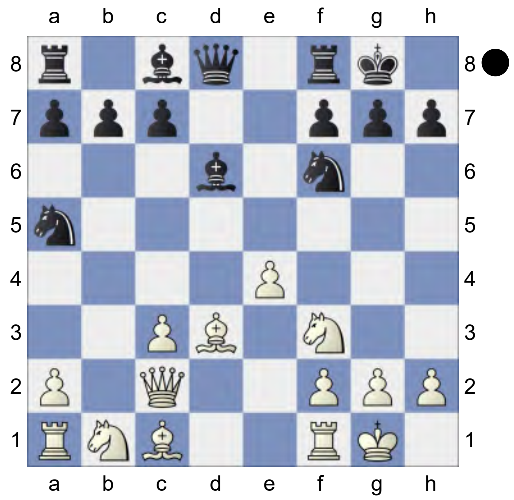
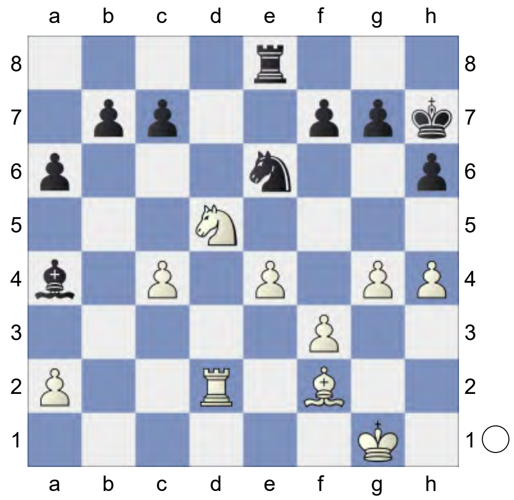


Re8N

[12...Bg4 13.e5 (*13.Nbd2 Re8 14.h3 Bh5 15.Re1 Nd7* Italian,S-Evans Gambit,4) 13...Bxf3 14.exf6 Qxf6 15.gxf3 Qh4 16.f4 Qg4+ 17.Kh1 Qf3+ Italian,S-Evans Gambit, 4]

13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Nc6 15.Nbd2 Bf4 16.Bb5 Bd7 17.Rad1 a6 18.Bxc6 Bxc6 19.Rfe1 Bxd2 20.Nxd2 and Nf1 would now be decisive **20...Qd6 21.f3! Qf4 22.Bf2 Rad8 23.Nf1 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Nd7 25.c4 Qg5 26.h4 Qa5 27.Ne3 Ba4 28.Qd2 Qxd2 29.Rxd2 Nc5 30.g4 Ne6 31.Nd5 Kh7** 1.11/25

[31...Rd8⩲ 0.60/25]



32.Be3!± White is more active. Loses the game. **32...a5?** 2.53/27

[32...f6± 0.90/24]

33.g5+- h5 3.63/24

[33...hxg5 2.16/24 34.hxg5 b6]

34.Kf2 Bc6 35.f4 Nf8 36.Kf3

[36.Nxc7 Rxe4 37.Nb5 Ng6= (*37...Rxc4 38.Nd6=*)]

36...a4 4.79/21

[⌓36...Nd7 3.33/25 37.Rd4 (*37.Nxc7 Rxe4 38.Ke2 Nb6∓*) 37...f6 38.Nxc7 Rxe4 39.Rxe4 f5 Pin]

37.Bd4

[37.Nxc7? Rxe4 (*37...Bxe4+ 38.Kf2=*) 38.Ke2 Ng6-+ (*38...Rxc4? 39.Rd8-+*)]

37...b6 38.f5

[38.Nxc7 Rxe4 39.Nd5 (*39.Bxb6? Ng6-+*) 39...Re1=]

38...Bb7 5.79/21

[38...Nd7 4.06/21 was worth a try. 39.Re2 (*39.Nxc7?* loses. *Rxe4 40.Kg3 Rg4+ 41.Kh3 Be4-+*) 39...g6 40.Nxc7 Rc8]

39.Kf4

[39.Nxc7 Rxe4 40.Kf2 Rxh4 41.Bxb6 (*41.Nd5? Bxd5 42.cxd5 Rf4+ 43.Ke2 Rxf5-+*) 41...Rf4+ (*41...Rxc4 42.Rd8∓*) 42.Ke1 Rxf5-+ (*42...Rxc4 43.Rd8∓*)]

39...Nd7 6.20/22

[⌓39...c6 3.97/20 40.Nxb6 Ba6]

40.e5

[40.Nxc7 Rxe4+ 41.Kg3 Rg4+ 42.Kf2 (*42.Kh3? Be4-+*) 42...Be4 (*42...Rxh4? 43.Ne8-+*) 43.g6+ fxg6 44.fxg6+ Bxg6∓ (*44...Kxg6 45.Ne8∓*)]

40...c5 41.Bc3 Bc6 42.Nc7 Re7 43.e6 Nf8 44.Rd8 fxe6 45.Rxf8 Intending g6+ and mate. **45...exf5 46.Nd5 Bxd5 47.cxd5** KRB-KR **47...Kg6 48.Be5**

14.65/29

[⌓48.Rg8 #19/28 Re4+ 49.Kf3 Kf7 50.Rxg7+ Ke8 51.d6 Re6 52.d7+ Kd8 53.Bf6+ Rxf6 54.gxf6]

48...b5 49.d6 Rd7 50.Rc8 Kf7 51.Kxf5 g6+ 52.Ke4 Ke6 53.Rf8 Rh7 54.Rf6+ Kd7 55.Kd5 White mates. **55...Ke8 56.Rxg6 Kd7 57.Rg8 Re7 58.dxe7 Kxe7 59.Rg7+ Kd8 60.Rc7 b4 61.g6 Ke8 62.g7 a3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) / Black=0.78 **63.g8Q#**

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414 **C54**

☐ **AKS-Mantissa** **2869**

■ **OlympusCz** **2429**

Rapid 27.02.2025

[Kitty Kat,TA]

Blitz 8min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.a4 a5 9.b5 Ne7 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.Bb3 Bg4 12.h3 Bh5 13.Kh2 Rc8 0.44/18

[13...Kh8= -0.01/18]

14.g4⩲ Nxg4+ 15.hxg4 Bxg4 16.Rg1 h5 17.Qf1! Nf4 18.Rg3 c6! 19.bxc6 bxc6 20.Ba3 Rb8 21.d4 0.01/20

[21.Re1⩲ 0.45/20 is superior.]

21...Re8= 22.Re1 d5! 23.exd5

[23.Nxe5? Rxe5 24.Ree3 dxe4 25.Nxe4 Rd5-+]

23...e4! 24.Nxe4

[24.Rxe4 Rxe4 25.dxc6 *(25.Nxe4 Bxf3* Remove Defender *26.Rxf3 Qh4+ 27.Kg1 Qg4+ 28.Rg3 Ne2+=* Pin, Discovered Attack, Double Attack *)* 25...Re8-+ *(25...Re2? 26.Bc4-+)*]

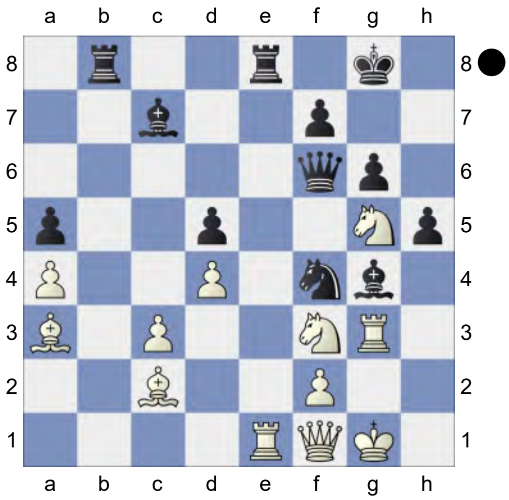
24...cxd5 25.Neg5 Bc7 26.Bc2 g6! The board is on fire. **27.Kh1** -0.62/26

[27.Rxe8+= 0.01/22 Qxe8 28.Ne5]

27...Qf6⩱ 28.Kg1? -2.43/25

[28.Bc1⩱ -0.86/24 was worth a try.]

(Diagram)



28...Bxf3!-+ 29.Nxf3 And now Ne5! would win. **29...h4** White does not recover from this. **30.Rxe8+** -3.05/23

[30.Rg4∓ -1.31/28 was the only chance. Ne2+ Decoy 31.Rxe2 Qxf3 32.Rxe8+ *(32.Rxh4? too greedy. Qxe2 33.Qc1 Qf3-+)* 32...Rxe8 33.Rxh4]

30...Rxe8 31.Rh3 Re2 32.Bb3 Nxh3+ 33.Qxh3 Bg3! 34.Qc8+? -7.58/24

[34.Bxd5 -3.23/27 Rxf2 *(34...Bxf2+ 35.Kf1±)* 35.Qg4]

34...Kh7 35.Bxd5 Rxf2

[And not 35...Bxf2+ 36.Kf1 Rc2 37.Bxf7 Bxd4 38.Qg8+ Kh6 39.Bd5 Rxc3 *(39...Bxc3 40.Bf8+ Kh5 41.Qh7+ Kg4 42.Qd7+ Qf5 43.Qxf5+ gxf5 44.Bd6=; 39...Rf2+ 40.Ke1=)* 40.Bf8+ Kh5 41.Qh7+ Kg4 42.Qd7+ Kh5 43.Qh7+ Kg4 44.Qd7+ Kh5 45.Kg2 Qxf8 46.Qh7+ Qh6 47.Qe7= *(47.Qxh6+? Kxh6 48.Nxh4 Be5-+)*]

36.Qg4 Qa6 37.c4 Qb6 (-> ...Qb1+) **38.Ng5+ Kg7 39.Qd1** Against Qb1 **39...Qf6 40.Bf8+ Kg8 41.Bh6 Rb2 42.Nh3** Wards off Qf2+ **42...Qf5 43.Bg2 Rb1**

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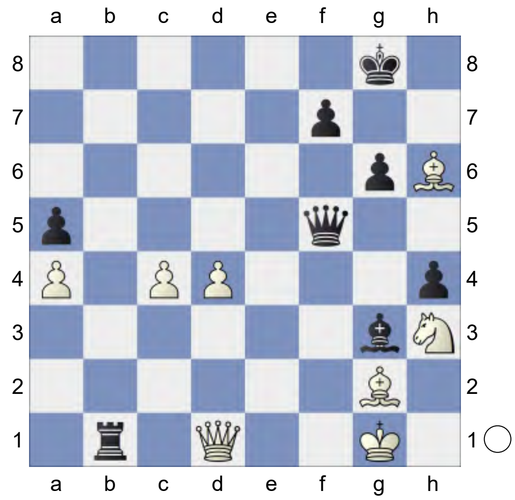


Pin **44.Bc1 Ra1 45.c5 Qb1 46.Bd5 Qxc1 47.Qxc1 Rxc1+** Endgame KRB-KBN **48.Kg2 Kg7 49.Ng1 Bb8 50.Nf3 Rc2+ 51.Kh3 f5 52.Bb3 Rf2 53.Bd5 Bf4** (-> ...g5) **54.Kxh4 Kf6** White must now prevent ...Re2. **55.Bc6 Rg2** (-> ...g5+) **56.Kh3 Rg3+ 57.Kh4 g5+ 58.Nxg5 Rxg5 59.Kh3 Be3 60.d5 Bxc5 61.Bb7 Bd6 62.Ba6 Rg3+ 63.Kh2 Kg5 64.Be2 Kf4 65.Kh1 Ke3** (-> ...Kf2!) **66.Ba6 Kf2** Black mates. **67.Kh2 Rg1+ 68.Kh3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/Black=0.02 (flawless)

68...Rh1#

0-1

415 **C54**

☐ **Giri,Anish** **2760**

■ **Le,Tuan Minh** **2559**

Julius Baer Rapid Div 3 W (3.2) 31.08.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 d6 5.c3 Nf6 6.d3N

[6.d4 Bb6 7.a4 *(7.h3 h6 8.Re1 0-0 9.a4 a5 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Na3*

Re8 12.d5 Ne7 13.Bxd7 Qxd7 14.Nc4 Bc5 15.Qd3 Ng6 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 b6 18.Rf1 Nf8 19.Nh4 Kh7 20.Nf5 Ng8 21.Rf2 g6 1-0 (46) Mihajlov,S (2373)-Sanchez Alvares,K (2243) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Late blitz 2023 (7)*; 7.dxe5 Nxe5 8.Nxe5 dxe5 9.Qf3 0-0 10.h3 h6 11.Re1 Nh7 12.a4 Be6 13.Nd2 Qh4 14.Kf1 Rad8 15.b3 Rd6 16.a5 Bxc4+ 17.bxc4 Bc5 18.Qg3 Qxg3 19.fxg3 Ng5 20.Ke2 Rfd8 21.h4 Ne6* Gelashvili,T (2565)-Shalamberidze,A (2406) 123/(111) Georgia 2014*)* 7...a6 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.a5 Ba7 12.Nd2 Ke7 13.b3 Be6 *(13...Bc5 14.b4 Bd6 15.Re1 Rd8 16.Bf1 Kf8 17.Nc4 Ne8 18.f4 exf4 19.Nxd6 Nxd6 20.Bxf4 Be6 21.Rad1 Rd7 22.c4 Rad8 23.c5 Nb5 24.Rxd7 Bxd7 25.Rd1 Ke8 26.Bc4 Be6 27.Rxd8+ Kxd8 28.Bxb5* ½-½ (32) Saric,I (2666)-Aronian,L (2797) 123/111 Wijk aan Zee 2015*)* 14.Ba3+ Kd7 15.Rfd1 Bxc4 16.Nxc4+ Ke6 Jonkman,H URS-ch Soviet Union 1983]

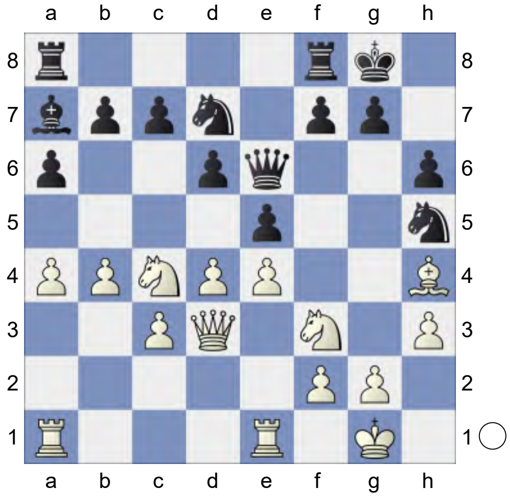
[6.a4 a6 7.d3 Ba7 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Qb3 Qc8 12.Rac1 Rb8 13.Kh1 Ng4 14.Kg1 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 Qe8 17.Qd1 Nf6 18.b4 Qg6 19.b5 axb5 20.axb5 Nd8 1-0 (36) Krebs,J (1641)-Fritsch Gruendel,T (1480) corr Einzelpartien freechess 2015]

6...a6 7.Bg5 h6 7...Ba7 is more fashionable.7...La7 ist modischer. **8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2** White has an edge. **9...Qe7 10.b4 Be6 11.a4 Nb8!?N** An interesting novelty.Eine interessante Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 11...0-0 12.Re1 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qe6 14.b5 Ne7 15.Rb1 Nd7 16.Bxe7 Qxe7 17.d4 Qe6 ½-½ Caruana,F (2782)-Praggnanandhaa,R (2690) FIDE World Cup 2023 (7.1)]

12.d4 Nbd7 13.Re1 0-0 14.h3 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 Qe6 16.Qd3 Nh5 0.82/18

[16...Rfe8± 0.41/19]



17.Ne3!± Nf4 18.Qc2 Rfe8 1.07/19

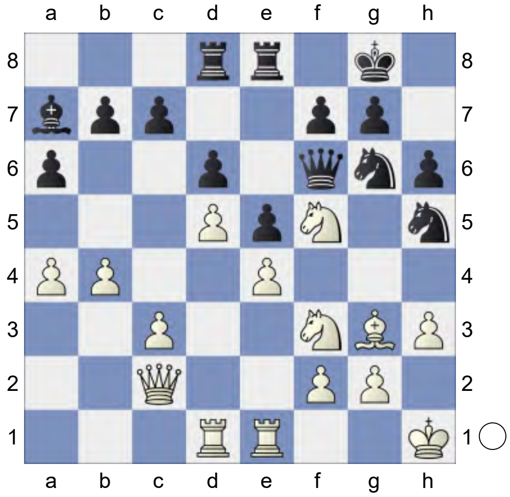
[18...Ng6± 0.68/19]

19.Nf5 Nf8 20.Bg3 N8g6 21.Rad1 Rad8 22.Kh1 Qf6 23.d5 0.56/20

[23.a5± 1.14/18]

23...Nh5 1.12/20

[23...Ne7± 0.56/20]



24.c4 0.56/21

[24.Nh2!± 1.12/20]

24...Ne7⩲ 25.N3h4 0.26/21

[25.Nxe7+± 0.71/20 Qxe7 26.Bh4]

25...Kh7 0.66/20

[25...a5= 0.26/21]

26.Nxe7! Qxe7 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Bh4 Ra8 29.Qe2 0.04/22 White is much more active.

[29.Rb1± 0.71/20]

29...g6 0.40/25

[29...Nf4= 0.04/22 30.Qc2 g6]

30.Qf3! a5 31.b5 -0.03/24

[31.bxa5 Bc5]

[31.Rb1!⩲ 0.54/24]

31...Bc5 32.Rf1 -0.35/21

[32.g4= 0.01/22 is more appropriate. Nf4 33.Ne3]

32...Qg8 0.90/25

[32...f6∓ -0.35/21 stays ahead.]

33.Ne3 -0.45/20

[33.g4!± 0.90/25 Nf4 34.Bf6]

33...Rf8 0.16/26

[33...Qg7∓ -0.45/20]

34.g4= Nf4 35.Kh2 -0.28/23

[Better is 35.Bf6!⩲ 0.50/22]

35...Qg7 36.Bg3 -0.82/25

[36.Rg1= -0.29/19 remains equal.]

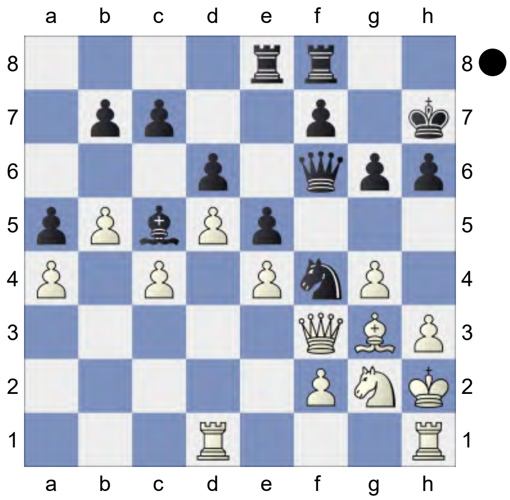
36...Rae8 37.Rh1 -1.43/20

[37.Ng2∓ -0.49/20]

37...Qf6∓ 38.Ng2 -2.30/21

[38.Bxf4∓ -1.32/20 is a better defense. exf4 39.Ng2]

(Diagram)



38...Nxd5!-+ Discovered Attack **39.Qb3 Nf4 40.Bxf4?** -3.73/21

[40.Qf3 -2.11/19]

40...exf4 41.f3? -5.98/20

[41.Qf3 -3.14/21 only move.]

41...Re5 -2.62/19

[⌓41...h5 -5.98/20 Hoping for ...hxg4. 42.Rd5 hxg4 43.fxg4 c6 *(43...Rxe4? 44.Rf1-+)*]

42.Rd5? -5.81/21

[42.Qc2 -2.62/19 is tougher.]

42...b6 Black is clearly winning. **43.Rhd1 Rxd5 44.Rxd5 Re8 45.Qc2 Re5 46.Rd1** -7.79/22

[⌓46.Qc3 -4.91/22 Kg7 47.Rd1]

46...h5 47.Qd2 hxg4 48.hxg4 g5 (-> ...Qh6+) **49.Ne1 Qh6+** White is weak on the dark squares **50.Kg2** Nd3 is the strong threat. **50...Qh4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.33

51.Kf1 An unexpected result.

½-½

416 **C55**
☐ **AnonymousBlitzPlayer** **2802**
■ **DoktorMatt** **2778**
Blitz 23.09.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5** -0.99/20

[7.f4∓ -0.40/22 d6 8.Nc3]

7...Ne6 0.12/22

[7...h6∓ -0.99/20 8.f4 d5 (*8...hxg5 9.fxe5 Nc6 10.exf6∓*) 9.exd5 hxg5 10.fxe5 Nf5 11.exf6 Qxf6 12.Qe2+ Kd8]

8.f4 -0.53/23

[8.Bxe6= 0.12/22 fxe6 9.Nc3]

8...d6 0.51/22

[Black should try 8...Qe7!∓ -0.53/23 9.Bxe6 fxe6 (*9...dxe6 10.Kh1∓*)]

9.fxe5!± dxe5 White is slightly better. **10.Qxd8+ Kxd8** 0.79/24

[10...Nxd8⩲ 0.42/25 is superior. 11.Bxf6 gxf6]

11.Bxf6+± gxf6 12.Nc3! c6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8N 1.86/23

[15...b5± 0.85/21 16.Bd3 Bd7 17.Rxh7 Nf4 18.Ne2 Nxd3 19.cxd3 Be6 20.Nc1 a5 21.Rh5 Kd6 22.Kf2 b4 23.Ke3 c5 24.Rh6 a4 25.Rf2 Rac8 26.h3 Ke7 27.Rc2 Rfd8 28.b3 axb3 29.Nxb3 c4 30.dxc4 Bxc4 ½-½ Holzmann,M (2481)-Mouradian,K (2448) 2nd President's Cup 2007 (5) 31.Na5 Bb5 32.Rxc8 Rxc8 33.Rb6 Rc3+ 34.Kf2 Rc2+ 35.Kg1 Bd7 36.Rxb4 Rxa2 37.Nc4 Ra4 38.Rxa4 Bxa4 39.Kf2 f6 40.g4 Kf7 41.Ne3 Kg6 42.h4 Bb3 43.Nf5 Ba2 44.Kg3 Bb3 45.Ne3 Ba2 ½-½ Hector,J (2481)-Storme,I (2448) Copenhagen Obro CXU op 2023 (5)]

16.Nd1 1.40/22

[16.Rf5+- 1.86/23]

16...b5 17.Bb3 a5 18.a3

[18.Ne3 a4⩲]

18...Bd7 19.Ne3 Black must now prevent Nf5+. **19...Raf8 20.Nf5+ Kd8 21.Nd6 Ke7 22.Nf5+ Kd8 23.Rd1** 0.94/24

[⌓23.Bxe6 1.44/20 Bxe6 24.Nh4]

23...Kc7 24.Rf6 0.13/24

[24.Nd6± 0.80/23]

24...Nc5= 25.Nd6 -0.39/23

[25.Bxf7? Nxe4 26.Rxd7+ Kxd7 27.Be6+ Kc7 28.Rxf8 Rxf8-+]

[White should try 25.Nh6= 0.15/24]

25...Nxb3!∓ 26.cxb3 Be6 27.Nxf7 Double Attack **27...Bxb3**

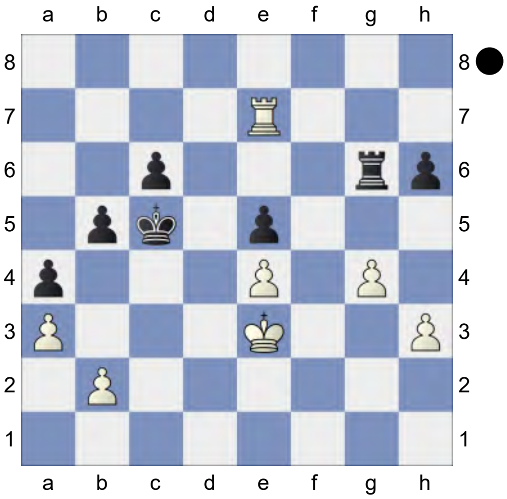
[27...Bxf7 28.Rdf1=]

28.Rdf1 Rxf7 29.Rxf7+ Bxf7 30.Rxf7+= Endgame KR-KR **30...Kd6 31.Kf2 a4 32.g4 Kc5 33.Rc7! h6 34.Ke3?** -2.52/26

[34.h4!∓ -0.58/23]

34...Rg8-+ 35.h3 Rg6 36.Re7? -4.59/30

[Only move: 36.Rd7!∓ -0.53/20]



36...Kc4! 37.Rxe5 Kb3 38.Rf5 Kxb2 39.e5 c5 40.Rf6 Rg7

[40...Rg5 41.Ke4∓]

41.e6 Re7 42.Ke4 c4

[42...Kxa3? 43.Rf3+ Kb4 44.Kd5-+]

43.Kd5 c3

[43...Kxa3 44.Kd6 Re8 45.Kd7=]

44.Kd6 Re8

[44...c2 45.Kxe7 c1Q 46.Kf7=]

45.Kd7 Ra8

[45...c2 46.Kxe8 c1Q 47.e7=]

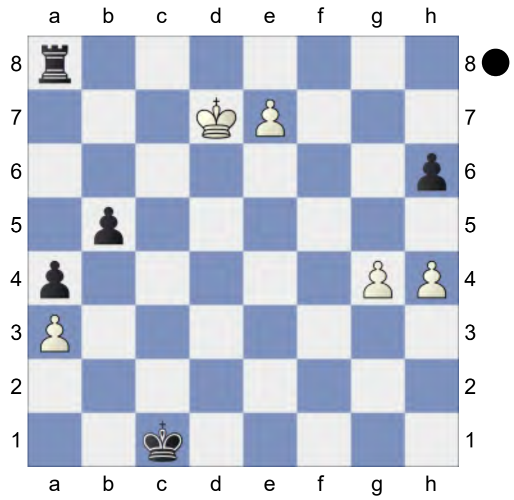
46.e7 c2

[46...Kxa3 47.Ra6 Rb8 *(47...Rxa6 48.e8Q=)* 48.Rb6=]

47.Rf2 Kb1

[47...Kxa3 48.Rxc2 *(48.e8R? Ra7+ 49.Kd6 c1Q-+)* 48...b4 49.h4= *(49.e8R Rxe8 50.Kxe8 b3∓)*]

48.Rf1+ c1Q 49.Rxc1+ Kxc1 KR-KP **50.h4**



b4! 51.axb4

[51.g5 bxa3]

51...a3 ...a2 is the strong threat. **52.e8Q Rxe8 53.Kxe8** K3P-KPP. White is a pawn up. **53...a2 54.g5 a1Q** -8.66/22

[54...a1B? is the wrong capture. 55.gxh6 Bf6 56.h7+-]

[⌓54...hxg5 -#39/24 55.hxg5 a1Q *(55...a1B? 56.g6+-)* 56.Kf7 Qa7+ 57.Kf6 Qd4+ 58.Kg6 Qxb4 59.Kg7 Qe7+ 60.Kh6 Qe6+ *(60...Qf8+* gets mated. *61.Kh7 Qf7+ 62.Kh6 Qf4 63.Kh5 Kd2 64.g6 Ke3 65.g7 Qf7+ 66.Kg5 Qxg7+ 67.Kf5 Qe7 68.Kg4 Qf6 69.Kh5 Qg7 70.Kh4 Kf4 71.Kh5 Qh7#)* 61.Kh7 Qf7+ 62.Kh6 Qg8 *(62...Qf8+ 63.Kh7 Qf7+ 64.Kh6 Kd2 65.g6 Qg8 66.g7 Ke3 67.Kg6 Kf4 68.Kf6 Ke4 69.Ke7 Ke5 70.Kd7 Kd5 71.Kc7 Kc5 72.Kd7 Qf7+ 73.Kc8 Kc6 74.Kd8 Qd7#)* 63.g6 Qh8+ 64.Kg5 Qg7 65.Kh5 Kd2 *(65...Qf8 66.Kg5 Kd2 67.Kg4 Ke2 68.g7 Qxg7+ 69.Kf5 Qe7 70.Kf4 Qe6 71.Kg3 Qc4 72.Kg2 Qg8+ 73.Kh3 Kf3 74.Kh4 Qg4#)* 66.Kg5 Kd3 *(66...Qf8 67.Kg4 Ke2 68.g7 Qxg7+ 69.Kf5 Qe7 70.Kg6 Kf2 71.Kf5 Kg3 72.Kg6 Kg4 73.Kh6 Kf5 74.Kh5 Qh7#)* 67.Kf5 Kd4 68.Ke6 Qxg6+ 69.Kd7 Kd5 70.Kc7 Qc6+ 71.Kd8 Qb7 72.Ke8 Ke6 73.Kf8 Qf7#]

55.gxh6 Qh8+ Black mates. **56.Ke7 Qxh6 57.b5 Qxh4+ 58.Kd7 Qb4 59.Kc6 Qc4+ 60.Kb7 Kb2 61.Ka6 Kb3 62.Ka5 Qc5 63.Ka6 Kb4 64.b6 Qa5+ 65.Kb7 Qd5+ 66.Kc7 Kc5 67.b7** Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=1.05/Black=0.20 (precise) **67...Qd6+** -7.70/5

[⌓67...Qc6+ -#5/20 68.Kd8 Qxb7 69.Ke8 Kd6 70.Kf8 Qh7 71.Ke8 Qg8#]

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417 **C54**

☐ **Tsydypov,Zhamsaran** **2514**

■ **Deac,Bogdan Daniel** **2668**

Chess.com Classic Play In blitz (8)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

%evp 0,72,26,26,26,26,13,10,12,19,19,-3,-11,2,25,-15,-6,-31,-4,7,15,14,26,26,26,-5,12,26,37,37,44,-22,35,24,36,47,43,41,55,44,55,52,32,28,28,-32,-36,-31, -12,-89,-87,-97,-66,-104,-122,-142,-105,-156,-80,-163,-139,-139,-139,-130,-149, -197,-156,-181,-149,-244,-164,-208,-295,-303,-331 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7** The main line 9...Qe7 scores better than 9...g5. Die Hauptvariante 9...De7 punktet besser als 9...g5.

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.0-0 Kg7 12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 0-1 (56) 3.g3 b5 4.♗g2 31338 (2629)-Nepeina Leconte, M (2324) Baku FIDE GP 2008 (5)]

10.b4N -0.01/20

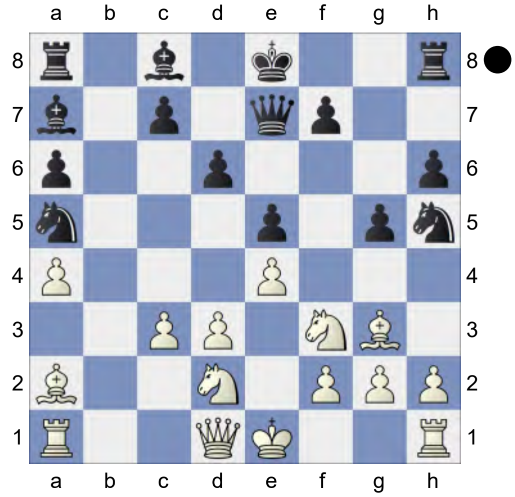
[10.0-0± 0.36/21]

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Reference Games-Anand,V 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

10...g5= 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.b5 Na5 13.bxa6!N An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[13.Ba2 -0.43/19 13.Bd5 0.01 f5 0.50/22 (*13...Bb6∓* -0.43/19) 14.exf5 0.01/18 (*14.0-0!±* 0.50/22) 14...Bxf5= 15.Ne4 -1.04/20 (*15.bxa6=* 0.01/19 *Bxd3 16.axb7*) 15...Bxe4 0.28/18 (*15...0-0-0∓* -1.04/20 and ...d5 should not be overlooked *16.c4 Nxc4*) 16.dxe4= Bc5 17.0-0 -0.01/19 (*17.Qe2±* 0.38/22) 17...Nxg3!= 18.hxg3 h5? 1.96/21 (*18...0-0-0=* -0.01/20 and Black is okay.) 19.Rb1 0.83/20 (*19.Qd2+-* 1.96/21 is more deadly.) 19...axb5± 20.Rxb5? -0.55/20 1-0 (46) Yu,Y (2735)-Navara,D (2689) Biel Blitz 56th 2023 (8) (White has to play *20.axb5±* 0.98/23 *Rf8 21.Ne1*)]

13...bxa6 14.Ba2



Be6 0.32/22

[14...Rb8!∓ -0.72/20]

15.Bxe6 Qxe6 0.48/21

[15...fxe6= 0.01/21 16.h3 Nxg3 17.fxg3 0-0]

16.0-0 -0.03/20

[16.d4± 0.48/21]

16...Ng7 0.62/20

[16...Nxg3!= -0.03/20 17.hxg3 Rb8]

17.d4± f6 18.Qe2 0-0 19.h3

[19.Qxa6 Bxd4 20.Qd3 Bb6=]

19...Bb6 20.Rfe1 Kh7 21.Nf1 0.16/21

[21.Rab1± 0.70/18]

21...Qc4= 22.Qb2 Rab8 23.N1d2 Qf7 24.Qc2 Ne6 0.79/20

[24...c5= 0.13/19]

25.Nf1± Ng7 26.Reb1 0.38/20

[26.Ne3± 0.96/19]

26...c5 1.38/21

[26...Rbe8⩲ 0.38/20]

27.Ne3 cxd4 28.cxd4 Rfc8 2.30/22

[⌓28...Rb7 1.68/21 29.Qc3 Bd8]

29.Qd3+- Qa7 30.Nd5 Bd8 31.Kh2 Ne6 32.dxe5 dxe5 33.Qd1 Nc6 34.Rxb8 Qxb8 35.Qd3 1.11/20

[⌓35.Nd2 1.55/22]

35...Qa7 36.Rb1 Kg7 37.Nd2 0.77/22 White has more active pieces.

[⌓37.h4 1.52/19]

37...Ncd4 1.30/21

[37...Nc5 0.77/22 38.Qc4 Na5]

38.Nc4 0.93/23

[White should try 38.Nb3 1.30/21]

38...Nc5 1.43/23

[Black should try 38...Rb8 0.93/23]

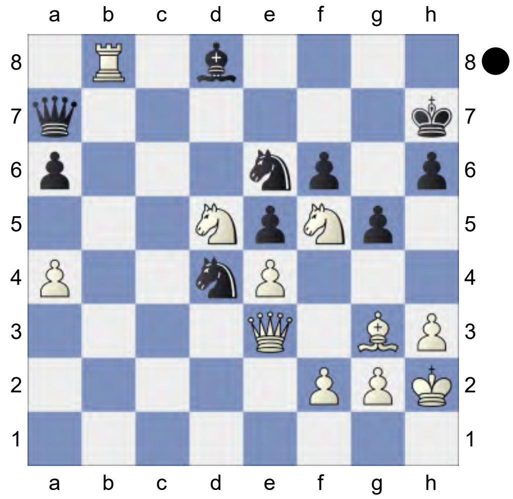
39.Qe3± Nxe5! would now be deadly. This costs Black the game. **39...Nce6?** 4.47/23

[39...Kh7± 1.38/20 is more resistant. 40.h4 Qg7]

40.Nd6+- Rb8 Inhibits Rb7+. **41.Nf5+ Kh7** 5.66/29

[41...Kg6 3.83/24 might work better.]

42.Rxb8



Deflection. White is clearly winning. **42...Qxb8 43.Nxd4 Nxd4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.51

44.Qxd4

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418 **C54**

□ **Nikitosik-ai** **3035**

■ **GarboBot** **2344**

Blitz 25.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

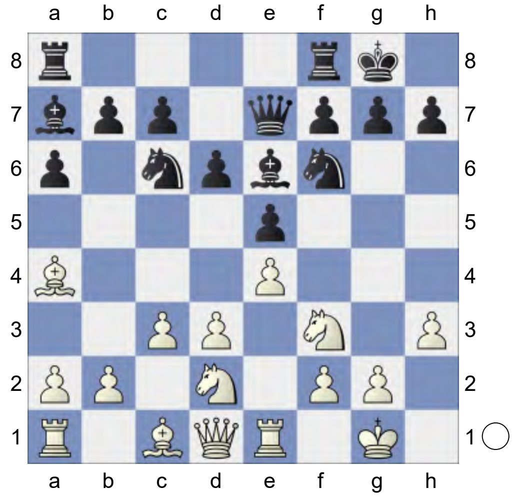
[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-

Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.h3 Bb6 8.Nbd2 Qe7 9.Bb5 a6 10.Ba4 White is slightly better. **10...Be6 11.Re1 Ba7**



12.Nf1! b5 0.97/21

[12...h6± 0.59/20 might be stronger.]

13.Bc2± Bc5? 2.70/21

[13...d5± 0.79/18]

14.d4+- exd4 15.cxd4 Bb4 16.N1d2 Bc8 3.57/21

[16...d5 2.07/21 was called for.]

17.a3 Ba5 18.e5 Nd5 19.Be4 Be6 20.Qc2 Qd7 21.Bxh7+ Kh8 22.Re4 Rh4 is the strong threat. **22...dxe5** 8.51/19

[22...Bxd2 23.Bxd2 *(23.Rh4 Bh6+-)* 23...dxe5 *(23...Kxh7 24.Rh4+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *Kg8 25.Qh7#)* 24.dxe5 *(24.Nxe5 Nxe5 25.Rxe5 g6+-)*]

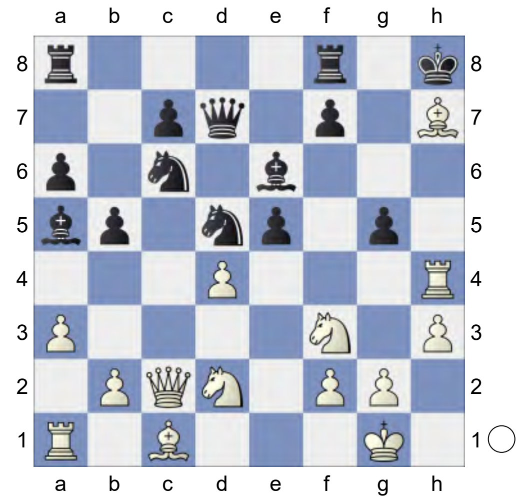
[⌓22...f6 4.77/19 23.exf6 Rxf6]

23.Rh4 Threatening mate with Bg8+!.

[Less strong is 23.Nxe5 Nxe5 24.dxe5 *(24.Rxe5 f6=)* 24...f5= *(24...Kxh7 25.Rh4+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *Kg8 26.Qh7#; 24...Bxd2? 25.Bxd2 Qe7 26.g3+-)*]

23...g5

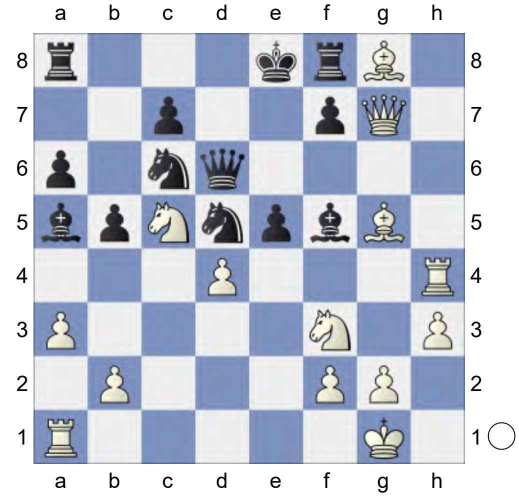
(Diagram)



24.Bg8+! Decoy, Clearance **24...Kg7 25.Qh7+**

[25.Nxg5? perishes. Bf5 26.Qd1 Rxg8∓]

25...Kf6 26.Ne4+ Deflection **26...Ke7 27.Bxg5+ Ke8 28.Nc5 Bf5 29.Qg7 Qd6**



30.Bxf7+! Deflection **30...Rxf7 31.Rh8+** Skewer **31...Qf8 32.Rxf8+ Rxf8 33.Bh6 Rf6 34.dxe5 Nxe5 35.Nxe5** White mates. **35...Bb6 36.Rd1 Bxc5 37.Rxd5 Be6 38.Qxf6 Bxd5 39.Bg5 Bxf2+ 40.Kxf2 Bf7** Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=1.35

41.Qxf7#
1-0

419 **C50**
☐ **Bernadskiy,Vitaliy** **2530**
■ **Vidit,Santosh Gujrathi** **2720**
FIDE World Rapid Team (3.15) 02.08.24
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo In this game we revisit the gambit line 8...d6 (8...Nc6 here). This pawn offering has never been shown to be completely reliable, but Khalifman did succeed in reviving a key variation last year (see below). Here the young Peruvian Grandmaster Cristhian Cruz demonstrates a risk-free path to an advantage for White. **1.e4** Krasenkow,M/ Primel,D Tadic,Branko **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 d6 10.d4 exd4**

[RR 10...Ba7]

11.cxd4 Ba7 12.h3

[RR 12.Rc1 0-0 13.Bxa6 (RR *13.h3*) 13...Re8 14.0-0 Rxe4 15.Bd3 Re8 16.Bb5 (RR *16.Bb1 Bg4*) 16...Be6 17.Ne3 Bd7 18.Nd5 Be6 19.Ne3 Bd7 20.Bc4 Rf8 (RR *20...Na5 21.Bd3 c5 22.Bc2 Bc6 23.d5 Bd7 24.Qd3 g6 25.a4 Qf6;* RR *20...Qf6 21.Nd5 Qd8*) 21.Re1 Ne7 22.Qd3 c6 23.Bb3 b5

A) RR 24.Bc2

A1) RR 24...Ng6 25.Nf5 (RR *25.h4 Re8 26.h5 Nf8*) 25...Bxf5 26.Qxf5 Re8 27.Rxe8+ Qxe8 28.Re1 Qd8 29.h4;

A2) RR 24...g6 25.h4;

A3) 24...f5 25.Bb3+ Kh7 26.Nc2 Ng6 27.Nb4 Rc8;

B) 24.h3 Bb6 25.Bc2

B1) RR 25...Ng6 26.Nf5 Bxf5 27.Qxf5 Re8 (RR *27...Rxa2 28.Bb3 Rxb2 29.Bxf7+ Rxf7 30.Qxg6 Qd7 31.Re6*) 28.Rxe8+ Qxe8 29.Re1 Qd8 30.a3;

B2) RR 25...g6 26.a3;

B3) 25...f5 26.g4 g6 Harikrishna,P (2726)-Giri,A (2750) Biel 2014 CI1-130 [Tadic, Branko] 1-0 (41)]

12...0-0 13.0-0 Be6N

[RR 13...Kh8 14.Rc1 f5 (RR *14...Be6;* RR *14...Ne7*) 15.Nf4 fxe4 16.Ng6+ Kh7 17.Nxf8+ Qxf8 18.Ng5+ Kh8 19.Qh5 Ne7 20.Bb3 d5 (RR *20...Bb6*) 21.Rxc7 Bb6 22.Qf7 Bf5 23.Rxe7 Crut,A (2367)-Hilverda,A (2329) Metz op 31th 2013 (9) 1-0 1-0 Crut,A (2367)-Hilverda,A (2329) Metz op 31th 2013 (9) Crut,A (2367)-Hilverda,A (2329) Metz op 31th 2013 (9) 1-0 1-0 (23) Joie,S (2367)-Ikis,M (2329) NLD 2013 The Benko Gambit: MBM [Krasenkow,M/Primel, D]]

[RR 13...b5 14.Bb3 Na5 15.Bc2 c5 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.e5 Bb7 18.Qd3 g6 19.Nf6+ Kg7 20.Nh5+ Kh7 21.Nf6+ Kg7 22.Nh5+ Kh7 23.Qe2 Qe7 24.Nf6+ Kg7 25.Nh4 Rfd8 26.Qg4 Qxe5 27.Nf5+ Kf8 28.Qh4 Lempiaeinen,L (2594)-Mouradian,K (2645) British Ch Blackpool 1988 (6) 1-0 1-0 Lempiaeinen,L (2594)-Mouradian,K (2645) British Ch Blackpool 1988 (6) Lempiaeinen,L (2594)-Mouradian,K (2645) British Ch Blackpool 1988 (6) 1-0]

[RR 13...Ne7 14.Nxe7+ (RR *14.Nf4 c6 15.Bb3 Bb8 16.Qd2 d5 17.e5 f6 18.Rae1 Bf5 19.g4 Bc8 20.Bc2*)

14...Qxe7 15.Re1 c6 16.a4 b5 17.axb5 cxb5 18.Bd5 Bb7 19.Qb3 Rfe8 20.Rec1 Rab8 21.Bc6 Bxc6 22.Rxc6 Qxe4 23.Rxd6 Rbd8 24.Qa3 Rxd6 25.Qxd6 Re6 26.Qd7 Rg6 27.Kh1 Bb6 28.Re1 Aditya,M (2479)-Svane,F (2568) Elllobregat op 3rd 2022 (3) 1-0 1-0 Aditya,M (2479)-Svane,F (2568) Elllobregat op 3rd 2022 (3) Aditya,M (2479)-Svane,F (2568) Elllobregat op 3rd 2022 (3) 1-0 Aditya,M (2479)-Svane,F (2568) Sant Boi de Llobregat 2022 1-0 (59)]

[RR 13...Ne7 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Re1 c6 16.a4 b5 17.axb5 cxb5 18.Bd5 Bb7 19.Qb3 Rfe8 20.Rec1 Rab8 21.Bc6 Bxc6 22.Rxc6 Qxe4 23.Rxd6 Rbd8 24.Qa3 Rxd6 25.Qxd6 Re6 26.Qd7 Rg6 27.Kh1 Bb6 28.Re1 Aditya,M (2479)-Svane,F (2568) Sant Boi de Llobregat 2022 1-0 (59)]

[RR 13...Kh8 14.Rc1 f5 15.Nf4 fxe4 16.Ng6+ Kh7 17.Nxf8+ Qxf8 18.Ng5+ Kh8 19.Qh5 Ne7 20.Bb3 d5 21.Rxc7 Bb6 22.Qf7 Bf5 23.Rxe7 1-0 (23) Joie,S (2367)-Ikis,M (2329) NLD 2013 The Benko Gambit: MBM [Krasenkow,M/Primel,D]]

[RR 13...Ne7]

[RR 13...b5 14.Bb3 Na5]

14.Rc1 Bd7 0.78/20

[14...Na5!= 0.25/21 remains equal. 15.Bd3 Nc6]

15.Re1± Re8 16.Qd2 Rc8 17.Bb3 0.70/20

[17.Nf4± 1.28/20]

17...Be6⩲ 18.Re3 Ne7 0.87/22

[18...Nb8⩲ 0.45/21 was preferrable.]

19.Nf4± Bxb3 20.Rxb3 Rb8 21.Nh2 White is much more active. **21...Ng6 22.Nxg6 fxg6 23.Qc2 d5 24.exd5 Qxd5 25.Nf3**

[25.Qxg6 looks sharper. Bxd4 26.Nf3 Re6 27.Qd3]

25...Bxd4 0.44/23

[25...Kh7= 0.01/24 is superior.]

26.Nxd4⩲ Qxd4 27.Qxg6 Re2 1.11/23

[27...Re7⩲ 0.35/22]

28.Rf3 0.01/22

[White should play 28.Rxc7± 1.11/23 Qxf2+ 29.Kh2 Qf4+ 30.Qg3 Qxg3+ 31.Rxg3]

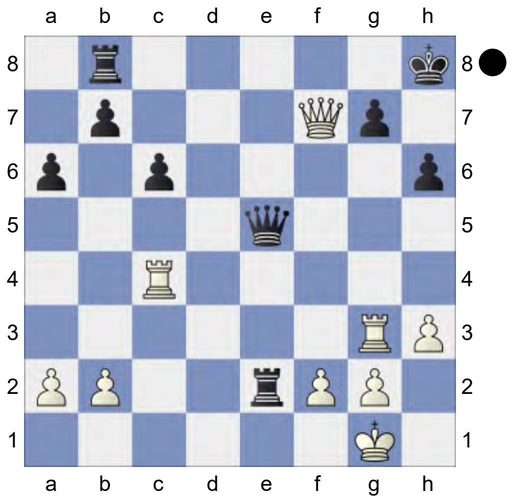
28...c6= 29.Qf7+ Kh8 30.Rc4 -0.40/24

[White should try 30.Qc7= 0.22/23 Qe5 31.Qxe5 Rxe5 32.Rb3]

30...Qe5 0.01/23

[30...Qxb2∓ -0.40/24 should be considered. 31.Kh2 Rg8 *(31...Qxa2 32.Rg3∓)*]

31.Rg3



Rc4-g4 is the strong threat. **31...Re8?** 2.21/24 A mistake that costs the game.

[31...Qxb2= -0.01/25 and Black has nothing to worry. 32.Rcg4 Rg8]

32.Rcg4+-

[Not 32.Qxb7 Qxb2 33.Qxb2 *(33.Qxa6 Re1+* Deflection *34.Kh2 Qxf2)* 33...Rxb2±]

32...Re7? 7.35/24

[32...Qe7 2.05/24 33.Qxg7+ *(33.Rxg7 Qxf7 34.Rxf7 Rxb2±)* 33...Qxg7 34.Rxg7 Rxb2]

33.Qf8+ White is clearly winning. **33...Kh7 34.Rg6** Threatening mate with Rg6xh6+! **34...Re1+ 35.Kh2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.34 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.34 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.34

1-0

420 **C54**
☐ **Oro,Faustino** **2465**
■ **Anand,Viswanathan** **2743**
Leon 38th blitz (1.4) 04.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 0-0N

[7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 *(8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6* 1-0 (50) 13.b3 ♗f8 14. ♗b2 (2133)-Martinez Catalan,F (2358) FRA-chT Top 16 GpA 2006 (6)*)* 8...0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 c6 25.bxa6 bxa6 26.dxe5 Qxe5 27.Rad1 Rb8 28.Rhg1 h6 29.Rd3 Rb4 30.Re3 Rxa4 31.Nc5 Ra5 32.Nd3 Qe6 33.e5 Ra2 34.Qd1 Rg5 35.Rg2 Qd5 36.Qb1 Rd2 37.Qf1 0-1 (40) Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11)]

8.h3 Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.b4 White has an edge. **10...Ba7 11.Nbd2 Qe8** 11...Qd7 is more fashionable. 11...Dd7 ist modischer. **12.Nc4 b5N**

[12...Ne7 13.Be3 Ng6 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.g3 Ra8 16.Ne3 h6 17.Nd2 Qd7 18.Kg2 Rf7 ½-½ (87) Popov,I (2599)-Ustianovich,N (2376) Riga Tal Memorial rapid 2019 (3)]

13.Ne3 Bb6 14.Bd2 Kh8 15.Qe2 0.16/21

[15.axb5± 0.52/21 axb5 16.Rxa8 Qxa8 17.Qb3]

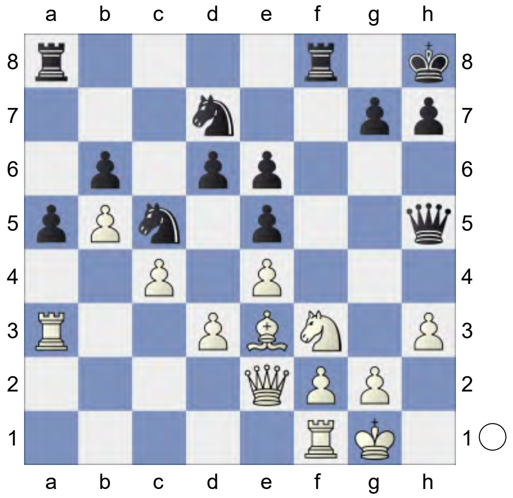
15...bxa4= 16.Nc4 a5 and ...axb4 would now be decisive **17.b5**

[17.Rxa4 Nxb4 18.Nxb6 cxb6=]

17...Nb8 18.Nxb6 cxb6 19.c4

[19.Rxa4 Qxb5 20.Ra3 Nbd7∓]

19...Nbd7 20.Rxa4 Nc5 21.Ra3 Nfd7 22.Be3 Qh5

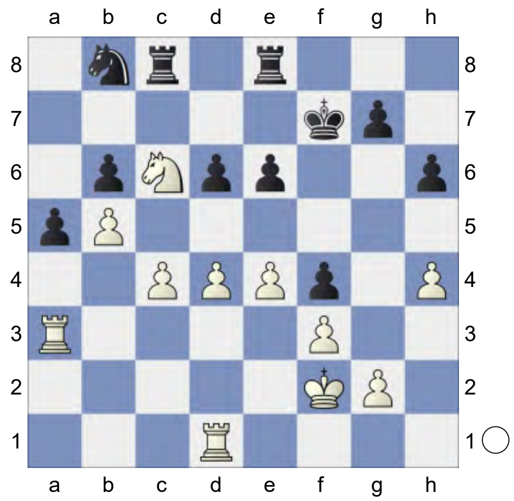


23.Nd4! Discovered Attack **23...Qxe2 24.Nxe2 Rac8 25.Rd1 Kg8 26.Kf1 h6 27.Ke1 Kf7 28.Nc3 Ke7 29.h4 Nf6 30.f3 Nh5 31.Ne2 Nf4 32.Bxf4 exf4 33.Nd4!**

[33.d4 Nd7=]

33...Nd7 34.Nc6+ Kf7 35.d4 Rfe8 36.Kf2 Nb8 1.17/22

[Black should try 36...g5± 0.59/21]



37.d5!± Threatens to win with dxe6+.

[Resist 37.Nxb8?! Rxb8 38.g3 Rec8=]

37...e5 38.g4 -0.01/21 White is much more active.

[38.c5!± 0.94/25 dxc5 39.h5]

38...Nd7= 39.Rda1 g6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.10 (very precise)

40.R1a2

½-½

422 **C54**

☐ **Hong,Andrew Z** **2579**

■ **Bruzon Batista,Lazaro** **2559**

Saint Louis Spring-A (3) 23.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

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11...Kg7 12.Re1 Ng8 13.Nc4N

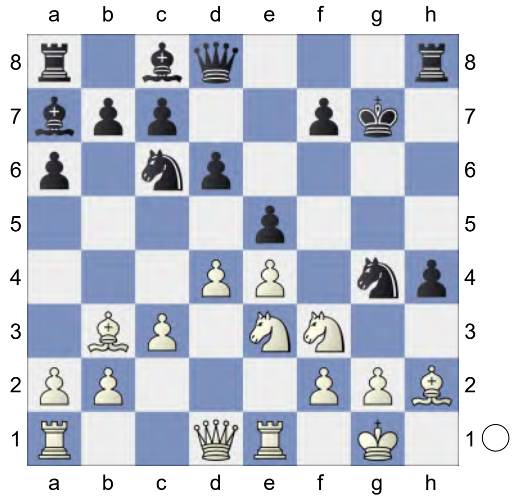
[13.Nf1 f5 0.78/22 *(13...h5= 0.17/21* remains equal.*)* 14.exf5± Bxf5 15.Ne3 Wards off Bg4 Bxe3 16.fxe3 0.15/19 (White should try *16.Rxe3±* 0.89/22 d4 would now be deadly. *Nce7 17.d4)* 16...Nf6= 17.e4 Bg4 18.h3 Bh5 19.Rf1 0-1 (56) Duda,J (2743)-So,W (2770) Chess.com Speed blitz 2020 (2.14)]

13...h5! 14.h3 Nh6 15.d4 h4 16.Bh2 g4 17.hxg4 Nxg4 18.Ne3

[18.dxe5? Bxf2+ *(18...Nxf2 19.Qe2∓)* 19.Kh1 Bxe1 20.Qxe1 Nxh2 21.Nxh2 Nxe5 22.Nxe5 dxe5-+]

18...Rh8 0.73/21

[18...Qf6!= 0.11/22]



19.Nxe5!± Ncxe5 20.Bxe5+

[20.dxe5 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 dxe5

22.Rf3]

20...Nxe5 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Rxe3 dxe5 23.Qe2 -0.10/22 White is more active.

[23.Qd5± 0.74/23 Qe7 24.Rf3]

23...Qg5 0.26/23

[23...a5 -0.10/22]

24.Rf1 b5 Wards off Qc4 **25.Qd2 Rd8** 0.38/25

[25...Qf4= -0.01/23]

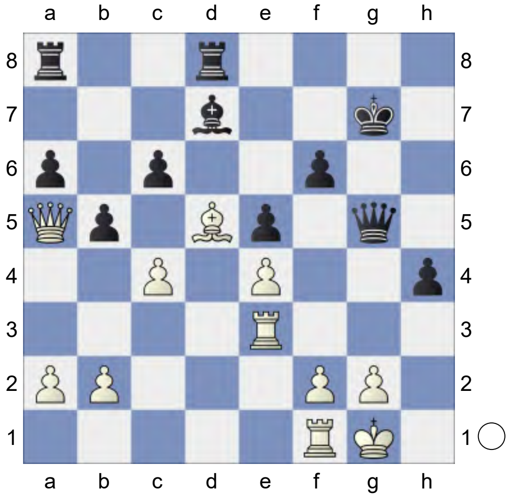
26.Bd5± f6

[26...Qh6 simplifies 27.Qc1 Ra7 28.Bxf7 a5]

27.c4 c6 28.Qa5!

[28.Qb4? cxd5 29.cxd5 (*29.Qe7+? Kg6-+*) 29...Rg8-+]

28...Bd7



29.Bxc6 Decoy **29...Bxc6 30.Qc7+ Kh6 31.Qxc6 Rg8 32.g3**

[32.cxb5? Qxg2#]

32...Rac8 33.Qxa6 -0.01/21

[33.Qe6!± 0.63/22]

33...hxg3!= 34.Rxg3

[34.cxb5? gxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Qg2+ 36.Ke1 Rc1#]

34...Qf4 35.Qa3

[35.Qxb5 Rxg3+ 36.fxg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kh1 Qh3+ (*37...Rh8 38.Qe8 Rxe8 39.Rxf6+ Kg7 40.Rh6 Kxh6 41.b4 Rh8 42.c5 Kg7#*) 38.Kg1 Rg8+ 39.Kf2 Rg2+ 40.Ke1 Qe3+ 41.Kd1 Qd2#]

[35.Kg2 Qxe4+ 36.Kh2 Qf4 37.Qe6]

35...bxc4 Strongly threatening ...c3. **36.Qc3 Qxe4 37.Kh2 Qf4 38.Qe3 Rxg3**

[38...Rg5 keeps more tension. 39.Rc1 Qxe3 40.fxe3 Rb8]

39.Qxf4+ exf4 40.fxg3 fxg3+ 41.Kxg3 Endgame KR-KR **41...Kg5 42.Rc1 Ra8 43.Rxc4 Rxa2 44.Rb4 Kf5 45.Kf3 Ke5 46.Ke3 Kd5 47.Kd3 Kc5 48.Rb8 Kc6 49.Kc4 f5 50.b4 Rc2+ 51.Kd4** White threatens b5+ and mate. **51...Rf2 52.b5+ Kc7 53.Rf8 Kb6 54.Ke5 Kxb5 55.Rxf5 Rxf5+** 0.47/25

[55...Rd2= 0.01/19 might be stronger.]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.10 (very precise)

56.Kxf5

½-½

421 **C54**

☐ **Hong,Andrew Z** **2579**

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M

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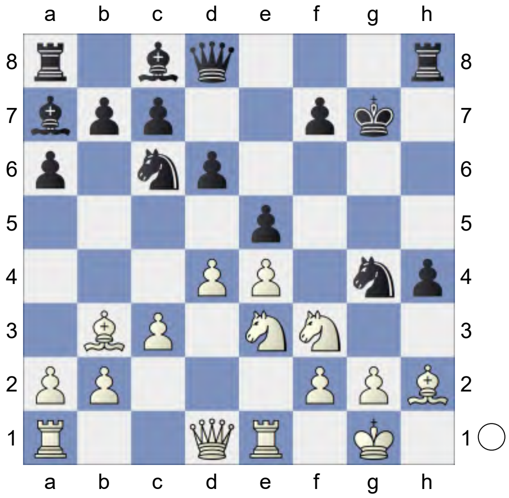
[13.Nf1 f5 0.51/23 (Black should try *13...h5!= -0.01/23*) 14.exf5± Bxf5 0.81/22 (*14...Nge7± 0.43/22*) 15.Ne3 Bxe3 0.87/22 (*15...Nge7!± 0.49/20*) 16.fxe3 0.17/21 (White should play *16.Rxe3±* 0.87/22 Threatens to win with d4. *Nce7 17.Re1*) 16...Nf6= 17.e4 Bg4 18.h3 Bh5 19.Rf1 0-1 (56) Duda,J (2743)-So,W (2770) Chess.com Speed blitz 2020 (2.14)]

13...h5 14.h3 Nh6 15.d4 h4 16.Bh2 g4 17.hxg4 Nxg4 18.Ne3

[18.dxe5? Bxf2+ (*18...Nxf2 19.Qc2∓*) 19.Kh1 b5-+]

18...Rh8



19.Nxe5! Ncxe5 20.Bxe5+

[20.dxe5 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 dxe5 22.Rf3]

20...Nxe5 21.dxe5 Bxe3 0.92/24

[21...dxe5± 0.50/23 22.Qf3 Qf6]

22.Rxe3± dxe5 23.Qe2 -0.07/23

[23.Qd5± 0.67/23 Qe7 24.Rf3]

23...Qg5 24.Rf1 b5 Repels Qc4

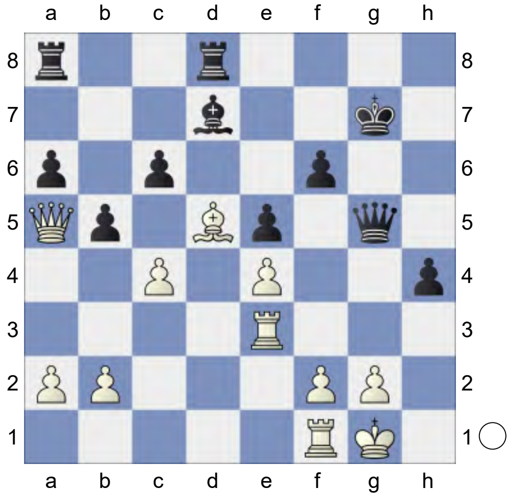
25.Qd2 Rd8 0.40/22

[25...Qf4!= -0.01/23]

26.Bd5± f6 27.c4↑ White is more active. **27...c6 28.Qa5!**

[28.Qb4? cxd5 29.Qe7+ Kg6 30.Qxd8 Bh3-+ (*30...bxc4? 31.Qxd5 Rb8 32.Qg8+ Kh6 33.Qh8+ Kg6 34.Rf3+-*)]

28...Bd7

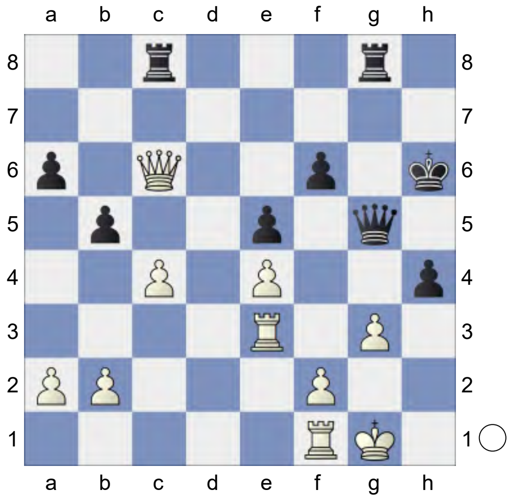


29.Bxc6 Decoy **29...Bxc6 30.Qc7+ Kh6 31.Qxc6 Rg8 32.g3**

[32.cxb5? Qxg2#]

32...Rac8 0.89/21

[32...Rad8± 0.39/24]



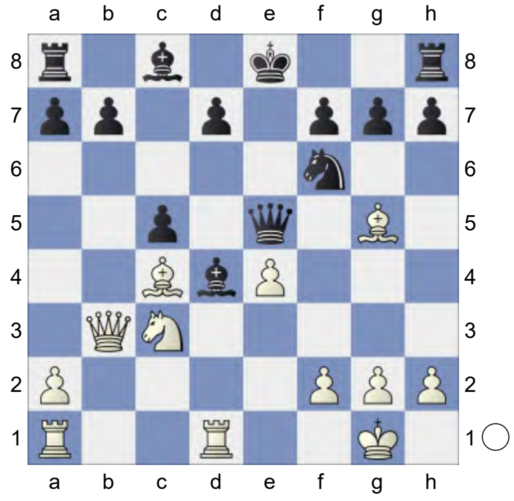
33.Qxa6 -0.01/20

[33.Qe6!± 0.89/21]

33...hxg3!= 34.Rxg3
[34.cxb5? gxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Qg2+ 36.Ke1 Rc1#]
34...Qf4 35.Qa3
[35.Qxb5 Rxg3+ 36.fxg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kh1 Qh3+ (*37...Rh8* leads to mate. *38.Qb8 Rxb8 39.Rxf6+ Kg7 40.Rh6 Rxb2 41.Rg6+ Qxg6 42.c5 Qg2#*) 38.Kg1 Rg8+ 39.Kf2 Rg2+ 40.Ke1 Qe3+ 41.Kd1 Qd2#]
35...bxc4 Threatens to win with ...c3.
[35...Ra8 36.Qc3 bxc4 37.Kh2 Rxg3 38.Qxg3 Rxa2 39.Rh1 Qxg3+ 40.Kxg3+ Kg5]
36.Qc3
[36.Re1 simplifies Rxg3+ 37.fxg3 Qg4 38.Kf2]
36...Qxe4 37.Kh2 Qf4 38.Qe3 Rxg3
[38...Rg5 looks sharper. 39.Rc1 Qxe3 40.fxe3 Rb8]
39.Qxf4+ exf4 40.fxg3 fxg3+ 41.Kxg3 Endgame KR-KR **41...Kg5 42.Rc1 Ra8 43.Rxc4 Rxa2 44.Rb4 Kf5 45.Kf3 Ke5 46.Ke3 Kd5 47.Kd3 Kc5 48.Rb8 Kc6 49.Kc4 f5 50.b4 Rc2+ 51.Kd4** Rc8+ would kill now. **51...Rf2 52.b5+ Kc7 53.Rf8 Kb6 54.Ke5 Kxb5 55.Rxf5 Rxf5+**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.09 (flawless)
56.Kxf5
½-½

423 **C52**
☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3032**
■ **admete_bot** **2402**
Rapid 18.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

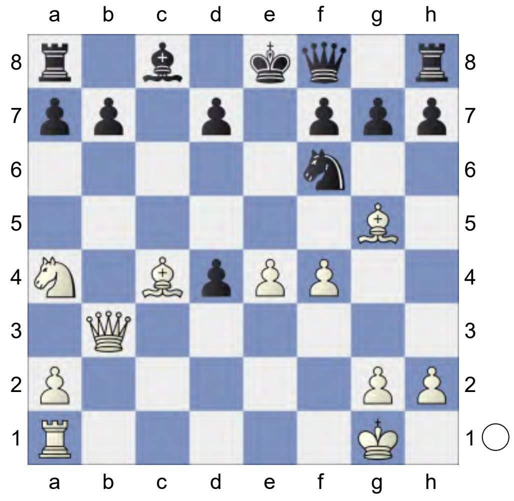
C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6
[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ (*9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-*) 9...Kf8 10.Re1+-]
9.cxd4 White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**
[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- (*10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-*)]
10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 Strongly threatening ...0-0!. **12.Rd1N**
[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 Gaujens,A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op 1989 (8)]
[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 (*15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]
12...c5 0.69/27
[12...Be5= 0.13/23]
13.Bg5
[13.Rxd4!? cxd4 14.Ba3=]
This move loses the game for Black.
13...Qe5 2.24/25
[Black should play 13...b5± 0.51/26 14.Rxd4 (*14.Bxb5 Qe5=; 14.Nxb5 Bxa1 15.Rxa1 Qe5=*) 14...cxd4 15.Nxb5 0-0]



Prevents Nd5. **14.Rxd4!+- cxd4 15.f4 Qc5 16.Na4** White has strong compensation.

[16.Bxf7+ Kf8-+ 17.Na4 Qc6∓]

16...Qf8



17.Rd1! Ng4 2.45/25

[⌓17...Rb8 1.98/23]

18.Be2↑ Black is under strong pressure. This pair of bishops is nice.

[18.Rxd4 h6 19.Bh4 g5 20.fxg5 Ne5=]

18...h6 2.39/24

[⌓18...f6 1.85/24]

19.Bh4

[19.Bxg4? hxg5 20.Qd5 Qe7 *(20...gxf4? 21.Nc3-+)* 21.Qxd4 0-0-+ *(21...gxf4? 22.Qxg7 Qh4 23.h3∓)*]

19...g5 20.fxg5

[20.Bxg4 gxh4 21.h3 *(21.Rxd4 Qg7∓)* 21...Qg7-+]

20...hxg5 4.86/24

[20...Ne5 2.29/23]

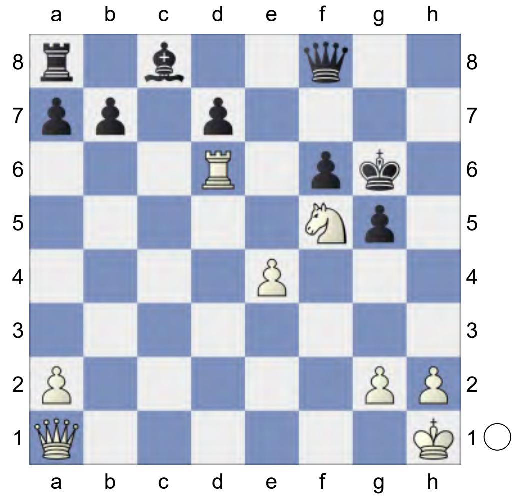
21.Bg3 Active counter play!

[21.Bxg5 Qg7 22.Qb5 *(22.Bxg4?* loses. *Qxg5 23.Bf3 b5-+)* 22...Ne5-+ *(22...Nxh2 23.Qa5±)*]

21...Nf6 22.Rxd4 Nh5 23.Bxh5 Rxh5 24.Nc3 Qc5 25.Nb5 Rh6 26.Bd6 Rxd6 27.Nxd6+ Kd8 28.Qb2

[Not 28.Nxf7+ Kc7 29.Qc4 d6+-]

28...Qb6 29.Qa1 f6 30.Kh1 Ke7 31.Rd1 Threatens to win with e5. **31...Qc5 32.Nf5+ Kf7 33.Rd5 Qf8 34.Rd6 Kg6**



35.e5 8.77/22 **Kxf5 36.Rxf6+ Qxf6 37.exf6** Endgame KQ-KRB **37...Kg6 38.Qe5 d5 39.Qe7**

[39.Qxd5 Kxf6 40.h3 Be6 41.Qf3+ *(41.Qxb7 Rd8+-)* 41...Kg6 42.Qxb7 Rg8 43.Qxa7 Kf6]

39...Bf5 40.Qg7+ Kh5 41.h3 g4 42.hxg4+ 10.78/5

[⌓42.h4 #16/25 Bg6 43.f7 *(43.Qxb7 Rd8+-)* 43...g3 44.Qg8 *(44.f8R Rxf8 45.Qxf8 Kxh4+-; 44.Qf6 Kh6+-)*

44...Rxg8 45.fxg8Q Kh6 46.Qh8+ *(46.Qxd5 b6+-)* 46...Bh7 47.Qf6+ Bg6 48.Qg5+ Kh7 49.h5 *(49.Qxg3 b6+-; 49.Qxd5 Kg7+-)* 49...Bxh5 50.Qxh5+ Kg7 51.Qxd5]

42...Bxg4 43.Qxb7 Rh8 44.Qg7 Rc8 45.f7 Bf5 46.f8R Rxf8 47.Qxf8 Kg5 48.Qd8+ Kg4 49.Qxd5 Kg5 50.a4 a6 51.Qd6 a5 52.Qe5 Kg6 53.Qxa5 Kf6 54.Qc3+ Ke6 55.Qd4 Be4 56.Qxe4+ Kd6 57.Qf5 Kc7 58.Qd5 Kb6 59.Qc4 White wants to mate with Qd5. **59...Kb7 60.a5** White mates. **60...Kb8 61.Qc6 Ka7 62.a6 Kb8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=1.12 **63.Qb7#**

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424 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3008**

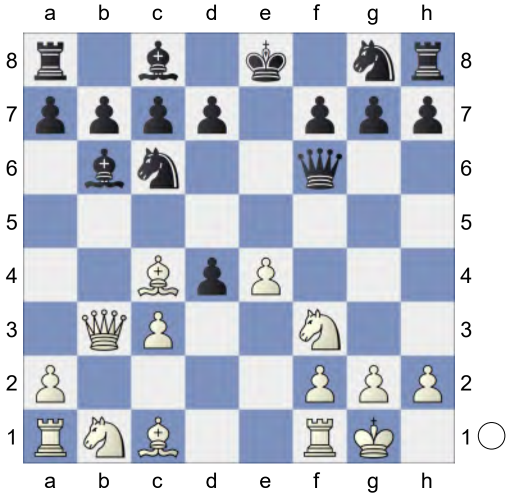
■ **admete_bot** **2415**

Rapid 17.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qf6 8.0-0! Bb6



9.e5! The position is equal. **9...Qg6 10.cxd4 Nxd4**

[10...Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio, L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

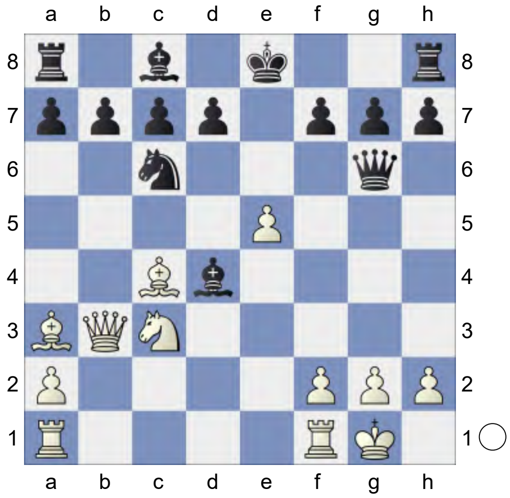
11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.Nc3! Ne7N Threatens to win with ...0-0!.

[12...Bxe5? 13.Re1 d6 14.f4+-]

[12...b6 13.Bd5 c6 14.Bf3 Qe6 15.Nd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Qxe5 17.Rb1 Ba6 18.Bxa8 Bxf1 19.Kxf1 Ne7 20.Ba3 0-0 21.Re1 Qf6 22.Bf3 d6 23.Qa4 Ng6 24.Re2 a5 25.Qc6 Rd8 26.Re8+ Rxe8 27.Qxe8+ 0-1 Kurmann,O (2450)-Karpov,A (2616) Trans Europa Schach Express rapid 2012 (3.7)]

13.Ba3 White has compensation. Loses the game. **13...Nc6?** 4.10/19

[13...b6= 0.11/21 and Black stays safe.]



14.Nb5!+- Bb6 15.Rad1= Na5 4.58/19

[⌓15...h5 3.26/18 16.Bd5 *(16.Bd6 Na5=)* 16...h4 *(16...Nxe5? 17.Qc3+-; 16...a6? 17.Nd6+* Deflection *cxd6 18.Qxb6+-)*]

16.Qa4

[Weaker is 16.Qb4 c5 *(16...Nc6 17.Qb3=)* 17.Qc3 Nxc4 18.Qxc4

0-0=]

16...Nc6 4.69/18

[16...Nxc4 3.33/18 17.Qxc4 Kd8 *(17...Qc6? 18.Qh4+-)*]

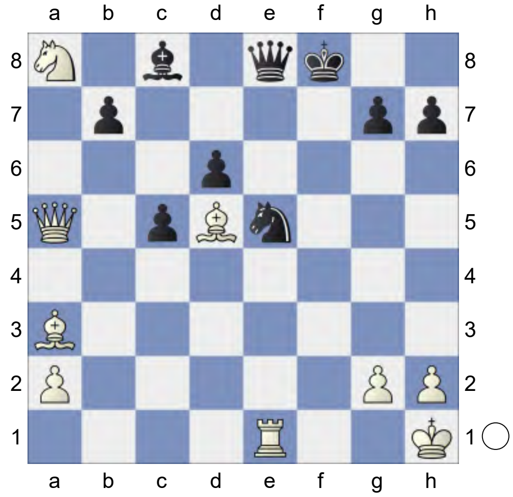
17.Bd5 Qh5 5.74/18

[17...h5 3.94/18 might work better. 18.Bc5 Bxc5 19.Nxc7+ Kf8]

18.Kh1 a6 19.Nc3 Rg8 20.f4 a5 21.f5 Hoping for e6!. **21...Rh8 22.e6 fxe6 23.fxe6 Ne5 24.e7** White wants to mate with Rf8+. **24...c5 25.Rde1** 12.69/23

[⌓25.Qb5 32.56/25 Ng4 26.h3 *(26.Qxb6? Qxh2#; 26.Bf7+ Qxf7 27.Qxb6 Qxe7+-)*]

25...Bc7 26.Nb5 Kxe7 27.Nxc7 d6 28.Nxa8 Rf8 29.Rxf8 Kxf8 30.Qxa5 Qe8

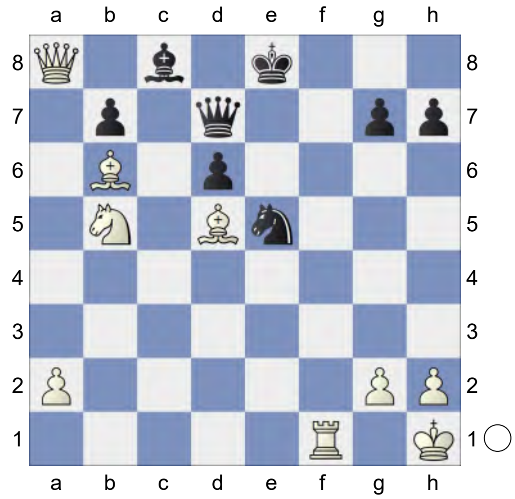


31.Bxc5! Qe7

[31...Qd7 32.Rxe5]

32.Rf1+ Ke8 33.Nc7+ Kd7 34.Bb6 Kd8 35.Nb5+ Ke8 36.Qa8 Qd7

(Diagram)



37.Nxd6+! Ke7 38.Nxc8+ Qxc8 39.Qxc8 Nd7 40.Bc7 g6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=1.65 **41.Qd8#**

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425 **C50**

☐ **Karjakin,Sergey** **2747**

■ **Khismatullin,D** **2594**

Region Group Cup 2022 rapid (6.3)

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 Ba7 8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2** The position is equal. **9...0-0 10.h3 Ne7**

[RR 10...Nh5 keeps more tension. 11.Nf1 Be6 *(11...Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2)* 12.Bd5 Qf6]

11.d4 Ng6 12.Bd3N is recently more successful than 12.Bb3. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 12.Lb3. is recently more successful than 12.Bb3. ist

inzwischen erfolgreicher als 12.Lb3. '!'

[12.Bb3 Re8 13.Bc2

A) 13...Bd7 14.a5 c6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Qe7 17.Qd6 Qxd6 18.Nxd6 Re6 19.Rd1 Rb8 20.Kf1 Re7 21.Nc4 Rbe8 22.b3 Be6 23.Nb6 Bxb6 24.axb6 Rd7 25.Be3 Rc8 26.c4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 c5 28.Ne1 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2791)-Sudgen,J (2810) ICCF email 2017 Inf 43 [Pierce book p30-31] 1-0 (43);

B) 13...b5 14.b4 Bb7 15.Bb2 Qd7 16.c4 exd4 17.cxb5 d3 18.Bxd3 Nf4 19.Bf1 Nxe4 20.Nxe4 Bxe4 21.bxa6 Qf5 22.Ra3 c5 23.Nh4 Qe6 24.b5 c4 25.Bd4 Bxd4 26.Qxd4 d5 27.Rg3 g5 28.f3 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2773)-Wohl,R (2749) ICCF email 2017 Inf 43 [Dublin Evening Mail 15/2/1902; Harding] 1-0 (39);

C) 13...c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 (RR *15...c5*) 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5

C1) RR 18...Qd7 19.dxe5 (RR *19.Ra4*) 19...dxe5 20.Bb6 Bc7 21.Qe3 Nf4 22.Rad1 Qc8 23.Bxc7 Qxc7 24.b4 (RR *24.Qc5*) 24...g6 (RR *24...Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rc8*) 25.Nf1 (RR *25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rb1*) 25...Kg7 26.N1d2 (RR *26.Qc5*) 26...c5 (RR *26...Bxh3 27.gxh3 Nxh3+ 28.Kg2 Nf4+ 29.Kg1 Ng4*) 27.Qxc5 Qxc5 28.bxc5 Nd7 29.c6;

C2) 18...Rd7 19.Ra4 (RR *19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Qxh6*) 19...d5 (RR *19...Qd8*) 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2 Rde7 Santos Latasa,J (2624)-Pranesh,M (2598) Timisoara 2024 Mega2024 Update 40 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (71);

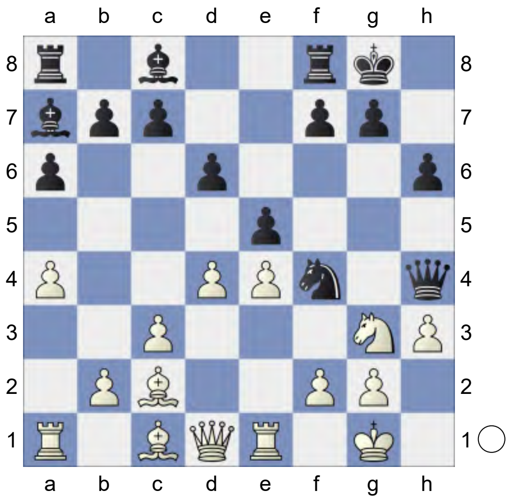
D) 13...c5 14.Nf1 cxd4 15.cxd4 Be6 16.d5 Bd7 17.Ne3 Rc8 18.Bd2 Nf4 19.Rc1 Qb6 20.b3 Rc7 21.Rf1 Rec8 22.Nc4 Rxc4 23.bxc4 Rxc4 24.Be3 Rc5 25.Rb1 Qc7 26.Bxc5 Bxc5 8.♗g5 h6 9.♗h4_64683 (2292)-Gunnarsson,G (2021) Elista 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson] 0-1 (42)]

[RR 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 (RR *19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7;* RR *19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7*) 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7 Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) Moscow 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa 2023 ½-½ (88)]

12...Nh5 13.Nf1 Nhf4N

[Vorgänger: 13...Qf6 14.Bc2 Nhf4 15.Ng3 Nh4 16.Nxh4 Qxh4

(Diagram)



17.Bxf4 0.27/24 (*17.Nf5!± 0.95/23 Bxf5 18.exf5*) 17...Qxf4= 18.Re3 g6 19.Rf3 Qg5 ½-½ (100) Yao,L (2253)-Krstulovic,A (2262) Budapest 2017]

14.Ng3 Nxd3 15.Qxd3 Be6 16.Be3 f6 17.a5 Qe8 18.Ra3 Qb5 19.Qd2 Qe8 20.c4 Rd8 21.d5 Bxe3 22.fxe3 0.16/23

[22.Raxe3⩲ 0.50/23 feels stronger. Bf7 23.Rb3]

22...Bc8 23.Nf5 Nh8 24.Qb4 Nf7 25.Rf1 g6 26.Ng3 Kg7 27.Rc3 c5 0.58/21

[27...Qe7= 0.10/21]

28.Qb6 Qe7 29.b4 cxb4 30.Qxb4 f5 1.09/22

[Black should try 30...Rd7⩲ 0.40/22]

31.c5 0.66/25 0x0.001aefa1b165dp-1022s more active pieces.

[White should play 31.exf5± 1.09/22 gxf5 32.c5 dxc5 33.Qxc5]

31...dxc5⩲ 32.Qxc5 Nd6 33.exf5 gxf5 1.18/26

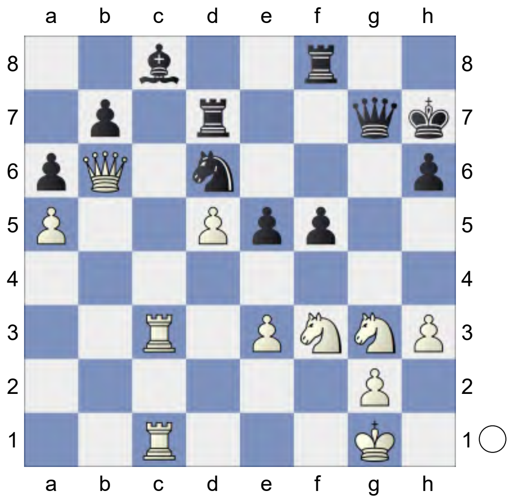
[⌓33...Bxf5 0.80/24 34.Rb3 Rfe8]

34.Qc7 Rd7 2.04/25

[34...Qxc7± 0.89/23 35.Rxc7+ Kf6]

35.Qb6+- Kh7 36.Rfc1 Qg7 2.64/26

[⌓36...Rg8 1.78/23]



37.Rc7! aiming for Rc7xd7. **37...Rff7** 6.08/27

[37...Nb5 1.74/25 38.Rxd7 (*38.Rxc8 Rxc8 39.Rxc8 Qxg3±*) 38...Bxd7]

[37...Ne8 38.Rxd7]

38.Nh5 White is clearly winning. **38...Qh8 39.Rxd7 Rxd7 40.Rc7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.39

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426 **C50**

☐ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **2564**

■ **Kozak,Adam** **2595**

Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Jan Early b..

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 d6 7.Bxc5 dxc5 8.h3 0.01/21

[8.Bb5± 1.05/20]

8...a6= 9.a4 0-0 The position is equal. **10.0-0 Qd6** **11.a5N** Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[11.Nd2 b6 12.Nd5 Rb8 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Qf3 Qxf3 15.Nxf3 Re8 16.c3 Na5 17.Bd5 Be6 18.Bxe6

Rxe6 19.b4 cxb4 20.cxb4 Nc6 21.b5 Nb4 22.Rfc1 Rb7 23.Ra3 f6 24.Kf1 a5 25.Ke2 c6 1-0 (58) 4.c3 ♘f6 5.e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3) 26.bxc6 Rc7 27.Nd2 Kf8 28.g3 Ke7 29.f4 exf4 30.gxf4 g5 31.f5 Rexc6 32.Rxc6 Rxc6 33.Nc4 h5 34.Ra1 Rc5 35.Kd2 Kd8 36.Rb1 Kc7 37.Rb2 Kc6 38.Rb3 h4 39.Rb2 Kc7 40.Rb1 Kd8 1-0 (58) 4.c3 ♘f6 5.e5/6...f5 (2702)-Sybil (2710) 2009 (1.3)]

[11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Ne7 13.Bb3 Ng6 14.Nd2 Qf6 15.Kh2 Nf4 16.Qf3 Qg5 17.Qg3 Qe7 18.Qe3 b6 19.Nf3 Rd8 20.Rad1 Qf6 21.Ng1 Be6 22.Bxe6 Nxe6 23.g3 b5 24.a5 Rd7 25.c3 Rad8 0-1 (70) Cornette,M (2572)-Anton Guijarro,D (2655) EU-Cup 37th Mayrhofen 2022 (7.6)]

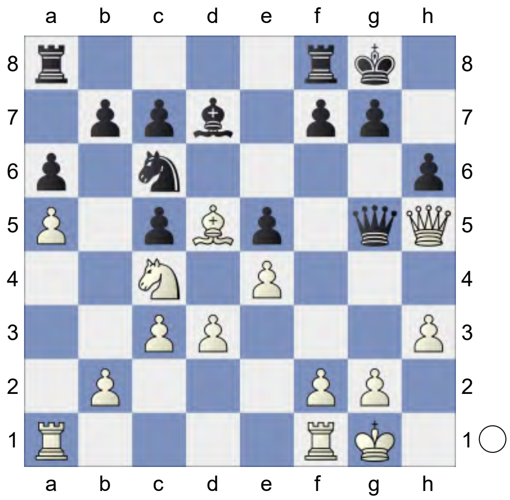
11...Be6N

[11...Ne7 12.Nd2 Ng6 13.Ba2 -0.15/21 *(⌓13.Qf3 0.27/22)* 13...Nf4 0.47/22 *(13...b5= -0.15/21)* 14.Nc4⩲ Qe7 15.Ne3 g6 16.h4 Kg7 17.g3 N4h5! 18.Kg2 0.10/21 *(18.Re1⩲ 0.47/22)* 18...Bd7 19.Qf3 Rae8 20.Rh1 Qd8 21.Bb3 Bc8 ½-½ Bartel, M (2618)-Kasimdzhanov,R (2685) Bundesliga 2425 2024 (4.2)]

12.Nd2 Bd7 13.Nd5 Nd4 14.c3 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Nc6 16.Nc4 Qe7 17.Qh5 White is more active. This move loses the game for Black. **17...Qg5?** 2.26/22

[17...Rae8!⩲ 0.62/21]

(Diagram)



18.Qxg5+- hxg5 19.Bxc6 Bxc6 20.Nxe5 Bb5 21.Rfd1 Rfe8 22.Ng4 Rad8 23.c4 Bd7 24.Ne3 Be6 25.Ra3 Rd7 26.Rb3 Rb8 3.23/22

[⌓26...c6 2.30/23 27.Rb6 Rf8]

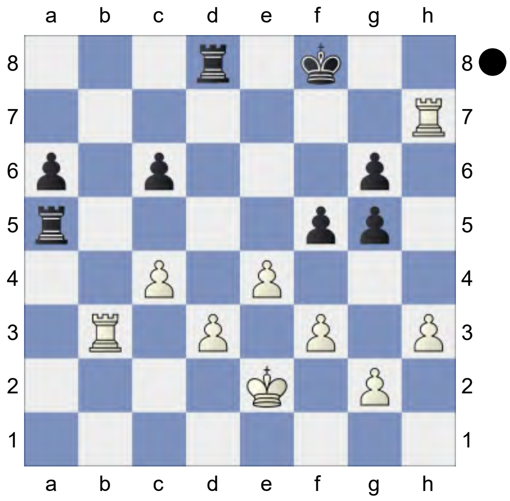
27.Nd5 Kf8 28.f3 g6 29.Kf2 f5 30.Ke2 Kf7 31.Rb1 Kf8 32.Ra3 Rf7 4.38/20

[⌓32...Bxd5 3.02/21 33.cxd5 c6 34.dxc6 bxc6]

33.b4 cxb4 34.Rxb4

[34.Nxb4 fxe4 35.fxe4 Re8⩲]

34...c6 35.Nc3 Rd8 36.Rab3 Bc8 37.Na4 Re7 38.Nc5 Re5 39.Nxb7 Bxb7 40.Rxb7 Rxa5 Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **41.Rh7**



Ra2+ 42.Kf1 Kg8 Inhibits Rh8+.

43.Re7 and Rbb7 would now be decisive **43...fxe4 44.Rxe4**

[44.fxe4 c5 45.Kg1 g4 46.hxg4 Rf8+-]

44...Kg7 45.Re6 a5 6.64/25

[⌓45...Rc8 4.51/25 46.Rb6 a5 47.Rbxc6 *(47.Rexc6 Rxc6 48.Rxc6 Rd2+-)* 47...Rxc6 48.Rxc6 Rd2]

46.Rxc6 Re8 47.Rb7+ Kh6 48.Rbb6 Ree2 49.Rxg6+ Kh7 50.Rxg5 Rec2 51.Kg1 a4 52.Ra6 a3 53.Kh2 Rd2 54.h4 Rxd3 55.c5 Rc2 56.h5 a2 57.Rgg6 Rd1 58.Ra7+ Kh8 59.Rb6 Rd8 Prevents Rb8. **60.Rba6 Rxc5 61.Rh6+**

[Not 61.Rxa2 Rxh5+ 62.Kg1 Rh7 63.Rxh7+ Kxh7+-]

61...Kg8 62.Rxa2 Kg7 63.Rg6+ Kh8 64.g4 Rc1 65.Kg3 Rg1+ 66.Rg2 Rf1 67.Rf6 Rg8 68.Rf5 Kh7 69.Kf4 Rg7 70.Re2 Rd7 71.Re6 Rd4+ 72.Kg5 Rd7 Prevents Re7+ **73.Rh6+ Kg7 74.Rg6+ Kh7 75.Rgf6 Kg7** Prevents Rf7+ **76.h6+** White mates. **76...Kg8 77.Kg6 Rh1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.54

78.Rf8#

1-0

427 C54

□ Nikitosik-ai 3028

■ GarboBot 2342

Blitz 24.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.h3 Bb6 8.Nbd2 Qe7 9.Bb3 Be6 10.Nc4 White is slightly better. **10...h6 11.a4 Bc5 12.Re1 a6 13.Bc2 b5** 1.24/22

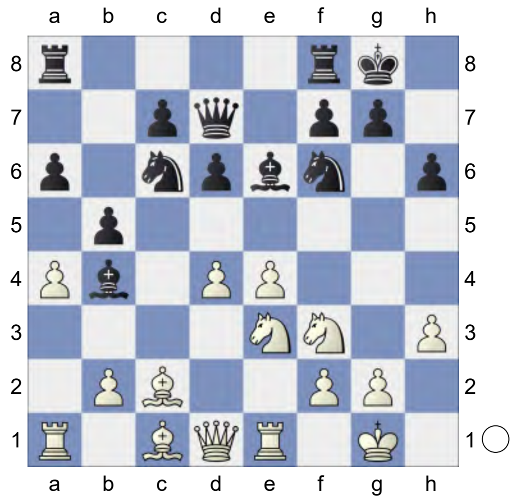
[13...Bxc4± 0.51/21 14.dxc4 a5]

14.Ne3± Qd7? 3.40/22

[14...Bxe3± 1.05/19 15.Bxe3 Rfe8]

15.d4+- exd4 16.cxd4 Bb4

(Diagram)



17.d5! Bxe1 18.Qxe1

[Less strong is 18.dxc6 Bxf2+ 19.Kxf2 Qxc6±]

18...Ne5 19.Nxe5

[19.dxe6 Nxf3+ 20.gxf3 fxe6±]

19...dxe5 20.dxe6 fxe6 21.b3 Qd4 22.Ba3 Rfd8 23.Be7 Re8 24.Rd1 Qb6 25.Bxf6 gxf6 26.Qe2 Rad8 27.Qh5 Strongly threatening Qg6+. **27...Rxd1+ 28.Bxd1 Rf8** Black is weak on the light squares **29.Qg6+ Kh8 30.Qxh6+ Kg8 31.Qg6+ Kh8 32.Ng4 Qd4 33.Qh6+ Kg8 34.Qg6+?** -0.01/5

[34.Kh2+- 8.82/23]

34...Kh8= 35.Be2 Qd8 36.Qh6+ Kg8 37.Qg6+? -0.01/5

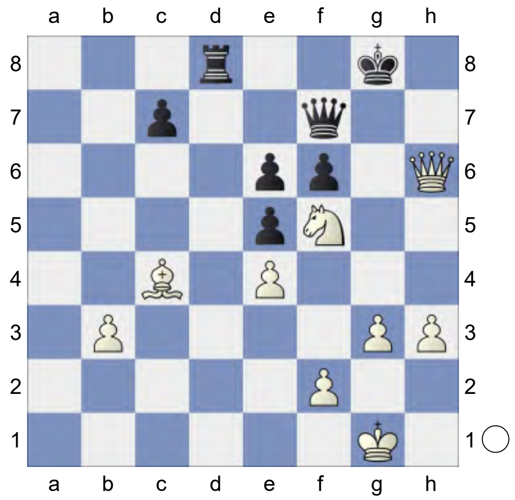
[Better is 37.axb5+- 9.77/24 axb5 38.Bxb5]

37...Kh8 38.Qh6+? -0.01/5

[38.axb5+- 9.85/23 axb5 39.Bxb5]

38...Kg8 39.axb5 axb5 40.Qg6+ Kh8 41.Bxb5 Qe7 42.Bc4 Rf7 43.Qh6+ Kg8 44.g3 Rf8 45.Ne3 Threatening mate with Nf5. **45...Rd8 46.Nf5** White mates. **46...Qf7**

(Diagram)



47.Bxe6! Pin **47...Rd1+ 48.Kh2 Rh1+ 49.Kxh1 Qxe6** White took control after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=1.03

50.Qg7#

1-0

429 C52

☐ ProteusSF-lite 3049

■ admete_bot 2393

Rapid 18.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.27/21

[6...d6! -0.19/20 should be considered.]

7.Qb3= Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4 White is slightly better. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5

[14...Nxe4? 15.Qxg7 Qf6 16.Qxf6 *(16.Bxf7+ Ke7±)* 16...Nxf6 17.Bb2+-]

15.Qc1 White has compensation.

[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]

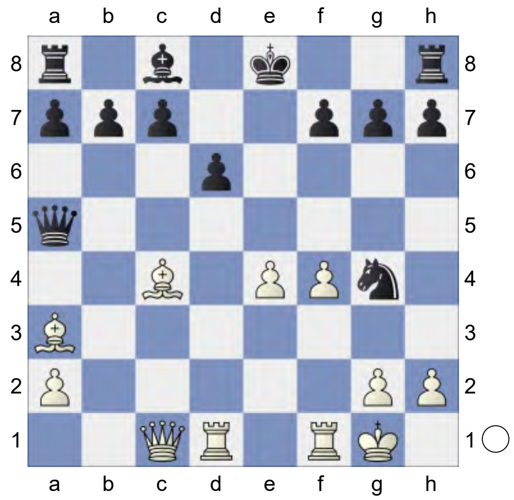
15...Ng4N 0.77/22

[15...Nxe4? 16.Bd5+-]

[15...Bd7= 0.23/21]

[15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Qc3 *(20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3* ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022 *)* 20...Qf6 21.Qc1 Qh4 22.Qc3 Ne8 23.Bd5 Rb8 24.Rd3 Rd8 25.Rg3 Qxg3 26.hxg3 Rxd5 27.Ba3 Nd6 28.Qxc7 Nb5 29.Qe7 Rfd8 30.Bb2 1-0 (70) Yvinec,J (2349)-Pavoni,F (2310) corr W-32ch prel09 2008]

16.f4± Qa5!



17.Rf3! Strongly threatening h3. **17...0-0**

[17...Qb6+ 18.Kh1=]

18.Bb2! Black is on the road to losing. **18...Be6 19.Be2 f5!**

[19...Bxa2? 20.Rg3+-]

20.exf5 Bxf5 1.38/23

[⌓20...Qxf5 0.71/24 21.Qxc7 Rf7 22.Qxd6 Rd7]

21.Rb3→ 0.84/21 Black is in trouble.

[⌓21.Qc4+ 1.38/23 Kh8 22.Rb3 Qc5+ *(22...Qxa2? 23.Ra1+-)* 23.Qxc5 dxc5 24.Rd2 *(24.Rxb7 Rfb8±)*]

21...Qc5+

[21...Qxa2? 22.Qxc7+-]

22.Qxc5 dxc5 23.h3 White is more active.

[23.Rxb7 Rab8 24.Rxb8 Rxb8]

23...Be6 4.46/23 Prevents Bc4

[23...Nf6± 0.88/24 is a better chance.]

24.hxg4+-

[Less strong is 24.Bxg4 Bxb3 25.axb3 Rfd8+-]

24...Bxb3 25.axb3 Rad8 ...Rxd1+ is the strong threat. **26.Bc4+ Kh8 27.Rf1 h6 28.Rf3 Kh7 29.f5 Rd6 30.Kh2 Re8=** -0.01/20 **31.Rh3**

[31.Be6 b5]

31...Rf8 32.Rf3? -0.01/20

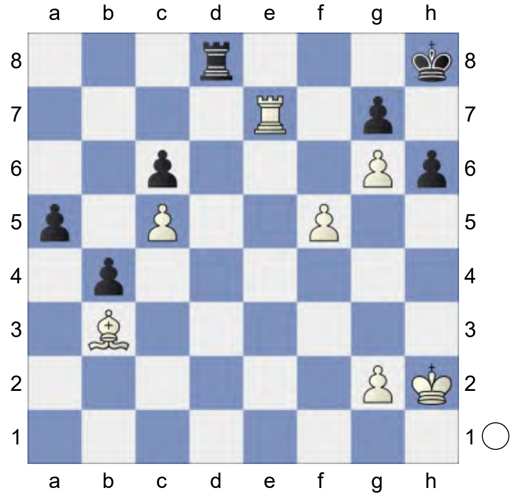
[32.Be5+- 6.36/22]

32...Rb8? 7.69/25 **33.Be5** Skewer **33...b5 34.Be6**

[34.Bxd6 bxc4 35.Bxc7 *(35.Bxc5 cxb3 36.Rf1 a5±)* 35...Rb7+-]

34...Rd1 35.g5 Re1 36.g6+ Kh8 37.Bc3 A strong pair of Bishops. **37...Re4 38.Rh3 Rd4 39.b4 Rbd8 40.bxc5 b4 41.Bxd4 Rxd4** Endgame KRB-KR **42.Re3 Rd8 43.Bb3** White wants to mate with Re7. **43...c6 44.Re7** White mates. **44...a5**

(Diagram)



45.f6! **Rg8** **46.fxg7+** Deflection **46...Rxg7** **47.Re8+** **Rg8**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.86

48.Rxg8#

1-0

428 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3051**

■ **admete_bot** **2392**

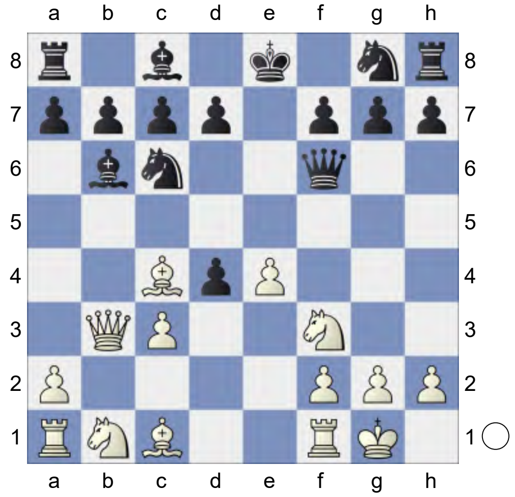
Rapid 18.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.b4** **Bxb4** **5.c3** **Ba5** **6.d4** **exd4** **7.Qb3** **Qf6** **8.0-0!** **Bb6**

(Diagram)



9.e5 The position is equal. **9...Qg6** **10.cxd4** **Nxd4**

[10...Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio, L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

11.Nxd4 **Bxd4** **12.Nc3!** **Ne7N** Strongly threatening ...b6!.

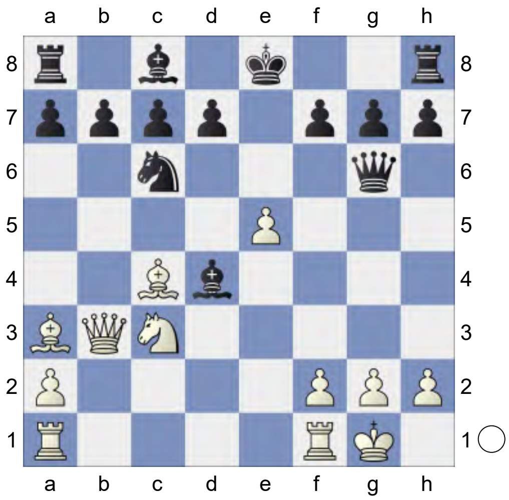
[12...Bxe5 13.Re1 d6 14.f4±]

[12...b6 13.Bd5 c6 14.Bf3 Qe6 15.Nd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Qxe5 17.Rb1 Ba6 18.Bxa8 Bxf1 19.Kxf1 Ne7 20.Ba3 0-0 21.Re1 Qf6 22.Bf3 d6 23.Qa4 Ng6 24.Re2 a5 25.Qc6 Rd8 26.Re8+ Rxe8 27.Qxe8+ 0-1 (31) Kurmann,O (2450)-Karpov,A (2616) Trans Europa Schach Express rapid 2012 (3.7)]

13.Ba3 White has compensation. White now steadily converts the win. **13...Nc6?** 4.03/20

[13...b6!= 0.06/20 and Black has nothing to worry.]

(Diagram)



14.Nb5!+- Bb6

[14...Bxe5 15.Rae1]

15.Rad1 Na5

[15...a6 16.Nd6+ cxd6 17.Rxd6+- *(17.Qxb6 0-0+-)*]

16.Qa4

[16.Qb4 c5 *(16...Nc6 17.Qb2±)* 17.Qc3 Nxc4 18.Qxc4 d5 *(18...0-0 19.Nd6=)* 19.exd6 *(19.Qxd5 0-0∓)* 19...0-0+-]

16...Nc6 17.Bd5 Qh5 5.94/19

[⌓17...Kd8 3.97/17 18.Qh4+ f6]

18.Kh1 a6 6.06/22

[⌓18...Kd8 4.27/17 19.f4 Qh4]

19.Nc3 Rg8 9.28/17

[⌓19...Rb8 5.00/18 20.f4 Kd8]

20.f4 a5 21.Ne4 Rh8 22.f5 and f6 would now be decisive **22...Be3 23.f6** White wants to mate with Bxc6. **23...Bh6 24.fxg7 Bxg7 25.Bxf7+ Qxf7 26.Rxf7 Kxf7 27.Rf1+ Ke8 28.Qc4 Nd8** Wards off Qf7+ **29.Nf6+ Bxf6 30.exf6 Rf8** Black is weak on the dark squares **31.Qe4+ Ne6 32.Qxh7 Rf7?** #6/14

[32...d6= 0.00/5 33.Qe7#]

33.Qh8+ Nf8 34.Re1+ Kd8 35.Be7+ Ke8 36.Bxf8+ Re7 37.Rxe7+ Kd8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=1.72

38.Bh6#

1-0

430 **C53**

☐ **Zemlyanskii,Ivan** **2543**

■ **Narayanan,S.L.** **2647**

Qatar Masters Open 2024 (3.3) 05.12.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 Brest 2018 (3)]

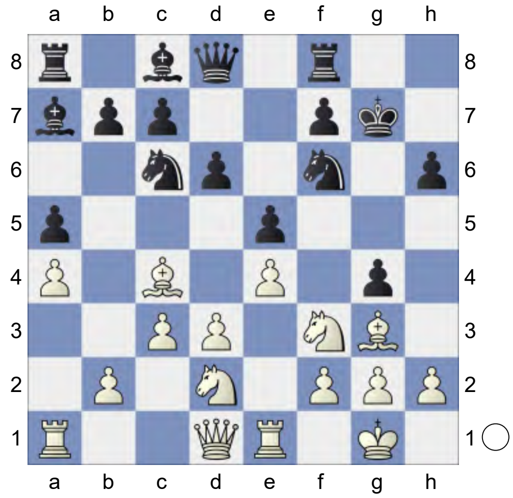
6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 g5 Black has an edge. **10.Bg3 0-0** 0.37/18

[Black should play 10...Qe7= -0.30/21]

11.0-0 -0.02/18

[11.Qe2⩲ 0.37/18]

11...Kg7 12.Re1 g4



13.Bh4! -0.42/22 **Ne7!⩱** ...Ng6 would now be deadly. **14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Nf1 Ng8** 0.57/20

[16...Nd5!= -0.15/22 17.Nf5+ Bxf5]

17.g3⩲ Qg5 18.Ne3 Inhibits f5. **18...Bxe3 19.Rxe3 Ne7 20.d4 Ng6 21.Nxg6 fxg6 22.dxe5 Qxe5** The position is equal. **23.Qd4 Re8**

[23...Bd7 simplifies 24.Qxe5+ dxe5 25.Rd3 Bc6]

24.f4 Pin **24...gxf3 25.Rxf3 Qxd4+ 26.cxd4 Be6** Dodges Rf7+ **27.Rc1 c6** aiming for ...Bxc4. **28.d5 Bg4 29.Rf4 h5 30.dxc6 bxc6 31.Rf7+ Kh6 32.Rf6 Rxe4** Hoping for ...Rd4. **33.Bd3** Discovered Attack **33...Re6 34.Rxe6 Bxe6 35.Rxc6=** Endgame. KRB-KRB **35...Bf7 36.Rxd6 Rb8 37.Bb5** Kf2 is the strong threat. **37...Rc8! 38.Rd2 Be8 39.Bxe8 Rxe8** KR-KR **40.Rd5 Re2 41.Rb5** And now h4! would win. **41...g5 42.h4 g4 43.Kf1 Rc2 44.Rb3**

[44.Rxa5 Rxb2 45.Re5 Ra2]

44...Kg6 45.Rb5 Rd2 46.Rg5+ Kh6 47.Rxa5 Rxb2 48.Rb5 Ra2 49.a5 Kg6 50.Rb6+ Kf5 51.Rh6 Ke4 White must now prevent ...Kf3. **52.Rxh5 Kf3 53.Rf5+ Ke3**

[Of course not 53...Kxg3?! 54.h5 Ra1+ 55.Ke2 Ra2+ 56.Ke1 Ra1+ 57.Kd2 Ra2+ 58.Kd1 Ra1+ 59.Kd2 Ra2+ 60.Kc1±]

54.Kg1 Ra1+ 55.Rf1 Rxa5 56.Rf2

[56.Rf4!? Ra1+□ 57.Rf1=]

56...Ra1+ 57.Kg2 Ra5 58.Rb2 Threatens to win with Rb3+.

[58.Rf4!? Ra2+□ 59.Kg1 Ra1+ 60.Rf1=]

58...Ra4 59.h5 Ra6 60.Rf2

[60.Rb4!? Ra2+□ 61.Kh1=]

60...Rc6 61.Ra2 Rb6 62.Rf2 Ra6 63.Rf4 Ra2+ 64.Kg1 Ra1+ 65.Rf1 Ra6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

½-½

431 C54

☐ **Esipenko,Andrey 2677**
■ **Afanasiev,Nikita 2533**
RUS-ch Rapid (10) 16.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 h6 7...Bb6 is setting a new trend .7...Lb6 setzt einen neuen Trend. **8.Re1 Ne7** 0.52/22

[8...a6= 0.09/19]

9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.d4 Bb6 The position is equal. **11.Bf1 c6 12.a4 Re8 13.Qc2 Bc7 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Rd1N**

[17.b4 a5 0.63/21 (*17...b5= 0.19/20 18.Nd2 bxa4*) 18.Be3 0.25/22 (*18.bxa5⩲ 0.63/21 Bxc4 19.Bxc4*) 18...Bxc4= 19.Bxc4 Black must now prevent Red1. Bb6 20.Rad1 Qc7 21.Bc1 axb4 22.cxb4 Bd4 23.Rd3 -0.26/19 1-0 (35) Vidit,S (2723)-Svane, R (2631) World-chT Rapid 2023 (8.1) (*⌓23.Bd2* 0.18/21)]

17...Qe7 18.b3 Red8 19.Ba3 Qe8 20.Nd6 Bxd6 21.Bxd6 Bd5 22.exd5 Rxd6 23.dxc6 Qxc6 24.Bb5 Qe4 25.Bd3

[25.Qxe4 simplifies Nxe4 26.Rxd6 Nxd6 27.Rd1]

25...Qc6 26.Bc4 Rad8 27.Rxd6 Qxd6 28.Qf5 Kf8 0.23/24

[28...Rd7 -0.18/23]

29.Re1= Re8! 30.Qf3 Qc7 31.Rd1 Black is weak on the light squares **31...b6 32.Qe3 Re7** 0.73/25

[32...Ke7⩲ 0.32/23]

33.Bb5!± White is more active. **33...Re6 34.Rd2** 0.19/23

[34.b4± 0.75/22]

34...h5 0.61/24

[34...Qe7= 0.19/23 should be considered.]

35.Qd3 0.01/26

[35.c4⩲ 0.61/24]

35...Ke7 36.Qg3 Kf8 37.Qe3 Prevents Ne4. **37...Ke7?** 1.93/26

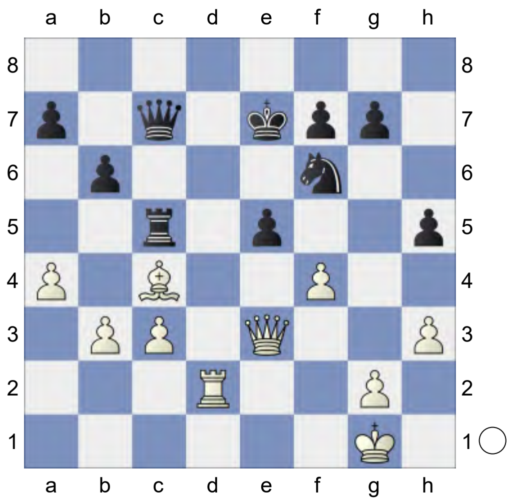
[37...Qe7= 0.12/24 and Black stays safe.]

38.Bc4+- Rc6 39.f4 0.67/25

[39.Re2+- 1.79/24]

39...Rc5? 2.59/26

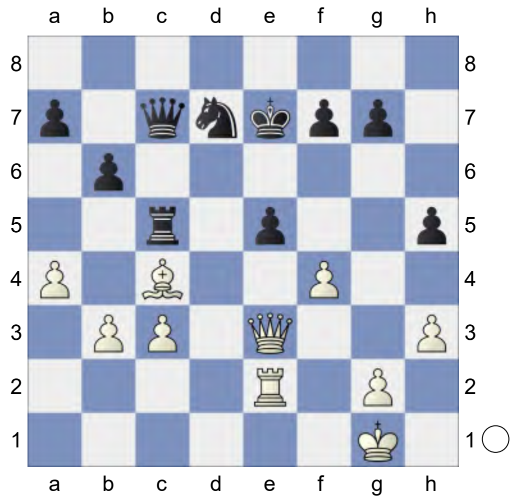
[39...e4⩲ 0.67/25]



40.Re2! Nd7 3.12/22

[40...e4 2.03/23 keeps fighting.]

(Diagram)



41.Qg3? 0.01/20

[White has to play 41.Qf3!+- 3.12/22]

41...Kf8= 42.Qg5 -0.60/24

[42.Qe1= 0.09/24]

42...e4!∓ 43.Qg3 -1.38/27

[Better is 43.Bd5∓ -0.62/23]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/ Black=0.34

43...Nf6

½-½

432 C54

☐ Alekseev,Evgeny V 2573

■ Tomashevsky,Evgeny 2694

AI Cup Div 3 W rapid (3.2) 26.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Bb3 7.Bb3 was played by the boomers. 7.Lb3 wurden von den Boomern gerne gespielt. **7...h6 8.h3 Re8 9.Be3 Bxe3 10.fxe3 Be6 11.Nbd2 d5N**

[Vorgänger: 11...Kh8 0.43/17 11...a5 -0.04 12.Qe1 Bxb3 13.Nxb3 -0.21/20 (⌓13.axb3 0.17/21 *a5 14.Qg3*) 13...Ne7 14.Qf2 Ng6 15.Nbd2 Qd7 0-1 Kahancova,J-Ioan, D (1882) EU-ch U12 Girls 18th 2008 (9)]

12.exd5 Bxd5 13.d4 exd4 14.exd4 Qd6 15.Rf2 Bxb3

[15...Rad8 looks sharper. 16.Nh2 Be6 17.Qf3 Bd5]

16.Qxb3 b6 17.Raf1 Qe6 18.Nh4 Qxb3 19.axb3 The position is equal. **19...Ne4 20.Nxe4 Rxe4 21.Nf5** Black must now prevent Rf3. **21...f6 22.Ng3 Re3 23.Nf5 Re4 24.Ng3 Re3**

25.Nf5 A rather calm draw.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)
25...Re4
½-½

433 **C50**
☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir** **2578**
■ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2731**
Tashkent Kasimdzhanov Cup-A 1st (5)
[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 d6 8.Na4**

[8.Be3 Bb6 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.Bxd5 Be6 11.Bb3 Kh8 12.Kh1 d5 13.exd5 Bxd5 14.c4 Be6 15.Ba4 Nd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Bxd4 Qxd4 18.b4 Rad8 19.Bc2 Rd7 20.Qe2 f6 21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.Qe3 Qxe3 12. ♘b5 ♖a4 13. ♘bc7 ♔d (1135)-Harshita,G (1080) Paks 2023 Steinitz/Blackburne [John Watson] 0-1 (73)]

8...Bb6 9.a3 now supersedes 9.Nxb6. löst 9.Sxb6 inzwischen ab.
now supersedes 9.Nxb6.löst 9.Sxb6 inzwischen ab. **9...Re8**

[9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c4 (RR *12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5*) 12...Bd4 13.Ra2 a6 14.Be3 b5 15.Nb2 Nh5 16.Kh2 g5 17.g3 Qg6 18.Qe2 Rf7 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Nd1 Raf8 21.Nd2 Bb6 22.Bxb6 cxb6 23.Nb3 Rf3 24.Rg1 9.h3 (2567)-Kaliszuk,K (2539) Luzern 2022 ICCF Telechess CBM 104 [John Watson] 1-0 (56)]

[RR 9...Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Ne7

A) RR 13.Re1 Ng6 14.d4 (RR *14.Nxb6 axb6 15.c4;* RR *14.Ra2 Rd8 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 Qf7 17.Nh2 Kh7 18.g3 Qd7 19.c4 d5 20.Rd2 Rf7 21.Qc2 c5 22.b5 Qd6 23.Kg2 Rdf8 24.Qd1 Qd7 25.Rf1 Rd8 26.Qe2 Ra8 27.Qd1 Rd8 28.Qc2 Qe8*) 14...Nd7 (RR *14...d5*) 15.Be3 Rf6 (RR *15...exd4 16.cxd4 Nf6*) 16.Nh2 (RR *16.Nxb6 axb6 17.c4*) 16...Nf4 17.Ng4 Rf8 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.Bxf4 Rxf4;

B) RR 13.c4 Bd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.f4 Kh7 16.Bd2 e5 17.c5 b6 18.Nb2 b5 19.a4 a6 20.Qb3 Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.f5 Qd7 23.Nd1 d5 24.Nf2 Na7 25.axb5 Nxb5 26.exd5 Nxd5 27.Ne4 Ne3;

C) 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2 Van Foreest,J (2695)-Giri,A (2772) Utrecht 2023 Mega2023 Update 36 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (52) (RR *24.h4*)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Qe8 12.c3 Nh5 13.Ra2 Rd8 (RR *13...Qg6 14.Nh4 Qf7 15.Nf3 Qg6 16.Nh4 Qf7 17.Nf3 Qg6*) 14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rf8 19.Rd3 Nf4 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Mayank,C (2457)-Manish,A (2328) Chennai 2025 ½-½ (51)]

[RR 9...Qe8 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6

fxe6 12.c3 Ne7 13.Ra2 Nh5 14.Nxb6 axb6 15.g3 b5 16.Kg2 b6 17.Nh2 Nf6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Bd2 d5 20.f3 Rad8 21.Qe2 Rd7 22.Ng4 Ng6 23.Nf2 Rdf7 24.Kh2]

10.Re1N Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. '!?' Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[10.b4

A) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 (RR *12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1*) 12...Ne7 13.Re1 (RR *13.Rb1 c6 14.Re1 Bc7 15.d4 exd4 16.Qxd4 Qe8 17.Nh4 c5 18.Qd1 cxb4 19.axb4 Nxe4 20.Bb2 f5 21.Nxf5 Nxf5 22.Qd5 Ng5 23.f4 Nxh3+ 24.gxh3 Qg6+ 25.Qg2 Qxg2+ 26.Kxg2 Rae8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6*) 13...c6 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 25.a5;

B) 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.Bb2 Nh7 13.Kh2 Ng5 14.Ng1 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

[RR 10.b4 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.c4 Ne7 13.Re1 c6 (RR *13...Ng6 14.g3 c6 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.Qb3 Rd6 19.Be3 Qd7*) 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.Qc2 Ng6 16.c5 dxc5 17.bxc5 Qc7 18.d4 Qe7 19.dxe5 Nd7 20.Be3 Ngxe5 21.Nd4 Qxc5 22.Qxc5 Nxc5 23.Nxe6 Nxe6 24.a4 g5 Larand,M (2683)-Osnos,V (2780) Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] ½-½ (39)]

[RR 10.b4 a6 11.Nxb6 cxb6 12.b5 (RR *12.Re1 b5 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.Bb2 d5 16.exd5 Qxd5 17.c4 Qd6 18.Qb3*) 12...Na5 13.Ba2 axb5 14.Rb1 Bd7 (RR *14...d5*) 15.Kh1 Rc8 16.Be3 Be6 (RR *16...Rc3*) 17.Bxe6 Rxe6 18.c4

A) RR 18...bxc4 19.Bxb6 (RR *19.Rxb6 Qd7*) 19...Qd7 20.Bxa5;

B) 18...Nc6 19.Rxb5 (RR *19.cxb5 Ne7*) 19...Nd7 20.Qb1 Nc5 21.Rxb6 Ra8 22.d4 (RR *22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Rb3 Rf6 24.Nh2*) 22...exd4 23.Nxd4 Nxd4 24.Bxd4 Rxe4 Sindarov,J (2668)-Grischuk,A (2719) Tashkent 2024 Mega2024 Update 33 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (58)]

10...Be6 The position is equal. **11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b3N**

[Predecessor: 12.b4 Ne7 13.c4 Ng6 14.g3 c6 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.a4 d5 17.cxd5 cxd5 18.Qb3 0-1 (57) Dubov, D (2699)-Spalir,J (2421) Chess.com INT 2019]

12...Nd4 13.Nh2 d5 14.c3 Nc6 15.Qc2 a6 16.Nxb6 cxb6 17.Nf3 Rc8 18.Bb2 b5 19.Rad1 dxe4 20.dxe4 Qe8 21.c4 bxc4 22.Qxc4 Nd4 23.Qd3 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Rc2 25.Ba1

[25.Re2 is more complex. Qc6 26.Rd8+ Kh7 27.Rf8]

25...Qe7 26.b4 Nd7 27.Qd3 Rc7 28.Re2 Nf8 29.Qg3 Ng6 Strongly threatening ...Ng6-f4. **30.Red2 Rec6 31.Kh2 Kh7 32.Rd5 f6 33.Rd8 Rc1** ...Rc1xa1! is the strong threat. **34.Qb3 Nf8** -0.01/23

[34...Nf4∓ -0.33/23]

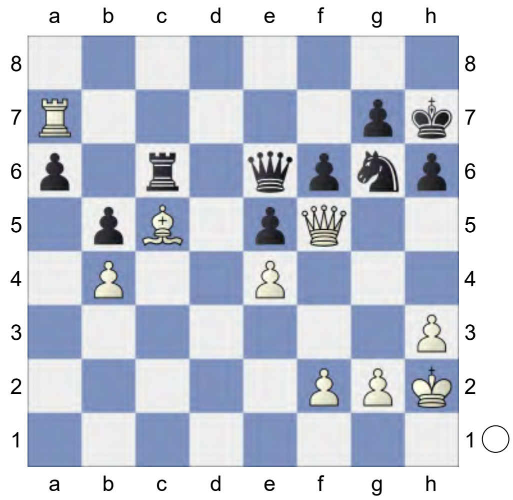
35.Bb2 Rxd1 36.Rxd1 Qe6 37.Qf3 Ng6 38.Bc1 Rd7 39.Re1 -0.10/23

[⌓39.Rxd7 0.29/23 Qxd7 40.Be3]

39...b5 40.Be3 Rd3 41.Rc1 Rxa3 42.Rc7 Rd3 43.Ra7 Rd7 0.78/26

[43...Nf4= -0.01/24]

44.Qf5± White has strong compensation. **44...Rd6 45.Bc5 Rc6**

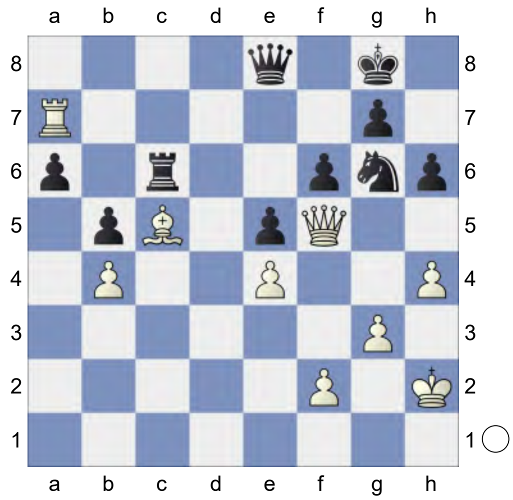


46.g3!→ White goes for the king. **46...Qe8** 1.55/25

[⌓46...Qxf5 0.93/28 47.exf5 Nh8]

47.h4 Hoping for h4-h5. 0x0. 0015299270e2dp-1022s more active pieces. **47...Kg8?** 4.03/25

[47...Qc8± 1.55/26 48.Kg2 Qe6]



48.Qg4!+- And now h4-h5 would win. **48...h5 49.Qxh5 Re6 50.Qg4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.22 (precise)

1-0

434 C54

☐ Hong,Andrew Z 2589

■ Vakhidov,Jahongir 2539

Tashkent UzChess Challengers 2nd (2)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

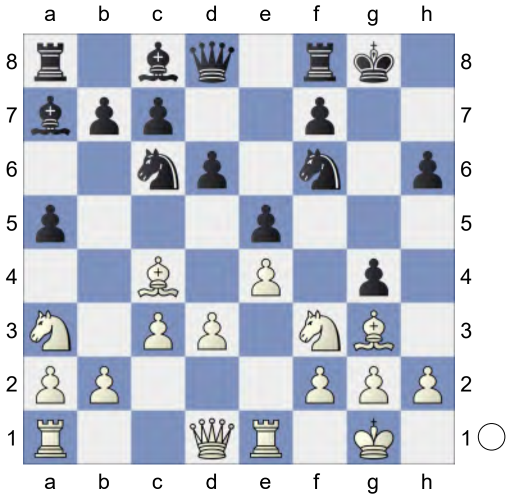
[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 7.Nbd2 is the modern continuation .7.Sbd2 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **7...a5 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4**

g5 The position is equal. **10.Bg3 Ba7**

[10...g4 with more complications. 11.Bh4 gxf3 12.Qxf3 Kg7]

11.Na3 g4

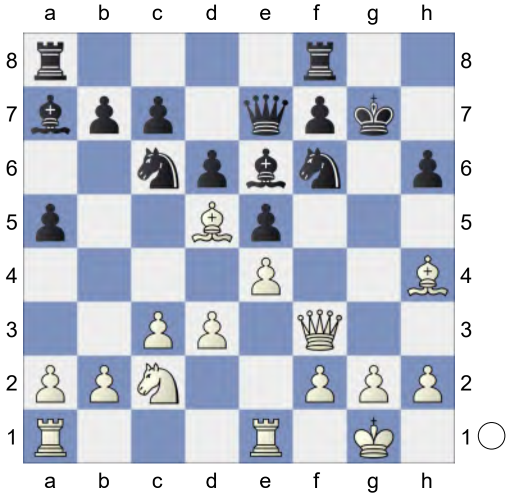


12.Bh4! -0.01/23 **gxf3**

[12...Kg7 13.Nd2]

13.Qxf3 Kg7 14.Nc2 aiming for Ne3. **14...Be6 15.Bd5 Qe7N**

[15...Rg8 16.Ne3 Bb6 *(16...Bxe3!? 17.fxe3 Nb8±)* 17.Rad1 Bxe3 18.fxe3 Nb8! 19.Bxb7 *(19.Rf1!? Nbd7□ 20.Rd2=)* 19...Nbd7 20.Bxa8 Qxa8 21.Rf1 Nh7 22.c4 f6 23.Qe2 ½-½ Sikorsky,R (2449)-Gueci,A (2479) EU-ch 2019 ct05 email]



16.d4! Rae8

[16...exd4?! 17.Bxc6 *(17.cxd4 Nxd4 18.Qg3+ Kh8=)* 17...dxc3 *(17...bxc6 18.cxd4 Rg8 19.e5±)* 18.Qg3+ *(18.Bxb7 cxb2 19.Rab1 Rab8±)* 18...Kh7 19.Qd3± *(19.Bxb7 cxb2 20.Rab1 Rab8±; 19.Qxc3 bxc6 20.Bxf6 Qd7±)*]

[16...Rh8 17.Qg3+]

17.Kh1 -0.39/23

[17.Rad1⩲ 0.34/20]

17...Nb8 18.Bxb7

[18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Bxb7 c6∓]

18...c6! 19.Ba8

[19.dxe5 dxe5 20.c4 Rg8∓]

19...Rc8 -0.01/22

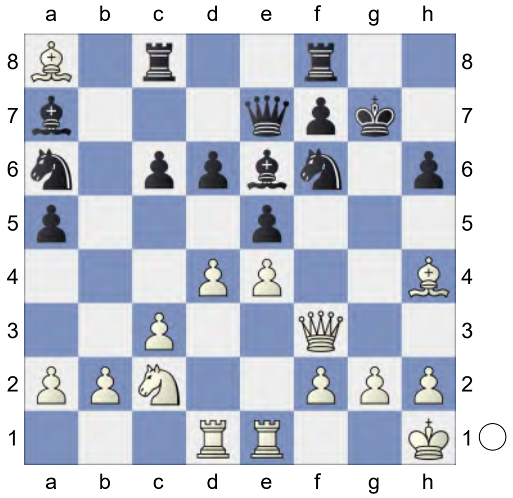
[Better is 19...Bb6∓ -0.53/18]

20.Rad1

[20.Bb7 Rc7 21.Bxc6 Nxc6∓ *(21...Rxc6? 22.d5-+)*]

20...Na6? 1.44/21

[20...Rg8= -0.19/21]

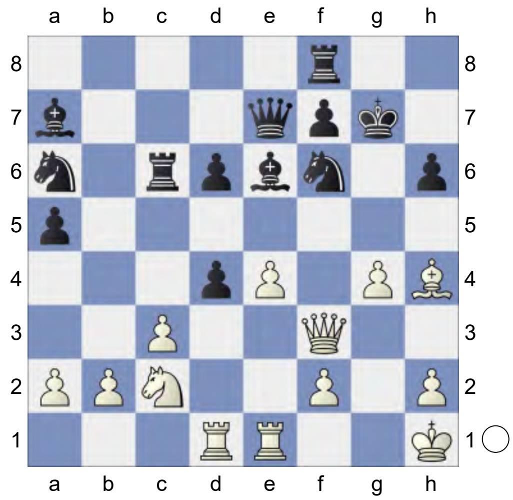


21.Bxc6 0.27/22 **Rxc6= 22.g4!** Dancing on a razor blade. This costs Black the game. **22...exd4?** 4.71/23

[22...Bxa2 23.g5 hxg5 24.Bxg5+-]

[22...Rh8!⩲ 0.52/21]

(Diagram)



23.g5!+- hxg5 24.Bxg5 Rh8? 9.32/24

[24...Bxa2 25.Rg1 *(25.Nxd4 Bxd4 26.Rg1 Rb8+-)* 25...Rb8 26.Bxf6+ Kf8 27.Bxe7++-]

[24...Bg4 3.94/20 25.Bxf6+ Remove Defender Qxf6 26.Qxg4+ Qg6]

25.Bxf6+

[25.Nxd4 Bxd4 26.cxd4 Bg4 *(26...Bxa2? 27.Rg1+-)* 27.Bxf6+ Qxf6∓]

25...Qxf6 26.Rg1+

[26.Nxd4? Qxf3+ *(26...Bxa2? 27.Rg1++-)* 27.Nxf3 Bxf2-+ *(27...Bxa2? 28.Rg1+ Kf6 29.Rg5-+)*]

26...Qg6 27.e5

[Less strong is 27.Nxd4 Bxd4 28.cxd4 *(28.Rxg6+ fxg6 29.Rxd4 Rf8+-)* 28...Rc2±]

27...Nc7 28.Qf6+ Pin

[Inferior is 28.Qxc6 Bd5+=]

28...Kh7 29.Rxg6 fxg6 30.Nxd4 Bd5+ 31.Kg1 Ra6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=1.27

32.Rd3

1-0

435 **C55**
☐ **satlan** **2785**
■ **Moztiger** **2631**
Blitz 23.12.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N**

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

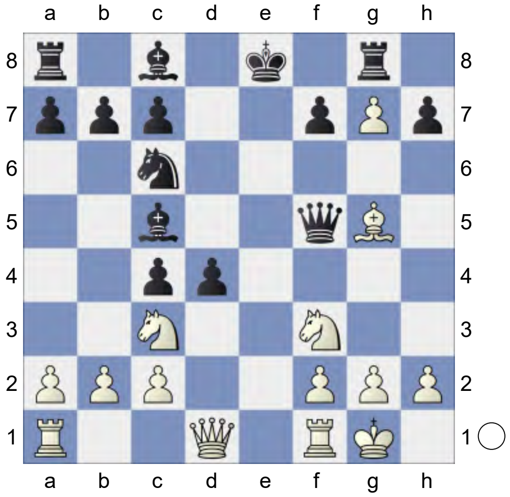
B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001

(7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Qd5 3.42/23

[9...f6= 0.24/21 10.Bh6 Qe7]

10.Nc3+- White has a decisive advantage. **10...Qf5**



11.Ne4 Rxg7

[11...Qxe4 12.Re1+-]

12.Nxc5? -0.13/17

[12.Re1+- 2.68/19 White wants to mate with Nf6+. Kf8 (*12...Be6? 13.Nh4+-*) 13.Bh6 Pin]

12...Qxc5= 13.Bf6 Rg6 14.Bxd4 Nxd4 15.Qxd4 -0.66/18

[Better is 15.Nxd4= -0.16/24 Bh3 16.Re1+ Kf8 17.g3]

15...Qxd4∓ 16.Nxd4 Bh3! 17.Rfe1+ Kf8 18.g3 Rd8 19.Nf3 Rb6 20.b3 Bf5 21.Ne5! cxb3 22.cxb3 Rbd6 23.Rac1 c6↑ Black has some pressure. **24.Nc4** Prevents Rd2 **24...Rd4 25.Ne3 Be6 26.f4** -0.58/18

[26.Re2= -0.17/22 might be stronger.]

26...Rd2! 27.Red1 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 29.Nxd1 Endgame KB-KN **29...Ke7** -0.39/25

[29...a5!∓ -0.83/25]

30.Kf2 Kd6 31.Ke3 -1.11/25

[31.Ne3= -0.28/23]

31...Kc5 -0.17/20

[31...a5∓ -1.11/25 and ...Kc5 would now be decisive 32.Ke4 f5+ 33.Kd4 c5+ 34.Kc3 b5]

32.Kd3!= Kb4 33.Ne3! Ka3 34.f5 Bd7 35.g4 Kxa2 36.Kc3 b5 0.24/21 Repels Nc4

[36...c5∓ -0.31/23]

37.b4! Ka3 0.65/24

[37...c5= 0.11/22]

38.Nc2+ -0.08/21

[38.h4!± 0.65/24]

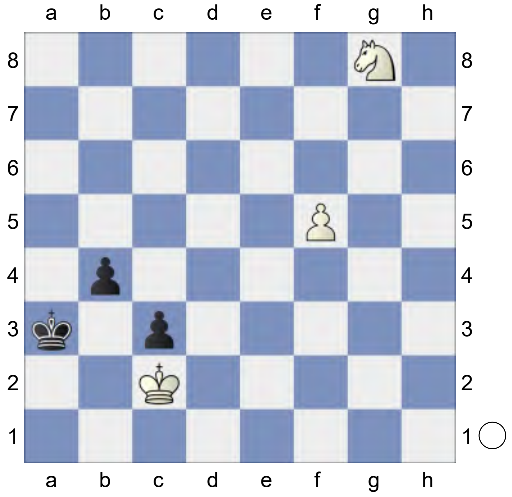
38...Ka4 39.Nd4! a5 40.bxa5 Kxa5 41.Nb3+ Kb6 42.Kb4 f6 43.Nc5 Be8 44.Ne4 Bf7 45.h4 h6 46.Nxf6 c5+ 47.Kc3 b4+ 48.Kb2 Kb5 49.g5 hxg5 50.hxg5 And now g6 would win. **50...c4 51.g6 c3+ 52.Kc2 Bc4 53.g7**

[53.Ng4!? Kc5□ 54.Ne3=]

53...Ka4? 14.55/21

[53...Kc5= 0.00/29 54.g8Q (*54.g8R Bxg8 55.Nxg8 Kd6=*) 54...Bxg8 55.Nxg8 Kd6=]

54.g8Q+- Bxg8 55.Nxg8 Ka3



56.f6! b3+ 57.Kxc3 b2

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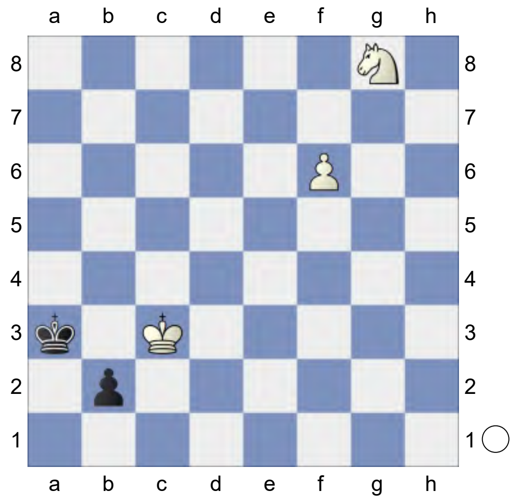

58.f7!

[Don't go for 58.Kc2? Ka2 59.Ne7 b1Q+-+ *(59...b1R 60.Ng6=)*]

58...b1Q Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.43 **59.f8Q+**

[59.f8R gets mated. Qb4+ 60.Kd3 Qxf8 61.Ke3 Qxg8 62.Kf4 Qc4+ 63.Kf5 Kb4 64.Kg5 Kc5 65.Kg6 Qg4+ 66.Kf7 Kd5 67.Kf6 Kd6 68.Kf7 Qg5 69.Kf8 Ke6 70.Ke8 Qg8#]

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436 **C54**

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke** **2667**

■ **Vokhidov,Shamsiddin** **2578**

FIDE Grand Swiss (3) 27.10.2023

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0**

[RR 5.Nc3 d6 6.a3 a6 7.0-0 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.Be3 h6 10.b4 Ba7 11.Nd5 g5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Kg2 Nh7 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.Nd2 Nf8 16.Ne3 Nd4 17.c3 Nde6 18.Rh1 Nf4+ 19.Kg1 c6]

5...d6 6.c3

[RR 6.Bg5 h6

A) RR 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 *(RR 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3)* 13...Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8;

B) 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 exd4 10.e5 Qg6]

[RR 6.a4 a6 *(RR 6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 a5 9.Re1 Qd7 10.Nbd2 g5 11.g4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qxg4+ 13.Kf1 Qh3+ 14.Ke2 g4 15.Ng5 Qh4 16.d4 exd4 17.f4 gxf3+ 18.Ndxf3 Ne5 19.Bxf7+ Nxf7 20.cxd4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5)* 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6]

6...a5

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(RR 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5*

Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Be6N The position is equal.

[RR 8...h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 (RR *15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6)* 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 (RR *21.Kh1)* 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 (RR *22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5)* 23.Qxh5 Bf5 (RR *23...Rfc8)* 24.Ng4 Nf4 (RR *24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8)* 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 21.Be3 Be4 22.Nd2 Bg6 23.Bf2 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79) (RR *23.a4)*]

[RR 8...Ba7 9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4 (RR *14...Qd7)* 15.cxd4 exd4

A) RR 16.e5 Nd5 17.Re4 (RR *17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4)*;

B) 16.Qa4 Nh5

B1) RR 17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (RR *18.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5)* 18...Nb4;

B2) 17.Nbxd4 Nf4 (RR *17...Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4)* 18.Nxc6 bxc6

B2a) RR 19.Qxc6 Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (RR *20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6)* 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8;

B2b) 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qc2 (RR *20.Qxc6 Rab8)* 20...Rab8

B2b1) RR 21.Qxc6 Qg6 22.Ne1 (RR *22.Qxc7 Qxg2#)* 22...Rxb2;

B2b2) RR 21.Rb1;

B2b3) 21.d4 Rb5 (RR *21...c5)*

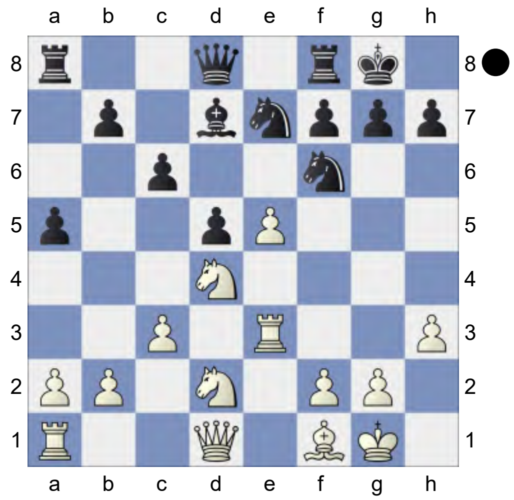
B2b31) RR 22.Qxc6 Rxb2 23.Qa6 (RR *23.Qxc7 Qg6)* 23...c5;

B2b32) 22.Ne5 Qh4 (RR *22...c5)* 23.g3 Priansh,D (2311)-Wafa,H (2359) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36) (RR *23.Nxc6 Rg5 24.Ne7+ Kh8)*]

9.Bb5 Ba7 10.Be3! is now more promising than 10.Nbd2. im Vergleich zu 10.Sbd2 vielversprechender. **10...Bxe3 11.Rxe3 Ne7 12.d4 c6 13.Bf1 Re8N**

[Vorgänger: 13...d5 14.Nbd2 exd4 15.Nxd4 Bd7 16.e5

(Diagram)



16...Ne8! 17.Bd3 Threatening Qd1-h5. c5 18.N4f3 Nc7 19.Nf1 Bf5 ½-½ Praggnanandhaa,R (2690)-So,W (2766) Dusseldorf WR Masters 2023 (7)]

[13...h6 14.Qc2 Qc7 15.Nbd2 a4 16.c4 8) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Ann-Italian 4...Bc5 - Annoying a5]

[13...Ng6 14.c4 a4 15.Nc3 Qa5 16.Qd2 h6 17.Rc1 Rfd8 18.d5 cxd5 19.Nxd5 Nd7 20.Nc3 Nc5 21.Rd1 Bd7 22.Nb5 Qxd2 23.Rxd2 Bxb5 24.cxb5 Rac8 25.g3 Nf8 26.h4 Nfe6 27.Kg2 Kf8 28.Rc2 Novy,M (2676)-5.♕b3 c5 6.a3 (2585) Lvov 2022 ICCF Telechess CBM 104 [John Watson] ½-½ (86)]

14.Nbd2 Ng6 15.a4 Qc7 16.Qc2 d5 0.35/25

[16...Nf4= 0.01/19 deserves consideration.]

17.Nxe5⩲ Nxe5 18.dxe5 Qxe5 19.Nf3 Qh5 20.e5 Ne4 21.Rae1 Rad8 22.b4 axb4 23.cxb4 Bc8 0.85/23

[23...Ng5= 0.26/22 remains equal.]

24.Bd3!± h6 25.Bxe4 dxe4 26.Qxe4 Rd5 27.b5 Red8 1.29/22

[⌓27...Qf5 0.81/24]

28.bxc6! &Bianco is more active.

28...bxc6 29.Kh2 0.99/22

[⌓29.Ra3 1.35/24]

29...Bf5 30.Qf4 Be6 31.Rc1 Bd7 32.Qe4 Bf5 1.80/23

[32...Re8± 1.22/23 was necessary. 33.g4 Qg6]

33.Qb4!+- g2-g4 is the strong threat.

33...Qg6 34.Rec3 1.42/23

[34.a5+- 1.95/23]

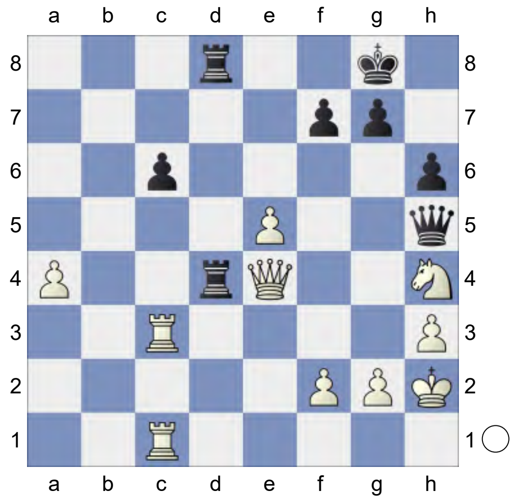
34...Be4 2.42/22

[34...Bd7± 1.42/23 35.Rc5 Qf5]

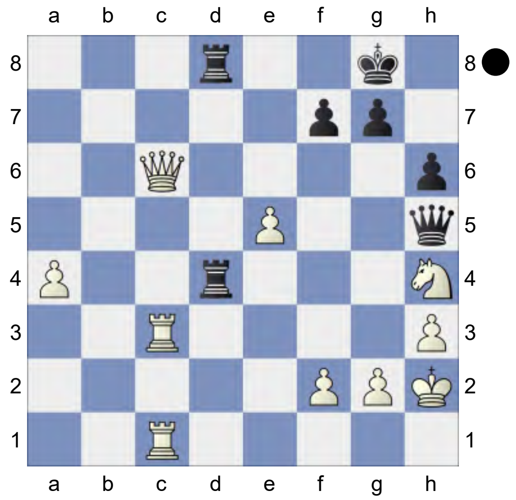
35.Nh4!

[Not 35.Rxc6 Qf5 36.R6c4 Bxf3 37.gxf3 Qxe5+ 38.Kg2 *(38.f4 Qh5∓)* 38...Qg5+ 39.Kh2 Rd2∓]

35...Qh5 36.Qxe4 Rd4

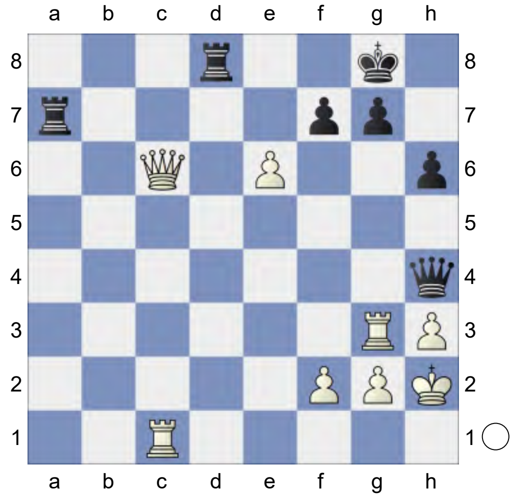


37.Qxc6



aiming for Nh4-f3. **37...Qxh4 38.Rg3**

Rxa4 39.e6 Ra7



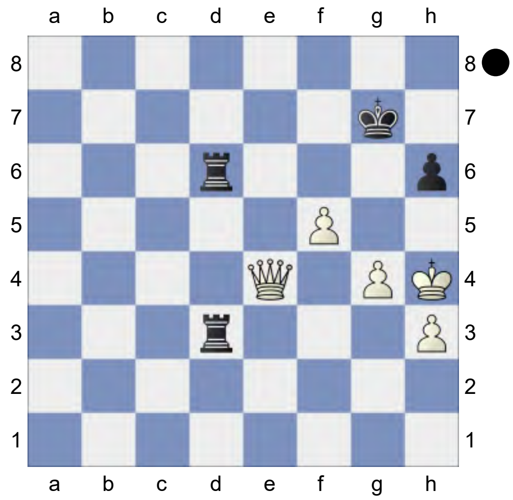
40.Rc4 Against Qh4-f4 **40...Qe7 41.exf7+ Qxf7 42.Rcg4 Kh8 43.Rxg7 Qxg7 44.Rxg7 Kxg7** Endgame KQ-KRR **45.f4 Rad7** 3.84/28

[⌓45...Rf8 2.45/25 46.Qc3+ Kg8 47.Qc4+ Raf7]

46.Qe6 Rd6 47.Qe7+ Kg8 48.g4 R8d7 49.Qe8+ Kg7 50.Kg3 Rd5 5.94/27

[⌓50...Kh7 4.17/23 51.Kh4 Ra7]

51.Qe6 R5d6 52.Qe5+ Kf7 53.Qh8 Re7 54.Kh4 Re3 55.Qh7+ Kf8 56.Qc7 Red3 57.Qb7 Rd7 58.Qe4 R7d6 59.Qe5 Kf7 60.Qh5+ Kf8 61.Qb5 Kf7 62.f5 Kf8 63.Qb4 Kf7 64.Qc4+ Kg7 65.Qe4



Strongly threatening Qe4-e7+. **65...Kf7** Prevents Qe4-e7+. **66.Qc4+?** 0.01/24

[66.Qb7++- 5.52/25 Rd7 67.Qa8]

66...Kg7= 67.Qb4? 0.01/22

[Better is 67.Qa2+- 5.35/25]

67...Kf7! 68.Qe4 h5 69.Kxh5 Rxh3+ 70.Kg5 Really sharp! **70...Rhd3 71.Qe5 R3d5 72.Qe4?** -0.01/23

[White should try 72.Qb2+- 6.35/24 Rd3 73.Qh8]

72...Rd3! 73.Qh1 Kg7 Inhibits Qh1-h7+. **74.Qb7+ Rd7 75.Qb8 R3d6 76.Qe8** Hoping for f5-f6+! **76...Rf7** Against f5-f6+ **77.Qe5+ Rdf6 78.Kf4 Kh7 79.Qd4 Rf8 80.Ke5 Kg7 81.Qd7+ R8f7 82.Qd2** Qd2-g5+ would kill now. **82...Re7+ 83.Kf4** White wants to mate with Qd2-d4. **83...Ref7 84.Qc1 Rf8 85.Ke4 Re8+ 86.Kf3 Ref8 87.Qg5+ Kh7 88.Kf4** Black must now prevent Kf4-e5. **88...R8f7 89.Ke5 Rb6?** 5.07/27

[89...Rc6 3.00/28 was called for. 90.Qh4+ Kg7]

90.Qh4+ Kg7 91.Qg5+? -0.01/22

[91.Qf2+- 5.05/26 Rfb7 92.Qh4]

91...Kh7 92.Qd8 Rfb7 93.Kf4 Rh6 14.44/24

[⌓93...Rb4+ 4.43/24 94.Kg3 Rb1]

94.Qd3+- Rhb6 95.f6+ Kg8 96.Kf5 Threatening mate with g4-g5. **96...Kf7 97.Qc4+ Kf8 98.g5 Rb8 99.Kg6 R6b7 100.Kh6** 10.32/20

[⌓100.Qc6 #13/20 Kg8 101.Qe6+ Kf8 102.Qd6+ Ke8 103.f7+ Rxf7 104.Qxb8+ Ke7 105.Qe5+ Kf8 106.Qd6+ Ke8 107.Qe6+ Kd8 108.Qxf7]

100...Rf7 101.Qd4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) / Black=0.21 (precise)

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437 **C54**
☐ **Jumabayev,Rinat** **2585**
■ **Pichot,Alan** **2650**
FIDE Grand Swiss (10) 04.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
%evp 0,72,26,26,26,26,13,10,12,19,19,-3,-11,2,25,-15,-6,-31,-4,7,15,14,26,26,26,-5,12,26,37,37,44,-22,35,24,36,47,43,41,55,44,55,52,32,28,28,-32,-36,-31, -12, -89,-87,-97,-66,-104,-122,-142,-105,-156, -80,-163,-139,-139,-139,-130,-149, -197, -156,-181,-149,-244,-164,-208,-295,-303, -331 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Nbd2** **Qe7!** The main line 9...Qe7 scores better than 9...g5. Die Hauptvariante 9...De7 punktet besser als 9...g5.

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.0-0 Kg7 12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 0-1 (56) 3.g3 b5 4.♗g2_31338 (2629)-Nepeina Leconte, M (2324) Baku FIDE GP 2008 (5)]

10.b4N

[10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 Bxf2 (36) Reference Games-Anand,V 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

10...Be6 0.42/22

[10...g5= -0.03/20 11.Bg3 Nh5]

11.0-0± g5 12.Bg3 0-0 13.Re1 Bxc4! 14.Nxc4 Qe6! 15.Ne3 Ne7 Against Nf5 **16.Qc2 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Nh5** **18.d4N**

[Vorgänger: 18.Qd1 -0.40/20 18.d4 0.34 Nf4 0.27/20 (Black should try *18...f5∓* -0.40/20 *19.exf5 Nxf5*) 19.h4 -0.23/21 (*⌓19.d4* 0.27/20) 19...f6 20.Nh2 -0.45/24 (*20.d4=* -0.08/18) 20...Neg6 21.h5 Ne7 22.d4 Qf7 0.01/22 (*22...Kh7∓* -0.38/19) 23.Bxf4= gxf4 24.Rh3 1-0 Mammadova,G (2357)-Balajayeva,K (2196) Nakhchivan op 2017 (2)]

18...f6 19.Rd1 Ng6 20.c4 Ng7 21.h3 h5 22.c5 h4 23.Bh2 g4 24.d5 Qd7 25.Nd2 Rf7 26.hxg4 -0.01/21

[26.Nc4± 0.96/20]

26...Qxg4= 27.Nc4 Nh5 1.13/22

[27...Rd8!= 0.01/20]

28.Rf3 0.65/24

[28.Rc3± 1.13/22]

28...Ngf4 1.04/24

[28...Nhf4± 0.65/24 29.Ne3 (*29.cxd6? Qxg2#*) 29...Qh5]

29.Ne3±

[29.cxd6? Qxg2#]

29...Qg6 1.88/24

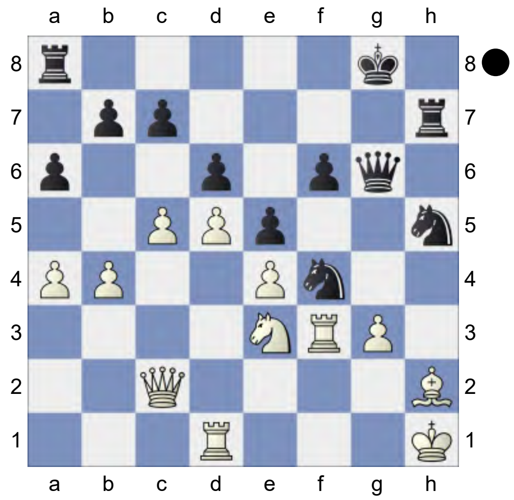
[29...Qg5± 0.77/26]

30.Kh1? -0.01/24

[30.Bxf4+- 1.88/24 Nxf4 31.Kh1]

30...Rh7 31.g3? -1.83/24 **hxg3-+ 32.fxg3**

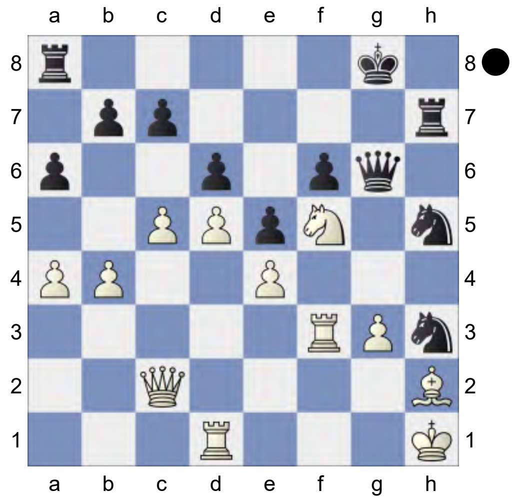
(Diagram)



Nh3

[32...Nxg3+ 33.Rxg3 Qxg3 34.Rg1+-]

33.Nf5



Qg4!

[33...Ng5 34.Rc3 dxc5 35.bxc5±]

34.Rdf1 Ng5 35.Re3 Kh8? 0.11/25

[35...Ng7-+ -1.75/21 and ...Nxf5 would now be decisive 36.Nh4 Rf8]

36.Qe2↑ White has good play. **36...Qxe2**

[36...Qh3 feels hotter. 37.Rf2 Nxe4 38.Rxe4 Qxf5 39.Rxf5 Nxg3+ 40.Kg2 Nxe2 41.Rxe2 Kg7]

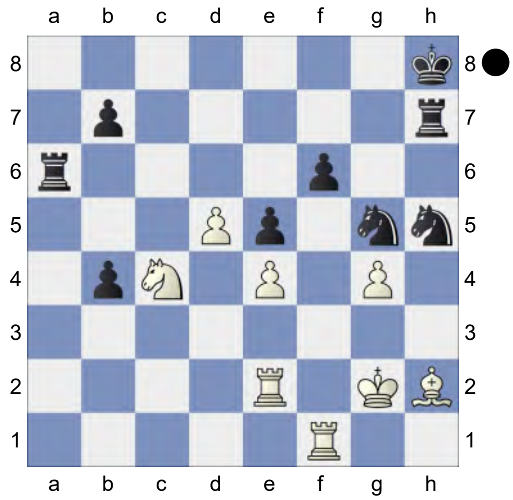
37.Rxe2 a5 38.cxd6 axb4 39.Kg2 Black must now prevent g4. **39...cxd6**

[39...Rxa4 40.Rc1 c6 41.dxc6 bxc6 42.Rxc6]

40.Nxd6 Rxa4 0.06/22

[40...Rd7∓ -0.35/22 might be stronger. 41.Nc4 Rc7 (*41...Rxa4? loses. 42.Nb6+-*)]

41.g4 The position is equal. **41...Ra6 42.Nc4**



Nf4+ 43.Bxf4 exf4 44.Rxf4 b3 45.e5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise) **45...Ra2**

½-½

438 **C55**
☐ **Drvitman** **2908**
■ **Indian_CyberSecurity** **2609**
Rapid 03.07.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 0-0** 0.17/25

[7...Qe7∓ -0.33/23]

8.f4= d6 9.Nc3

[9.f5 h6 10.Bh4 Bd7 11.c3 Nc6 12.Qd2 Nxe4 13.Qe1 Nf6 14.Nd2 Kh7 15.Ne4 Na5 16.Nxf6+ gxf6 17.Be2 Bc6 18.b4 Rg8 19.Rf2 e4 20.Bg3 e3 21.Rf1 Bxg2 22.Kxg2

Nc6 23.Kh1 Qe7 1-0 Li,Y (1546)-Radenkovic,L (1675) Wch U12 Girls 2024 (2)]

9...Ne6 0.93/25

[9...c6!= 0.03/21]

10.fxe5 White is better. **10...dxe5** **11.Qxd8N**

[11.Bxf6 Qxd1 12.Raxd1 gxf6 13.Nd5 c6 14.Nxf6+ Kh8 15.Ng4 b5 16.Bb3 a5 17.Nxe5 a4 18.Nxf7+ Kg8 19.Nh6+ Kg7 20.Nf5+ Kh8 21.Bxe6 Bxe6 22.a3 c5 23.Rd6 Bc4 24.Re1 Rad8 25.e5 Rxd6 1-0 Miricanac,A-Langhammer,B Reichenbach Club-ch 1996 (5) 26.Nxd6 Be6 27.Rf1 Rxf1+ 28.Kxf1 Kg7 29.Kf2 b4 30.Ke3 Kg6 31.Kf4 Bd5 32.g4 h6 33.h4 Bg2 34.Ne4 Bxe4 35.Kxe4 Kf7 36.Kf5 1-0 Tay Chong Thai,T-Levacher,A 48/466 Palma de Mallorca 1989 (5)]

11...Rxd8 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Rd4 1.02/24

[13...c6!⩲ 0.43/24]

14.Bb3!↑ Keeping Black busy. **14...Bd7** 1.53/24

[14...c5 0.83/24]

15.Raf1 Rf8 16.R6f5! c5 17.Bd5 0.90/23

[17.Rxe5 c4 18.Ba4 Bxa4 19.Nxa4 Rfd8]

[⌓17.Bxe6 1.26/23 Bxe6 18.Rg5+ *(18.Rxe5 b6±)* 18...Kh8 19.Rxe5]

17...b5 1.37/23

[17...Rd2 0.90/23]

18.Rxe5 b4 19.Nd1 Rd2 2.64/19

[19...Bb5± 1.22/20 20.Re1 Nf4]

20.Ne3+- Re2 21.Rf3 Nd4? 4.57/20

[21...a5 2.55/18 22.h4 a4]

22.Rg3+? 1.36/19

[22.Rg5++- 4.57/20 Kh8 23.Rxf7 *(23.Rfg3 Re1+ 24.Kf2 Re2+ 25.Kg1 Rd2=)* 23...Rxf7 24.Bxf7 Re1+ 25.Kf2 *(25.Nf1 h6+-)* 25...h5 *(25...Re2+ 26.Kf1 h5 27.Nd5)* 26.Kxe1 Be6 27.Rxh5+ *(27.Bxh5 Kh7+-)* 27...Kg7 28.Bxe6 Nxe6 29.Nf5+ Kf6 30.Nh4]

22...Kh8± 23.c3 0.27/20

[23.Bc4!± 1.39/22]

23...bxc3 0.83/17

[23...Re1+= 0.27/20 remains equal. 24.Kf2 Re2+ 25.Kf1 bxc3 26.bxc3 Bb5]

24.bxc3 Nc6 2.18/19

[24...Re1+]

25.Reg5+- Ne7 26.Bc4 Discovered Attack **26...Re1+ 27.Kf2 Rc1 28.h4** 1.18/17

[28.Rxc5?! Rxc3 29.Rc7 f5 30.exf5 *(30.Rxd7 f4+-)* 30...Nxf5+-]

[28.Rf3+- 2.93/20 is more deadly.]

28...Rxc3± 29.h5 0.82/20 Against Ng6

[⌓29.Rf3 1.18/21]

29...Be6 1.49/20

[Black should try 29...h6 0.82/20 30.Rxc5 f5 31.exf5 Nxf5]

30.Bxe6!

[30.Rxc5?! Nc8 31.Rc6 Nb6=]

30...fxe6+ 31.Rf3 Rxf3+ 2.81/22

[31...Rg8± 1.27/17 32.Rxg8+ *(32.Re5 Nc6=)* 32...Nxg8]

32.gxf3 Endgame KRN-KRN

[32.Kxf3 h6 33.Rg3 e5±]

32...Nc6? 4.71/22

[32...Ra3 2.65/17 is a better defense. 33.Ng4 *(33.Rxc5 Kg7+-)* 33...Rxa2+ 34.Kg3 Ra1 35.Rxc5 Kg7]

33.Ng4 Nd4 34.Ne5 h6 35.Rg6 Kh7 4.20/21

[35...c4 1.89/18 36.Rxh6+ Kg7 37.Rg6+ Kh7]

36.Kg3? 0.82/21

[36.Nd7+- 4.20/21 Threatening mate with Nf6+. Rxf3+ 37.Ke1]

36...Ne2+ 37.Kg4 Rc1! 38.Rxe6

0.00/26

[38.f4!± 0.60/28]

38...Rg1+= 39.Kh4 Rh1+! 40.Kg4 Rg1+ 41.Kh3 Rh1+ 0.63/31

[41...Nf4+= 0.00/25 42.Kh2 Rg2+ 43.Kh1 Rxa2 44.Re7+ Kg8]

42.Kg2!± Rxh5 1.44/21

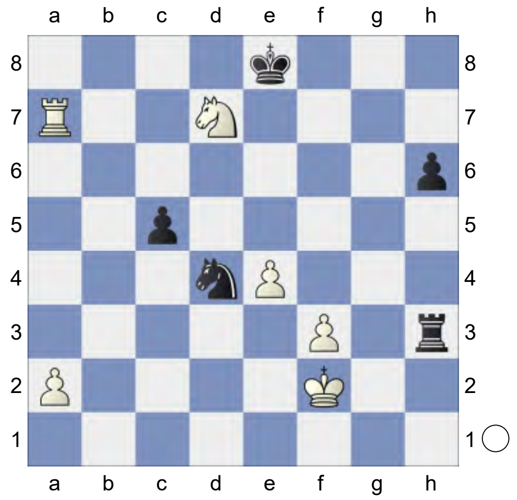
[42...Nf4+!± 0.39/20 43.Kxh1 Nxe6]

43.Re7+± Kg8 44.Ng4 White is more active. **44...Nf4+ 45.Kg3 Ne2+ 46.Kf2 Nd4 47.Rxa7 Rh3 48.Nf6+**

[48.Kg2?! Rxf3 49.Nxh6+ Kh8±]

48...Kf8 49.Nd7+ Ke8 2.26/18

[49...Kg8± 1.41/19]

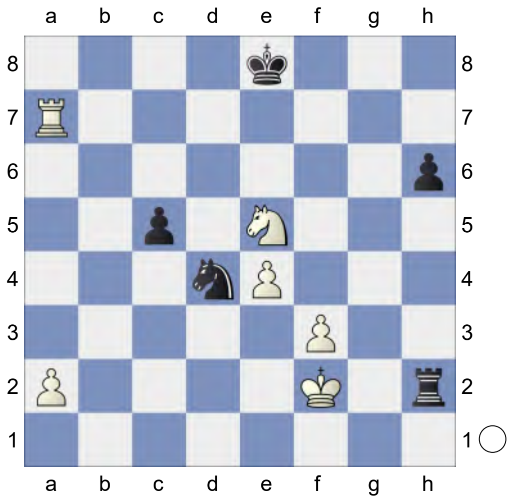


50.Ne5!+-

[Inferior is 50.Nxc5 Rxf3+ 51.Kg2 Rc3±]

50...Rh2+

(Diagram)



51.Kg3! Rc2 52.f4 Ne2+? 3.76/20

[52...Re2± 1.52/18]

53.Kg4 h5+ 54.Kg5

[Not 54.Kxh5 Nxf4+ 55.Kg5 Ne2±]

54...Ng3 55.Ng6? 0.21/18

[55.Ra8++- 2.91/18 Ke7 56.Ng6+ Kd7 57.e5]

55...Nxe4+= 56.Kxh5 Strongly threatening Re7+. Black is now going downhill. **56...c4?** 4.29/16

[56...Nd6= 0.11/20]

57.Re7++- Kd8 58.Rxe4 KRN-KR **58...Rc1 59.Kg5 c3 60.Rc4 c2 61.Kf6 Kd7 62.a4 Kd6 63.a5 Kd5 64.Rc8 Kd4 65.a6 Kd3 66.Ne5+ Kd2 67.Nc4+ Kd3 68.Nb2+ Kd2 69.Rd8+ Kc3 70.Na4+ Kb3 71.Nc5+ Kb2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/ Black=0.57 **72.Nd3+**

1-0

439 **C55**

☐ **Drvitman** **2842**

■ **Different_1** **2674**

Rapid 30.04.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6**

3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6 9.f4 Bg4 10.Bxf6 The position is equal. **10...Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.c3** -0.72/26

[12.Rxd1= -0.09/25 Nxc2 13.Nc3 *(13.Bb5+ c6∓; 13.Na3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6 15.Rf1 exf4 16.Rxf4 0-0 17.Kf2 Kh8 18.Ke3 d5* 0-1 Tumukunde,T-Okurut,M (1493) UGA-ch U20 Kampala 2025 (4)*)* 13...Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7 16.Nxf4 Rde8 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 Re4 24.h3 g5 25.Rf3 a5 26.Kf2 d5 27.Rf6 Rh8 28.a3 Rc4 29.Bg6 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10)]

12...Be2∓ 13.cxd4 Bxc4 14.Rc1 Bd3N -0.27/25

[14...Ba6!∓ -0.78/24 aiming for ...c6. 15.Rxc7 0-0 *(15...exf4 16.a4∓; 15...exd4 16.Na3∓)* 16.fxe5 dxe5]

15.Rxc7= 0-0 16.dxe5 dxe5 -0.14/25

[16...Bxe4∓ -0.54/26 17.Nd2 Bd5 18.exd6 Rxd6]

17.Nc3 exf4 18.Rxb7 Rb8 19.Rd7 Bc4 20.b3

[20.Rxa7 Rxb2 21.Rc7 Be6-+]

20...Be6 21.Rxa7 Rfc8 0.37/25

[21...Rfd8= -0.01/22 deserves consideration.]

22.Nd5± Bxd5 1.36/20

[22...Rc2!± 0.59/24]

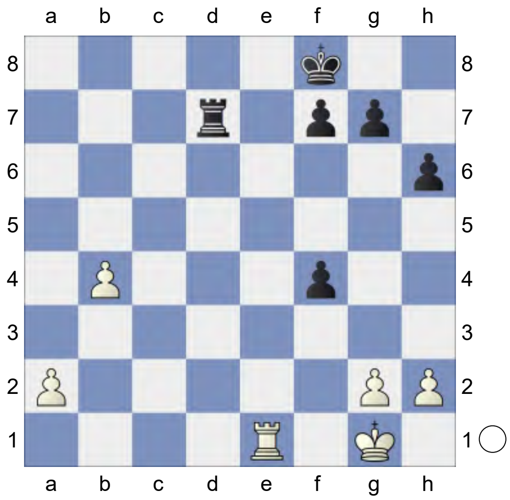
23.exd5 Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **23...Rc2** 2.11/21

[23...Rd8± 1.21/20]

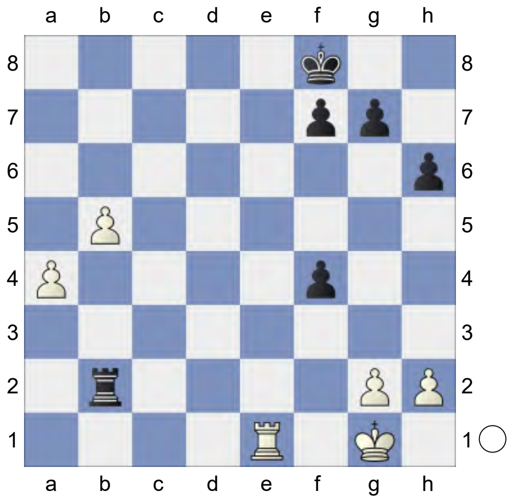
24.d6+- Rd2 25.d7 Black cannot hold the game after this. **25...Kf8?** 3.69/23

[25...Kh7± 1.54/19 26.Rc1 Rb5]

26.Re1 Rd8 27.b4 R2xd7 28.Rxd7 Rxd7



KR-KR **29.b5! Rd2 30.a4 Rb2**

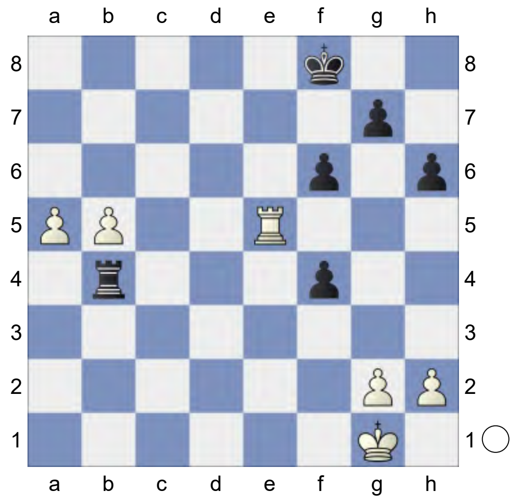


31.Re5! Rb4? 4.97/25

[31...f6 2.10/18 was called for. 32.Rc5 Ke7]

32.a5 f6

(Diagram)



33.a6! fxe5 KR-KP **34.a7 Ra4**
[34...Rxb5 35.a8Q+ (*35.a8B? g5-+*) 35...Kf7 36.Qa2+ Kf8 37.Qe6]
35.b6 aiming for b7. **35...Kf7**
[Much weaker is 35...Ra1+ 36.Kf2 Kf7 (*36...Ra2+? 37.Kf3+-*) 37.b7 Rxa7 (*37...Ra2+? 38.Kf3+-*) 38.b8Q (*38.b8B? Ra2+ 39.Kf1 Ke6-+*) 38...Ra2+ 39.Kf3 e4+ 40.Kxf4 Rxg2 41.Qb7+ (*41.Kxe4 Re2+ 42.Kf3 Re1+-*) 41...Kf8 42.Qa8+ (*42.Qxe4 Rf2+ 43.Kg3 Rf6+-*) 42...Kf7 43.Qd5+ (*43.Qxe4 Rf2+ 44.Kg3 Rf6+-*) 43...Kf8 44.Kxe4+-]
36.b7 Rxa7 37.b8Q KQ-KR
[37.b8B? perishes. Ra1+ 38.Kf2 Ra2+ 39.Kf1 Ke6-+]
37...Re7 38.Kf2 Kf6? 6.19/22
[38...Re8 3.81/23 39.Qb7+ Re7]
39.Kf3 Rd7 40.Qf8+ Ke6 41.Qe8+ Re7 42.Qc6+ Kf5 43.Qe4+ Kf6 44.h4 g6 45.Qa8 White is clearly winning. **45...Kf5** 7.80/19
[⌓45...Kg7 4.72/20 46.Qd8 Kf7 47.Qd5+ Kf8]
46.Qf8+ Ke6 47.Qxh6 Kf5 48.Qg5+ Ke6 49.Qxg6+ Kd5 50.Qe4+ Kd6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.40 **51.h5**
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440 C53
☐ Duda,J 2729
■ Ibrahimli,Murad 2447
Titled Tue 16th Sep 2025 blitz (6)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]
5...exd4 6.e5N
[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]
6...d5! 7.Be2 Ne4
[7...d3 is interesting. 8.exf6 dxe2

9.Qxe2+ Kf8]

8.cxd4 Bb6 9.0-0 The position is equal.

9...0-0 10.Nc3 Bf5 0.48/19

[10...Be6= 0.06/20]

11.Be3± Ne7 0.62/18

[11...f6= 0.24/20]

12.Rc1 c6 13.Nh4 0.10/20

[13.Na4± 0.59/19]

13...f6!= 14.exf6 Nxf6 15.Na4 Bc7 16.Nc5 Bc8 17.Re1 Rb8 0.49/20

[17...Nf5!= 0.03/18 18.Bg5 *(18.Nxf5 Bxf5 19.Bd3 Qc8=)* 18...Nxh4 19.Bxh4 Bxh2+ 20.Kh1 *(20.Kxh2? Ng4+* Discovered Attack, Decoy *21.Bxg4 Qxh4+ 22.Kg1 Qxf2+ 23.Kh2 Qh4+ 24.Kg1 Bxg4-+)* 20...Bf4]

18.g3 0.12/20

[18.Bd3± 0.49/20 should be considered.]

18...Qe8 0.57/20

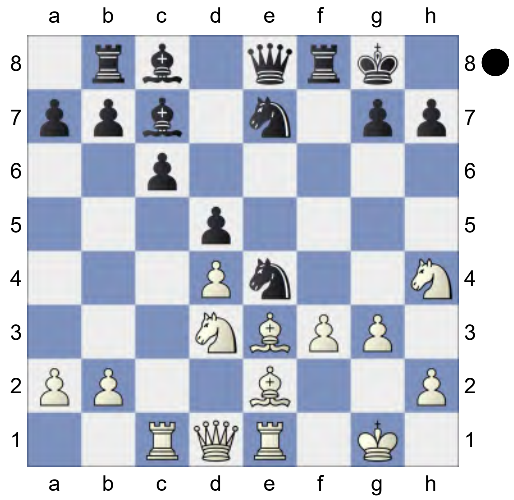
[18...Nf5= 0.12/20 19.Nxf5 Bxf5]

19.Nd3 0.20/20

[19.Qc2± 0.57/20]

19...Ne4 20.f3 -0.50/21

[20.Ne5± 0.38/19]



20...Nxg3!∓ Demolition **21.hxg3 Bxg3 22.Bf2 Bxh4 23.Bxh4 Nf5↑** Black has some pressure. **24.Bg5** Repels Qe3+ **24...h6** 1.42/19

[24...Qg6= -0.01/24 25.f4 h6 Pin]

25.Bf4± Ra8? 3.02/20

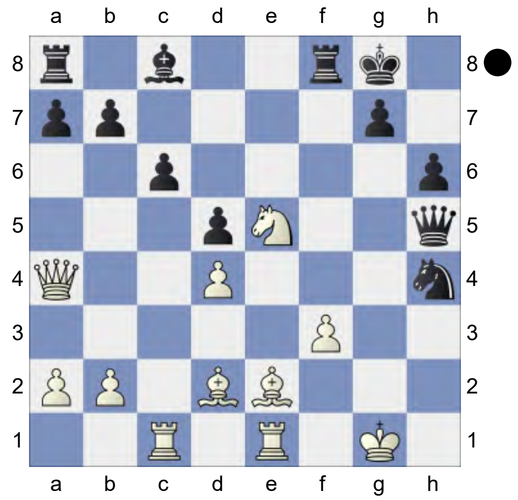
[25...Qg6+± 1.21/21 26.Kf2 Qf6]

26.Qa4? -0.01/18

[Only move: 26.Ne5+- 3.02/20]

26...Qh5!= 27.Ne5 Nh4 Black has compensation. **28.Bd2** -1.25/24

[28.Bg3= -0.19/24 Qg5 29.Kf2]

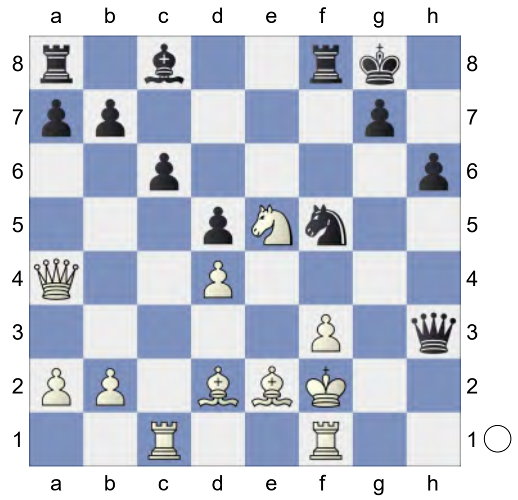


28...Qf5!∓ 29.Kf2 Qh3 Threatens to win with ...Bg4. **30.Rf1?** -5.20/22

[30.Ke3!∓ -0.63/24]

30...Nf5? 1.32/21

[30...Qh2+-+ -5.20/22 31.Ke3 Nf5+ 32.Kd3 Ng3]



31.Ke1!± Qh4+? 2.91/21
[31...Ng3± 0.98/21]
32.Kd1+- Ng3 3.00/20
[32...Nxd4 33.Ng6 Qf6 34.Bc3 *(34.Nxf8 Nxe2 35.Kxe2 Bh3+-)*]
[32...Rf6 1.97/19 was necessary. 33.Qb4 a5]
33.Re1 Bf5 34.Rc3 Rae8 3.53/20
[⌓34...Nxe2 2.31/18 35.Rxe2 a5]
35.Qxa7 Nxe2
[Stronger than 35...Rxe5 36.dxe5 Nxe2 37.Rxe2]
36.Rxe2
[Not 36.Kxe2 b6±]
36...Qh1+ 37.Re1 Qg2 38.Qc5
[38.Qxb7 Rb8 39.Qa6 *(39.Qxc6 Rxb2 40.Qxd5+ Kh7±)* 39...Rxb2+-]
38...h5 39.Rce3 h4 40.R3e2 Qg3 41.Be3 And now Rg1 would win. **41...h3 42.Rg1 Qh4 43.Rh2 Bh7 44.Qd6 Rf6** #17/30
[44...Bf5+- 4.97/20 45.Rg5 *(45.Kc1 Re6+-)* 45...Re6]
45.Qd7 Ref8
Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.66
46.Qxg7#
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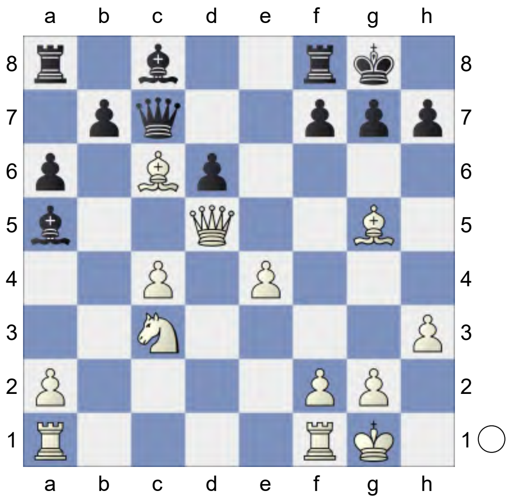
441 C52
☐ **ProteusSF-lite 3092**
■ **admete_bot 2360**
Rapid 21.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Nf6 0.61/19
[Black should play 8...Bb6!∓ -0.55/19 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 f6 11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7)]
9.dxe5!±
[9.Nbd2 0-0 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Ba3 Re8 13.Rad1 Qg4 14.Bxf7+ Kh8 15.Bxe8 Be6 16.Qa4 Bb6 17.Bb5 Nh5 18.Kh1 Nf4 19.Rg1 Bxf2 20.Nf3 Bxg1 21.Rxg1 Nxg2 22.Qd1 Ne3 23.Rxg4 Nxd1 1-0 (35) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Slade,T (2085) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Feb Early blitz 2025 (3)]
9...Ng4N
[9...Nxe5? too greedy. 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Rd1+-]
[9...dxe5? 10.Rd1+-]
[9...Nxe4 10.Re1 Nc5 11.exd6+ Kf8 12.Qa3 Qxd6 13.Bb5 Bb6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.Bb2 Nd7 16.Ne4 Qxa3 17.Bxa3+ Kg8 18.Rad1 h6 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.c4 Ba5 21.Re3 Nb6 22.Ne5 Nxc4 23.Rg3 Nxa3 24.Nd7 ½-½ (31) Muir,W-Clement,P Friendly match 1966/67]
10.exd6 cxd6 White is better. **11.h3 Nge5 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.Bb5** Pin **13...Nc6 14.Qd5** Threatens to win with Bxc6. **14...Bc7 15.c4 0-0 16.Nc3 a6 17.Ba4 Ba5 18.Bxc6 Qd8 19.Bg5 Qc7**

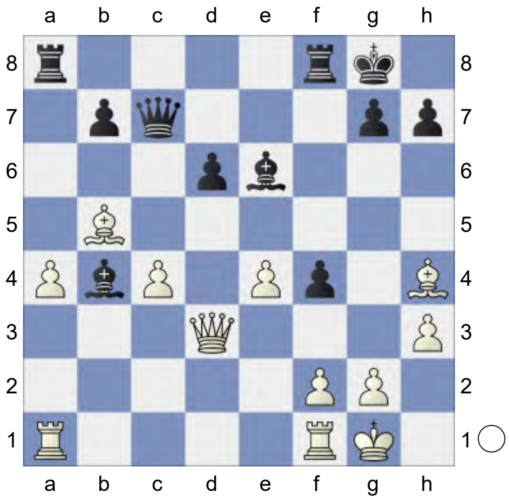
(Diagram)



20.Nb5 axb5

[20...Qxc6 21.Qxc6]

21.Bxb5 Bb4 22.a4 Be6 23.Qd3 f5 24.Bh4 f4

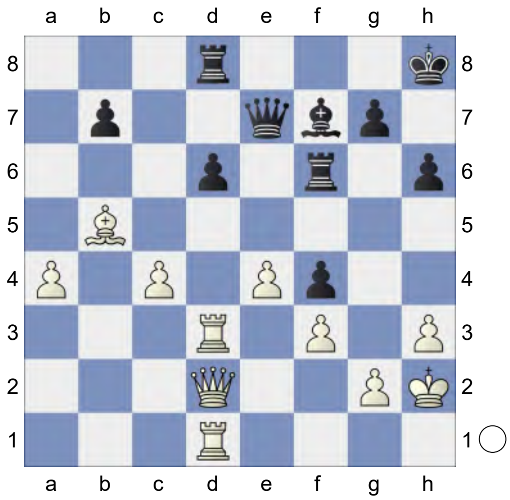


25.f3! Rfc8 26.Rac1 Kh8 27.Rfd1 Rf8 28.Kh2 Bc5 29.Qe2 h6 30.Bf2 Bb4 2.23/20

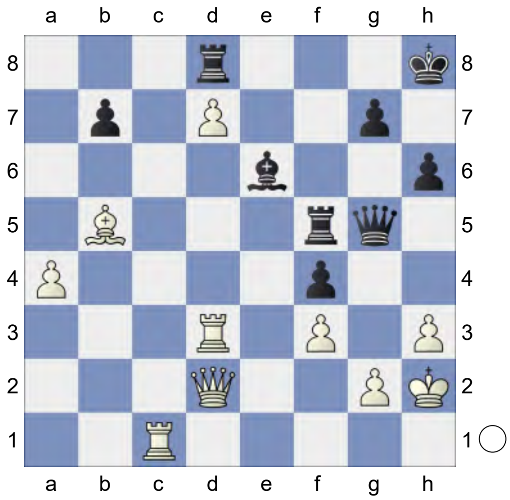
[⌓30...Qe7 1.84/15 31.Rd2 Qg5 32.Bxc5 dxc5]

31.Rb1+- Bc5 32.Bxc5 Qxc5 33.Rb2 Rf6 34.Rbd2 Bf7 35.Qf2 Qc7 36.Rd3 Qe7 37.Qd2 Rd8

(Diagram)



38.c5! d5 39.exd5 Qxc5 40.d6 Qg5 41.d7 Rf5 42.Rc1 Be6

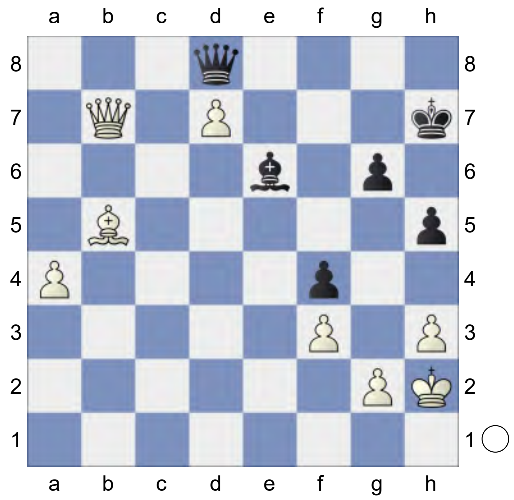


43.Rc8! Active counter play! **43...Rff8**

[43...Qg3+ 44.Kg1]

44.Rxd8 Rxd8 45.Qe2 Bf7 46.Rc3 Kh7 47.Rc8 g6 48.Rxd8 Qxd8 Endgame KQB-KQB. White is a pawn up. **49.Qe4 h5 50.Qxb7 Be6**

(Diagram)



51.a5! h4

[51...Kh6 52.Qb6]

52.a6 Intending a7 and mate. **52...Kh6 53.a7 Bxd7 54.Qxd7** 14.31/17

[Weaker is 54.a8B Bxb5 55.Qxb5 Qxa8⩲]

[⌓54.Bxd7 #15/18 Qg5 55.Bg4 *(55.a8B Qg3+ 56.Kh1 Qe1+ 57.Kh2 Qg3+ 58.Kh1 Qe1+ 59.Kh2 Qg3+=)* 55...Qd8 56.a8Q *(56.a8B Qf8+-)* 56...Qxa8 57.Qxa8 Kg7 58.Qe4 Kf7 59.Qe6+ *(59.Qxf4+ Ke7 60.Kh1 g5 61.Qe5+ Kf7 62.Qxg5 Kf8 63.Be6 Ke8 64.Qg7 Kd8 65.Qd7#)* 59...Kg7 60.Qe7+ Kh6 61.Qf6 *(61.Qxh4+ Kg7 62.Qe7+ Kh6 63.Qf6 Kh7 64.Qf8 g5 65.Bf5#)* 61...Kh7 62.Qf8 g5 63.Bf5#]

54...Qh8 55.Bd3 White mates. **55...Qg8 56.Qe7 Qh8 57.Qe6 Qg7 58.a8Q Kh7 59.Qd8 Qf6 60.Qexf6 Kh6** Black got outplayed after the opening.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.53

61.Qxg6#

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442 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3093**

■ **admete_bot** **2359**

Rapid 21.11.2023

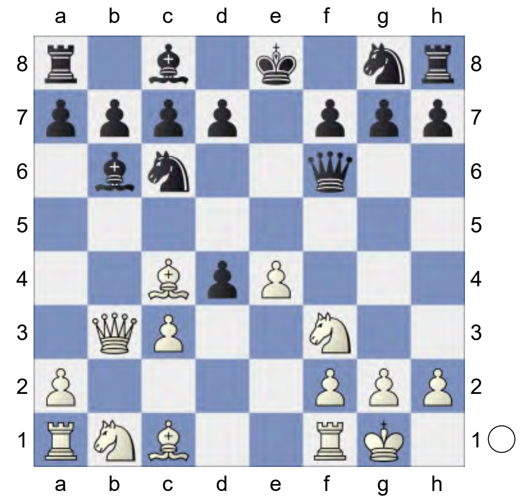
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.26/20

[6...d6 -0.22/20 deserves consideration.]

7.Qb3 Qf6 8.0-0! Bb6



9.e5 The position is equal. **9...Qg6 10.cxd4 Nxd4**

[10...Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

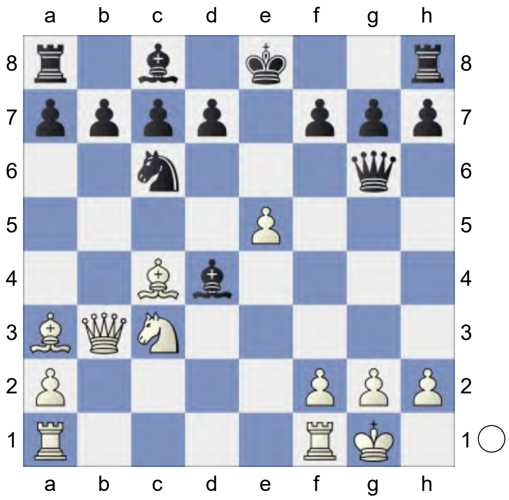
11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.Nc3! Ne7N

[12...Bxe5 13.Re1 d6 14.f4+-]

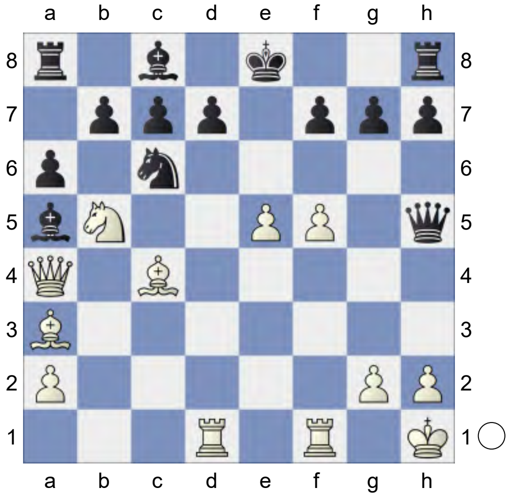
[12...b6!? 13.Bd5 c6 14.Bf3 Qe6 15.Nd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Qxe5 17.Rb1 Ba6 18.Bxa8 Bxf1 19.Kxf1 Ne7 20.Ba3 0-0 21.Re1 Qf6 22.Bf3 d6 23.Qa4 Ng6 24.Re2 a5 25.Qc6 Rd8 26.Re8+ Rxe8 27.Qxe8+ Nf8 0-1 (31) Kurmann,O (2450)-Karpov,A (2616) Trans Europa Schach Express rapid 2012 (3.7)]

13.Ba3 Loses the game. **13...Nc6?**

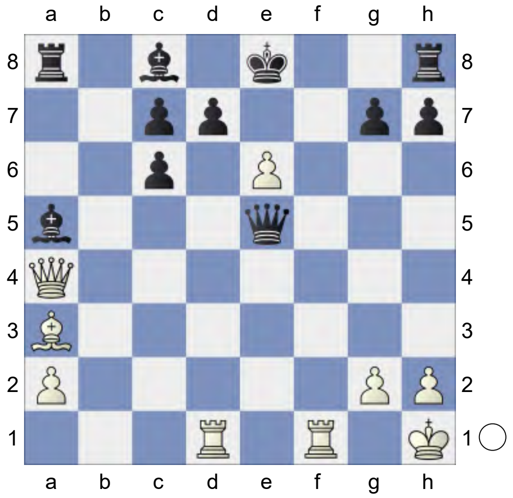
2.52/17
[13...b6!= 0.01/20]



14.Nb5!+- Bb6
[14...Bxe5 15.Rae1]
15.Rad1= Na5
[15...a6 16.Nd6+ cxd6 17.Rxd6+- *(17.Qxb6 0-0+-)*]
16.Qa4 Black must now prevent Rd6!.
[16.Qb4 c5 *(16...Nc6 17.Qb3=)* 17.Qc3 Nxc4 18.Qxc4 0-0=]
16...Nc6 17.Kh1 a6 Hoping for ...Ba5!.
18.f4 Ba5 4.51/21
[18...Qf5 3.09/17 might work better. 19.Bd5 *(19.Bd6 Kd8±)* 19...Kd8]
19.f5 Qh5



20.e6! axb5 21.Bxb5
[Not 21.exf7+ Kd8 22.Qxb5 *(22.f8Q+ Rxf8 23.Bxb5 Rf6-+)* 22...Bc3+-]
21...fxe6 22.fxe6 Qe5 6.01/21
[⌓22...Qg6 4.27/18 23.Bxc6 bxc6 *(23...dxc6 24.Qh4)*]
23.Bxc6 bxc6



24.Rde1!! Qxe1 25.Rxe1 Pin **25...d6 26.Qxc6+ Ke7 27.Bb4 Bxe6 28.Bxa5** Remove Defender **28...Rxa5 29.Qxc7+ Kf6 30.Qxa5 Rc8 31.Rf1+ Kg6 32.Qa6** Intending Qd3+ and mate. **32...h5 33.Qxd6 Re8 34.Qc6 Rd8 35.Qxe6+** White mates. **35...Kh7 36.h4 Rd4 37.Rf5 Rxh4+ 38.Kg1 Rh1+ 39.Kxh1 g6 40.Rf7+ Kh6 41.Qf6 h4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.84
42.Qxh4#
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444 **C52**
☐ **ProteusSF** **3089**
■ **admete_bot** **2359**
Rapid 21.11.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4

Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Nf6 0.66/20

[8...Bb6!∓ -0.33/19]

9.dxe5!± Nxe4

[9...Nxe5? 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Rd1+-]

[9...dxe5? 10.Rd1+-]

10.Re1 Deflection **10...Nc5** 1.29/19

[10...Qf5? 11.Bd3 Nc5 (*11...d5? 12.Qxd5 Nxc3 13.Nxc3+-*) 12.Bxf5+- (*12.exd6+ Kd8+-*)]

[⌓10...d5 0.79/21]

11.exd6+± Kf8 12.Qd1N

[12.Qa3 Qxd6 13.Bb5 Bb6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.Bb2 Nd7 16.Ne4 Qxa3 17.Bxa3+ Kg8 18.Rad1 h6 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.c4 Ba5 21.Re3 Nb6 22.Ne5 Nxc4 23.Rg3 Nxa3 24.Nd7 f5 25.Nef6+ Kf7 26.Nh5 g5 ½-½ (31) Muir,W-Clement,P Friendly match 1966/67]

12...cxd6 13.Bf4 Bc7 14.Na3 White has strong compensation. **14...a6** Prevents Nb5. **15.Ng5 Nd8 16.Nc2** White has more active pieces. **16...h6 17.Ne4↑** White is on the roll. **17...Nxe4 18.Rxe4 Nc6** 1.96/16

[18...Kg8± 1.26/18]

19.Ne3+- Kg8 3.05/17

[19...Ne5 2.03/16 20.Rd4 Qe8]

20.Qh5 Ne5 4.65/18

[20...Nd8 3.05/18 was worth a try. 21.Nd5 Ne6]

21.Bxe5 dxe5 22.Rd1 Qe8 23.Nd5 Ba5 24.Rxe5

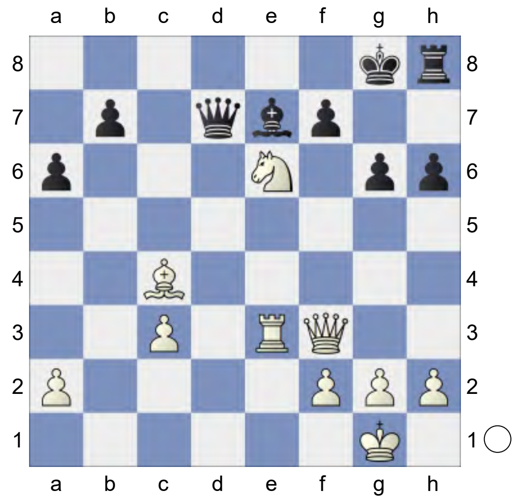
[Not 24.Qxe5 Qxe5 25.Rxe5 Kh7±]

24...Be6 25.Nf4 and Rxe6 should not be overlooked **25...g6 26.Qe2 Rd8 27.Rxd8**

[Inferior is 27.Rxa5 Rxd1+ 28.Qxd1 Bxc4=]

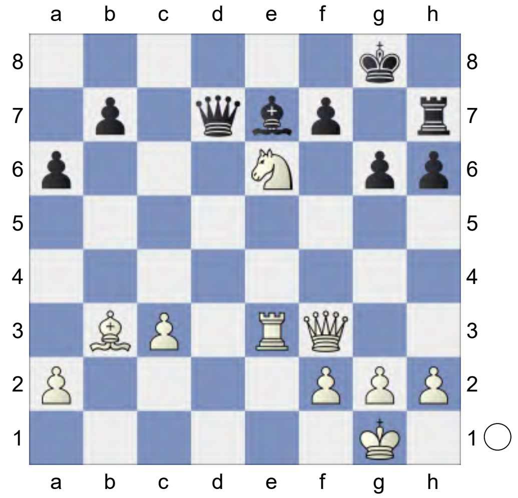
27...Bxd8 28.Nxe6 Bf6 29.Re3 Qd7 30.Qf3 Be7

(Diagram)



31.Bb3! Rh7

[31...a5 32.Rd3]

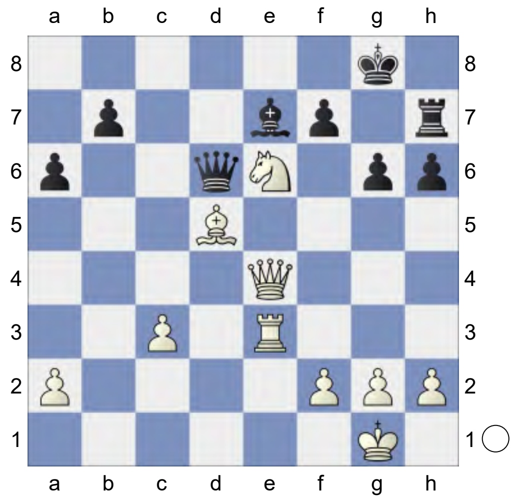


32.Qe4! Qc6

[32...a5 33.Rd3]

33.Bd5 Qd6

(Diagram)



34.g3! h5

[34...Qd7 35.h4]

35.Nf4 g5 36.Ng6 Bf8 37.Ne5 Kh8 38.Nxf7+ Rxf7 Black is weak on the light squares **39.Bxf7 a5 40.Bb3** White mates. **40...a4 41.Bc2 Qd7 42.Rf3 Kg8 43.Bxa4 Qd6 44.Bb3+ Kh8 45.Bc2 Qd7 46.Qg6 Qd1+ 47.Bxd1 Be7 48.Qh6+ Kg8** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.49

49.Bb3#

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443 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF-lite** **3098**

■ **admete_bot** **2354**

Rapid 21.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Sokolov,I: 'Inf 91/283' Lukacs: 'LesEchecs.com: 'C50: Partie italienne (gambit Evans refusé) ''

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 6.0-0 White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.d4! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Re1 Nxc4 10.Rxe4+ Be7 11.Rxc4±]

8.Re1 White is slightly better. **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ Short,N (2712)-Sokolov,I (2690) Sarajevo Bosnia 34th 2004 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.Bd3 Rb8N

[11...Na5 12.Qc2 *(12.Qa4 b6 13.Nf1 Bb7 14.Ng3 Qf8 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.f4 Ree8 18.e5 d6 19.Ba3 Bc6 20.Qd1 Nd7 21.Qg4 Nb7 22.Nf5 Kh8 23.Re3 Nbc5 24.Rae1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Re6 26.Qh4 Rg6* 1-0 Felgaer,R (2593)-Harikrishna,P (2646) Dos Hermanas-A 2005 (4) *)* 12...b6 13.Rb1 Bb7]

[11...b6 12.Nc4 #4 1) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit: 4...Bxb4]

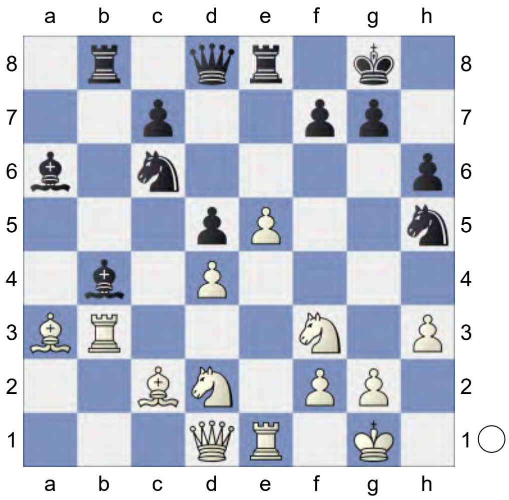
12.Rb1 b5 Prevents Nc4. **13.Qd1 a6 14.a4 Qd8 15.axb5 axb5 16.Rxb5 Ra8** White must now prevent ...Ba6. **17.Rb3 Ba6 18.Bc2 Rb8 19.h3 exd4 20.cxd4 Bb4 21.Ba3 d5 22.e5**

[22.Bxb4 simplifies Nxb4 23.e5 Nxc2 24.Rxb8 Qxb8 25.Qxc2 Nh7 26.Nb3]

22...Nh5 2.02/20

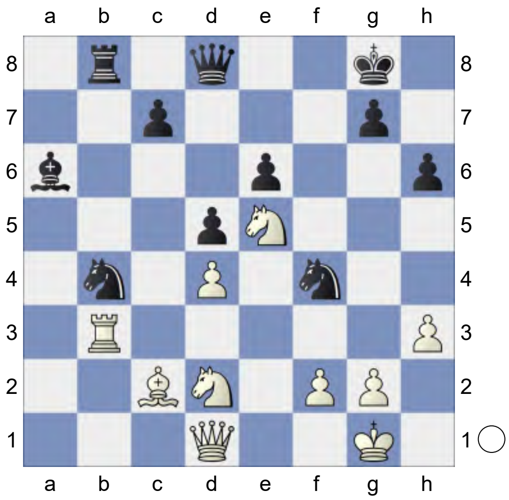
[22...Bxd2± 0.86/21 23.Rxb8 *(23.Qxd2 Ne4±)* 23...Qxb8 24.Qxd2 Ne4 Decoy 25.Bxe4 dxe4 26.Rxe4 Qb1+ 27.Re1 Qb3]

(Diagram)



23.e6!+- Rxe6 24.Rxe6 fxe6 25.Bxb4 Nxb4 26.Ne5 Loses the game. **26...Nf4** 3.52/20

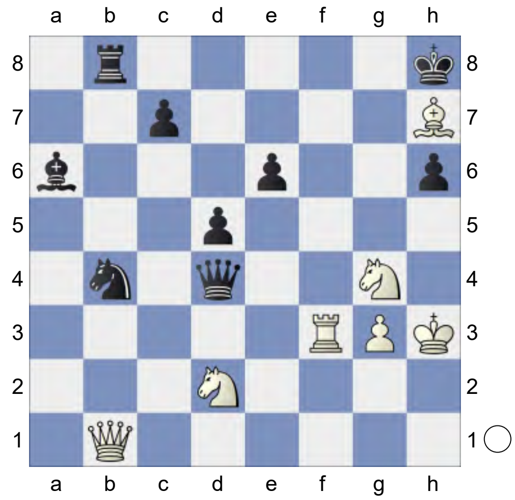
[26...Nf6± 1.33/19 was called for.]



27.Qb1! Qf8 28.Bh7+ Kh8 29.g3 Nxh3+ 30.Kg2 Qxf2+ 31.Kxh3 g5 32.Rf3 Intending Nf7+ and mate.

[Less strong is 32.Rxb4 Rxb4 33.Qxb4 Bf1+ 34.Kg4 Be2+ 35.Nef3 *(35.Ndf3 Bxf3+ 36.Nxf3 h5+ 37.Kxg5 Qxg3+ 38.Kh6 Qg7+ 39.Kxh5 Qxh7+ 40.Kg4 Qf5+ 41.Kg3 Qg6+ 42.Kf2 Qc2+ 43.Nd2 Kg8+-)* 35...h5+ 36.Kxg5 Qxg3+ 37.Kf6 Bxf3±]

32...g4+ 33.Nxg4 Excellent horsemanship. **33...Qxd4**



34.Nxh6! Bd3 35.Bxd3 Qg7 Repels Bh7 **36.Ng4 e5 37.Rf5** and Rh5+ should not be overlooked **37...Rb6 38.Rh5+ Kg8 39.Bh7+ Kf7 40.Nf3 Nc6 41.Qa2 Ke7 42.Qa3+ Kd8 43.Bf5 Nd4 44.Nxd4 exd4 45.Qa8+ Ke7 46.Qxd5 Rd6 47.Qb7** White mates. **47...Ke8 48.Qc8+ Rd8 49.Qe6+ Kf8 50.Bg6 Qxg6 51.Qxg6 d3 52.Qf6+ Ke8 53.Rh8+ Kd7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.69 **54.Rxd8#**

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445 C55

☐ ChessHobbits99 2775

■ Larsen,Magnus 2573

Blitz 12.08.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.13/19

[7...h6∓ -0.54/18 8.Be3 Nc6]

8.f4!= Rg8 0.39/17

[8...c6= -0.27/21]

[8...Be6 9.Nd2 h6 10.fxe5 dxe5

11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c3 Qd6 13.Kh1 Nc6 14.Rxf6 0-0-0 15.Bxe6+ fxe6 16.Rf2 Ne7 17.Qh5 Qb6 18.Raf1 Qxb2 19.Qxe5 Qxa2 20.Nf3 Qc4 21.Nd4 Nc6 22.Qxe6+ Qxe6 23.Nxe6 0-1 8.♗d3 ♗b7 9.e4 b4_77255 (2476)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2548) Paris 1965 (4)]

9.Na3N -0.44/17

[9.f5⩲ 0.39/17]

[9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Qh5 Rg6 12.Qxh7 Be6 13.Na3 Bxc4 14.Nxc4 Ne2+ 15.Kh1 Qd4 16.Rad1 Qxe4 17.Rf3 b6 18.c3 Nf4 19.Ne3 Ke7 20.Rxf4 Qxe3 21.Rff1 Qe4 22.Qh3 Rh8 23.Rd7+ Ke8 1-0 Dolzhikova,K (2345)-Klek,H (2291) Bielefeld (Women) rapid op 2024 (3)]

9...Bd7 0.49/17

[9...Ne6!⩱ -0.44/17]

10.c3 -0.45/18

[10.f5⩲ 0.49/17]

10...Ne6!⩱ Excellent horsemanship. **11.fxe5** -0.74/21

[11.Qb3⩱ -0.37/18]

11...dxe5⩱

[11...Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qb3=]

12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Kh1 Qe7 Hoping for ... 0-0-0. **14.Qf3 Nf4 15.g3 Bg4! 16.Qf2 Nh5** -0.12/17

[16...Ne6⩱ -0.90/20 Black wants to play ...Ng5. 17.Qxf6 Qxf6 18.Rxf6 Ng5]

17.Nc2!= Bh3 18.Rfd1

[18.Rfe1 simplifies Be6 19.Ne3 Bxc4 20.Nxc4 Qe6 21.Ne3]

18...c6 0.49/20

[18...f5= 0.13/19 deserves consideration. 19.exf5 Nf6]

19.Ne3⩲ Be2 is the strong threat. White has compensation. **19...Qc5?** 1.95/17

[Black should play 19...Ng7!⩲ 0.33/19]

20.b4+- Qb6 2.70/22

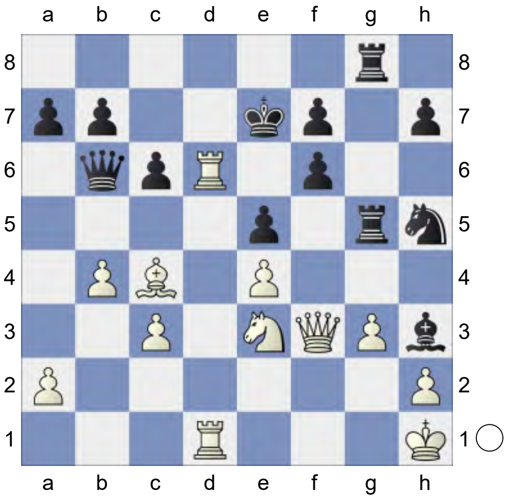
[⌓20...Qe7 1.95/20]

21.Qf3 Rg5 22.Rd6 Ke7 23.Rad1 1.70/17

[⌓23.Nd5+ 2.94/16 cxd5 24.Rxb6 axb6 25.Bxd5]

23...Rag8? 4.86/20

[23...Qc7 1.70/17 24.Bxf7 Kxf7]



24.Rd7+?? -4.56/15 Bxd7-+ 25.Bxf7 -10.74/22

[⌓25.Rg1 -4.56/17]

25...Nxg3+ 26.hxg3 Rxg3

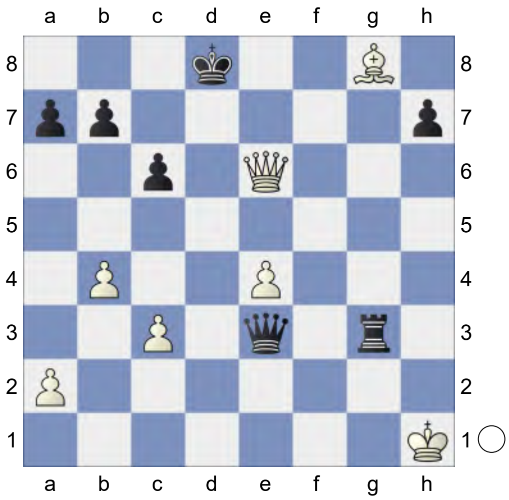
[26...Kxf7 27.Rxd7+ Ke8 28.Rxh7=]

27.Rxd7+ Kxd7 28.Qxf6 Qxe3?? #8/28

[28...Rh3# -#1/15]

29.Be6+ Kd6 30.Bxg8+ KQR-KQB **30...Kc7 31.Qxe5+ Kd8 32.Qd6+ Ke8 33.Qe6+! Kd8**

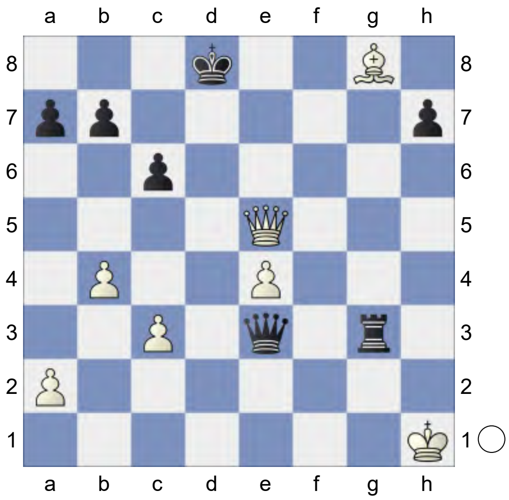
(Diagram)



34.Qf6+! #7/29 **Kc7**

[34...Kd7 35.Be6+ Kd6 36.Bf7+ Kd7 37.Qe6+ Kc7 38.Qe7+ Kb6 39.Qd8+ Kb5 40.Qa5#]

35.Qe5+ Kd8



36.Qb8+? 0.00/38 **Ke7 37.Qxb7+ Kf6**

[37...Kd6!? 38.Qb8+□ Kd7 39.Qb7+ Kd6=]

38.Qf7+ Ke5? #2/29

[38...Kg5= 0.00/32 39.Qf5+ Kh6 40.Qf6+ Rg6 41.Qh4+ Kg7 42.Qe7+ Kh6 *(42...Kxg8 43.Qe8+ Kg7 44.Qe7+ Kh6 45.Qh4+ Kg7 46.Qe7+ Kg8 47.Qe8+ Kg7 48.Qe7+=)* 43.Qh4+]

39.Qf5+? 0.00/36

[39.Qe6+ #2/29 mates Kf4 40.Qf5#]

39...Kd6= 40.Qf6+ Kc7 41.Qe5+ Kb6? #2/17

[41...Kb7= 0.00/34 42.Qe7+ Kb8 43.Qd8+ Kb7 44.Qd7+ Kb6 45.Qd8+ Kb7]

42.Qb8+ Ka6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.72/Black=0.72 **43.Bc4#**

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446 **C51**
☐ **Gambit2Mate** **2621**
■ **TheSelim** **2689**
Classical 07.07.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Rapid 25min C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.0-0N -0.67/24

[8.dxe5= -0.06/21 dxe5 9.Nxe5]

8...Nf6 0.16/25

[8...Nc6!∓ -0.67/24]

9.dxe5= dxe5 The position is equal. **10.Qa4+** -0.73/22

[10.Nxe5= 0.24/23 0-0

A) 11.Qc2 c5 *(11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.e5 Qe4 15.Qxe4 Nxe4* 2) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit 4.b4 − 6.d4 Na *)* 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 *(13.f4 b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6* 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga- 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1. e4 e5 2024*)* 13...Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 23.Rfe1 Be5 24.c4 Rad8 25.Bxe5 Rxe5 0-1 (47) Kryvoruchko,Y (2707)-Karjakin,S (2771) FIDE

World Rapid 2014 (12.7);
B) 11.Qe2]

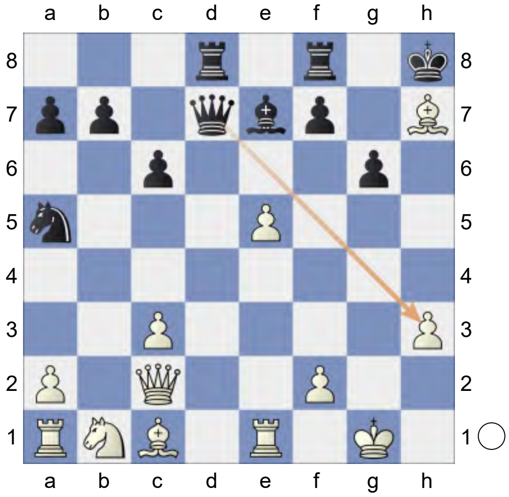
10...c6 -0.35/17

[10...Qd7∓ -0.73/22 11.Bb5 Pin c6 12.Qxa5 cxb5 13.Nxe5 b6 14.Nxd7 bxa5 15.Nxf6+ gxf6 *(15...Bxf6 16.e5∓)*]

11.Nxe5∓ Ng4 12.Nxg4 Bxg4 0.03/18

[12...Qxd3∓ -0.34/22 13.Ne3 b6]

13.Qc2= Qd7 14.Re1 0-0 15.e5 Rad8 16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.h3! Bxh3 18.gxh3 g6



19.e6! Qd5 20.Bh6!

[20.Bxg6 fxg6 21.Qe2 *(21.Qxg6? Rg8-+* Pin *)* 21...Rf5∓]

20...Kxh7 21.Bxf8 Bxf8 0.90/22

[21...Qg5+⩲ 0.52/22 22.Kf1 Bxf8]

22.exf7 0.00/25

[22.Qd2!± 0.90/22 aiming for e7. fxe6 *(22...Qxd2? 23.Nxd2 Rxd2 24.e7+-)* 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Kf1 *(24.Rxe6 Rd1+ 25.Kg2 Bg7=)*]

22...Qg5+ 23.Kh1 Qh4 24.Kg2 Rd5 0.64/23

[24...Qg5+!= 0.00/23 25.Kh1 Qh6]

25.Qe4!⩲ Qg5+

[25...Rg5+ 26.Kf1 Qxh3+ 27.Ke2 Qh5+ 28.Kd3 Rd5+ 29.Kc2+-]

26.Qg4 Qf6 27.Re6 Qxf7 28.Re4 Rf5 2.24/21 Inhibits Rf4.

[28...Bc5!⩲ 0.42/19 29.Rf4 Qe7]

29.Qe2!+- Rg5+ 30.Kh2? 0.72/19

[30.Kf1+- 2.65/20 has better winning chances.]

30...Bd6+ 2.22/20

[30...Rf5± 0.72/19 was necessary. 31.Kg2 Bc5]

31.Kh1 Qf5 32.Rh4+ Rh5 33.Qe4

[33.Rxh5+ gxh5 34.Kg2 Qd5+ 35.Qf3 Qg5+ 36.Kf1 Qb5+ 37.Ke1 Qb2±]

33...Qg5 34.Rxh5+ Qxh5 35.h4 Qd1+ 2.97/20

[35...Nc4± 1.60/19]

36.Kg2 Bc5 37.Qf3 Qd7 4.60/20

[⌓37...Qe1 3.12/19 38.h5 Kg7 39.hxg6 Kxg6 40.Qg4+ Kf6]

38.h5 Kg7 39.hxg6 Nc4 Prevents Nd2. **40.Qe4** Prevents Ne5. **40...b5 41.a4 Qd6 42.Ra2**

[42.axb5 cxb5 43.Ra2 a5+-]

42...Bb6 43.axb5 cxb5 44.Qb7+ Bc7 45.Ra6 1.33/20

[45.Qxb5 Qxg6+ 46.Kf1 Qd3+ 47.Ke1 Qe4+ 48.Kd1 Qd3+ 49.Ke1 *(49.Nd2? Ne3+* Discovered Attack *50.fxe3 Qxb5-+)* 49...Qe4+ 50.Kf1 Qh1+ 51.Ke2 Qe4+ 52.Kd1 Qh1+ 53.Ke2 Qe4+ 54.Kd1=]

[45.Qxa7 Qxg6+ 46.Kf1 Qxb1+ 47.Kg2 Qg6+ *(47...Qe4+ 48.Kf1∓)* 48.Kf1 Qd3+ 49.Kg2 Qd6 50.Qd4+ Qxd4 51.cxd4 Bb6∓]

[45.Rxa7 Qxg6+ 46.Kh1 Qxb1+ 47.Kg2 Qg6+ 48.Kf1 Qd3+ 49.Kg2 Ne3+ *(49...Qg6+ 50.Kf1=)* 50.fxe3 Qe2+ 51.Kg1 Qxe3+ 52.Kf1 Qc1+ 53.Ke2 Qc2+ 54.Kf1 Qd1+ 55.Kf2 Qd2+ 56.Kf1 Qd3+ 57.Kg2 Qe2+ 58.Kg1 Qe3+ 59.Kf1 Qc1+ 60.Ke2 Qc2+ 61.Ke3 Qxc3+ 62.Ke2 Qc2+ 63.Ke1 Qc1+ 64.Ke2 Qc2+ 65.Ke3 Qc3+ 66.Ke4 Qc2+ 67.Ke3 Qc3+=]

[White should play 45.Qe4+- 2.66/22 a5 46.Re2 Qxg6+ 47.Qxg6+ Kxg6 48.Nd2]

45...Qf4± 46.Qd5 Prevents Qg5+.

[46.Qxb5 Qe4+ 47.Kf1 Qd3+ 48.Ke1 Qe4+ 49.Kf1 Qd3+ 50.Ke1 Qe4+ 51.Kf1=]

[46.Rxa7 Qg5+ 47.Kf1 Qc1+ 48.Kg2 Qg5+ 49.Kf1 Qc1+ 50.Kg2 Qg5+=]

46...Qg4+ 47.Kf1 Bb6 48.Qf7+? 0.00/25

[48.Qxb5 Qd1+ 49.Kg2 Qg4+ 50.Kf1 Nd2+ 51.Nxd2 Qd1+ 52.Kg2 Qg4+ 53.Kf1 Qd1+ 54.Kg2 Qg4+ 55.Kf1=]

[Only move: 48.Ra1!+- 1.68/21]

48...Kh6= 49.Qh7+

[49.Qd5!?]

49...Kg5 50.Qe7+ Kh6 51.Ra1 Kxg6 52.Qe8+ Kf6 53.Qf8+

[53.Qxb5? Qf3-+]

53...Ke5! 54.Qb8+ Ke4 (-> ...Qd1+) **55.Qb7+ Kf4 56.Qf7+ Ke4** 0.56/19

[56...Ke5= 0.00/24]

57.Qb7+ 0.00/24

[57.Ke1!± 0.56/19]

57...Kf4 58.Qf7+ Ke5! 59.Qe7+ Kd5 60.Qf7+ Kc6 61.Qe8+ Kc5 62.Qe2

[62.Ke1!?]

62...Qf5 63.Kg2 a5 64.Qe8 Qd5+ 65.Kf1 Nd6 66.Qg6 a4 0.07/18

[66...Qd1+!∓ -0.46/16 67.Kg2 Qd5+ 68.Kg1 Qd1+ 69.Kg2]

67.Kg1 -0.99/16

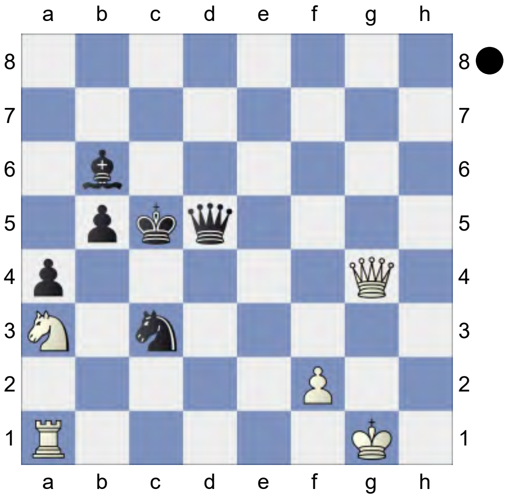
[67.Ke2= 0.07/18]

67...Ne4 -0.12/17

[67...Qd1+!∓ -0.99/16 68.Kh2 Qe2 69.Qg5+ Kc6 70.Qg2+ Kc7 *(70...Ne4 71.Nd2=)*]

68.Na3 Nxc3 69.Qg4 -1.25/17

[69.Qf6= -0.05/19 b4 70.Qf8+ Deflection Kc6 71.Qa8+ *(71.Qxb4 Qf3∓ Decoy)* 71...Kd6 72.Qf8+ Kc6]

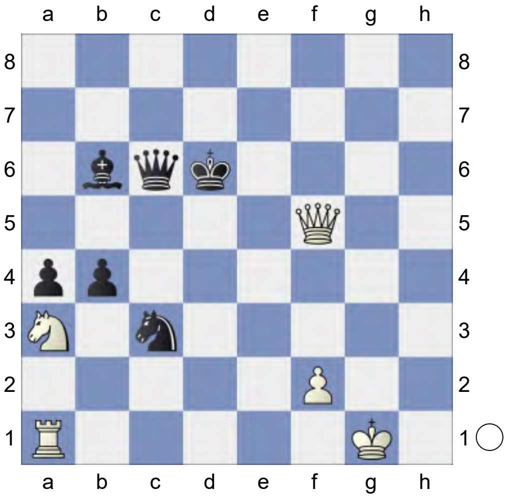


Prevents Qf3. **69...b4** 0.00/24 Black is more active.

[Black should try 69...Bc7!∓ -1.25/17 70.Nc2 Qe5]

70.Qc8+ Qc6 71.Qf5+ Kd6 1.30/19

[71...Qd5= 0.00/24 remains equal. 72.Qc8+ Qc6 73.Qf8+ Qd6 74.Qf5+ Kc6]



72.Qg6+? -0.40/20

[72.Re1!± 1.30/19 White threatens Qe5+ and mate. Qc5 73.Qg6+ Kc7 *(73...Kd5? 74.Qe6+ Kd4 75.Re3+-)* 74.Qf7+ Kc8 75.Nc4 *(75.Re8+ Bd8=)*]

72...Kc7∓ Black has compensation. The board is on fire. **73.Qg7+?** -2.59/18

[73.Qf7+∓ -0.72/17 is the only way for White. Qd7 74.Qc4+ Kb7 75.Kg2 *(75.Qxb4 Qh3∓)*]

73...Qd7-+ 74.Qe5+ -3.33/16

[⌓74.Qg3+ -2.06/17 Kb7 75.Qf3+ Qc6 76.Qf7+ Ka6 77.Nc4]

74...Kc8? -0.76/16

[74...Kb7-+ -3.33/16 is more deadly. White must now prevent ...Qg4+. 75.Nc2 Qg4+ 76.Kf1 Qc4+ 77.Kg2 Qc6+ 78.Kh3 b3 *(78...Bxf2 79.Qe7+ Kb6 80.Qxb4+ Nb5 81.Qf4∓)*]

75.Qh8+? -3.01/15

[75.Rc1∓ -0.76/16]

75...Kb7 76.Qd4? -#7/16 Inhibits Qg4+.

[76.Qh1+-+ -2.89/17 Qc6 77.Qh7+ Bc7 78.Qd3]

Never resign too early!

Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.22 (precise)

76...Qxd4

0-1

447 **C52**
☐ **ReinforcementTrial** **2649**
■ **Mr_Chess_Berserk** **2581**
Classical 30.09.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7! 8.Nbd2 Bb6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Qc2 Black has an edge. **10...Qe7**

[10...f6 11.a4 Ne7 12.Ba2 Qc6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Ba3 Be6 15.Bb4 Bxa2 16.Qxa2 Ng6 17.g3 Nf8 18.Bxa5 Bxa5 19.Nc4 Bb6 20.Rad1 Nd7 21.Rd5 0-0-0 0-1 Short,N (2706)-Filippov,A (2595) Kolkata op 4th 2009 (7)]

[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 Threatens to win with Nxe5!. **11...f6 12.Bb5+N**

[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 (38) Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 c5 0.32/19 Dodges Bb4

[14...0-0= -0.30/21]

15.d5± White has compensation. **15...g6 16.h3** 0.01/21

[16.Bb2± 0.39/19 is superior.]

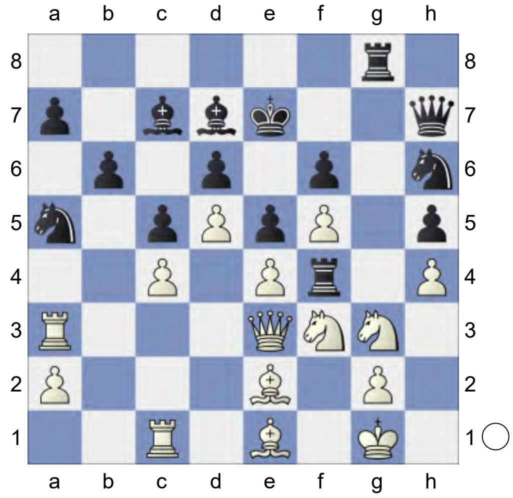
16...Bd7 17.Nh2 Bc7 18.Rab1 Nf7 19.Bb2 h5 20.Bc3 b6 21.Qb2 Nb7 22.f4 g5 0.74/20

[22...0-0-0± 0.31/18]

23.f5± g4 24.h4! White is more active. **24...Rg8 25.Rfc1 g3 26.Nhf1 Qf8 27.Nf3 Rg4 28.Be1 Qg7 29.Ne3 Rf4 30.Nf1 Rg4 31.Ne3 Rf4 32.Rc3 Ke7 33.Qc2 Na5 34.Ra3** Prevents b5. **34...Rg8 35.Be2 Bc8 36.Nf1 Rg4 37.Qd3 Qh7 38.Rc1 Qh6 39.Bd2 Qh7 40.Qe3 Rf4 41.Be1 Nh6 42.Nxg3**

[42.Bxg3 Ng4 43.Bxf4 *(43.Qd3 Rxe4=)* 43...Nxe3 44.Bxe3 Bxf5 45.exf5 Qxf5±]

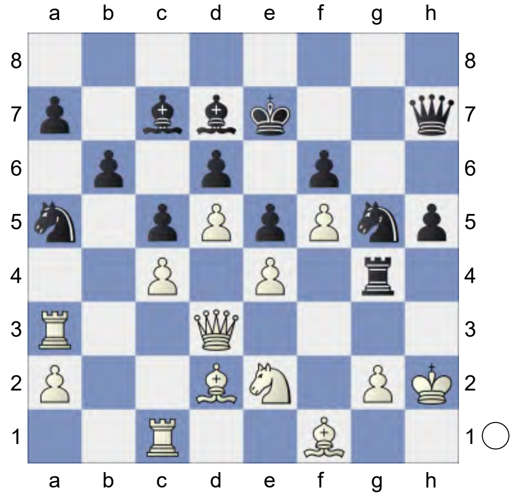
42...Bd7



43.Qd3! White is clearly better.
[43.Nxh5 Ng4 44.Nxf4 Nxe3 45.Ng6+ Rxg6 46.fxg6 Qxg6 *(46...Qh6 47.g7⩲)* 47.Rxe3 Nb7⩲]

43...Rfg4 44.Nh2
[44.Nxh5? too greedy. Rxg2+ 45.Kh1 Nxf5-+]

44...Rxh4 45.Bf1 Nf7 46.Ne2 Chess con chili. **46...Rxh2 47.Kxh2 Rg4 48.Bd2 Ng5**



49.Bxg5 Rxg5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.09 (flawless)

50.Ng1
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448 **C52**
☐ **VariantsTop** **2639**
■ **Mr_Chess_Berserk** **2576**
Classical 23.10.2023
[Kitty Kat]

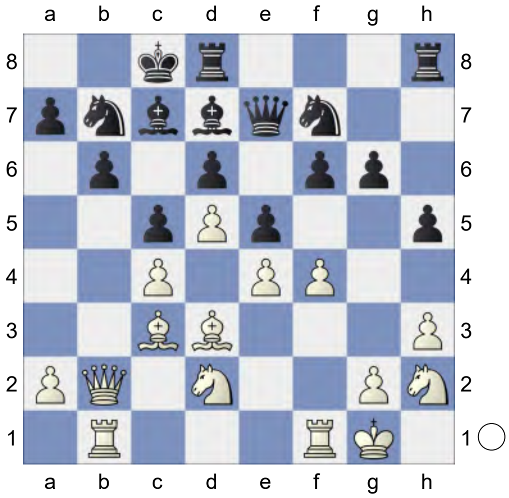
C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Qe7
Black is slightly better.
[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]
[10...exd4 11.cxd4 Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

11.Ba3 f6 12.Bb5+N
[12.Rab1 Bd7 13.Bb4 Rb8 14.a4 Nh6 15.Bd5 c6 16.Ba2 Nf7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Nf1 Bc7 19.Ne3 Be6 20.d5 Bd7 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qd3 Nb7 23.Ba3 Be6 24.Bxe6 Qxe6 25.Nc4 Rfd8 26.Qe3 Qxc4 0-1 Zapolskis,A (2257)-Johnson,D (2211) London Mindsports IM 2022 (2)]

12...c6 13.Bd3 Nh6 14.c4 -0.95/19
[14.Bb4⩱ -0.57/16]

14...c5 0.25/19
[14...exd4⩱ -0.95/19 And now ...c5 would win. 15.e5 fxe5]

15.d5= White has compensation. **15...g6 16.h3 Bd7 17.Nh2 Bc7 18.Rab1 Nf7 19.Bb2 h5 20.Bc3 b6 21.Qb2 Nb7 22.f4 0-0-0**



23.a4! a5! 24.f5 Rdg8

[24...Bxa4 25.fxg6 Nh6 26.Ndf3±]

25.Ndf3 g5

[25...Bxa4 26.fxg6 *(26.Nh4 gxf5 27.Nxf5 Qe8=)* 26...Rxg6 27.Nh4]

[25...gxf5 26.exf5 Qe8 *(26...Bxa4 27.Nh4∓)* 27.Nh4∓]

26.Nd2 g4 27.h4 g3 28.Nhf3 Rh7 29.Rfe1 Bxa4 30.Nf1 Rhg7 31.Re2 Rg4 32.Qc1 Black is on the road to losing. **32...Kd8 33.Reb2 Ke8 34.Rxb6! Bxb6 35.Rxb6 Nfd8 36.Qb1 Kf8 37.Be1 Be8 38.Ra6 a4 39.Be2 R8g7 40.Ra8** White is more active. **40...Rf4** 1.86/19

[40...Rg8± 1.50/18 41.Bd1 Qg7 42.Bxa4 Bxa4]

41.Bd2+-

[41.Bxg3 Rfg4]

41...Kg8 42.Bxf4 2.14/15

[⌓42.Bd1 1.73/20]

42...exf4 43.Ra7 Qf8 44.Bd1 Qe7 2.28/19

[44...Re7± 1.26/16 45.Ne1 *(45.Bxa4 Bxa4 46.Rxa4 Qe8∓)* 45...Nf7 46.Rxb7 Rxb7 *(46...Ne5? 47.Rb8+-)* 47.Qxb7 Ne5]

45.N1d2

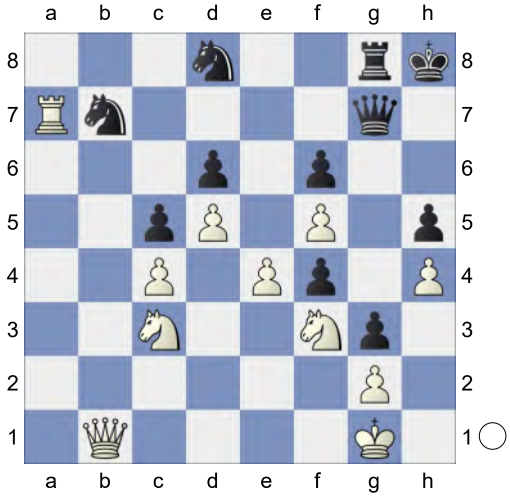
[45.Bxa4?! Bxa4 46.Rxa4 Nf7 47.Ra8+ Kh7]

45...Rf7 46.Bxa4 Bxa4 47.Rxa4 Qf8 48.Ra8 Qg7 Black is weak on the light squares **49.Qb6 Rf8 50.Ra7 Rf7 51.Nb1**

[51.Ra8 Rf8 52.Qa7 Kh7±]

51...Rf8 52.Nc3 Kh8 53.Qb1 Rg8 4.21/20

[53...Kg8 2.98/20 might work better. 54.Kf1 Re8]



54.e5! dxe5 55.Ne4 Rf8 56.Ra6

[56.Qb6 Qd7±]

56...Rf7? 5.27/21

[56...Qc7 2.47/18 57.Nxf6 *(57.Rxf6 Rxf6 58.Nxf6 Qe7+-)* 57...Nd6]

57.Qb2 Rf8 58.Qb6 Qh7 59.Nxf6

[59.Nxc5 Nxc5 60.Qxc5 Kg8∓]

59...Qxf5

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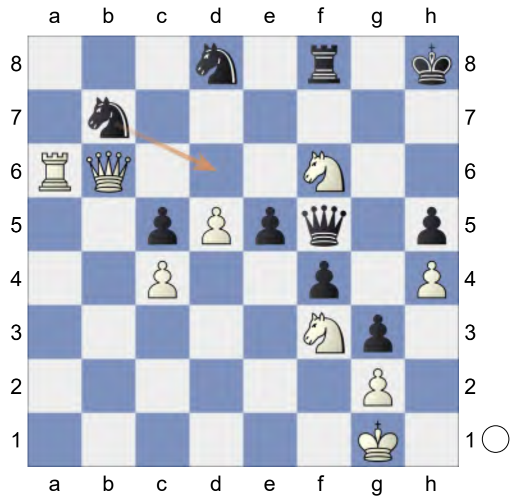


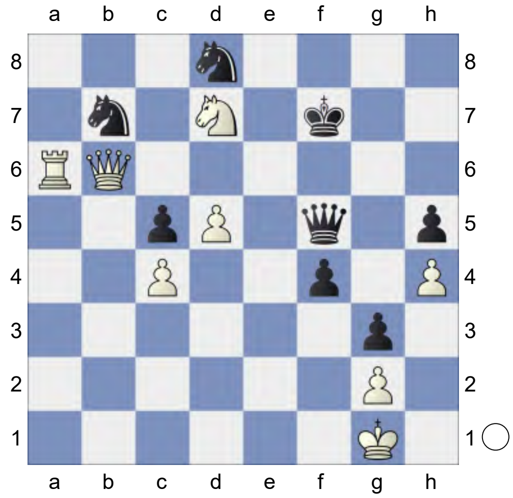
60.Nd7! and Qh6+ should not be overlooked. Double Attack **60...Rf7**

[60...Nf7 61.Nxf8]

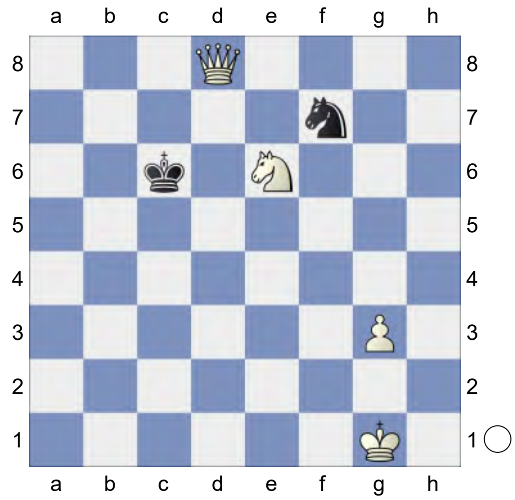
61.Nfxe5

[61.Nxc5 Nxc5 62.Qxd8+ Rf8 *(62...Kg7? 63.Rb6∓)* 63.Rh6+ Kg7 64.Qg5+ *(64.Qb6? Nd7-+* Deflection *)* 64...Qxg5 65.hxg5 Ra8∓]

61...Kg8 62.Nxf7 Kxf7



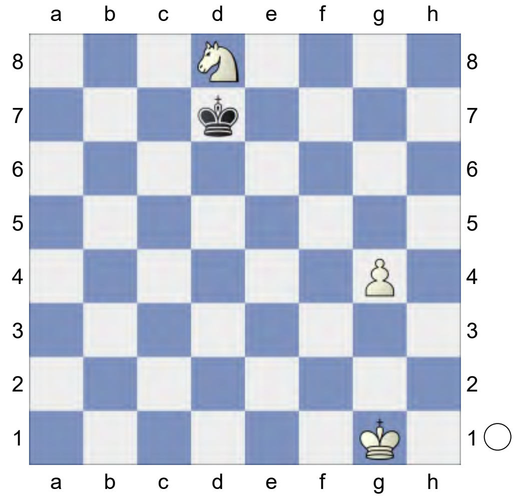
63.Qg6+!! Decoy **63...Qxg6 64.Ne5+ Ke8 65.Nxg6** Endgame KRN-KNN **65...Nf7 66.Re6+ Kd8 67.Nxf4 Nfd6 68.Nxh5 Nf5 69.Rf6 Nxh4 70.Nxg3 Na5 71.Ne4 Nxc4 72.d6 Ke8 73.g3 Nf3+ 74.Rxf3 Kd7 75.Rf7+ Kc6 76.d7 Kc7 77.Nxc5 Ne5 78.Ne6+ Kc6 79.d8Q Nxf7**



80.g4! 16.29/16 **Nxd8**

[80...Nd6 81.Nd4+]

81.Nxd8+ Kd7



82.Nc6! Kxc6 KP-K. White is a pawn up.

[82...Kd6 83.Nd4]

83.Kf2 Kd7 84.Kg3 Ke6 85.Kh4 Kf6 86.Kh5 Kg7 87.Kg5 Kh7

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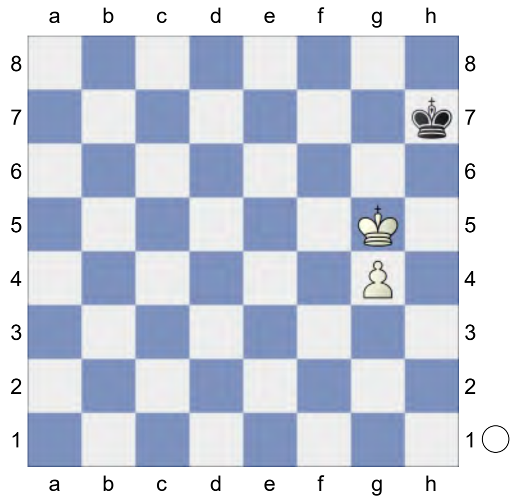

88.Kf6! Kh6 89.g5+ Kh7 90.Kf7 Kh8 91.Kg6 White wants to mate with Kf7. **91...Kg8 92.Kh6** White mates. **92...Kf7 93.g6+ Kf8 94.Kh7 Ke7 95.g7 Kd6 96.g8Q**

[Inferior is 96.g8B Ke7=]

96...Kc5 97.Qd8 Kb5 98.Qc7 Kb4 99.Kg6 Kb5 100.Kf5 Kb4 101.Ke4 Kb5 102.Kd4 Ka4 103.Qb7 Ka5 104.Kc3 Ka4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.22 (precise) **105.Qa6#**

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449 **C50**

☐ **Didici12** **2709**

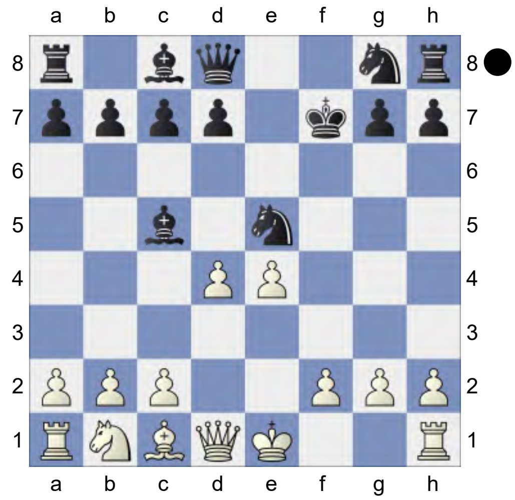
■ **oxudchess** **2663**

Blitz 31.05.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Qh4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S. 00008 1997 (6)]

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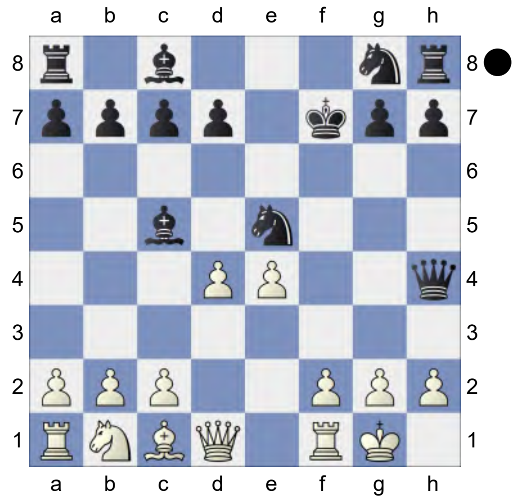


d6 8.dxc5 Black is clearly better. **8...Nf6** -1.43/17

[8...Qxe4-+ -2.44/19 ...Nf6 would now be deadly. 9.cxd6 cxd6]

9.cxd6 -1.93/18

[9.f4∓ -1.43/17 Bg4 10.Qd2]

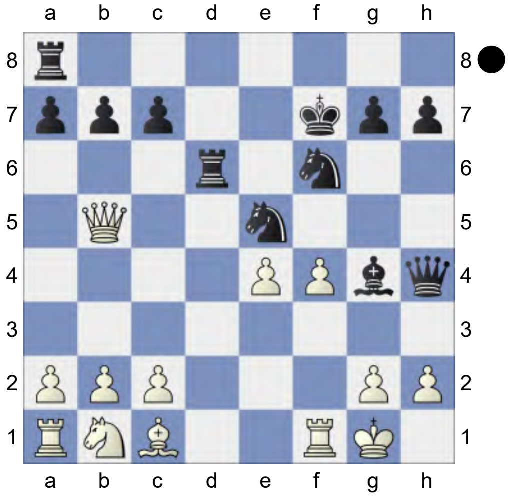
9...Rd8-+

[9...Qxe4 10.dxc7 Qg6 11.Bf4=]

10.f4 Rxd6 11.Qe2 Bg4? -0.69/20

[Black should try 11...Neg4-+ -2.56/21 12.g3 Qh5]

12.Qb5∓



Nc6 -0.31/19

[12...a6!∓ -0.73/18 13.Qxb7 (*13.Qxe5? Be2∓*) 13...Rd1 14.fxe5 Pin (*14.Qxa8? Be2-+* Pin, Decoy; *14.Rxd1 Bxd1 15.Qb3+ Kf8∓*) 14...Rxf1+ 15.Kxf1 Rf8 16.exf6 Qxf6+ 17.Ke1 Kg6]

13.Qxb7 -3.31/18

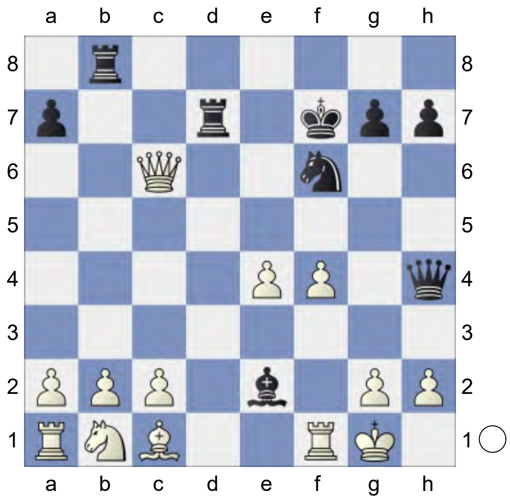
[13.Nc3!∓ -0.31/19]

13...Rb8?? 2.31/20

[13...Be2-+ -3.31/18 14.Qxc7+ Rd7 15.Qxc6 Bxf1]

14.Qxc7++- Rd7 15.Qxc6 Be2

(Diagram)



16.Nc3? 0.64/16 **Bxf1⩲ 17.Kxf1 Qxh2 18.Be3** 0.00/20

[18.e5± 0.73/21 Threatens to win with e6+. Qh1+ 19.Kf2 Qh4+ (*19...Ng4+? 20.Kg3+-*) 20.Ke2]

18...Rbd8

[18...Rxb2? 19.e5 Qh1+ 20.Bg1+-]

19.e5 Ng4? 2.87/21

[19...Qh1+± 0.78/20 20.Bg1 Rd4 21.exf6 Rxf4+ 22.Ke2 Qh5+ 23.Ke3 Qe5+ 24.Ne4 Rxf6 25.Qc4+ Kg6]

20.e6++- Kg8 21.exd7 Threatening mate with Qe6+. **21...Nxe3+ 22.Ke2 Qxf4** 4.84/20

[⌓22...Qxg2+ 3.10/21 23.Qxg2 (*23.Kxe3?* too greedy. *Qxc6 24.Rd1 Rxd7-+*) 23...Nxg2]

23.Qe6+ Kf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.77 **24.Qxe3**

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450 **C54**
☐ **Yoo,Christopher Woojin** **2595**
■ **Antipov,Mikhail Al** **2585**
Chessable Masters Div 3 Lose rapid (3.2)
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II

Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6*

18.f3)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2)* 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6)* 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1)* 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang,A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

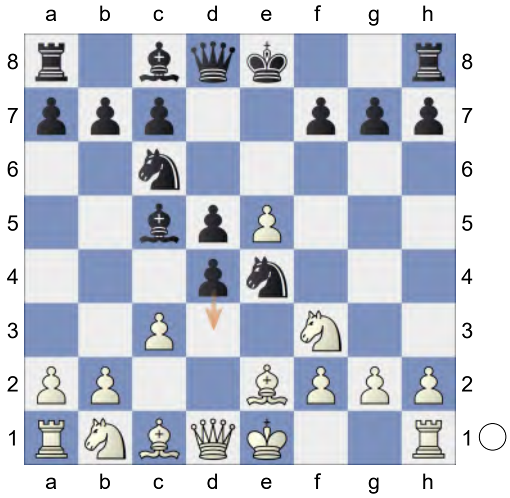
[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5)* 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6)*]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...d5! 7.Be2

[Of course not 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.cxd4 Bxd4 10.Nxd4 Qxd4∓]

7...Ne4



White must now prevent ...d4-d3! **8.cxd4 Bb6**

[8...Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 f6 12.Rc1 Kh8 13.Nb3 Bg4 14.a3 Be7 15.Re1 fxe5 16.dxe5 Rf4 17.h3 Bh5 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.Rxc5 d4 20.e6 Bg6 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Ng5 Ne7 23.Bxg6 Lalitaditaayyanar,B (2702)-10. ♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2786) Belgrade 2013 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Michalczak] 1-0]

9.Nc3 The position is equal. is more profitable than 9.0-0 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 9.0-0. **9...0-0**

10.0-0 Bf5N

[10...Bg4 11.Be3 Nxc3 (*11...f6 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Na4 Qe7 14.Re1 Rae8 15.a3 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Bxd4* Italian with 5.d4-Giuoco Piano,6*)* 12.bxc3 f6 13.exf6 Qxf6 14.a4 Rae8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.Ne5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qe6 18.f4 Nf5 19.g4 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Qd6 21.Kg2 c5 22.Rb5 cxd4 23.cxd4 a6 24.Rb2 Rc8 25.f5 17.♗g5 ♗g7 18.♕d2 ♕e7 (2591)-Vas, P (2361) Boñar 2023 Schallopp-Riemann [John Watson] 1-0 (56)]

[10...Be6 11.Be3 f6 12.exf6 Qxf6 13.Bb5 Ne7 Ch. 5 - Italian Sidelines-Italian Sidelines: 4.c3,5]

11.Be3 h6 12.Rc1 Ne7!?N 0.33/19 New and interesting. Theoretisch interessant.

[Vorgänger: 12...Kh8 0.34/21 12...Ne4xc3 -0.01 13.Na4 f6 14.exf6 0.03/21 (*14.Bb5±* 0.41/21 deserves consideration.*)* 14...Qxf6= 15.a3 Bg4 16.b4 Bxf3 17.Bxf3 Nxd4 18.Bxe4 dxe4 19.Nxb6 ½-½ Tomczak,J (2600)-Aleksandrov,A (2580) Suwalki Warakomska Memorial-A op 2018 (6)]

[12...Nxc3= 0.01/22 13.Rxc3 a6]

13.Nh4± Bh7 14.Bd3 f5 0.90/20

[14...Nc6± 0.35/20 15.Nf3 Bf5]

15.exf6 0.25/22

[15.g3± 0.90/20]

15...Rxf6 16.Qc2 0.12/20

[16.Nf3± 0.43/20]

16...Re6!= 17.Nf3 c6 0.61/21

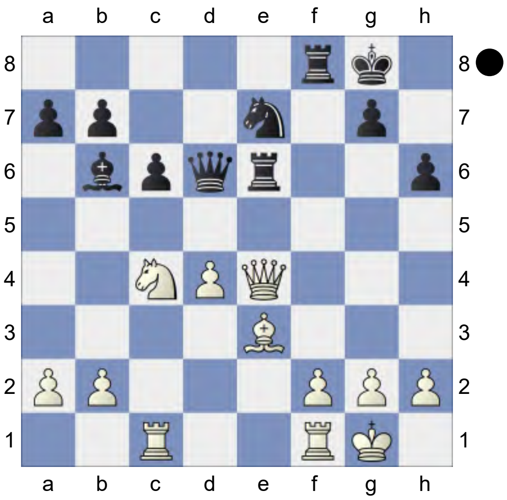
[17...Nc6= 0.28/21 might be stronger.]

18.Ne5± Qd6 19.Nxe4 0.18/23

[White should play 19.g4± 0.87/20]

19...dxe4 20.Bxe4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rf8 22.Nc4 -0.79/25

(Diagram)



Qxh2+!∓ 23.Kxh2 Rxe4 24.Nd6? -4.86/24 This move loses the game for White.

[24.f3∓ -0.89/22 Rh4+ 25.Kg1]

24...Rh4+? -1.34/25

[24...Bc7-+ -4.86/24 and Black stays clearly on top. 25.Kg1 Bxd6]

25.Kg3 -1.95/24

[25.Kg1∓ -1.34/25]

25...g5-+ ...Bb6-c7 is the strong threat.

26.Rh1? -3.70/25

[26.f4 -1.94/24 Nd5 27.fxg5 Rxf1 28.Kxh4 Nxe3 29.Rxf1 Nxf1 30.gxh6]

26...Bc7 (➞ ...Ne7-f5+). Black is winning. **27.Rxh4 Bxd6+**

[Don't blunder 27...gxh4+? 28.Kxh4 Bxd6 29.Rc2-+]

28.Kh3 gxh4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.35

0-1

451 **C55**
☐ **darulBUSEL** **3014**
■ **Former_warrior** **2706**
Blitz 11.07.2020
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 exd4** 0.81/20

[6...Nxd4∓ -0.31/23 keeps the upper hand.

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 *(8.c3 Nc6 9.Qe1 0-0 10.Nd2 exf4 11.Rxf4 Ne5 12.Be2 Re8 13.Nc4 Ng6 14.Rf1 Nxe4 15.Be3 d5 16.Rd1 c6 17.Na3 Qe7 18.Nc2 Ne5 19.b4 Bg4 20.Bd4 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Qg5 22.Ne3 Ng6* 0-1 Maxwell,A (1954)-5.0-0 ♘ d4 6. ♘ d4 cd4_42043 (1808) IND-chT 42nd 2023 (8) *)* 8...dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 Qe7]

7.e5!± Nxe5N 1.84/21

[Black should play 7...d5!± 0.67/19 8.exf6 dxc4 9.fxg7 Rg8

A) 10.Re1+ Be6 11.Qh5 Qd7 *(11...Qf6 12.Bg5 Qg6 13.Qxg6 hxg6 14.Na3 Rxg7 15.Nb5 Kd7 16.Rad1* 8) Italian: 3...Bc5 4.d4 Bxd4,O-8A | Italian with 5...exd4 |*)* 12.Qxh7 0-0-0 13.Bg5 Rde8 14.Bf6 Nb4 15.Nd2 Nd5 16.Qh6 Nxf6 17.Qxf6 8) Italian: 3...Bc5 4. d4 Bxd4,O-8A | Italian with 5...exd4 |;

B) 10.Qh5 Qf6 11.Bg5 Qxg7 12.Re1+ Be6 13.Rxe6+ Kd7 14.Rxc6 bxc6 15.Qh3+ Ke8 16.Bf4 #4 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3... Bc5 6...exd4]

8.Re1+-

[8.Qxd4 d6=]

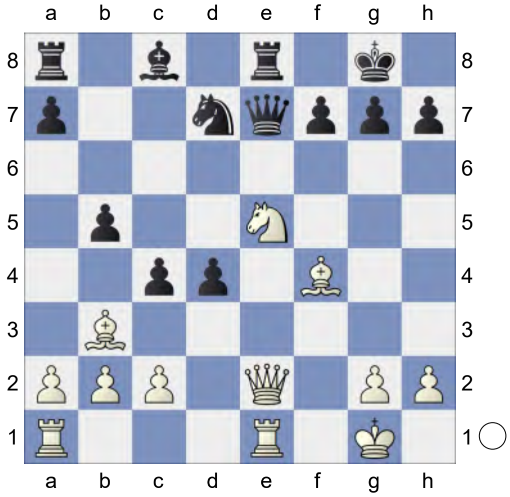
8...Qe7 2.80/18

[8...d6 1.84/18 is a better defense.]

9.f4

[9.Qxd4? Nf3+ 10.gxf3 Qxe1+-+]

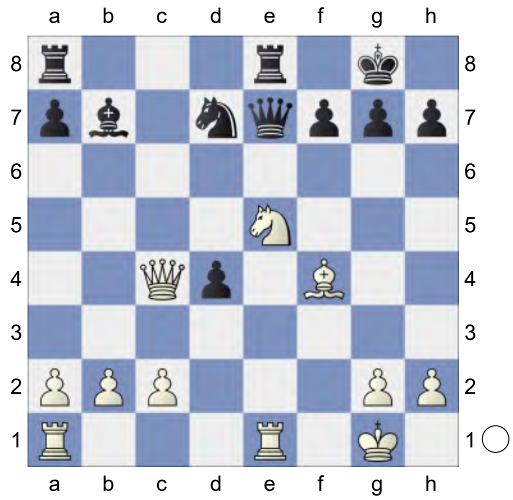
9...d6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bf4 Nd7 12.Nd2 0-0 13.Bb3 c5 14.Qe2 Re8 15.Nc4 b5 16.Nxe5 c4



17.Bxc4! 0.16/18 **bxc4= 18.Qxc4** Strongly threatening Nxf7!. **18...Bb7** 0.74/20

[18...Nxe5= 0.29/18 is more appropriate. 19.Rxe5 Be6 20.Qxd4 Rac8]

(Diagram)



19.Qb5 0.18/21 White is more active.

[19.Nf3!± 0.74/20 Qf6 20.Qxd4]

19...Nxe5?? 3.43/21

[19...Nc5= 0.18/21 and Black is okay.]

20.Rxe5+- a6 21.Rxe7 axb5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/Black=0.63 **22.Rxb7**

1-0

452 **C54**

☐ **Mamedov,Rauf** **2640**

■ **Alekseev,Evgeny V** **2573**

AI Cup Div 3 W rapid (5.2) 27.09.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

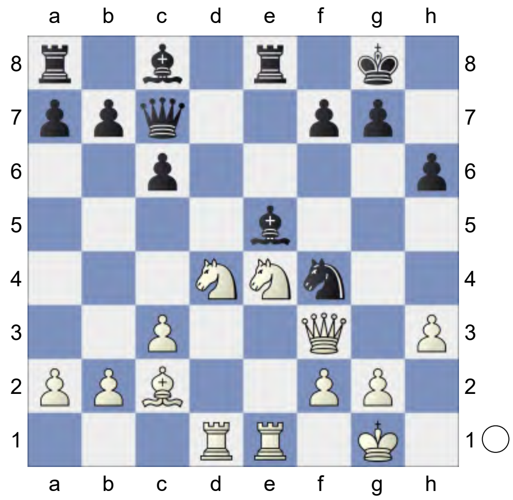
6.Nbd2 0-0 7.0-0 Bb6 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Re1 c6 10.Nf1 Ng6 11.Ng3 The position is equal. **11...h6 12.h3 d5** 12...Re8 is not played anymore. 12...Te8 wird inzwischen seltener gespielt. **13.exd5 Nxd5 14.d4**

[14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Qf6+ 17.Qf3 Qxe5∓]

14...exd4 15.Nxd4 Bc7 16.Qh5!N -0.01/20 An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[Vorgänger: 16.Ne4 Re8 17.Bc2 Ndf4 18.Bxf4 Nxf4 19.Qf3 and Rad1 should not be overlooked Be5 1.19/22 *(19...Re7± 0.40/20)* 20.Rad1± Qc7

(Diagram)



21.Nc5 0.59/20 *(21.g3!± 1.20/21 Nxh3+ 22.Kg2)* 21...Qe7 1.53/23 *(21...g6!⩲ 0.59/20)* 22.b4 0.55/19 0-1 Tsydypov,Z (2534)-Alekseev,E (2575) RUS-ch Blitz 2022 (10) *(22.Nd3± 1.53/23 Nxd3 23.Qxd3)*]

[16.Qf3⩲ 0.38/20]

16...Ndf4= 17.Bxf4 Nxf4 18.Qf3 Qg5 Prevents Ngf5 **19.Rad1 h5** 0.76/19

[19...Kh8⩲ 0.38/20 might be stronger.]

20.Nde2± White is more active. **20...Nxe2+** 1.41/22

[Black should play 20...Ng6 0.74/24]

21.Rxe2 Black cannot hold the game after this. **21...Bxg3?** 5.60/24

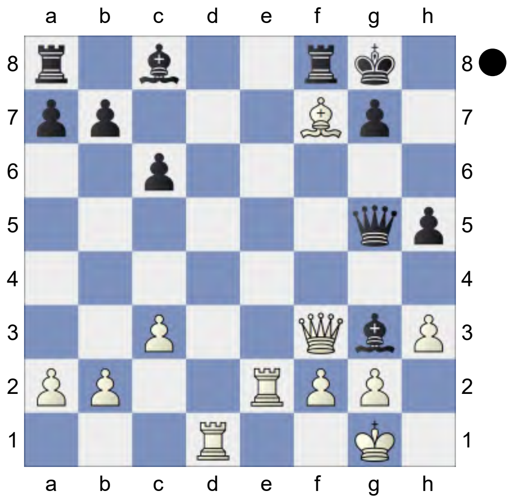
[21...g6± 1.47/26 is more resistant. 22.Re8 Be6 23.Rxa8 Rxa8]

22.Bxf7++-

[Not 22.Qxg3 Qxg3 23.fxg3 a5±]

[22.fxg3 Bf5±]

(Diagram)



Deflection. White is clearly winning. **22...Rxf7 23.Re8+** Deflection

[23.Qxg3 Qxg3 24.fxg3 Bd7-+]

23...Kh7 24.Qxf7 Bxh3 25.fxg3

[25.Rxa8? loses. Bh2+ 26.Kf1 Qxg2+ 27.Ke1 Qe4+ 28.Kd2 Bf4+-+]

25...Rxe8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.68

26.Qxe8

1-0

453 **C50**

☐ **Donchenko,Alexander** **2676**

■ **Heimann,Andreas** **2552**

EU-Cup 38th Durres (5.1) 05.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 0-0 6.Re1 a6 7.a4 d6 8.c3 The position is equal. **8...Ba7 9.h3 h6**

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4

Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 Nh5N 10...a5 is the modern continuation. 10...a5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.

[10...Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa Vergani Cup 2023 (2)]

11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6

[15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 aiming for d5. Bxc4 17.Nxc4 d5 18.e5 Qg6 19.Ne3 Ne6 0.77/20 *(19...Qd3= 0.25/22)* 20.Qd2 -0.01/22 *(20.Ra3± 0.77/20)* 20...Rfd8 21.a5]

15...fxe6 16.Rf1 g5N 0.42/20

[16...Rad8= -0.06/21]

17.Ng1⩲ Rae8 0.93/23

[17...Qf7⩲ 0.39/20]

18.b4 0.51/21

[18.g3± 0.93/23]

18...Ne7 19.b5 a5 1.59/21

[⌓19...axb5 0.81/20 20.g3 *(20.axb5 Qf7±)* 20...Nfg6]

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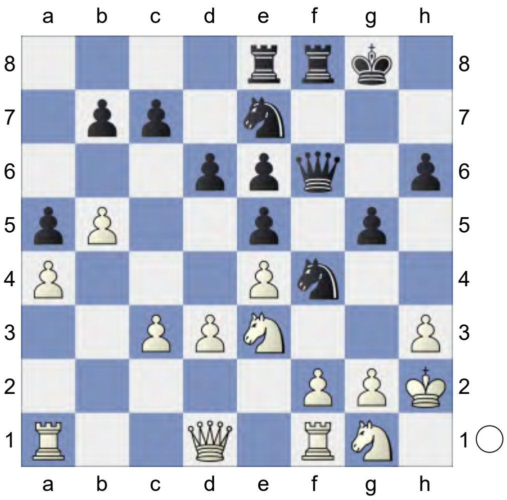


20.b6! 1.22/20 **cxb6** 1.91/20

[20...Qf7± 1.22/20]

[20...Rc8 21.bxc7]

21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4? 0.01/22

[22.g3+- 1.95/21]

22...Qd8 1.05/21

[22...d5= 0.01/22 remains equal. 23.Nxb6 Qf7]

23.g3 White has strong compensation. **23...Ng6 24.Qb3** 0.20/21 White is more active.

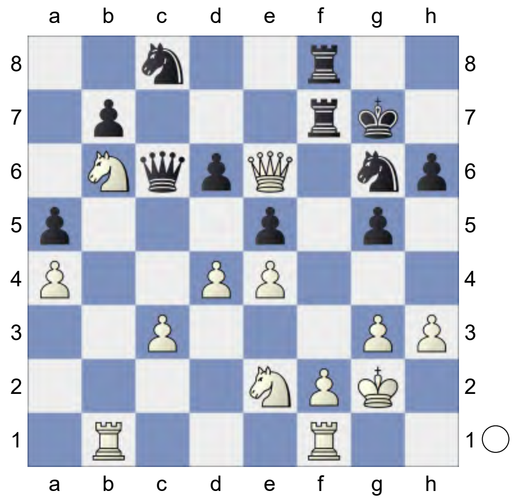
[24.Qh5± 1.16/20 Kg7 25.Ne3]

24...Qc7 25.Kg2 Rf7 26.Ne2 Ref8 27.Nxb6 Discovered Attack White stays focused until the end. **27...Qc5?** 2.39/25

[27...Rf6= 0.28/21 and Black has nothing to worry.]

28.Qxe6+- Kg7 29.d4 Qc6

(Diagram)



30.Qd5! Qc7 31.Nxc8

[Don't play 31.Qxa5?! Rf6±]

31...Rxc8 32.Rb5 b6 2.02/20

[⌓32...Rcf8 1.65/22 33.Kg1 (*33.Rxa5?* loses. *Ne7-+*) 33...b6]

33.Qb3 Rcf8 34.Rxb6 Qe7? 4.92/20

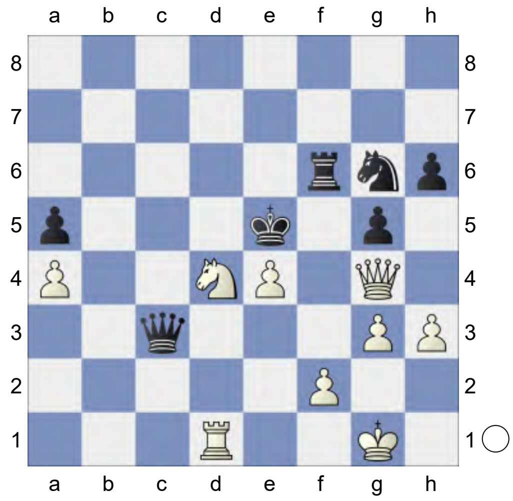
[34...h5 2.83/21 35.Qb5 h4]

35.Qd5 Qf6 aiming for ...Qf3+. **36.Qxd6 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.Qc7+ R6f7 39.Qd6** 0.01/24

[39.Qc6+- 5.67/26 Rf6 40.Qd7+ R8f7 41.Rxf6 Qxf6 42.Qb5]

39...Rf6= 40.Qd7+ R8f7 41.Rxf6 Kxf6 42.Qg4 Qd3 43.dxe5+ Kxe5 44.Nd4

Vorgänger: **44...Rf6** Dodges Qe6+ **45.Rd1 Qxc3**



46.Nc6+ 5.75/5 **Rxc6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/ Black=0.56

47.Qf5#

1-0

454 C54

☐ **Dragnev,Valentin 2538**

■ **Fedorchuk,Sergey A 2563**

Sunway Formentera op 4th (6) 05.05.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 h6 8.Re1 Ba7 is currently scoring better than 8...0-0. wohl besser als 8...0-0. **9.Nbd2 0-0 10.h3** Repels Ng4. White is slightly better. **10...Re8 11.b4**

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 Qd7N

[13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ 1-0 (74) Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2

Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 1-0 (74) Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7)]

14.Nf1 Ree8 **15.Bd2!N** An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[15.Ng3 b5 0.67/20 (*15...d5!= 0.20/18*) 16.Bd2± Bb6 17.Qc1 0.37/19 (White should try *17.a5± 0.83/20 Ba7 18.Rac1*) 17...Qe6 0.78/22 (*17...Kh7!± 0.37/19* deserves consideration.) 18.Nf5± Ne7 19.N3h4 Nxf5 20.Nxf5 Threatens to win with a5. Nd7 1.10/21 (*⌓20...Red8 0.71/20*) 21.c4 bxc4 22.dxc4 ½-½ (43) Xu,Y (2500)-Bu,X (2677) CHN-chT Div A Finals 2023 (2.7)]

15...b5 16.Ra3 Bb6 17.Ng3 Rac8 0.82/19

[17...Ne7± 0.33/18]

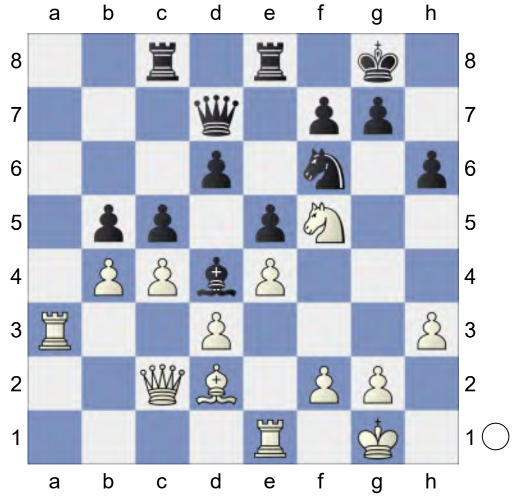
18.c4± Nd4 1.47/22

[Black should play 18...bxc4 0.90/19 19.dxc4 a5]

19.Nxd4 Bxd4 20.Nf5 c5 1.68/22

[20...Re6± 1.15/22]

21.axb5+- axb5



22.Ra6! Re6

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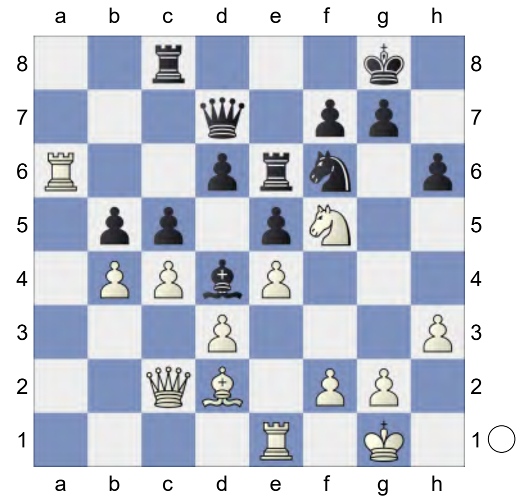


23.cxb5 White has more active pieces.

23...cxb4 24.Rc6 Bc3? 4.72/25

[24...Rb8 1.95/20 25.Nxd4 (*25.Bxb4 Rxb5 26.Nxd4 exd4±*) 25...exd4]

25.Rb1

[25.Bxc3 Rxc6 26.bxc6 Qxc6=]

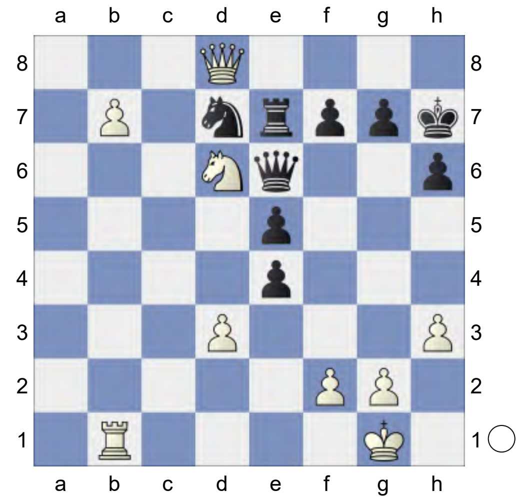
25...Rb8

[25...Rxc6 26.bxc6 Qxc6 27.Rxb4+-]

26.Bxc3 bxc3 27.Qxc3 d5 28.Rxe6 Deflection **28...Qxe6 29.Qc7 Re8 30.b6 dxe4 31.Nd6 Re7 32.Qd8+ Kh7 33.b7**

[33.dxe4 Rd7 34.Qc8 Rxd6= (*34...Qxd6 35.b7±*)]

33...Nd7



34.dxe4! Qa2

[34...Nb8 35.Qxb8]

35.b8Q Nxb8 36.Rxb8 Qd2 37.g3

[Not 37.Qxe7 Qc1+ 38.Kh2 Qf4+ 39.g3 Qxf2+ 40.Kh1 Qf1+ 41.Kh2 Qf2+ 42.Kh1 Qe1+ 43.Kg2 Qe2+ 44.Kg1 Qe1+ 45.Kg2 Qe2+ 46.Kg1 Qe1+ 47.Kg2=]

37...Ra7 38.Kg2 Intending Qg8+ and mate. **38...Qd3 39.Qg8+** 36.54/5

[⌓39.Qh8+ #13/28 Kg6 40.Qc8 Qxe4+ 41.Nxe4 Ra6 42.Qxa6+ f6 43.Qc8 h5 44.Qe8+ Kh6 45.Qf7 Kh7 46.Qxh5#]

39...Kg6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/ Black=1.35

40.Rb6 37.63/22

[⌓40.Qc8 #13/28 Kf6 41.Qf5+ Ke7 42.Nc8+ *(42.Qxe5+ Kd7 43.Nxf7 Qf3+* Decoy *44.Kxf3 Ra3+ 45.Kg2 Rd3 46.Qe8+ Kc7 47.Qc8#)* 42...Kd8 43.Nxa7+ Discovered Attack (Check) Kc7 44.Qc8+ *(44.Qxf7+ Kxb8 45.Nc6+ Kc8+-)* 44...Kd6 45.Qc6+ Ke7 46.Re8#]

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455 C50

☐ Anand,V 2743

■ Turner,Ma 2441

FIDE World Bl Team Pool B blitz (4.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Nc3 Bg4 The old main line. The old main line. **7.h3 Bxf3**

[7...Bh5 8.Nd5 Nd4 9.Bg5 Nxf3+ 10.gxf3 h6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Re1 c6 13.Ne3 Bg6 14.Kf1 Qd7 15.Ng4 Qe7 16.Ke2 0-0-0 17.Qd2 f5 18.Ne3 f4 19.Ng2 f5 20.c3 fxe4 21.fxe4 f3+ 22.Kxf3 0-1 (59) Kozicz,A (924)-Heliopolitanus (1337) TCh-SRB Premier Men 2011 (3)]

8.Qxf3 Nd4 Dodges Ne2 **9.Qd1 c6N** The position is equal.

[9...0-0 10.Ne2 b5 11.Nxd4 bxc4 12.Nf5 cxd3 13.cxd3 d5 14.Qf3 dxe4 15.dxe4 Qd7 16.Nxg7 Ne8 17.Nxe8 Rfxe8 18.Qg3+ Kf8 19.Bh6+ Ke7 20.Qxe5+ Qe6 21.Qxc5+ Qd6 22.Qg5+ Qf6 23.f3 Qxg5 24.Bxg5+ 1-0 (34) Verhooren,A-Schulz,M JBL NO95/96 1995 (4.6) Ke6 25.Rfd1 f6 26.Bf4 c5 27.Rd6+ Kf7 28.Rad1 Kg6 29.Rd7 a5 30.g4 h5 31.R1d5 f5 32.exf5+ Kf6 33.R5d6+ Re6 34.Rxe6# 1-0 8.♕b3 ♘bd7 9.♗b4-Steiner,A City (m/11) 26/321 1978 (4.6)]

10.a3 h6 0.55/21

[10...0-0= 0.14/22]

11.Ba2±

[11.Be3 0.04/23 11.Ba2 0.49 0-0 12.Ba2 Na4 would now be deadly. a5 13.Kh1 b5 14.Ne2 Nxe2 15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Qxe2 Qd6 17.g3 ½-½ (46) Gorodetzky,M (2337)-Zanan,E (2475) ISR-chT Israel 2024 (9.21)]

11...g5 1.16/22

[11...a5= 0.28/22]

12.Na4± Bb6 13.c3 Ne6 14.Nxb6 Qxb6 15.b4 Ke7 1.69/20

[15...Qd8± 1.05/19]

16.Be3 Qc7 17.Qc2 1.03/18

[17.Bxe6+- 1.68/19 fxe6 18.a4]

17...Rag8 2.13/18

[17...Nf4± 1.03/18]

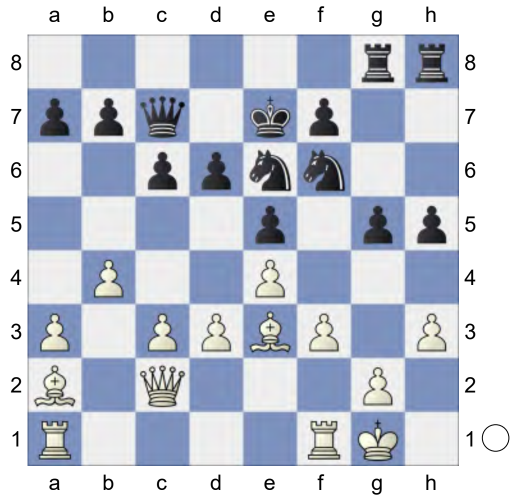
18.f3 1.08/19

[18.Bxa7 b6 19.Bxb6 *(19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Bxb6 Qxb6∓)* 19...Qxb6∓]

[18.d4+- 2.13/18]

18...h5? 2.84/20

[18...Nf4± 1.08/19 keeps fighting.]



19.Bxe6!+-

[19.Bxa7? b6 20.Rfd1 (*20.Bxe6? fxe6 21.a4 Qxa7-+*) 20...Nf4-+ (*20...Qxa7? 21.b5-+*)]

19...fxe6 20.Qf2? 1.06/19

[20.Bxa7? perishes. b6 21.a4 (*21.Qa4? Ra8-+*) 21...Qxa7-+]

[20.Qd2+- 2.86/19]

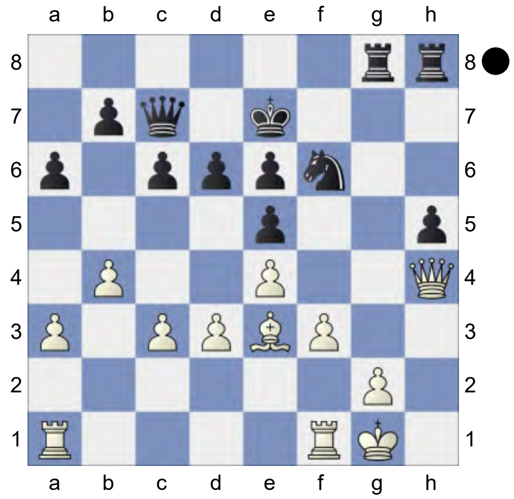
20...a6 2.23/20

[20...Ke8± 1.06/19]

21.h4 1.26/21

[Better is 21.Qd2+- 2.23/20]

21...gxh4± 22.Qxh4



Rg6 2.47/24

[22...Kf7± 1.40/22]

23.Bg5+- Qb6+? 3.72/23

[23...Rhg8 2.04/23 24.f4 (*24.Bxf6+ Rxf6 25.d4 exd4=*) 24...Ke8 (*24...exf4 25.Bxf6+ Kd7 26.Rxf4+-*)]

24.Kh1 Kf7 25.f4 White is clearly winning. **25...Rhg8** 8.43/22

[⌓25...Ng4 4.65/23 26.fxe5+ Discovered Attack (Check) Ke8 27.exd6 Rhg8]

26.Bxf6 Rxf6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=1.02

27.fxe5 Pin

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456 C54

☐ **Atabayev,Saparmyrat 2517**

■ **Pichot,Alan 2588**

Tashkent UzChess Futures 2nd (1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.0-0 d6 7.Nbd2

[7.b4!? Bb6☐ 8.Nbd2⩲]

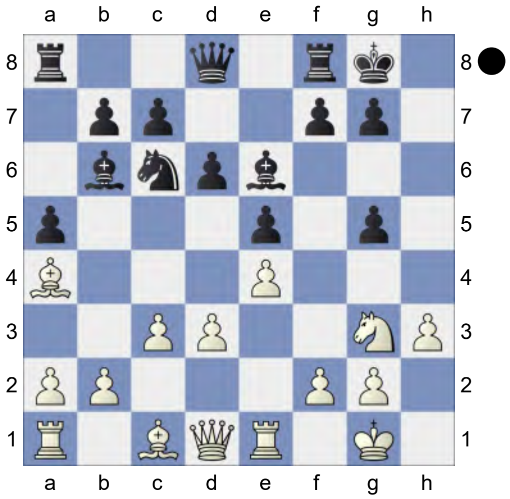
7...a5 8.Re1 0-0 9.Nf1N

[9.a4 Be6 10.Bb3 Re8 11.Bc2 Nd7 12.Nf1 d5 13.Ng3 d4 14.Qe2 f6 15.Nd2 Rf8 16.Qf3 Qe7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 Nd8 19.Bb3+ Kh8 20.Nf3 Nf7 21.Nh4 Qe8 22.Ng6+ Kg8 23.Qg4 Nb6 1-0 (44) Chmielowski,A-Klementys,J POL corr Poland 1993]

9...Be6 White has an edge. **10.Bb5 Bb6** 10...Ba7 is setting a new trend. 10...La7 setzt einen neuen Trend. **11.Ng3 Nh7 12.h3 Ng5 13.Nxg5 hxg5** **14.Ba4!N** A relevant novelty. Eine relevante Neuerung.

[14.b3 g4 15.Bxc6 bxc6 16.hxg4

-0.60/25 *(16.Nf5= -0.24/24)* 16...Qh4∓ 17.Be3 Strongly threatening Nf5. Bxg4 18.Qd2 f6 19.Nf1 Be6 -0.33/22 *(19...Bxe3∓ -0.72/23 20.Nxe3 Qg5)* 20.f3 -0.71/23 ½-½ (70) Mendonca,L (2631)-Puranik,A (2652) Chennai-B 2024 (4) *(20.Bxb6∓* -0.33/22 *cxb6 21.d4)*]



14...g4! 15.hxg4 Qh4 and ...Bxg4! should not be overlooked **16.Be3 Bxg4 17.Qd2 Bxe3 18.Qxe3** -0.58/21

[18.Rxe3= -0.10/23 g6 19.Bd1]

18...Ne7 -0.05/19

[18...g6∓ -0.58/21]

19.d4= Ng6 0.41/24

[19...Ra6= -0.05/19]

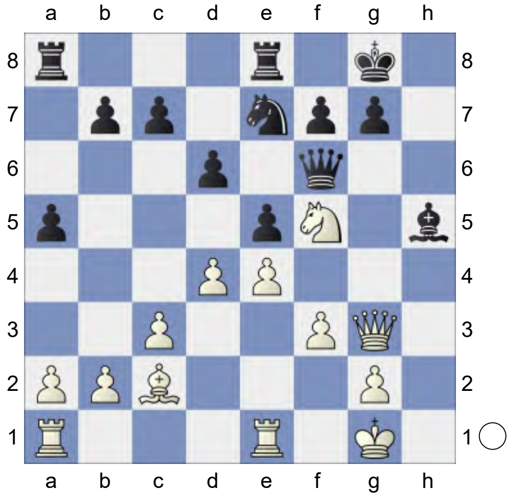
20.Nf5± Qf6 21.Bc2 Rfe8 22.Qg3 Bh5 1.32/21

[22...Bxf5!± 0.47/23 23.exf5 Nf8]

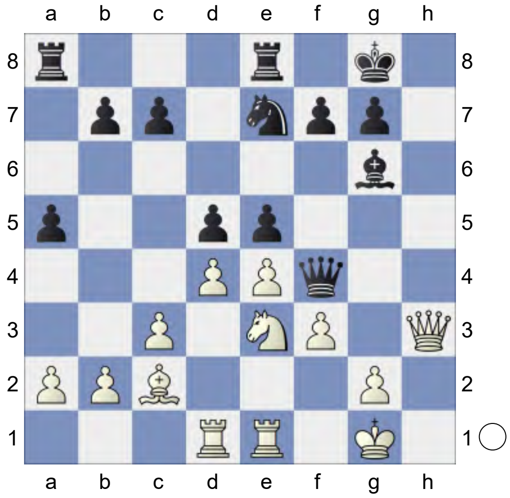
23.f3!± Ne7 1.57/23

[Black should try 23...exd4 1.09/21 24.cxd4 Nf8]

(Diagram)



24.Rad1! Bg6 25.Ne3 White is much more active. **25...Qf4** Prevents Ng4. **26.Qh3↑** Black is under strong pressure. **26...d5**



27.Ba4!

[27.Nxd5 Nxd5 28.Ba4 Ne3∓]

27...Red8 28.exd5 Nxd5 29.Nxd5 1.22/24

[29.Ng4+- 1.67/24]

29...Rxd5 30.Bb3 Deflection **30...Rdd8** 1.70/26

[30...Rb5± 1.11/25]

31.Rxe5+- a4 32.Bc4 Qxe5? 4.00/23

[32...c6 2.08/24 was worth a try.]

33.dxe5 Rxd1+ 34.Kh2 Re8? 7.44/24

[34...c6 3.64/22 35.Qg4 b5]

35.Qg4 White is clearly winning. **35...b5**

36.f4

[36.Bxb5 Rxe5 37.Bxa4 *(37.Qxa4 Rh5+ 38.Kg3 Rg5+ 39.Kf4 Rf5+ 40.Ke3 Re5+ 41.Kf4 Rf5+ 42.Kg3 Rg5+ 43.Kf4 Rf5+=)* 37...Rd2±]

36...Rd2 37.Bxb5 Rb8 6.34/22

[⌓37...c6 4.36/25 38.Bxc6 *(38.Bxa4 Be4∓)* 38...Re6]

38.Bc6

[Not 38.Bxa4 Be4 39.e6 f5= *(39...Bxg2 40.exf7+ Kxf7 41.Qf5+ Kg8 42.Kg3±; 39...Rxg2+ 40.Qxg2 Bxg2 41.e7∓)*]

38...Rdxb2 39.f5

[39.Bxa4? Be4 *(39...Rxa2?* is the wrong capture. *40.Bc6+-)* 40.Bb3 Rxg2+ 41.Qxg2 Bxg2 42.Kxg2 Rd8-+]

39...Bh7 40.e6 R2b6 41.Bd7 fxe6 42.fxe6 a3 43.Qc4 Kh8 44.Qxc7 Bg6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.84

45.c4

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457 **C50**

☐ **Saric,Ivan** **2647**

■ **Parligras,Mircea Emilian** **2561**

FIDE Grand Swiss (3) 27.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.a4 d6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1** White has an edge. **8...h6 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.h3 Be6N**

[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 Donchenko,A (2676) - Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1) 1-0]

[10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 (RR *12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2)* 12...Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1. 23) 1-0 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2 27.Rxe5 Bb6 28.Re4 Rd2 29.g4 Rd3 30.Rfe1 Rd8 31.h4 Rf6 32.Kg2 Kg8 33.Re8+ Rxe8 34.Rxe8+ Kh7 35.h5 Re6 36.Rf8 f6 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+ Kh8 39.h6 Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/(288) 2009 (1.23) 1-0]

[RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4]

[RR 10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2]

[RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1*

Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 (RR *15...c5)* 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5

A) RR 18...Qd7 19.dxe5 (RR *19.Ra4)* 19...dxe5 20.Bb6 Bc7 21.Qe3 Nf4 22.Rad1 Qc8 23.Bxc7 Qxc7 24.b4 (RR *24.Qc5)* 24...g6 (RR *24...Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rc8)* 25.Nf1 (RR *25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rb1)* 25...Kg7 26.N1d2 (RR *26.Qc5)* 26...c5 (RR *26...Bxh3 27.gxh3 Nxh3+ 28.Kg2 Nf4+ 29.Kg1 Ng4)* 27.Qxc5 Qxc5 28.bxc5 Nd7 29.c6;

B) 18...Rd7 19.Ra4 (RR *19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Qxh6)* 19...d5 (RR *19...Qd8)* 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2 Santos Latasa,J (2624)-Pranesh,M (2598) Timisoara 2024 Mega2024 Update 40 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (71)]

[RR 10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2]

11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Nh5N

[RR 12...Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7

A) RR 15.Ra2 d5 (RR *15...Qd7)* 16.Qb3 c5 (RR *16...Qe7)* 17.bxc5 Bxc5 18.d4 (RR *18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Rc2)* 18...Ba7 (RR *18...dxe4 19.dxc5 exf3)* 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Nxe5 (RR *20.c4 Nf6 21.dxe5)* 20...Nxe5 21.Rxe5 Nxc3;

B) 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 (RR *20.Qxb7 Rb8 21.Qa7 c5;* RR *20.Rae1)* 20...Raf8 (RR *20...dxe4 21.Rxe4 Qc6)* 21.Rd1 (RR *21.Qxb7 Rb8 22.Qa7 c5;* RR *21.Rae1)* 21...dxe4

B1) RR 22.Rxe4 Rxf3 23.Nxf3 Rxf3 24.dxe5 (RR *24.Qxb7 Nc5);*

B2) 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 (RR *22...Ngxe5 23.dxe5 Qxe5)* 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5 Rxf2 26.Rxe4 Ra2 27.b6 Saric,I (2659)-Keymer,V (2721) Budva 2023 Mega2024 Update 03 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (67)]

13.Nf1 Nf4 14.Ra2 Qe8 15.Kh2 Qh5 0.35/22

[15...Ne7= -0.01/19]

16.Ng1 -0.09/20

[16.b5⩲ 0.35/22 deserves consideration. Nd8 (*16...Nxh3 17.Ng3±)* 17.Bxf4 exf4 18.bxa6]

16...Qxd1 17.Rxd1 Rad8 18.b5 Ne7 19.Nf3 Neg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 axb5 22.axb5 Bb6 23.Be3 Ra8 24.Rda1 Rxa2 25.Rxa2 Nd3 26.Rd2 Ndf4 27.Ra2 -0.01/23

[27.d5⩲ 0.46/23]

27...Nd3= 28.Ra3 Nb2 29.N1d2 d5 30.e5 Ne7 31.g4 Nd1 32.Kg3 Nxe3 0.73/24

[32...Rb8⩲ 0.32/23]

33.fxe3± c5 1.32/24

[33...Kf7⩲ 0.59/23]

34.bxc6 bxc6 35.Nb3 Rb8 36.Ne1 Rb7 37.Ra6 Kf7 38.Nd3 Nc8 39.Ra8 Ne7 40.Nbc5! Ra7 2.65/27

[40...Bxc5 1.98/22 is a better defense. 41.Nxc5 Rb2]

41.Rb8+- Bxc5 42.Nxc5 Endgame. KRN-KRN

[42.dxc5? Ra3 43.Nb4 Rxe3+ 44.Kf2 Rc3-+ (*44...Rxh3 45.Rb7=)*]

42...Ra3 43.Kf3 g5 44.Rh8 Kg7 Prevents Rh8-h7+. **45.Rd8**

[45.Nxe6+? Kxh8 46.Kf2 Ra2+ 47.Ke1 Rh2-+]

45...Ng6 2.75/28

[⌓45...Kf7 1.82/28]

46.Rd7+

[46.Nxe6+ Kf7±]

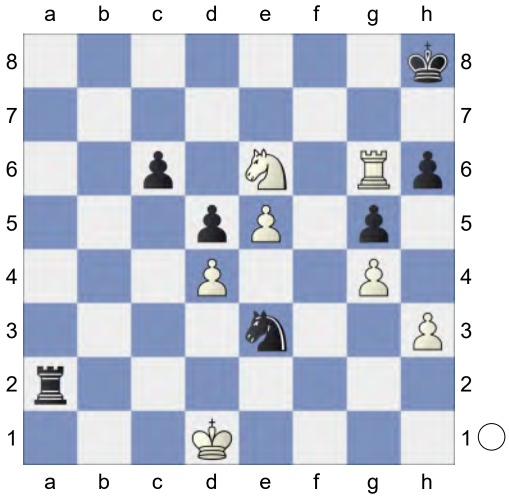
46...Kg8 47.Nxe6 Hoping for Rd7-g7+. **47...Nh4+ 48.Ke2** Strongly threatening Ne6-g7. **48...Ra2+ 49.Kd3 Ra3+ 50.Ke2?⩲** -0.01/21

[50.Kc2+- 2.36/25]

50...Ra2+= 51.Kd1!

[51.Kd3 Ra3+ 52.Ke2⩲]

51...Ng2 52.Rg7+ Kh8 53.Rg6 Nxe3+



54.Kc1! Rc2+ 2.00/5

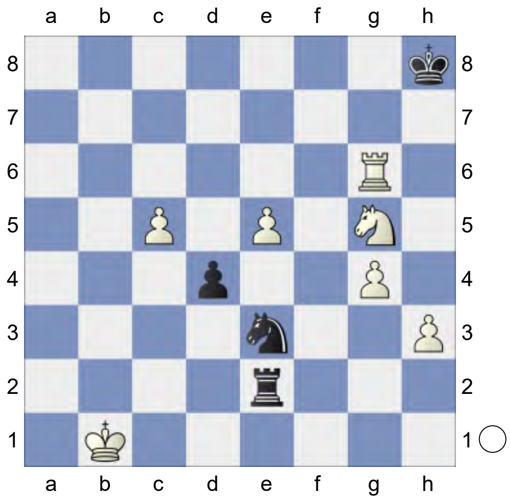
[⌓54...Kh7 3.38/23 55.Nf8+ Kh8 56.Rxh6+ *(56.Rxc6 Kg7+-)* 56...Kg8]

55.Kb1+- Re2 56.Rxh6+ Kg8 57.Nxg5 c5 58.Rg6+ Kh8 5.28/24

[⌓58...Kf8 3.50/24 59.Ne6+ *(59.dxc5 Nd1+-)* 59...Kf7]

59.dxc5 White is clearly winning. **59...d4**

(Diagram)



60.Ne4! Ne4-f6 would kill now.

[Not 60.Rd6 Nd1±]

60...Kh7 61.Rd6 And now c5-c6! would win. **61...Nc2 62.Kc1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.20 (precise)

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458 **C55**
☐ **Syaifullah_Yusuf** **2881**
■ **Wildindian** **2758**
Blitz 12.02.2020
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4! Qe7** 0.37/21

[8...c6= -0.17/22]

9.f5 White has compensation. **9...Bd7 10.c3** White is slightly better. **10...Nc6 11.b4 h6 12.Bh4 0-0-0** 1.54/22

[Black should play 12...Nb8± 0.37/22]

13.Nd2N

[13.a4 Rhf8 14.Qe2 King'S Pawn Game-Deutz/Abdusattorov Gambit Gambits for White: King's Pawn Game - D]

13...Rdf8 1.65/20

[13...Qe8± 1.24/21 was necessary.]

14.a4+- g5 15.Bf2 Kb8 16.a5 h5 2.68/22

[⌓16...Qd8 1.91/21 17.b5 Ne7]

17.b5 Nd8 18.b6 Bc6 19.Qe2

[19.bxa7+?! Ka8±]

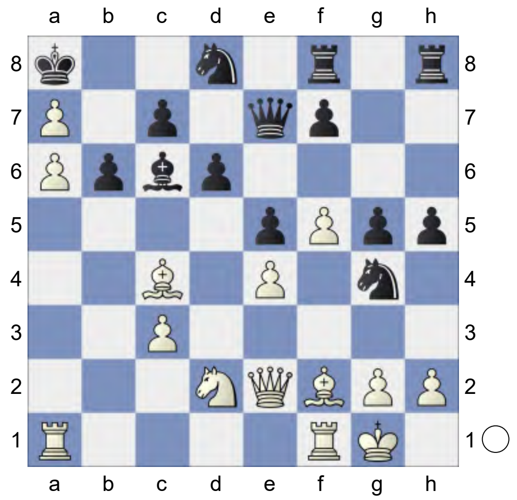
19...Ng4 20.bxa7+

[20.bxc7+?! Qxc7 21.Bg3 Nf6±]

20...Ka8 21.a6 1.17/16

[21.Bd5+- 2.07/21]

21...b6±



22.Rfb1 0.73/17

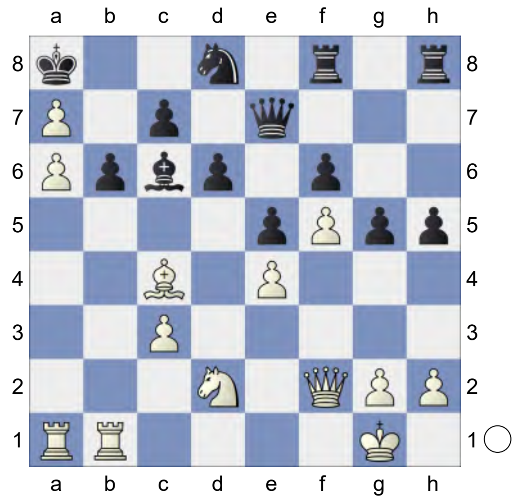
[22.Bd5!+- 1.80/21 and White stays clearly on top.]

22...Nxf2

[22...Kxa7? loses. 23.Bd5]

23.Qxf2 and Bd5 would now be decisive **23...f6**

(Diagram)



Now White is beyond hope. **24.Rxb6??** -3.10/20 **cxb6-+ 25.Qxb6 Qxa7 26.Rb1 Qxb6+ 27.Rxb6 Ka7 28.Rb3 Rh7 29.Kf2 Rc7** Black is clearly winning. **30.Be2 d5 31.exd5 Bxd5 32.c4 Ba8 33.Bxh5 Nc6 34.Bd1 Nd4 35.Rh3 Rb8 36.Rh6 Rb2 37.Ke1 Nxf5 38.Rxf6 Ne3 39.Ba4 Nxg2+ 40.Kd1 Rb6 41.Rf2 Ne3+ 42.Ke2 Nxc4 43.Rf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.15 (very precise) **43...Rb2 0-1**

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■ **Yoo,Christopher Woojin** **2595**

Titled Tuesday intern op 13th Feb Early ..

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Inf 50/(340) **1.e4** Fritz 5.00 (5s) Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3** 9.c3 is better than 9.0-0. 9.c3 ist besser als 9.0-0. **9...d6 10.h3N** -0.21/21

[RR ⌓10.b4 0.24/21 Bb6 11.a4 a6 (*11...a5 12.Nxb6 cxb6 13.bxa5*

Nxa5 14.Bd5 Qc7 15.c4 Bg4 16.0-0 Kh8 17.h3 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 Nb3 19.Ra2 Nc5 20.Qd1 Qd7 21.f4 f6 22.d4 exd4 23.Qxd4 Rxa4 24.Rxa4 Qxa4 25.Kh2 b5 26.Rb1 Ivanovic,B (2520)-Anand,V (2610) (izt) 50/(340) 1990 *)* 12.b5 Ne7 13.Nxb6 cxb6 14.bxa6 bxa6 15.0-0 Ng6 16.Kh1 Kh8 17.Bd5 Rb8 18.Qd2 Nf4 19.c4 f5 20.Ng1 Ne6 21.Ne2 Nc5 22.Qc2 fxe4 23.Bxe4 *(*RR *23.dxe4 Qh4 24.f3)* 23...Nxe4 24.dxe4 Be6 Brandics,J-Kucharski,B Moscow 1920 CBM 084 Extra [Belgisch Schaakboard 76e jaar/année] 0-1 (44) Nimzowitsch,A-Kostic,B Goteborg 1920 Nimzowitsch [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] 0-1 (45) 25.Ra3 Rc8 26.Rc3 0-1 Nimzowitsch,A-Kostic,B Goteborg 1920 (11) Nimzowitsch,A-Kostic,B Goteborg 1920 (11) 0-1]

[10.d4 Bb6 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.Qh5 Qd6 14.0-0-0 Qc5 15.Bb3 a5 16.g4 a4 17.Nf6+ Kh8 18.Bxf7 Qxf2 19.Rhf1 Qe3+ 20.Kb1 Qg5 21.Qxg5 hxg5 22.Nd7 Bxd7 23.Rxd7 Rad8 24.Rf3 g6 0-1 Belkhodja,S (2449)-Iuldachev,S (2536) Dubai op 6th_88769 2004 (9) Belkhodja,S (2449)-Iuldachev,S (2536) Dubai op 6th_88769 2004 (9) 0-1]

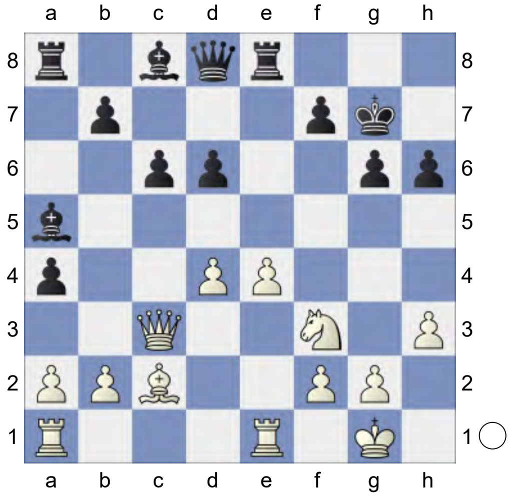
10...Ne7 11.0-0 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 The position is equal. **12...c6 13.Bb3 a5N**

[Vorgänger: 13...Qf6 14.d4 Bb6 15.Re1 Re8 16.Qd3 exd4 17.cxd4 Be6 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.a4 Ba5 1-0 Suwara,K (1780)-Dogan,A (1673) SC-2016-0-00281 2015 Suwara,K (1780)-Dogan,A (1673) SC-2016-0-00281 2015 1-0]

14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 Bb6 16.Re1 Re8 17.Qd3 a4 18.Bc2 g6 19.Qd2 Kg7 White must now prevent ...Bb6-a5. **20.Qc3** -1.76/22 Loses the game.

[20.Re2= -0.13/20 and White stays safe.]

20...Ba5-+



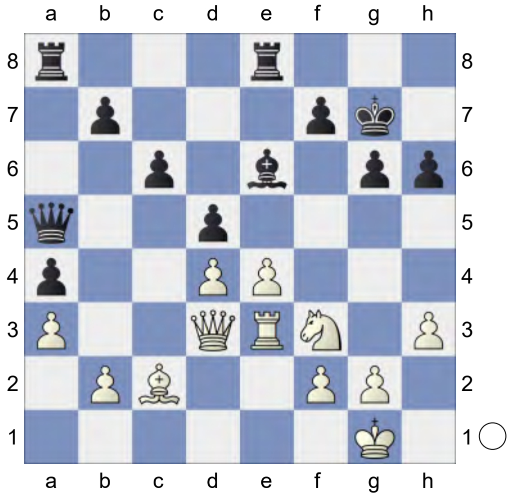
Skewer, Deflection **21.Qd3** -2.03/22

[⌓21.Qe3 -1.64/21]

21...Bxe1 22.Rxe1 Qa5 23.a3 Be6 24.Re3 -2.38/22

[⌓24.Qe3 -1.77/20]

24...d5



...d5xe4 is the strong threat. **25.Ne5?** -3.37/21

[25.e5 -1.77/21]

25...dxe4 -1.74/20

[⌓25...Rad8 -3.37/21 26.b4 axb3

27.Qxb3 dxe4 28.Qxb7 Rb8 *(28...Rxd4 29.Nxc6 Qd5 30.Qb2±* Pin *)* 29.Nxc6 Qd5 *(29...Rxb7? 30.Nxa5 Rb5 31.Nc6-+)* 30.Bxe4 Rxb7 31.Bxd5 Bxd5 32.Rxe8 Bxc6]

26.Qxe4 Qd5 27.Qf4 Rad8 28.Rg3 -4.53/29

[28.Rf3 -2.07/21 Bf5 *(28...Qxd4? 29.Qf6+ Kg8 30.Bxg6+-)* 29.Bxf5 *(29.Bxa4? Qxd4 30.g4 Rxe5-+)* 29...Qxd4 30.Nxg6 fxg6 *(30...Re1+? 31.Kh2+-)* 31.Qc7+ Kg8 32.Rg3]

28...Qxd4 29.Nxg6 Threatens to win with Ng6-e5+. **29...Qxf4**

[29...Qxb2? too greedy. 30.Ne5+ Kf8 31.Qf6 Qa1+ *(31...Qxc2?* perishes. *32.Ng6++-; 31...Qc1+ 32.Kh2 Qxc2 33.Ng6+)* 32.Kh2+-]

30.Nxf4+ Kf6 31.Bxa4 Rd4 32.Nh5+ Ke7 33.Bc2 Rd2 34.Rc3 Red8 35.Ng3 Prevents Rd2-e2. **35...R8d4 36.Nf1?** -4.53/23

[36.b3 -2.00/22]

36...Re2 Black is clearly winning. **37.Ng3 Re1+ 38.Kh2 Rd2 39.f3 Rc1 40.Be4 Rxc3 41.bxc3 Ra2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.26 (precise)

0-1

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8.a4 0-0 White has an edge.

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[10...Be6 11.Ne3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Re8 13.Ne3 b6 5. Nc3 #12 Lifetime Repertoires: Gustafsson's]

[10...Rb8 11.a5 Bg4 12.Ne3 Bh5 13.h3 Ne8 14.Bd5 Nd4 15.g4 Nxf3+ 16.Qxf3 Bg6 17.Qg3 Qd6 18.Nc4 Qe7 19.Nxe5 Bh7 20.f4 Nd6 21.f5 Kh8 22.Nf3 c6 23.Ba2 c4 24.e5 Nb5 25.Bxc4 1-0 (31) Chernov,V (2639)-Schulz,D (2426) Merida 2000 (4)]

11.a5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Ne7 13.Bc4

[13.Nxe5? Nxd5 14.Nxf7 Kxf7-+]

13...Ng6 **14.Nd2N**

[14.Re1 Qf6 15.Re3 ½-½ Raja,R (2514)-Doshi,M (2377) Fagernes Autumn op 2024 (9)]

14...b5 15.axb6 cxb6 16.Bd5 Ra7 17.g3 Inhibits Nf4. **17...b5** 0.55/21

[Black should try 17...Ne7= -0.01/22]

18.Qf3 0.05/22

[18.c4⩲ 0.55/21]

18...Qg5 0.74/21

[18...Rc7= 0.05/22 remains equal.]

19.Qe3± Rc7 20.Kh1 0.01/22

[20.Qxg5± 0.82/22 hxg5 21.c4]

20...Ne7 21.c4 Qg6 0.48/21

[21...Qxe3!= 0.07/20 22.fxe3 Nc6]

22.Rac1 Qd6 23.Nb3 0.01/20

[23.b3⩲ 0.41/20 is more appropriate.]

23...Bh3 24.Rg1 Bd7 25.Rgf1 Rb8 26.Nd2 -0.59/22

[26.f4= -0.03/22]

26...bxc4⩱ Discovered Attack **27.Nxc4?** -2.75/24

[27.Bxc4⩱ -0.42/20 Nc6 *(27...Rxb2? 28.Bxf7+ Kh7 29.Nc4+-)* 28.Ra1]

27...Nxd5-+ 28.exd5 Qxd5+ 29.f3 f6 30.Kg1 Bf5 31.Rfd1 Rb3 32.Rc3 Rxc3 33.bxc3 Rd7 34.Rd2 -6.47/23

[34.Kf2 -3.86/20 Bxd3 35.Nb6]

34...Rd8 35.Nb6? -6.36/22

[35.Na5 -3.68/21]

35...Qc6 36.Nc4 Qb5 37.g4 -8.15/24

[⌓37.Kf2 -4.53/22 Qb3 38.g4]

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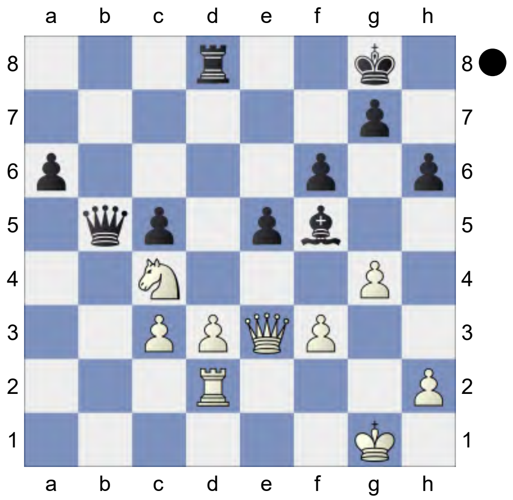

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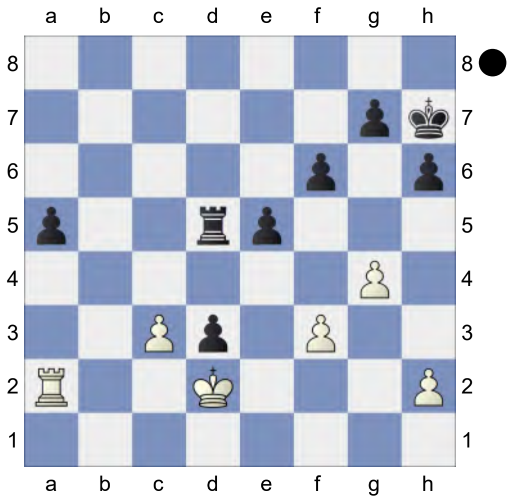

h5 -2.04/25

[⌓46...Kg6! -4.96/25 47.c4 *(47.h4 h5)* 47...Rc5 48.Kxd3 Kg5]

47.h3? -6.20/25

[47.gxh5 -2.04/25 Kh6 48.c4]

47...Kg6 48.c4 Rd4 49.Rxa5 hxg4

[49...Rxc4 50.Kxd3 Rb4 51.Ke3⩱]

50.hxg4 Rf4? -0.42/28

[50...Rxc4 51.Kxd3 Rc7 52.Ke3⩱]

[50...Kg5!-+ -6.66/22 51.c5 Kf4]

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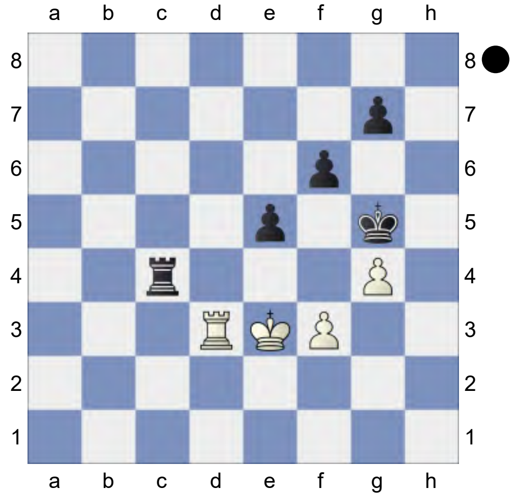
53.Rd1 Rxc4 54.Rxd2 Kg5 Black keeps a firm grip on the game. **55.Rd3** -4.21/29

[55.Rd7∓ -0.55/26]



Prevents Rc3 **55...g6?** -0.64/27

[55...Rc7!-+ -4.21/29 aiming for ...Kh4. 56.Ke4 Ra7]

56.Ra3? -8.12/26

[56.Rd6∓ -0.64/27]

56...Rb4? -0.54/27

[56...Kh4-+ -8.12/26 57.Kf2 Rf4]

57.Rc3? -7.76/29

[57.Ra8∓ -0.54/27]

57...Rf4? -0.49/28

[57...Kh4-+ -7.76/29 58.Rc8 Kg3]

58.Rc5? -8.13/29

[58.Rc7∓ -0.49/28]

58...Kh4 Black is clearly winning. **59.Rc1 Kg3 60.Rg1+**

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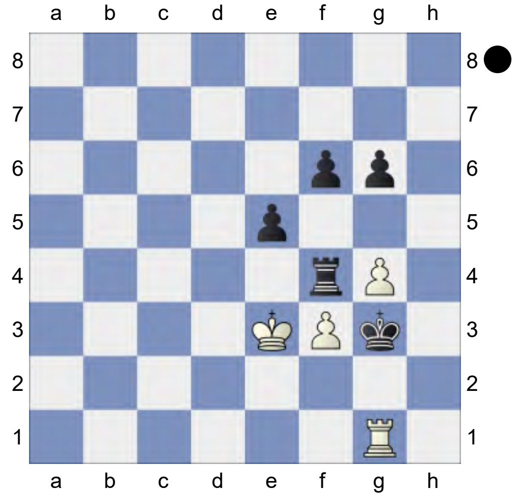

Kh2! 61.Ra1 Kg2 62.g5 Rxf3+ 63.Ke4 Rf4+ 64.Kd5 fxg5 65.Kxe5 Rf5+ 66.Ke4 g4 67.Ra6 g3

[Not 67...Rg5 68.Kf4 Rc5 69.Kxg4=]

68.Rxg6 Rf8 69.Ke3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/ Black=0.59

69...Kh2

0-1

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[Better is 20.Qxg5⩲ 0.70/22 hxg5 21.Nf3]

20...Ne7= 21.c4 Qg6 0.50/21

[21...Qxe3!= 0.01/21 might be stronger. 22.fxe3 Nc6]

22.Rac1 Qd6 23.Nb3 Bh3 24.Rg1 Bd7 25.Rgf1 Rb8 26.Nd2 bxc4 Discovered Attack **27.Nxc4?** -2.94/25

[27.Bxc4⩱ -0.39/21 Nc6 *(27...Rxb2? 28.Bxf7+* Clearance *Kxf7 29.Nc4+-)* 28.Ra1]

27...Nxd5-+ 28.exd5 Qxd5+ 29.f3 -3.63/21

[29.Qe4 -2.20/23 is the only way for White. Qxe4+ 30.dxe4]

29...f6 30.Kg1 Bf5 31.Rfd1 Rb3 32.Rc3 Rxc3 33.bxc3 Rd7 34.Rd2 -6.65/21

[34.Kf2 -3.67/20]

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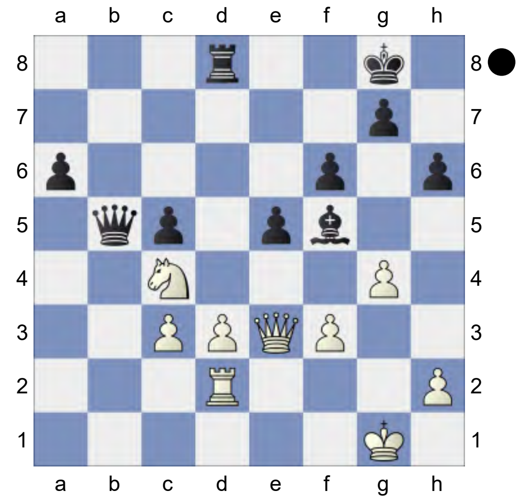

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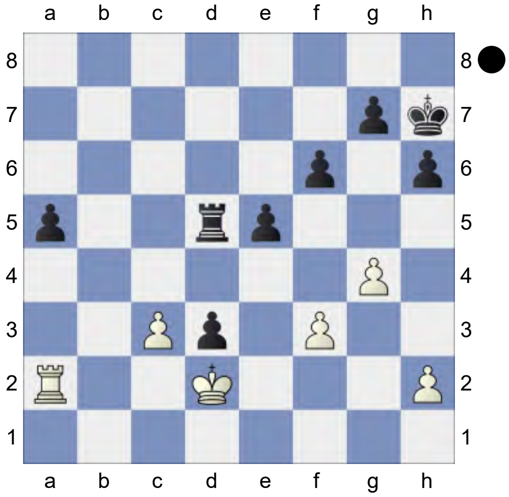

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[49...Rxc4 50.Kxd3 Rb4 51.Ke3∓]

50.hxg4 Rf4? -0.35/31

[50...Rxc4 51.Kxd3 Rc7 52.Ke3∓]

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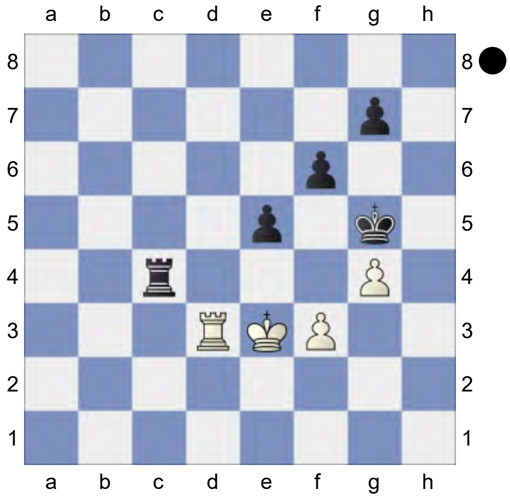
[55.Rd7!∓ -0.49/27]



Prevents Rc3. **55...g6?** -0.78/27

[55...Rc7!-+ -4.09/30 has better winning chances. 56.Rd2 Ra7]

56.Ra3? -7.15/27

[56.Rd6∓ -0.78/27]

56...Rb4? -0.52/28

[56...Kh4-+ -7.15/27 57.Kf2 Rf4]

57.Rc3? -6.64/28

[57.Ra6∓ -0.52/28]

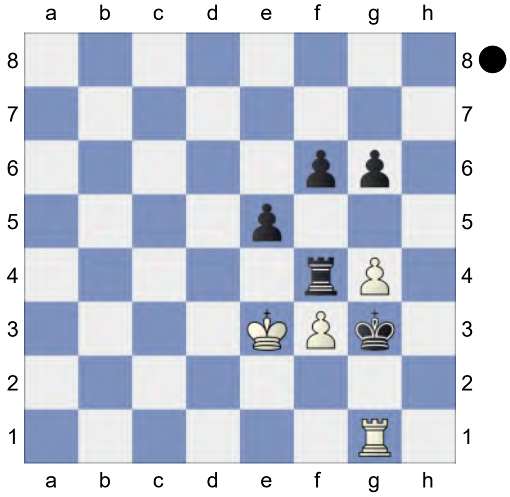
57...Rf4? -0.41/29

[57...Kh4-+ -6.64/28 58.Rc7 Kg3]

58.Rc5? -8.11/29

[58.Rc7∓ -0.41/29]

58...Kh4-+ Black is clearly winning. **59.Rc1 Kg3 60.Rg1+**



Kh2! 61.Ra1 Kg2 62.g5 Rxf3+ 63.Ke4 Rf4+ 64.Kd5 fxg5 65.Kxe5 Rf5+ 66.Ke4 g4 67.Ra6 g3

[Stronger than 67...Rg5 68.Kf4 g3 69.Kxg5=]

68.Rxg6 Rf8 69.Ke3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.75/Black=0.56

69...Kh2

0-1

462 C55

☐ GEOPROMETHE 2860

■ killerm3000 2524

Rapid 12.11.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 8min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.22/20

[7...h6∓ -0.68/20 8.f4 hxg5 9.fxe5 Ne6 10.exf6 gxf6]

8.f4= h6 0.15/19

[8...c6 -0.25/19]

9.Bh4 Qe7 0.43/20

[9...Bg4= -0.12/21 10.Bxf6 Qd7]

10.Bxf6N White is slightly better.

[10.c3 Ne6 11.f5 Nc5 12.Nd2 Bd7 13.Qe2 0-0-0 14.a4 Be8 15.a5 Kb8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.a6 b6 18.Bd5 Nf8 19.b5 Qd7 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.c4 Qe7 22.Ra3 Rg8 23.Rh3 Nd7 24.Qe3 Nc5 0-1 Janik,I (2527)-Drygalov,A (2457) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Mar Early blitz 2025 (4)]

10...gxf6

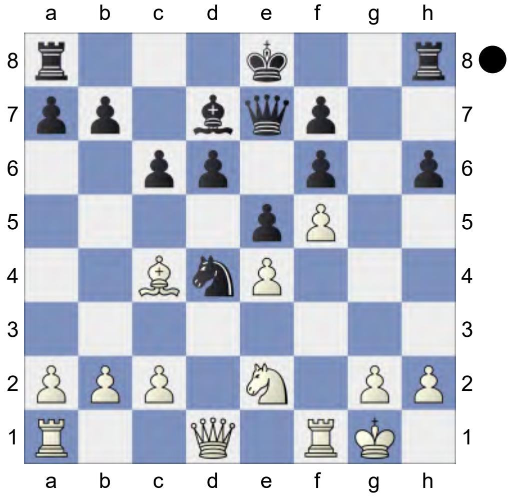
[10...Qxf6 feels hotter. 11.fxe5 Qxe5 12.Bxf7+ Ke7]

11.f5 Wards off Be6 **11...Bd7 12.Nc3** -0.52/18

[White should try 12.c3± 0.42/20 Nc6 13.Nd2]

12...c6∓ 13.Ne2 -1.00/19

[13.Rf2∓ -0.52/17 is more appropriate.]



13...d5 -0.60/17

[Better is 13...Nxe2+!∓ -1.00/19 14.Bxe2 (*14.Qxe2 d5*) 14...d5 15.exd5 Qc5+ 16.Kh1 cxd5 (*16...Qxd5 17.Qc1∓*)]

14.exd5? -2.13/18

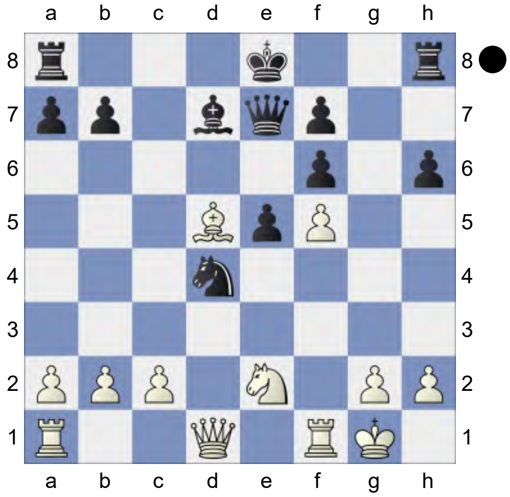
[14.Nxd4∓ -0.60/17 dxc4 15.Nf3]

14...cxd5-+

[14...Nxf5 15.dxc6 bxc6 16.Qd3∓]

15.Bxd5 -3.59/18

[15.Bd3 -2.08/18 Nxe2+ 16.Bxe2]



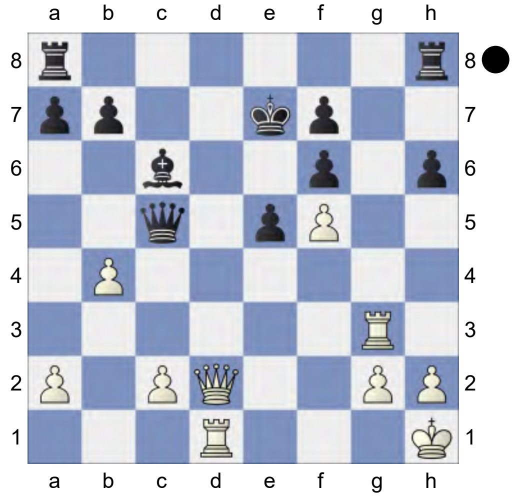
15...Nxe2+!

[15...Nxf5 16.Qd3=]

16.Qxe2 Qc5+ 17.Kh1 Qxd5 18.Rad1 Qc5

[18...Qxa2 19.Rxd7 Kxd7 20.Qb5+ Kc8 21.Qc5+ Kd8 22.Qd6+ Ke8 23.Qxf6-+]

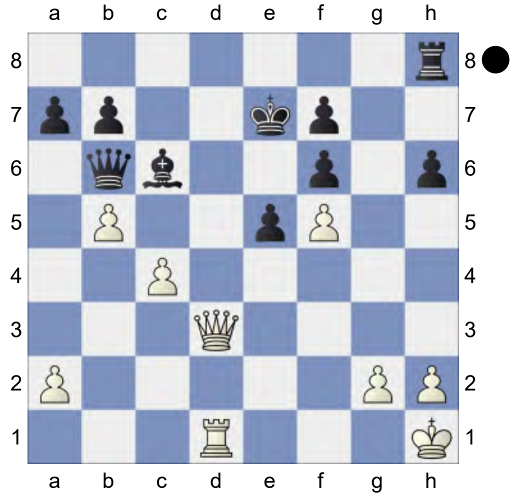
19.Rf3 Bb5 20.Qd2 Bc6 21.Rg3 Ke7 22.b4



Qd4 23.Rd3

[23.Qxd4 exd4]

23...Qb6 24.c4 Rad8 25.b5 Qb4+ would now be deadly. **25...Rxd3 26.Qxd3**



Rd8 Wards off Qd6+

[26...Bxg2+ 27.Kxg2 Rg8+ 28.Kh1∓]

27.Qa3+ Ke8 28.Rg1 Be4 29.Qg3 Bxf5 30.Qf3 Bg6 31.a4 Rd3 32.c5 Rxf3 33.cxb6 Endgame KRB-KR **33...Ra3 34.bxa7 Rxa4 35.b6 Kd7 36.Rc1 Be4?** -1.30/21

[36...Bc2-+ -4.11/21 has better winning chances. aiming for ...Kc6!. 37.h3 Kc6 *(37...Be4 38.Rc7+ Kd6 39.Rc8∓)* 38.Rxc2+ Kxb6]

37.Rc7+∓ Ke6 -0.82/23

[⌓37...Kd6 -1.30/22 (→ ...Ra1+) 38.h4 Ra1+ 39.Kh2 Ra2]

38.Kg1? -2.52/24

[38.h4∓ -0.82/23 is a better defense.]

38...Ra2? 0.00/31

[38...Ra1+-+ -2.52/24 39.Kf2 Ra2+ 40.Ke1 Bxg2 *(40...Rxg2?* perishes. *41.a8Q+-)*]

39.g3= f5 40.Rc8 f4 41.a8Q Rxa8 42.Rxa8 fxg3 43.hxg3 KR-KB **43...Kd6 44.Rc8 h5 45.Kf2 Bf5 46.Rc7 Be4** 5.35/28

[46...Be6!= 0.13/23 and Black is okay.]

47.Rxf7+- White is clearly winning. **47...Kc5 48.Re7 Kd6 49.Rc7 Ke6 50.Ke3 Bd5 51.Rh7 Kd6** What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.52 **52.Rxh5 1-0**

463 **C54**

☐ **Khubukshanov,Erdem** **2468**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander** **2682**

RUS-chT 32nd (5.1) 30.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is setting a new trend.7.Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...Ba7 8.Re1**

[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

8...h6

[8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 21.Rd5 f6 22.Rxc5 Ne6 23.Rd5 0-1 (33) Nordquelle,D (2151)-Carlsson,L (2367) NOR-chT Elite 2223 2022 (5.34)]

9.Nbd2N White has an edge.

[9.b4 0-0 10.Ra2 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.Nf1 c6 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Ng3 Qe8 16.d4 Rd8 17.h3 exd4 18.cxd4 e5 19.Be3 exd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qf7 22.Rd2 Ne5 23.Ndf5 Ne8 1-0 (28) Nevednichy,V (2499)-Makropoulou,M (2153) Wch Seniors 50 30th 2022 (3) 24.f4 Nc4 25.Rf2 b5 26.e5 Nc7 27.Qg4 Kh7 28.e6 1-0 Salinas Cardenas,R (2499)-Medvegy,Z (2153) Amsterdam ACT op 2nd 2005 (3)]

9...g5 10.b4 Ne7 11.Nf1! Ng6 12.Be3 g4 13.N3d2 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 h5 15.d4 Kf8N

[15...h4 16.Qb3 Rh7 17.Rad1 0.01/18 *(17.b5⩲ 0.65/19)* 17...Kf8= 18.Ndf1 -1.13/21 *(18.b5= 0.01/19)* 18...h3 19.g3 Nxe4 20.Bd3 Ng5 Hoping for ...Nf3+. 21.Nd2 Be6 -0.46/20 0-1 (29) Sevian,S (2698)-Grischuk,A (2728) Titled Tuesday intern op 28th May Early blitz 2024 (10) (Black should try *21...f5!∓* -0.93/21 *22.Bxf5 Bxf5 23.Nxf5 Qd7)*]

16.a5 White is more active. **16...Bd7** 0.98/19

[16...Qe7⩲ 0.48/18]

17.Qb3 0.25/20

[17.dxe5± 0.98/19 Nxe5 18.Be2]

17...Qe8!= 18.Rab1 Kg7 19.b5 axb5 20.Bxb5 Rxa5 21.Nf5+ Kh7 22.Bxd7 Qxd7 23.Nc4 Ra7 24.Qc2 Qe6! 25.d5 Qd7 26.g3 Prevents Nf4. White has compensation. **26...Ne7!⇄** Black is not keeping still **27.Nce3 Rha8 28.Qc1 Nfg8**

[28...Nxe4? 29.Nxe7 Ng5 *(29...Qxe7? 30.Qc2+-)* 30.N3f5+-]

29.Kg2 With the idea Rh1. **29...Nxf5 30.Nxf5 Qd8** Against Qg5 **31.Rh1 Qf6 32.h3 gxh3+ 33.Rxh3 Qg6 34.Qe3**

[34.Qd1!? Nf6□ 35.Qf3±]

34...Ra1! 35.Rxb7

[35.Qf3!? Nf6□ *(35...Rxb1? 36.Rxh5++-)* 36.Rxb7±]

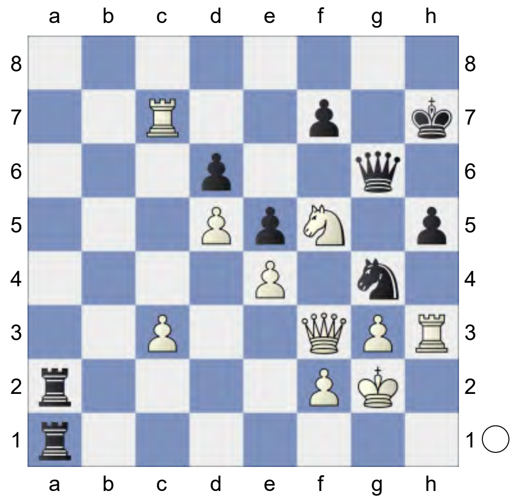
35...Nf6! 36.Rxc7 Ng4? 6.13/27

[Avoid the trap 36...Nxd5? 37.Rxf7+ *(37.exd5 Qxf5 38.Rc4 Rg1+ 39.Kxg1 Qxh3=)* 37...Kg8 38.Nh6+ *(38.exd5 Kxf7 39.Qf3 Rh8+-)* 38...Kh8 39.exd5+-]

[36...Rb8= 0.07/27]

37.Qf3!+- Black must now prevent Rxf7+!. **37...R8a2**

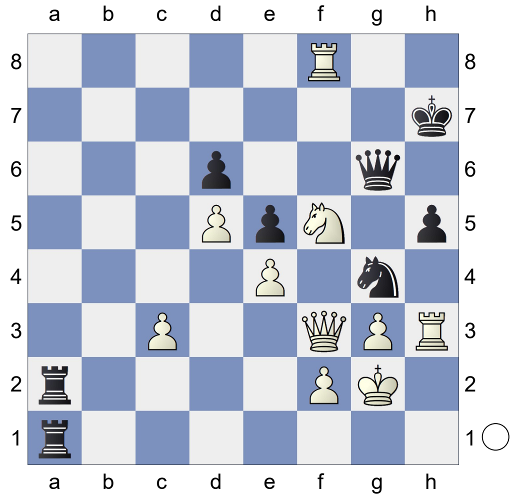
(Diagram)



38.Rxf7+!! Deflection **38...Kh8** **39.Rf8+?** 0.48/5

[39.Rg7+- 12.56/27 Qxf5 40.Rh7+ Double Attack (*40.exf5 Kxg7 41.Rxh5 Rxf2+ 42.Qxf2 Nxf2±; 40.Rxg4 Rxf2+ 41.Qxf2 Qxg4±*) 40...Kg8 41.exf5 Rxf2+ 42.Qxf2 Nxf2 43.R3xh5]

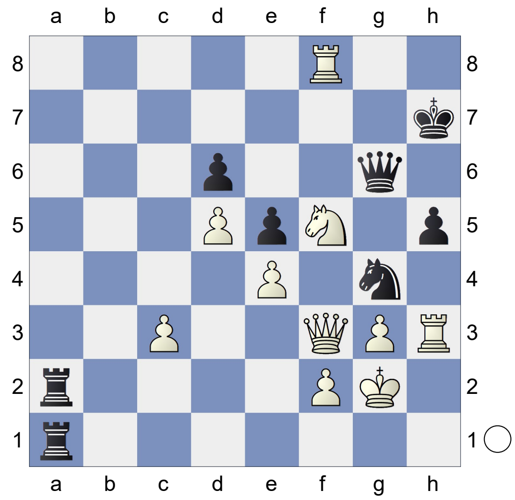
39...Kh7±



40.Rf7+ -0.01/26 **Kh8!=** **41.Rf8+?** 0.01/5

[41.Rg7+- 11.73/29 Qxf5 42.Rh7+ (*42.exf5 Kxg7 43.Rxh5 Rxf2+ 44.Qxf2 Nxf2±; 42.Rxg4 Rxf2+ 43.Qxf2 Qxg4±*) 42...Kg8 43.exf5 Rxf2+ 44.Qxf2 Nxf2 45.R3xh5]

41...Kh7



42.Rf7+ 0.01/28

Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/Black=0.37

42...Kh8! An unexpected result.

½-½

464 **C54**

☐ **Nasuta,Grzegorz** **2579**

■ **Gumularz,Szymon** **2587**

Katowice POL-HUN 10th rapid (8)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

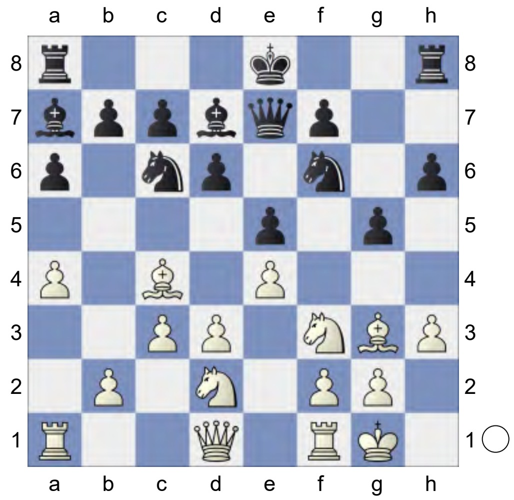
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 Qe7 is cutting edge theory. ist die Avantgarde der Theorie. **10.a4** -0.19/24

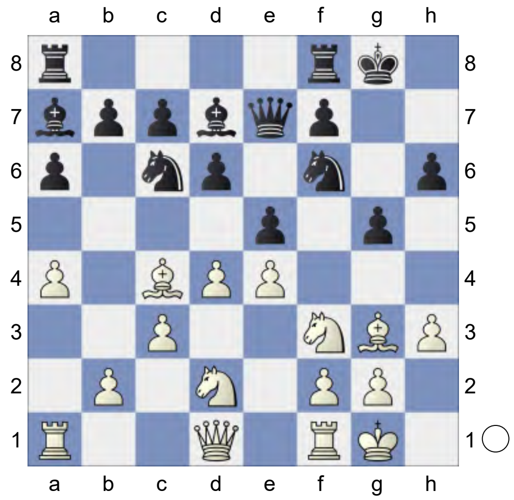
[10.b4± 0.32/23]

10...g5= 11.Bg3 Bg4 12.h3 Bd7



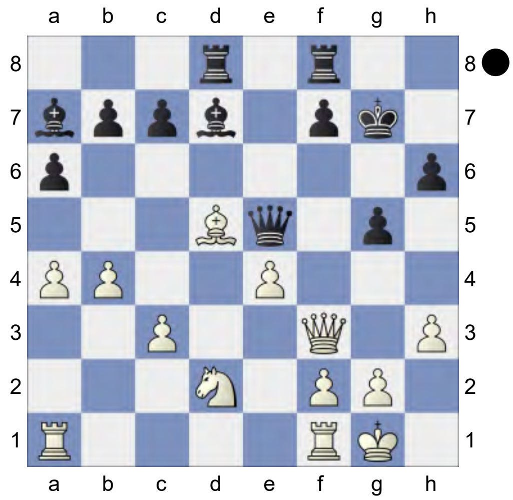
13.d4! g4N

[Vorgänger: 13...0-0 0.85/21 13...0-0-0 0.16



14.dxe5 0.29/23 (White should try *14.Re1!± 0.85/21*) 14...dxe5= 15.b4 And now b5 would win. Nh5 16.Bxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Qxh5 Kg7 19.Qf3 -0.37/26 (*19.h4= 0.01/23*) 19...Rad8∓ 20.Bd5 -0.89/25 (*20.Bb3=* -0.27/25 remains equal.)

(Diagram)



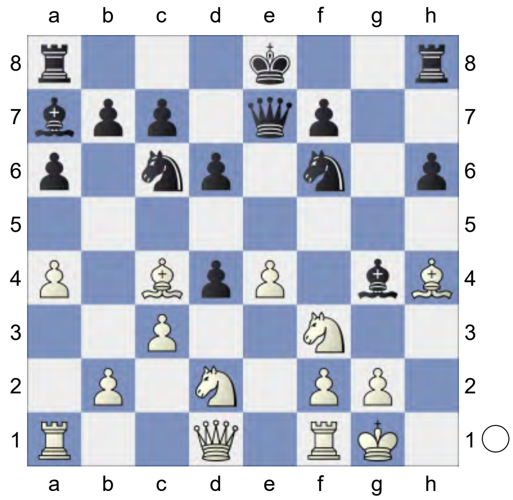
20...c6!∓ 21.Bb3 f5 -0.06/24 (*21...Bb8!∓ -0.70/28 22.g3 Bxh3*) 22.Nc4 ½-½ Bertomeu Ginestar,A (1937)-Gonzalez Santamartina,J (2022) Mislata op 55th 2022 (5)]

14.hxg4 Bxg4 0.88/22

[14...0-0-0!= 0.21/23]

15.Bh4± exd4? 2.95/23

[Black should play 15...Rg8± 0.55/20]



16.e5!+- Nxe5

[16...dxe5 17.Ne4 Nxe4 (*17...Bxf3? 18.Qxf3 0-0-0 19.Bxf6+-*) 18.Bxe7 Kxe7 19.Bd5+-]

17.Ne4 -0.01/26

[White must play 17.cxd4+- 3.04/24 Nxf3+ 18.gxf3]

17...Bxf3 0.35/27

[17...Nxf3+? 18.gxf3 Be6 *(18...Qxe4? 19.Re1+- Pin)* 19.Nxf6+ Kd8 20.Re1+-]

[17...0-0-0!= -0.01/26 18.Bxf6 Bxf3 19.gxf3 *(19.Bxe7 Bxd1 20.Bxd8 Rxd8±)* 19...Qd7 20.Bxh8 Rxh8]

18.gxf3? -4.66/25

[18.Nxf6+± 0.35/27 stays ahead. Qxf6 19.Bxf6 Bxd1 20.Bxh8]

18...Rg8+-+ 19.Kh1 Rg5 20.Nxg5 hxg5

[20...Nxc4? 21.Ne4 0-0-0 22.Nxf6+- *(22.Bxf6 Qe6+-)*]

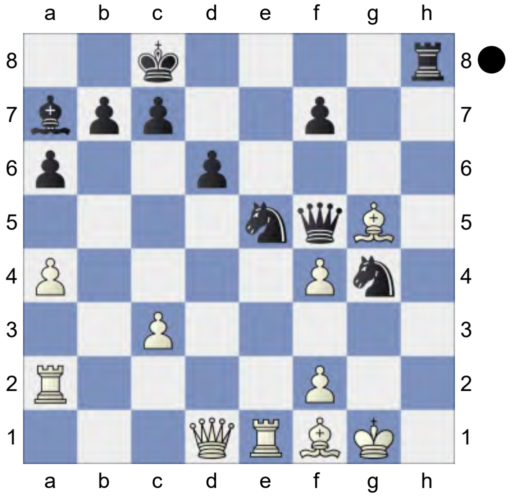
21.Bxg5? -8.91/23

[21.cxd4 -3.82/24 Qd7 *(21...Nxc4 22.Re1=* Pin; *21...gxh4 22.dxe5 dxe5 23.Rg1=)* 22.Kg2 *(22.dxe5? Qh3+ 23.Kg1 Qxh4-+)* 22...Nxc4 23.Re1+ Kd8 24.Bg3]

21...0-0-0 22.Re1 Qd7 23.Bf1 Prevents Qh3+ **23...Rh8+ 24.Kg1 Qf5 25.f4 dxc3** Strongly threatening ...Nfg4!. **26.bxc3 Nfg4** Excellent horsemanship.

[26...Ne4 27.Rxe4 Qxe4 28.Bg2±]

27.Ra2



Rh1+!! Decoy **28.Kxh1**

[28.Kg2 Nxf2]

28...Qh7+

[28...Nxf2+? is the wrong capture. 29.Rxf2 Bxf2 30.Rxe5 Qh7+ 31.Kg2+-]

29.Bh3 Qxh3+ 30.Kg1 Nf3+ -8.58/5

[⌓30...Qg3+ -#3/8 31.Kf1 Nh2+ 32.Ke2 Qxf2#]

31.Qxf3

Weighted Error Value: White=1.39/Black=0.39

31...Qxf3

0-1

465 **C52**

☐ **ProteusSF-Open** **3096**

■ **admete_bot** **2313**

Rapid 24.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-)*]

9.cxd4 The position is equal. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3! Nf6 12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1! Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5

[14...Nxe4?! 15.Qb2± *(15.Qxg7 Qf8+-)*]

15.Qc1 White has compensation.

[15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6 ½-½ Dimitrijevic,N (2486)-Hedman,J (2497) (open) 89/249 2003 (4.2)]

15...Ng4N

[15...Nxe4? 16.f3+-]

[15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Qc3

(20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022 *)* 20...Qf6 21.Qc1 Qh4 22.Qc3 Ne8 23.Bd5 Rb8 24.Rd3 Rd8 25.Rg3 Qxg3 26.hxg3 Rxd5 27.Ba3 Nd6 28.Qxc7 Nb5 29.Qe7 Rfd8 30.Bb2 1-0 (70) Yvinec,J (2349)-Pavoni,F (2310) corr W-32ch prel09 2008]

16.f4 Qa5! 17.Rf3 0-0

[17...Qb6+ 18.Kh1=]

18.Bb2 Be6 aiming for ...Qc5+. **19.Be2** A strong pair of Bishops. **19...f5**

[19...Bxa2? 20.Rg3+-]

20.exf5 Bxf5 21.Rb3→ and Rb5 would now be decisive. White is up to no good. **21...Qc5+**

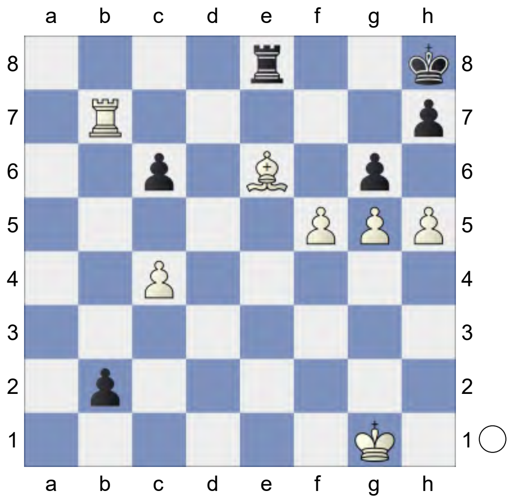
[21...Qxa2? perishes. 22.Qxc7+-]

22.Qxc5 dxc5 23.h3 White is more active. This costs Black the game. **23...Be6** 2.74/19 Against Bc4

[23...Nf6± 0.75/21 was worth a try.]

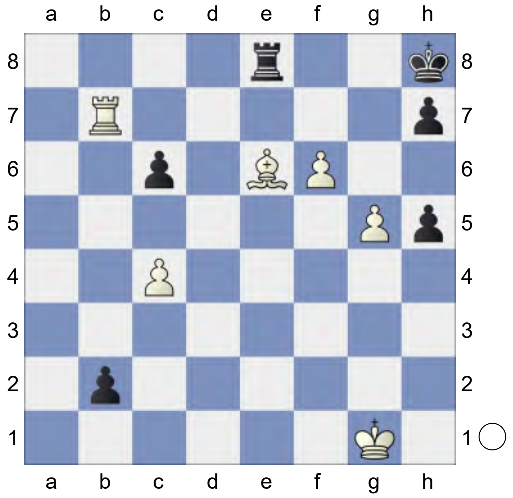
24.Bxg4+- Bxb3 25.axb3 Rad8 26.Be6+ Kh8 27.Rf1 c6 28.f5 Rfe8 29.Be5 Re7 30.g4 a5 31.g5 b5 32.h4 Ree8 33.h5 Rd5 34.Re1 Rxe5 35.Rxe5 Endgame KRB-KR **35...c4 36.bxc4 b4 37.Rxa5 b3 38.Ra7 b2 39.Rb7** Wards off Rb8 **39...g6**

(Diagram)



40.f6! Rxb2! would kill now. **40...gxh5**

[40...Rd8 41.hxg6]



41.Kh2! 15.22/21 **Ra8**

[41...Rf8 42.Rxb2]

42.Kh3 White mates. **42...Rg8 43.Rxb2 c5 44.Kh4 h6 45.Bxg8 hxg5+ 46.Kxh5 g4 47.Be6 Kh7 48.Rb8 g3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.84

49.Bf5#

1-0

466 C50

□ Kollars,Dmitrij 2647

■ Heberla,Bartlomiej 2501

Bayern-chI Bank Hofmann 27th (6)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d3 Bb6 6.0-0 h6 is currently scoring better than 6...Nf6.wohl besser als 6...Sf6. **7.a4N**

[7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.b4 *(8.Bb3 a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6* 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)*)* 8...0-0 9.Re1 Ng4 10.Re2 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Ng6 13.h3 Nf6 14.a4 a5 15.b5 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Qb3 Ndf4 18.Re4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Ba3 Re8 21.Rae1 Qd7 ½-½ (65) Mihai,E (2189)-Egger,R (2064) corr MT/Stern/ pr pr 10 2019]

[7.Re1 Nge7 8.b4 Ng6 9.a4 a6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Kh8 13.Bxa7 Rxa7 14.d4 Nf4 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nb3 Qf6 17.Re3 Rd8 18.Qf1 Bg4 19.Ne1 Ne7 20.f3 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 1-0 (37) Majek,K (2072)-Wesolek,K (1921) Polanica Zdroj op 59th 2023 (2)]

7...Nge7 8.b4 White is slightly better. **8...a6! 9.a5 Ba7 10.Be3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Kh8N**

[11...Ng6 12.Ne1 Kh8 13.Nc2 -0.21/20 (Better is *13.Qh5⩲* 0.43/18 *)* 13...Qe7 0.63/21 *(13...f5!=* -0.21/20 *)* 14.Bxa7 0.22/22 *(14.d4⩲* 0.63/21 *)* 14...Rxa7 15.Ne3 Nf4 1.27/21 *(15...Ra8⩲* 0.56/21 *)* 16.Nf3 0.65/21 *(16.g3±* 1.27/21 *)* 16...Be6 17.Qb3 0.28/19 *(17.Re1⩲* 0.74/21 *)* 17...Bxc4 0.69/20 *(17...Qf6=* 0.28/19 *)* 18.Qxc4 1-0 (49) Bermudez Rojas,A (1127)-Castaneda Montoya,P (1331) Pereira Fiestas de la Cosecha op 2023 (3)]

12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 f5 15.Nxc6 Nxc6 16.f4 Ra8 17.Bd5 Ne7 18.Bb3 Bd7 19.Qf3 0.16/21

[19.e5⩲ 0.60/20]

19...fxe4 0.55/22

[19...Bc6= 0.16/21 might be stronger.]

20.Qxe4⩲ d5 21.Qf3 -0.26/23 White is more active.

[21.Bxd5? Bf5 22.Qf3 Qxd5-+ *(22...Nxd5? 23.Nc4-+)*]

[21.Qe3⩲ 0.67/22]

21...Bb5 0.36/24

[21...c5!= -0.26/23]

22.Rf2 -0.01/21

[22.Rfe1⩲ 0.36/24]

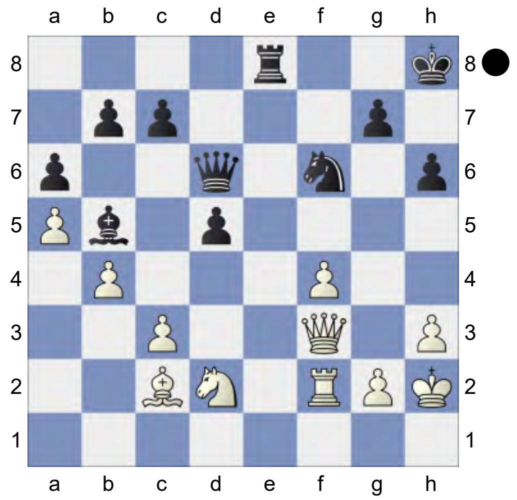
22...Qd6= 23.Bc2 Rae8 24.Re1 -0.76/22

[24.Nb3= -0.10/22]

24...Ng8∓ 25.Rxe8 Rxe8 26.h3 Nf6 27.Kh2 -1.63/24

[27.Qg3∓ -0.62/24]

(Diagram)



27...c5 -0.32/26

[27...d4!-+ -1.63/24 aiming for ...d3. 28.cxd4 Qxb4 (*28...Qxd4 29.Nb3∓*)]

28.bxc5 Qxc5 29.Nb3 Qc7 -0.20/21

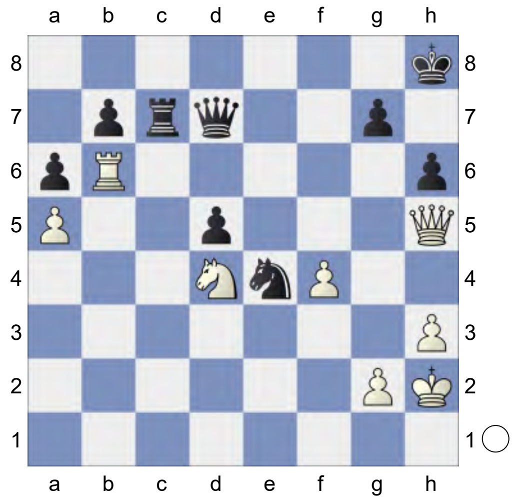
[29...Qa3∓ -0.58/25 30.Rd2 Bc4]

30.Bg6= Rc8 31.Rb2 Be8

[31...Qxc3? is the wrong capture. 32.Rc2 Qxc2 33.Bxc2 Rxc2 34.Nd4+-]

32.Bf5 Bd7 33.Bxd7 Qxd7 34.Nd4 Inhibits Qb5. **34...Ne4 35.Qh5** White wants to play Rb6. **35...Rxc3 36.Rb6 Rc7** 0.86/26

[36...Ng3= 0.01/25 remains equal. 37.Qe5 Nf1+ 38.Kg1 Nd2]



37.Qe5!± And now Ne6! would win.

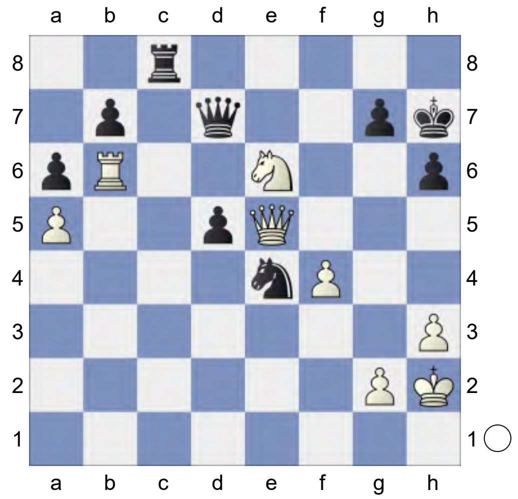
A mistake that costs the game.

37...Kh7? 5.11/27

[37...Nf6± 1.23/26]

38.Ne6+- White is clearly winning.

38...Rc8



Dodges Nf8+ **39.Nxg7** Deflection **39...Rc6 40.Ne6** Threatening mate with Rxc6. **40...Kg8 41.Qb8+ Rc8 42.Qxb7 Qxb7 43.Rxb7 h5 44.Rg7+ Kh8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.39

45.Rd7

1-0

467 **C54**

☐ **Tari,Aryan** **2636**

■ **Kaasen,Tor Fredrik** **2469**

NOR-ch Bergen (2) 05.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.Re1

[7.b4!? Bb6□ 8.a4=]

7...a6 8.a4 Ba7 is the new trend. ist der neue Trend. **9.Nbd2N**

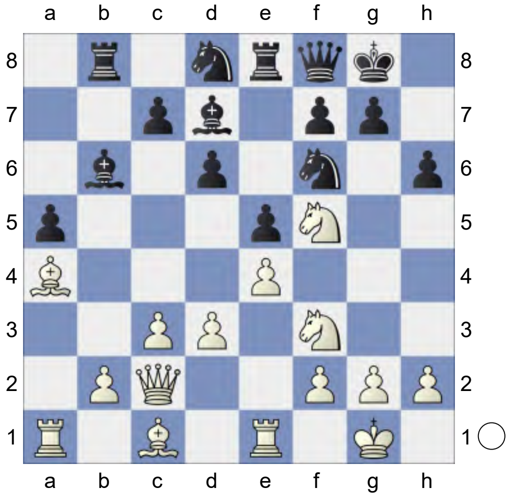
[9.b4 0-0 10.Ra2 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.Nf1 c6 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Ng3 Qe8 16.d4 Rd8 17.h3 exd4 18.cxd4 e5 19.Be3 exd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qf7 22.Rd2 Ne5 23.Ndf5 Ne8 1-0 (28) Nevednichy,V (2499)-Makropoulou,M (2153) Wch Seniors 50 30th 2022 (3) 24.f4 Nc4 25.Rf2 b5 26.e5 Nc7 27.Qg4 Kh7 28.e6 1-0 Salinas Cardenas,R (2499)-Medvegy,Z (2153) Amsterdam ACT op 2nd 2005 (3)]

9...0-0 The position is equal. **10.Nf1 Re8** **11.Qb3!?** Exploring less charted territory .Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **11...Qe7 12.a5** **b5N**

[12...Rb8 13.Be3 Be6 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Qxe6 Rxe6 16.Bxa7 Nxa7 17.Ne3 Rd8 18.b4 0.01/25 (*18.g3⩲* 0.40/23) 18...d5 ½-½ (63) Carlsen,M (2832)-Mamedyarov,S (2800) Paris GCT Blitz 2017 (13)]

13.axb6 Bxb6 14.Qc2 a5 15.Ne3 Rb8 16.Bb5 Bd7 17.Ba4 Nd8 18.Nf5 Qf8 1.00/21

[18...Bxf5⩲ 0.35/21 19.Bxe8 (*19.exf5 c6⩲*) 19...Bg4]



19.Bxd7!± Nxd7 20.d4 White has more active pieces. **20...Nf6 21.h3 Nb7** 1.36/20

[Better is 21...Nc6 0.71/19]

22.b3 Nd8 23.Ra4 0.91/17

[⌓23.d5 1.53/20]

23...Nc6 24.Rc4 Na7 1.13/19

[24...Ne7⩲ 0.62/21]

25.dxe5 0.74/21

[⌓25.Re2 1.13/19]

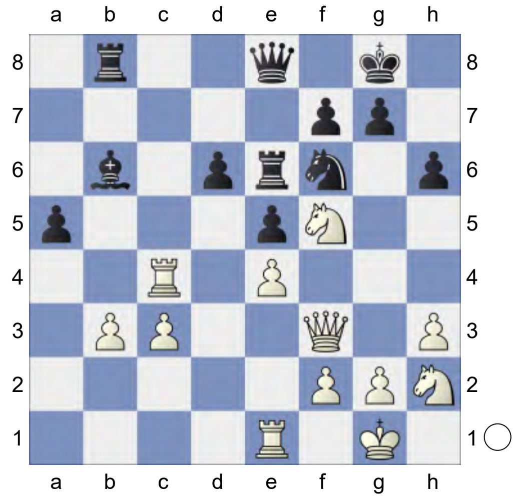
25...dxe5 26.Qe2 0.47/23

[26.Nd2± 0.87/20]

26...Re6⩲ 27.Nh2 Nb5 28.Qf3 Nd6 29.Ba3 Qe8 0.95/22

[29...g6= -0.04/20 remains equal. 30.Nxd6 cxd6]

30.Bxd6± cxd6



31.Ra4 -0.40/21

[White should try 31.Qg3!± 0.89/22 Nh5 32.Qg4]

31...Kh7

[31...h5 32.Qd3 g6 33.Ne3 Bxe3 34.Rxe3 Rxb3 35.Rxa5 Qb8]

32.Ng4 Nxg4 33.hxg4→ White mounts an attack. **33...g6**

[33...Qd8 34.g3 Bc5 35.b4 axb4 36.cxb4 Bxb4 37.Rb1 Bc5]

34.Qh3 Qf8

[34...gxf5 35.exf5 Bxf2+ 36.Kxf2 Rxb3 37.Ra2+-]

35.g5 h5

[35...gxf5? 36.exf5+-]

36.g4 Qd8 Hoping for ...Qxg5!.

[36...gxf5? 37.Qxh5++-]

37.Qh4 Black cannot hold the game after this. **37...gxf5** 3.72/26

[37...f6!= 0.01/20 and Black is okay. 38.Qh3 (*38.gxf6 Rxf6 39.Ne3 Rf4∓*) 38...Qd7 (*38...gxf5?* too greedy. *39.Qxh5+ Kg7 40.Qh6+ Kg8 41.Qg6+ Kf8 42.exf5+-*)]

38.Qxh5++- Kg8? 7.64/21

[38...Kg7 2.77/24]

39.gxf5 Re7 40.Kg2 f6 41.Rh1 Threatening mate with Qh8+.

[Not 41.gxf6 Rh7 42.Qg6+ Kh8+-]

41...Rg7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.75

42.Qh8+

1-0

468 **C50**

☐ **Can,Emre** **2578**

■ **Volokitin,Andrei** **2687**

Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Sometimes modern top players are out of their theory.Here both player used variation from second math Spassky-Fischer.'' **1.e4** Pikula,Dejan Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin, Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula, Dejan'' **1...e5 2.Nf3** '* Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Pikula,Dejan: '*'' **2...Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5** 'Diagram

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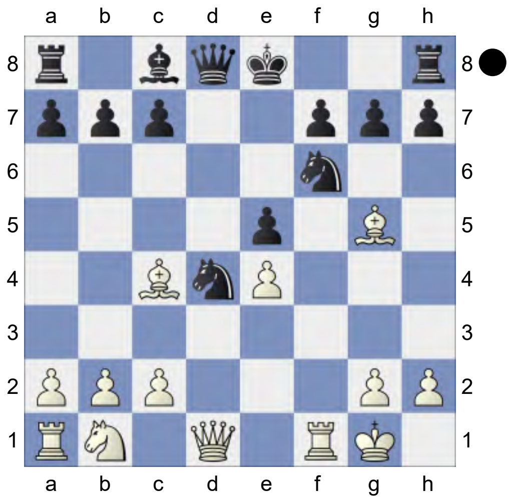


Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula,Dejan: 'Diagram [#]''' **9...Bd7** -0.14/20 Pikula,Dejan: 'N''Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '?!' '?!' '?!' Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula, Dejan: 'N'''

[9...Qe7∓ -0.52/18 deserves consideration. 10.Nd2 (*10.c3* Pikula,Dejan *Ne6 11.Bxf6 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Bxe5 Qxe4 14.Bxc7 0-0 15.Bg3 b6 16.Nd2 Qc6 17.Qf3 Bb7 18.Qxc6 Bxc6 19.Rfe1*) 10...Bd7]

[9...Be6 Pikula,Dejan 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3

A) 11...Nc6 12.Kh1 (*12.Qf3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 0-0-0 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Kh1 Kb8 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Nd5 Ne7 18.Nxf6 a5 19.Rad1*) 12...h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Bb3 Rg8 15.Nc2 Rg6 16.Ne3 Rd8 17.Qe2 a6 18.Rf2 Qc5 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Qh5 Kf7 21.Ng4;

B) 11...Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 Qc5+ 14.Kh1 Qxc4 15.Bxe5 0-0 16.Qg4 (*16.Qf3 f6 17.Bf4 Ng5 18.b3 Nxf3 19.bxc4 Ne5 20.Bxe5 fxe5*) 16...f5 17.Qg3 fxe4 18.Rfe1 Rf5 19.b3 Qc6 20.h4 Raf8 21.Rad1 R8f7 22.c4 h6 23.Bd4 Nf4 24.Kg1 Qd6]

[9...Qd6 Pikula,Dejan 10.Na3 Bg4 11.Qe1 Qc5 12.Qf2 Ne6 13.Be3 Qe7 14.Qg3 Bh5 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Qxe5 Be2 17.Rfe1]

10.Na3 -0.57/19

[10.Nc3= -0.14/20 c6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Ne2]

10...Qe7 11.c3 -1.24/20

[11.Qe1∓ -0.45/19 0-0-0 Pikula,Dejan *(11...b5* Pikula,Dejan *12.c3 Ne6 13.Bxe6 Qxe6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Nc2 Qb6+ 16.Kh1 f5 17.Ne3 f4 18.Nd5 Qd6 19.Qh4 f5 20.Rad1 Kf7 21.Nxf4 Qe7 22.Qh5+ Kg8 23.Nd5 Qd8 24.Qh6)* 12.Qf2 Qc5 with slight advantage,Lane,G (2420)-Bologan,V (2585) Cappelle la Grande 1992 *(12...Kb8 13.c3 Ne6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qc5+ 16.Qf2 Qxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Rhg8 18.Rad1 Nc5 19.Ke3 Rg4 20.Rxf7 Rxe4+ 21.Kf2)* 13.Bxf6!? Another option was 13...gxf6 Mikhalchishin,Adrian Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'More usual move was' 14.Rae1 - 35/196 Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula,Dejan: '-35/196'' Rhg8 Mikhalchishin,Adrian 15.Kh1 Be6 16.Bxe6+ Nxe6 17.Qxf6 Rg7 18.Qf2 Qxf2 19.Rxf2 Rd4 20.Nb1 Nc5 21.Nd2 f6 22.Rfe2 Ra4]

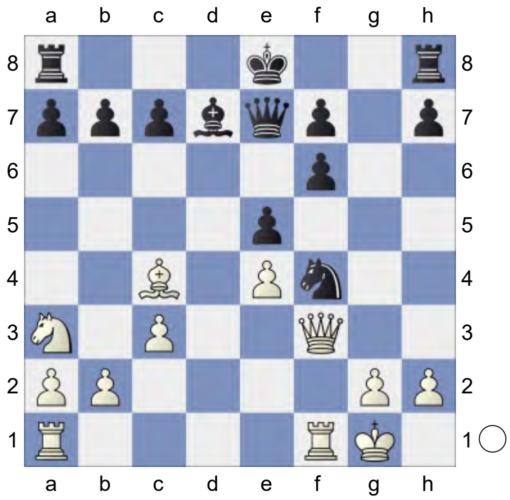
11...Ne6∓ Black is better. Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '?' '?' '?'' **12.Bxf6**

[12.Bh4!? Pikula,Dejan g5 13.Bxe6 More logical was 13...Qxe6 Mikhalchishin,Adrian 14.Bxg5 Nxe4 15.Bh4 f5 16.Qe2 Rg8 17.Rae1 a5 18.Nc4 Ra6 19.Ne3 Nd6 20.Qh5+]

12...gxf6 Pikula,Dejan: '?!''Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula,Dejan: '?!''' **13.Qf3** -1.45/18

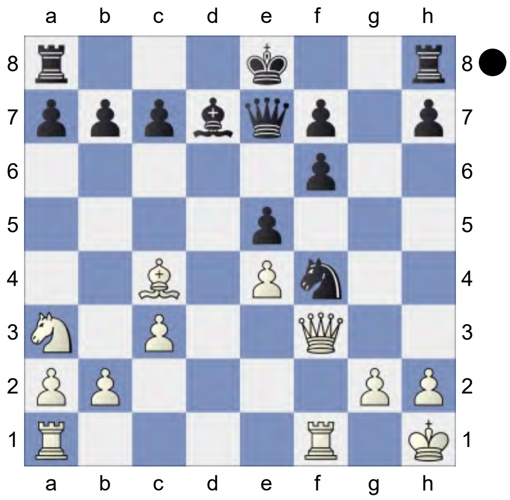
[White should try 13.Bxe6 -1.06/19 fxe6 *(13...Bxe6 14.h3-+)* 14.Qh5+ Qf7 15.Qxf7+ Kxf7 16.Rf3]

13...Nf4 Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: '



" **14.Kh1**

[14.g3 Pikula,Dejan Nh3+ 15.Kh1 0-0-0 16.Bd5 c6 17.Bb3 Ng5 18.Qxf6 Rhe8?? 19.Qh6 Bg4 20.h4 Nxe4 21.Rxf7 Qc5 22.Re1 1-0 (23) Lane,G-Nunn,J (2515) Stroud 1980 Nf2+= 23.Kh2 Bd7]



14...f5N -0.27/20

[14...h5!∓ -1.53/19 ...0-0-0 is the strong threat. 15.Qf2 *(15.g3* Pikula,Dejan *Nh3 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.h4 Nxe4* with advantage, Hordynski,K-Sznapik, K (2255) Warsaw 1987 *19.Rxf7* Mikhalchishin,Adrian *Nxg3+ 20.Kg1 Nf5 21.Re1 0-0-0 22.Rxe5! Nxh4)* 15...h4]

[14...0-0 Pikula,Dejan 15.g3 Nh3 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5]

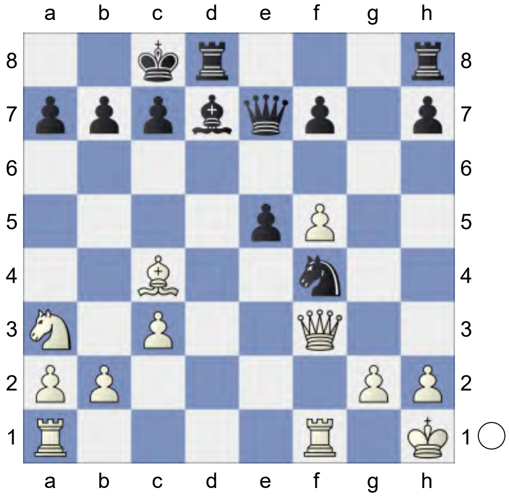
15.exf5!=

[15.g3 Pikula,Dejan Nh3 16.exf5 0-0-0 17.Bd5 c6 18.f6 Qf8 19.Bb3?]

15...0-0-0 0.49/19

[15...Bxf5? 16.Rae1 *(16.Qxb7 0-0±; 16.g3 0-0-0±)* 16...Bc8 *(16...0-0-0? 17.Qxf4 exf4 18.Rxe7+-)* 17.Nb5+-]

[15...Qf6!∓ -0.44/21]



16.Ba6!⩲ Back Rank **16...c6**

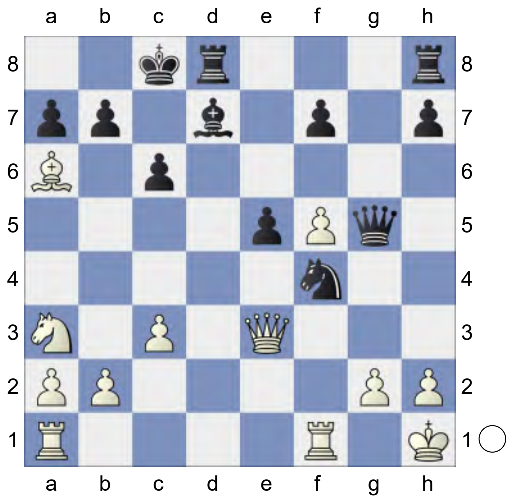
[16...bxa6 17.Qa8#]

[16...e4 17.Bxb7+]

17.Qe3! Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: '!' '!' '!'' Pikula,Dejan: 'Or' **17...Qg5** 1.60/23

[Black should play 17...Bxf5⩲ 0.66/18 18.Rxf4 Pin *(18.Qxa7 Be4±)* 18...Be6]

(Diagram)



Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian' **18.Rf2!±** Qxa7! is the strong threat. Pikula,Dejan: 'Easy task for White was after' **18...bxa6** Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian' **19.Qxa7** Nc4 would kill now. This costs Black the game. **19...Bxf5?** 3.43/16

[19...Nh3± 0.96/18 might work better.

A) 20.gxh3 Bxf5 21.Qxa6+ Kc7⩲;

B) 20.Qxa6+ Kc7± (Wrong was *20...Kb8* (Pikula,Dejan) Mikhalchishin,Adrian *21.Qb6+ Ka8 22.gxh3)*;

C) 20.Rf3 Rhg8 *(20...Nf4? 21.Rg3+-)*]

20.Nc4!+- Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian: 'Did not help'' **20...Nd5** **21.Na5→** White has strong attack.

[21.Nxe5 Rhg8 22.Qxa6+ *(22.Nxc6 Be4±; 22.Nxf7 Qg6+-)* 22...Kb8 23.Nxc6+ *(23.Nxf7 Bc8+-)* 23...Kc7 24.Nxd8 Rxd8+-]

21...Rd7 3.66/18 Dodges Qb7+ Pikula, Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'Pikula, Dejan''

[⌓21...Nc7 2.40/19 22.Qb7+ *(22.Nxc6 Be4∓)* 22...Kd7 23.Nxc6 *(23.Qxc6+ Kc8+-; 23.Rd1+ Ke8±)* 23...Rc8 *(23...f6* Pikula,Dejan *24.Rd1++- Ke6 25.Nxd8+*

Mikhalchishin,Adrian: 'but better was' *25...Rxd8* Possible was *26.Qb6+* Mikhalchishin,Adrian *Ke7 27.Qxc7+)* 24.Nxe5+ Ke7]

22.Qa8+ Skewer, Double Attack **22...Kc7 23.Qxh8** Pikula,Dejan: '±' **23...Be4** Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin, Adrian' **24.Qa8! Nf4 25.Qb7+** White is clearly winning.

[25.Qxa6? leads to mate. Bxg2+ 26.Kg1 Nh3#]

Pikula,Dejan: 'Better was' **25...Kd8** Pikula,Dejan: 'Mikhalchishin,Adrian' **26.Qb8+**

[Don't do 26.Nxc6+ Bxc6 27.Qxc6 Qg6 28.Qa8+ Kc7 29.Qa7+ Kc8 30.Qa8+ Kc7]

26...Ke7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.66 **27.Qb4+**

1-0

469 **C54**

☐ **Xu,Yi** **2468**

■ **Wang,Yue** **2627**

CHN-ch Rapid/Blitz 4th (2.2) 14.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 Ne7 11...Ne7 scores better than 11...Bg4. 11...Se7 punktet besser als 11...Lg4. **12.Bd3 Bf5 13.Nb3 c6** White is slightly better. **14.a3 Ba5 15.Bxf5 Nxf5 16.Qd3 g6 17.Nc5N**

[17.Nxa5 Qxa5 18.g4 -0.01/20 (White should try *18.Rac1±* 0.73/20) 18...Ng7= 19.Qe3 -0.43/21 (*19.Ng5=* 0.10/21) 19...Ne6 0.28/22 (*19...Rae8∓* -0.43/21) 20.h4 -0.34/22 (*20.Ng5=* 0.28/22) 20...Qd8 21.Kg2 -0.78/21 (*21.Ng5=* -0.01/21) 21...f6!∓ 22.Rh1 -1.46/19 (*22.Rae1∓* -0.64/23) 22...fxe5 -0.67/22 (*22...Qe7∓* -1.46/19 And now ...fxe5 would win. *23.Rae1 Rae8*) 23.Nxe5 0-1 (33) Bernhard,J (1808)-Karner,S (1665) AUT-chT (Women) 1617 2017 (6.4)]

17...Qe7 18.b4 Bb6 19.Rae1 0.15/23

[19.Rfb1⩲ 0.58/20 should be considered.]

19...Bxc5= 20.bxc5 b6 21.Rc1 b5 0.73/22

[21...Rfc8= 0.15/21 keeps the balance.]

22.h3 a5 23.Nh2 h5 Prevents Ng4 **24.g4** -0.01/20

[24.Qd2⩲ 0.58/22]

24...Ng7! 25.Rce1 -0.41/21

[25.f4= 0.12/22]

25...Qh4 0.01/20

[25...b4⩱ -0.41/21]

26.f4 -0.46/20

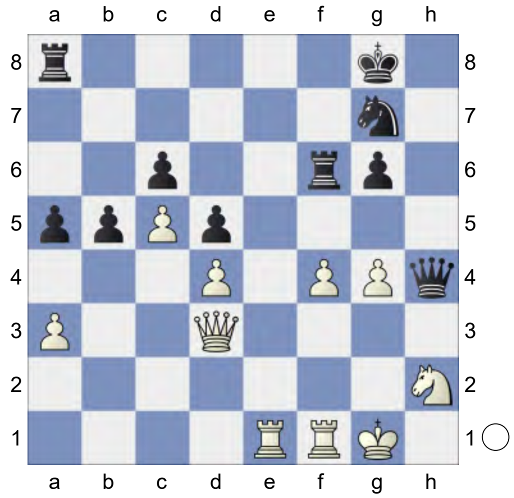
[26.Re3= 0.01/20]

26...hxg4? 2.88/23

[26...b4!⩱ -0.46/20 stays ahead.]

27.hxg4+- f5 28.exf6 Rxf6 5.42/24

[28...Qxf6 2.51/24 might work better. 29.Re5 Qh4]



29.Re3! Rf7 30.Qxg6 Raf8? 6.06/25

[30...Rf6 3.14/21 31.Qd3 Rh6]

31.Qxc6 Rxf4 32.Qxd5+ Kh8 33.Ref3 Rxf3 34.Rxf3

[34.Nxf3 Qg3+ 35.Kh1 b4= *(35...Qh3+ 36.Kg1=)*]

34...Re8 35.Qa2 Qe1+ 36.Nf1 Ne6 37.Qh2+ Kg7 38.Re3 Qd1 39.Qe5+ Kg8 40.c6 b4 41.axb4

[41.Qxa5 Rf8 42.Qb5 Qxg4+ 43.Ng3 Qd1+ 44.Nf1 Qxd4=]

41...axb4 42.Qf6 Ng7 43.Rxe8+? 1.00/24

[43.Rf3+- 11.13/22 Threatening mate with Qf7+. Kh7 44.g5]

43...Nxe8 Endgame KQN-KQN. White is two pawns up. **44.Qe6+ Kf8 45.Qf5+ Kg8 46.Qg5+ Kf7 47.Qh5+ Ke7** 1.47/21

[47...Kf8 0.85/22]

48.Qc5+ 0.94/21

[⌓48.Qe5+ 1.47/21 Kd8 49.Qa5+ *(49.Qb8+ Ke7+-)* 49...Ke7 50.Qe5+ *(50.Qxb4+ Nd6±)*]

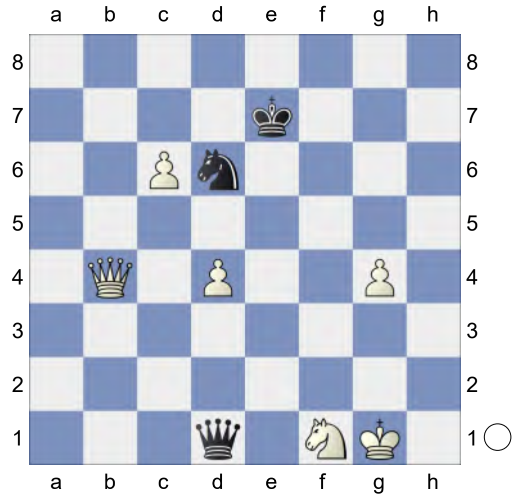
48...Kd8? 6.17/25

[48...Kf7± 0.94/21]

49.Qb6+

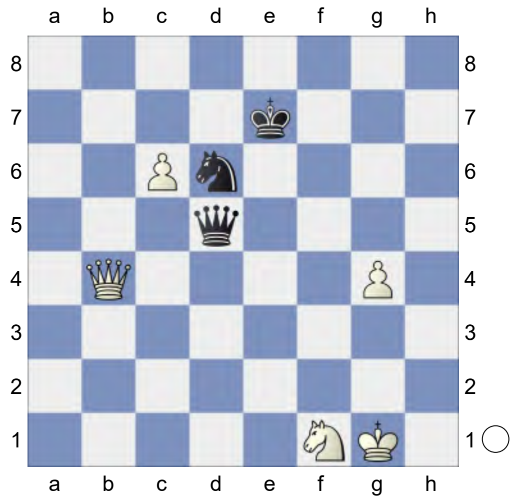
[49.Qxb4 Qxg4+ 50.Kf2 Qh4+ 51.Ng3 Qf6+ 52.Ke3 Qxc6=]

49...Ke7 50.Qxb4+ Nd6



51.d5! Qxd5

(Diagram)



52.Qc3? 0.25/20

[52.Ne3!+- 7.67/23 Qxc6 53.Nf5+ Kd7 54.Qd4]

52...Kd8= 53.Ne3 Qe4 54.Qa5+ Kc8 55.Qb6 Qe5 56.Kg2 Qe4+ 57.Kf2 Qf4+ 58.Ke2 Qh2+ 59.Kd3 Qh1 60.Qc5 Qb1+ 1.05/22

[Black should play 60...Qe4+± 0.46/20 61.Ke2 Kc7]

61.Ke2± and Nd5! should not be overlooked

[Much weaker is 61.Kd4?! Qe4+ 62.Kc3 Qb1 63.Qxd6 Qb3+ 64.Kd4 Qxe3+ 65.Kd5 *(65.Kc4 Qe4+ 66.Kb5 Qc4+ 67.Kb6 Qb3+ 68.Ka5 Qa4+ 69.Kb6 Qa6+ 70.Kc5 Qc4+ 71.Kb6 Qa6+ 72.Kc5 Qc4+ 73.Kb6=)* 65...Qe4+ 66.Kxe4= *(66.Kc5 Qb4+ 67.Kd5 Qe4+ 68.Kxe4=)*]

61...Qb2+ 62.Kf3 Qf6+? 8.24/23

[62...Qh8± 1.19/21 63.Kg2 *(63.Qxd6 Qh1+ 64.Kf2 Qf3+ 65.Kg1 Qh1+ 66.Kf2 Qf3+ 67.Kg1 Qh1+ 68.Kf2=)* 63...Qe8]

63.Nf5+- Nf7 64.Kg3 Ne5 65.Nd6+ Kd8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.65

66.c7+
1-0

470 C54
☐ **Volokitin,Andrei** 2623
■ **Korneev,Oleg** 2468
POR-chT Soure (5.17) 17.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.c3 Ba7 7.a4 d6 8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2 White has an edge. **9...0-0 10.h3** Dodges Ng4 **10...Be6N**

[10...Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2)]

[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

[10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 *(12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Rxe5 Qd7 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16))* 12...Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5

14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 1-0 (39) Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/(288) 2009 (1.23)]

11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Qe8 12...Ne7 gains popularity.12...Se7 wird beliebter. **13.Nf1 Qf7 14.Ra2 Nh5 15.N1h2 Nf4** **16.b5N**

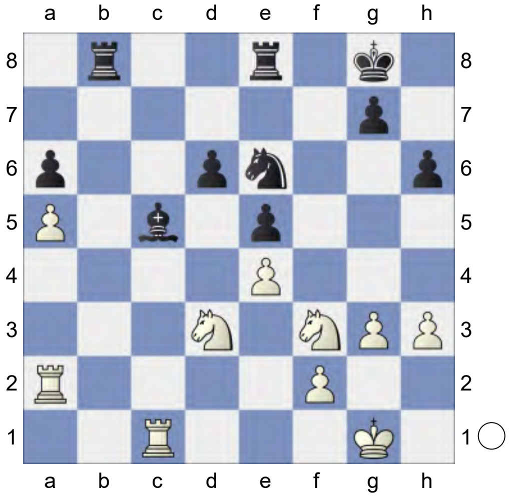
[16.Bxf4 Qxf4 17.Kh1 Qf7 18.g3 Ne7 19.Kg2 Rad8 20.Qb3 Ng6 21.h4 Rfe8 22.a5 ½-½ (47) Ceres,D (2473)-Shreyas,S (2214) Valencia Cuna op 5th 2024 (2)]

16...Ne7 17.bxa6 bxa6 18.Bxf4 Qxf4 19.a5 Qf7 20.Qa4 Ng6 21.g3 Prevents Nf4 **21...Rfb8** Dodges Rb2 **22.Qc6** With the idea Rb2!. **22...Qe8 23.Qxe8+**

[23.Qxa6? Bxf2+ 24.Kxf2 Rxa6-+]

[23.Qxc7 Bc5 24.d4 exd4 *(24...Ra7 25.Qxb8 Qxb8 26.dxc5∓)* 25.cxd4 Ra7=]

23...Rxe8 24.d4 exd4! 25.cxd4 c5 26.dxc5 Bxc5 27.Rc1 e5 28.Ne1 Nf8 29.Nd3 Ne6 30.Nf3 Rab8

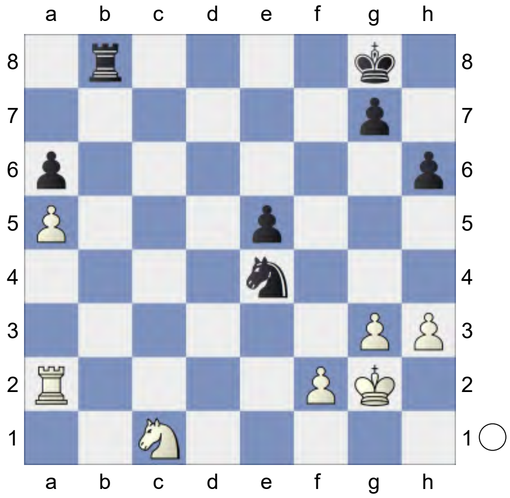


31.Nfxe5! Deflection **31...dxe5 32.Nxc5 Rec8 33.Nd3**

[33.Rac2? Nd4 34.Ra2 Rb5-+]

33...Rxc1+ 34.Nxc1= Endgame KRN-KRN. White is a pawn up. **34...Nc5** Prevents Nd3. Strongly threatening ...Rb1!. **35.Kg2 Nxe4** 0.89/28

[35...Rb1= 0.12/26 36.Ne2 Nxe4]



36.Nd3 0.28/28

[36.Re2!± 0.89/28 Nc5 *(36...Rb4 37.Nd3±)* 37.Rxe5]

36...Rb5 37.Re2 Nd6 38.Rxe5 Rxe5 39.Nxe5 KN-KN. White is a pawn up. **39...Nb7 40.Nc6 Kf7! 41.Kf3 Ke6 42.Kg4 Kd6 43.Nb4 Nxa5 44.Kh5 Nc6 45.Nxa6 Ne7 46.Nb4 Ke6 47.Nd3 Kf7 48.Kg4 g6 49.Kf4 Kf6 50.Ke4 Nf5 51.h4 h5 52.Nc5 Ne7 53.Nd7+ Ke6 54.Ne5 Kf6 55.Nc4 Nf5 56.Ne3 Nd6+ 57.Kf4 Nf7 58.Nd5+ Ke6 59.Nc3 Kf6 60.Ne4+ Kg7 61.Ng5 Nd8 62.Ke5 Nc6+ 63.Kd6 Nb4! 64.Ne4 Kf7 65.Kc5 Nd3+ 66.Kd4 Nb4 67.Kc4 Nc6 68.Kd5 Nb4+ 69.Kd6 Nd3 70.Kd5 Nb4+ 71.Kc5 Nd3+ 72.Kd6 Nb4 73.f3 Nd3 74.Kd5 Nb4+ 75.Kd6 Nd3 76.Kd5 Nb4+ 77.Kc4 Nc6 78.Ng5+ Kf6 79.Kd5 Ne7+ 80.Ke4 Nf5 81.Kf4 Nd4 82.Ne4+ Kg7 83.g4 hxg4 84.fxg4 Ne6+ 85.Ke5 Nc7 86.Ng5 Nb5 87.Ke6 Nd4+**

88.Ke7 Nc6+ 89.Kd6 Nb4 90.Nf3 Nd3 91.Ke7 Nf4 92.Nd4 Threatening mate with Ne6+. **92...Nd5+ 93.Ke6 Ne3 94.g5 Ng2 95.Nf3 Nf4+ 96.Ke5 Ng2 97.Kd6 Kf7 98.Kd7 Ne3 99.Ne5+ Kg7 100.Ke6 Ng2 101.Nf3**

[101.Nxg6!? Kxg6 102.h5+ Kxh5 103.g6 Kxg6=]

101...Nf4+ 102.Ke7 Ng2 103.Ke8 0.01/38

[103.Nd4!± 0.47/38 might be stronger.]

103...Kg8 104.Ke7 Kg7 105.Kd6 -0.01/41

[105.Nd4!± 0.40/39]

105...Kf7 106.Kd7 Ne3 107.Ne1 Nf5 108.Ng2 Nd4 109.Kd6 Nf3 110.Kd5 Ke7 111.Ke4 Nd2+ 112.Kd3 Nf3 113.Ke3 Ne5 114.Nf4 Kf7 115.Ke4 Nc4 116.Nd3 Nd2+ 117.Kf4 Nb3 118.Ne5+ Kg7 119.Ke4 Nd2+ 120.Ke3 Nf1+ 121.Kf4 Nd2 Dodges Nc4 **122.Nc6 Kf7 123.Nd4 Kg7 124.Ke3 Nc4+ 125.Ke4 Kf7 126.Kd3 Nd6 127.Ke3 Nc4+ 128.Kf4 Kg7 129.Nf3 Kf7 130.Ke4 Kg7 131.Kd4 Nd6 132.Ke5 Nc4+ 133.Ke6 Ne3 134.Ne1 Nc4 135.Nd3 Nd2 136.Ne5 Ne4 137.Nc6 Nd2 138.Nd4 Nf1 139.Ke7 Ne3 140.Ne6+ Kg8 141.Nf4** Prevents Ng2.

[Reject 141.Kf6 Ng2=]

[141.Kf6!? Ng2□ 142.Kxg6 Nxh4+ 143.Kf6=]

141...Nf5+? 14.05/29

[141...Kg7± 1.03/26]

142.Kf6+- h5 is the strong threat. **142...Nxh4 143.Nxg6 Ng2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.07 (flawless) **144.Ne7+**

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471 C51

☐ **ProteusSF-Open 3002**

■ **admete_bot 2345**

Rapid 22.11.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3 Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Ng6 13.d4 Bd7 14.Qb3 Ng4 15.Re1 Kh8 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nbd2 Qf6 18.Re3 Nf4 19.Nf1 g5 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Rd1 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Nxh3+ 23.Kg2 g4 24.Ng3 0-1 Leconte,J-Miles,E Jugoslavija 76/203 1999]

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.a5 Ba7 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Na3 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Be3 c6 19.g4 Nc3 20.Qc2 Bxd3 21.Qxc3 Rxf3 22.Qxd3 Qd6 0-1 Bacrot,E (2594)-Almasi,Z (2676) Szeged m 2000 (3)]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nbd2 Ng4 White has an edge. **12.Re2 d5** 1.38/20

[12...h6= 0.27/20 remains equal.]

13.h3 0.98/20

[⌓13.Ba3 1.38/20]

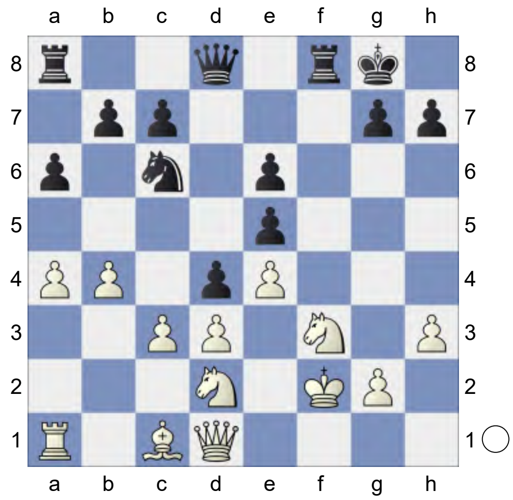
13...Nxf2 1.73/18

[13...Nf6± 0.98/20]

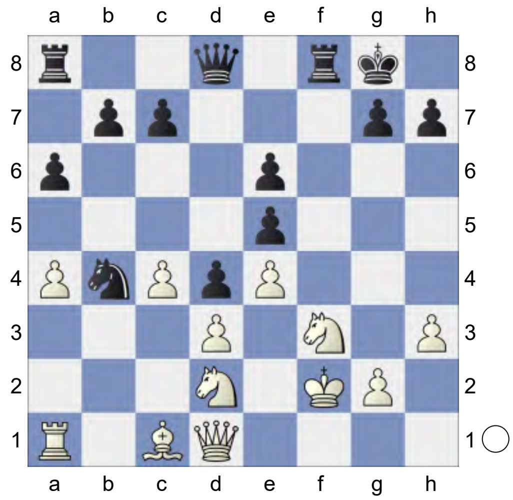
14.Rxf2+- Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 d4 2.12/20

[15...Ne7± 1.42/17 16.Kg1 Ng6]

(Diagram)



16.c4! Nxb4



17.Qb3 c5 And now ...Qg5 would win. **18.Kg1** White has strong compensation. **18...Qd6** 2.18/22

[⌓18...h6 1.71/20 19.a5 (*19.Nxe5 Qc7±*) 19...Qc7]

19.Ba3 a5 2.33/22

[19...b6 1.74/20 20.Nh2 Qd8]

20.Nh2 Qc7 2.82/21

[20...Ra6 1.88/22 21.Ndf3 Rb6]

21.Ndf3 Rf6 3.08/22

[21...h6 2.08/21 22.Qd1 b6]

22.Qd1 Raf8 23.Bc1

[23.Ng4 Rxf3 24.gxf3 h5±]

23...b6 24.Bg5 Rg6 25.Qe2 Nc6 26.Rb1 Nb4 27.Bh4 Nc6 28.Ng4 h5 29.Ngh2 Nb4 30.Rf1 Qd6 5.20/21

[30...Rh6 3.68/20 was worth a try. 31.Kh1 Rg6]

31.Kh1 Nc6 32.Bg5 Nd8 33.Bd2 Nc6 34.Rb1 Qd8 35.h4 Qc7 36.Bg5 Prevents Rgf6.

[Not 36.Ng5 Nb4 37.Qxh5 Rh6±]

36...Nb4 37.g4 hxg4 38.Nxg4 Nc6 39.Rg1 Qd6 40.Qg2 Qc7 41.h5 Rxg5 42.Nxg5 Excellent horsemanship. **42...Qe7 43.Nf3 Kh7 44.h6 g5 45.Qh3 Kh8 46.Ngh2 Rg8 47.Qh5 Qe8 48.Qxe8 Rxe8 49.Nxg5 Rf8** Dodges Nf7+ **50.Ng4 Rf4 51.Nxe6 Rf7 52.Kg2** Threatens to win with Ng5. **52...Kg8 53.Kh3 Kh8 54.Kg3 Kg8 55.Kh4 Kh8 56.Kh5 Rf3 57.Ng5 Rf8 58.Rb1 Rb8 59.Rf1** Intending h7 and mate. **59...Ne7 60.Rf7** White mates. **60...Nd5 61.cxd5 Rc8 62.Nf6 Rf8** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=1.05 **63.Rxf8#**

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472 C54

☐ **Narayanan,Srinath 2516**

■ **Kobalia,Mihail 2538**

Chess.com Classic Play In blitz (7)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is the modern continuation.7.Te1 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Bg5**

[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J

(2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[8.Re1 Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 21.Rd5 f6 22.Rxc5 Ne6 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

8...h6N

[8...0-0 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Qb3 Qc8 12.Rac1 Rb8 13.Kh1 Ng4 14.Kg1 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 Qe8 17.Qd1 Nf6 18.b4 Qg6 19.b5 axb5 20.axb5 Nd8 21.h3 h5 22.Ra1 Rf7 23.Rxa7 1-0 (36) Har Zvi,R (1641)-Bommhardt,H (1480) Najdorf mem-A corr 2001 Rh7 24.h4 Nf7 25.hxg5 Nxg5 26.Nh4 Qf7 27.Ndf3 Nxf3+ 28.Qxf3 Qe7 29.Qe3 Rg7 30.Ra2 b6 31.f4 Ng4 32.Qf3 Rf8 33.f5 exf5 34.Nxf5 Rxf5 35.Qxf5 Ne3 36.Ra8+ 1-0 Krebs,J (1641)-Fritsch Gruendel,T (1480) corr Einzelpartien freechess 2015]

9.Bh4 Qe7

[9...g5!? 10.Bg3☐ Bg4=]

10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Re1 0-0 12.b4 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 b5 0.80/22

[13...Qe6⩲ 0.38/20 feels stronger.]

14.Ne3±

[14.axb5 0.58/20 14.Na3 0.99 axb5 15.Na5 0.02/20 (*15.Na3⩲ 0.59/24*) 15...Nxa5= 16.Rxa5 Bb6 17.Rxb5 g5 0.62/22 (Black should try *17...Ra2=* 0.01/23) 18.Bg3 and d4 would now be decisive Nd7 19.d4 f6! 20.dxe5 fxe5 0-1 (51) Gukesh,D (2732)-Carlsen,M (2853) Norway Chess Armageddon 11th rapid 2023 (4)]

14...Bxe3 15.fxe3 0.31/20

[15.Rxe3± 0.88/22 Rfe8 16.h3]

15...Qe6⩲ 16.Nd2 Ne7 17.Qb3 g5 18.Bf2 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Ng4 20.Re2 f5 21.exf5 Nxf5 22.e4 Ne7 23.h3 Nf6 0.64/20

[23...Nxf2!= 0.08/24 24.Rxf2 Ng6]

24.Rea2 Rab8 25.axb5 axb5 26.Ra7 Rfc8 27.Na5 0.07/22

[27.R1a6± 1.00/23]

27...Kf7= 28.Nb3 Ke6 1.00/24

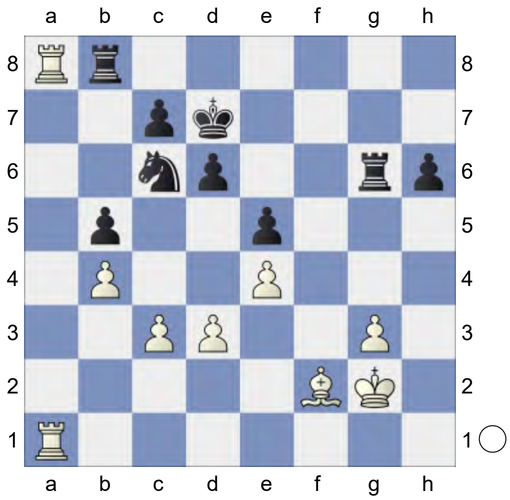
[28...Kg8!= 0.01/22 keeps the balance.]

29.Nd2 0.18/24

[29.R1a6± 1.00/24]

29...Nc6 30.R7a6 Kd7 31.Nf1 Nh5 32.g3 Inhibits Nf4. **32...g4 33.hxg4 Nf6 34.Ne3↑** White is more active. **34...Rg8 35.Kg2! Nxg4 36.Nxg4 Rxg4 37.Ra8 Rg6** 0.82/26

[37...Rxa8⩲ 0.37/24 38.Rxa8 Nd8]



38.Rxb8!± Nxb8 Endgame KRB-KRN **39.Rh1** 0.50/26

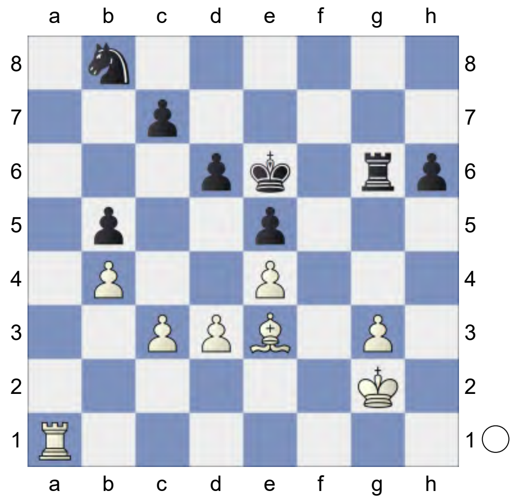
[39.Be3± 0.96/27]

39...Na6⩲ 40.Ra1 0.01/22

[40.Rb1⩲ 0.59/25]

40...Nb8= 41.Be3 Ke6 1.58/25

[⌓41...Kc6 0.93/25 42.Rh1 Nd7 43.Rxh6 (*43.Bxh6 Nb6±*) 43...Rg8]



42.Rh1 0.63/24
[42.Ra8!± 1.58/25 Nd7 43.Re8+ Kf7 44.Rc8]
42...d5 43.Rxh6 0.24/28
[43.exd5+± 0.94/23 Kxd5 44.Rh4 *(44.Bxh6 Nd7±; 44.Rxh6 Rxh6 45.Bxh6 e4±)*]
43...Rxh6 44.Bxh6± 0.01/29 KB-KN. White is a pawn up.
[White should try 44.exd5+⩲ 0.70/30 Kxd5 45.Bxh6]
44...d4= 45.Bd2 dxc3 46.Bxc3 Na6 47.Kf3 c5 48.bxc5 b4 49.Bd2
[49.Bxe5!? Kxe5 50.Ke3=]
49...b3! 50.Bc3 Nxc5 51.Ke3 Na4 52.Kd2 b2 53.Bxb2 Deflection **53...Nxb2** KN-K3P **54.Kc3**
[54.Kc2!? Na4☐ 55.Kb3 Nc5+ 56.Kc4-+]
54...Nd1+ 55.Kd2 Nf2 56.Kc3 Kd6 and ...Kc5 would now be decisive **57.Kc4 Ng4 58.d4 exd4** -0.55/33
[58...Nh2= -0.01/31]
59.Kxd4∓
Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.12 (very precise)
59...Ke6
½-½

473 C50
☐ **Tan,Zhongyi 2551**
■ **Goryachkina,Aleksandra 2533**
E Women GP Shimkent 2024 (5.1)
[Kitty Kat]

Bullet 1min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** 5 **e5** 15 **2.Nf3** 6 **Nc6** 12 **3.Bc4** 8 **Bc5** 36 **4.d3** 9 **Nf6** 36 **5.Nc3** 57 **h6** 2:56 **6.h3** 12 **a6** 1:03 **7.Be3** 1:09
[7.a4 d6 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Bxd5 13.Qg4 0-0 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.0-0 Qc5 16.Ne4 Qxe3+ 17.Kh1 Qd4 18.Rf3 f5 19.Rxf5 Rxf5 20.Qxf5 Rf8 21.Qe6+ Kh7 ½-½ Alekseenko,K (2679)-Navara,D (2681) Julius Baer GenCup D3 L Chess.com INT rapid 2024 (3.2)]
7...d6 1:48 **8.Bxc5** 43 **dxc5** 6 The position is equal. **9.a4N** 4
[9.Nd5 0-0 10.a4 Nxd5 11.Bxd5 Nb4 12.Bb3 Qd6 13.0-0 Be6 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Qd2 a5 16.Qc3 b6 17.Nd2 Nc6 18.Nc4 Rad8 19.Rae1 Rfe8 20.b3 f6 21.f3 Qd7 22.Rf2 Nd4 23.Kh1 Ne6 ½-½ Van Foreest,J (2694)-Sargissian,G (2711) Santiago de Compostela Bicapawn GP Rap rapid 2022 (6)]
9...Be6 10:42 **10.Bxe6** 2:26 **fxe6** 5 **11.0-0** -0.48/21 7
[11.Qe2= 0.11/22]
11...Qe7 4:15 **12.Nb1** 33:28 **g5** 3:05 **13.Nbd2** 43 **g4** 6:36 **14.hxg4** 7 **Nxg4** 30 **15.g3!** 3:50
[15.Nh2 h5 16.Qe1 0-0-0∓]
15...0-0-0 3:13 **16.Kg2** 6 **Rdf8** -0.18/24 4:32
[16...Qg7∓ -0.60/22 17.Rh1 h5]
17.c3= 1:16 **h5↑** 1:37 White is under pressure. **18.Rh1** 1:02 **Qg7** 8:18

19.Rh3 -0.77/25 12:01

[19.Qe2= -0.14/21 remains equal.]

19...Ne7 2:15 Strongly threatening ...Ne7-g6. Black is more active. **20.Qb3** -1.41/24 7:11

[White should play 20.Qe2 -0.88/23]

20...Rf6 -0.62/22 3:50

[20...Ng6∓ -1.41/24 21.Rg1 *(21.Qxe6+ Kb8-+)* 21...Rf6]

21.Rf1 -1.70/24 7:16

[White should try 21.Rah1!∓ -0.62/22 Ng6 22.Rg1 *(22.Rxh5? Nf4+ 23.Kg1 Nxh5-+)*]

21...Rhf8 -0.79/22 6:42

[21...Ng6-+ -1.70/24 is more deadly. 22.Rg1 Kb8]

22.Kg1 -2.14/26 9:55 Loses the game.

[22.Rxh5 Qf7 23.Nxe5 Rxf2+ *(23...Qxh5? 24.Nxg4 Qxg4 25.f3-+)* 24.Rxf2 Ne3+ *(24...Qxf2+? 25.Kh3-+)* 25.Kh1 Qxf2 26.Qxe6+ Kb8 27.Nd7+ Ka7 28.Qh3 Qe1+]

[22.Qd1∓ -0.79/22 might work better. Ng6 23.Kh1 *(23.Rxh5? Nf4+* Double Attack *24.Kh1 Nxh5-+)*]

22...Rxf3-+ 7:55 **23.Qxe6+** 15 **Kb8** 56 **24.Nxf3** 6 **Rxf3** 5 **25.Rxh5** 6:28 **Rxd3** 1:46 **26.Rh3** -3.28/25 1:39

[26.f3 -2.26/25 was necessary. Ne3 Discovered Attack 27.Qxe5]

26...Rd6 4:22 **27.Qc4** 8 **Rd2** 2:51 Inhibits Qc4-e2. Hoping for ...Ne7-g6. **28.Qxc5?** -5.71/24 2:08

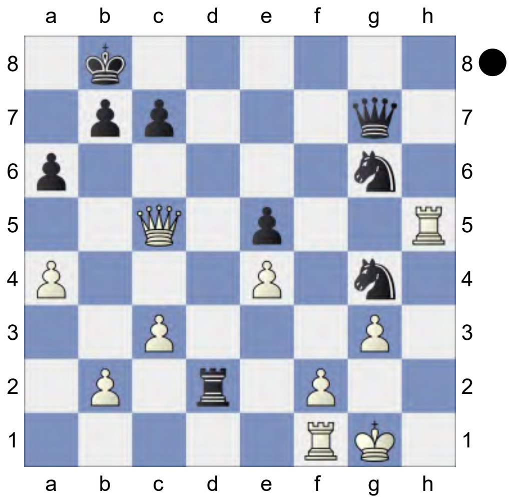
[28.Qe6 -2.88/24]

28...Ng6 30 Black is clearly winning.

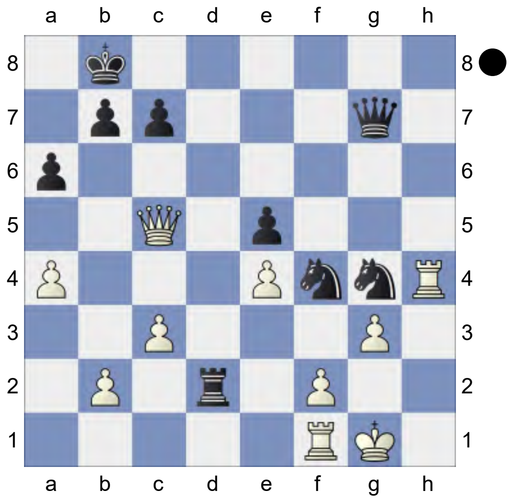
[28...Rxb2? 29.f3 Nc8 *(29...b6 30.Qa3=)* 30.Qa3-+ *(30.fxg4? Qxg4 31.Rf2 Rxf2-+)*]

29.Rh5 5:24

(Diagram)



Nf4! 2:16 **30.Rh4** 4:02



Nxf2 3:31 Discovered Attack. A dynamic duo of knights. **31.Qe3** 6

[31.Qxf2 Rxf2]

31...N4h3+ 2:50

[31...Rxb2? is the wrong capture. 32.Rxf2 Rb3 33.Kh2+-]

32.Rxh3 2:27 **Nxh3+** 6 **33.Kh1** 2 **Rd8** -9.90/25 1:50

[⌓33...Rc2 -20.90/27 34.Qf3 Qh7 *(34...Rxb2? 35.Qf8+ Qxf8 36.Rxf8+ Ka7 37.Re8-+)* 35.Qf5 Nf2+ 36.Kg2 Nxe4+ 37.Rf2 Rxf2+ *(37...Qxf5* leads to mate. *38.Rxc2 Qg4 39.Kh1 Qd1+ 40.Kg2 Qxc2+ 41.Kf3 Qd3+ 42.Kg4 Qxg3+ 43.Kf5 Qf4+ 44.Kg6 Qf6+ 45.Kh7 Ng5+ 46.Kg8 Qg6+*

47.Kh8 Qh7#) 38.Qxf2 Nxf2 39.Kxf2 Qd3 40.Kg2 e4 41.Kh2 e3 42.Kh3 e2 43.Kh4 e1Q *(43...e1R 44.Kg4 Re5 45.Kh3 Qf1+ 46.Kh4 Qe2 47.Kh3 Rh5#)* 44.Kg5 Qdxg3+ 45.Kf6 Qee5+ 46.Kf7 Qgg7#]

34.Rf5 30 **Rh8** 30 Weighted Error Value: White=0.89/Black=0.47

0-1

474 **C50**
☐ **hyo_lee** **2580**
■ **RussianBear2023** **2549**
Blitz 01.01.2024
[Kitty Kat]

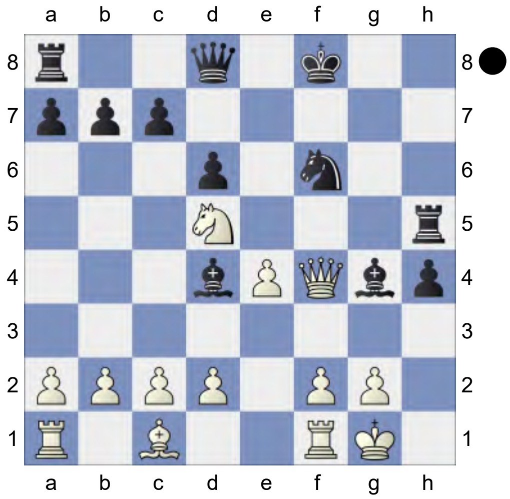
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo How to Refute the Jerome Gambit: There are various ways for Black to do well against the Jerome Gambit, as the sacrifice on f7 is simply wrong. If it's a light-hearted game on the Internet you might admire White's bravado, but if you come up against it at tournament level then it is best to be prepared: **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Kf8N**

[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6)]

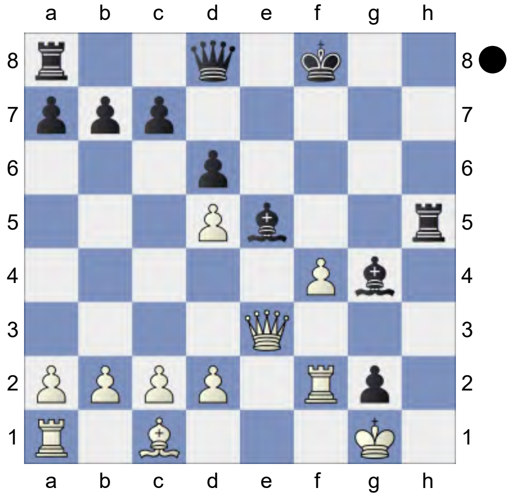
[6...Ke6 7.f4 *(7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7* So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021*)* 7...d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Nc3 Nf6 10.Qh4 Rf8 11.d3 Kf7 12.Bg5 Kg8 Jerome Gambit-N,N]

7.Qxe5 d6 8.Qg3 Black is clearly better. **8...Nf6 9.Nc3 h5 10.h3 h4 11.Qf4 Rh5 12.0-0 g5 13.Qf3 g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4 15.Qf4 Bd4 16.Nd5?** -5.32/19

[16.Kh1 -3.30/18 keeps fighting.]



16...Be5-+ 17.Qe3 Nxd5 18.exd5 h3 Threatens to win with ...hxg2. **19.f4 hxg2** (→ ...Qh4) **20.Rf2**



Qh4! Double Attack. Black mates. **21.fxe5+**

[21.Rxg2 Bd4]

21...Kg8 22.Rxg2 Qh1+ 23.Kf2 Weighted Error Value: White=1.02/Black=0.43 **23...Rf8+** Normal

[23...Rxe5? is the wrong capture. 24.Rxg4+ Kh8 25.Qf3 Qxf3+ 26.Kxf3+-]

0-1

475 **C53**
☐ **Zhu,Jiner** **2514**
■ **Goryachkina,Aleksandra** **2548**
Nikosia WGP 2025 (5.3) 19.03.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6**

[4...d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nxe4 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Rxe4 Kf8 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Rxe8+ Qxe8 16.Qd3 h6 17.Re1 Qf7 18.Qh7 Bf5 19.Qh8+ 15.de6 Be6 16.Nd5_21371 (1454)-4. dxe5 dxe5 5. Qxd8+ (1039) W-ch M corr 2023 The Week in Chess 404 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)]

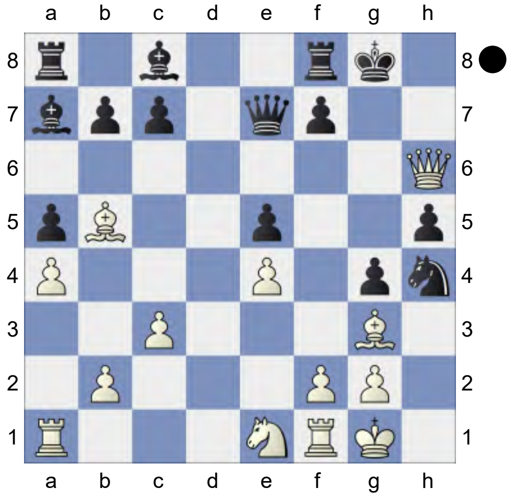
5.d3 d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic, Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II]]

6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7 10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 12.Bb5 h5! And now ...h4 would win. **13.h4 g4 14.Ne1 Nf8 15.Nc4 Ng6 16.d4 0-0 17.dxe5** -0.36/19

[17.Bxc6= 0.26/19 bxc6 18.Nxa5]

17...Ncxe5∓ 18.Qd2 Nxh4 19.Nxe5 dxe5 20.Qh6



Hoping for Bc4. **20...Ng6 21.Nd3** -0.80/21

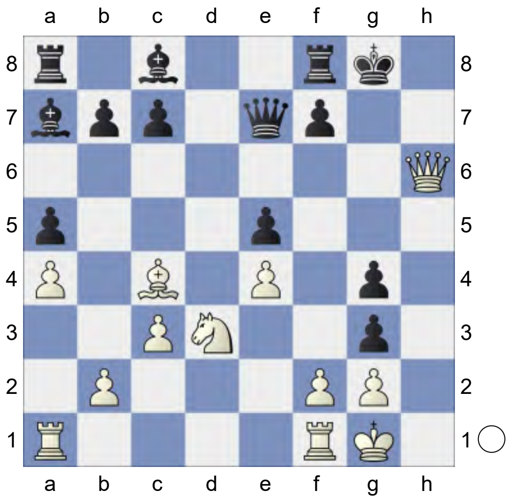
[21.Rd1!= 0.01/23]

21...h4∓ 22.Bc4 White threatens Qxg6+ and mate. **22...hxg3** -0.01/18

[22...Be6∓ -1.00/25 23.Bxe6 Qxe6 24.Bxh4 Nxh4 25.Qxh4 f6]

23.Qxg6+!= The position is equal. **23...Kh8 24.Qh6+ Kg8**

(Diagram)



aiming for ...Be6. **25.Qg6+ Kh8 26.Qh6+ Kg8** White must now prevent ...Be6. **27.Qg6+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise)

½-½

476 C55

☐ **Sindarov,Javokhir 2544**

■ **Grischuk,Alexander 2777**

Levitov Christmas Final (2.3) 24.12.2020

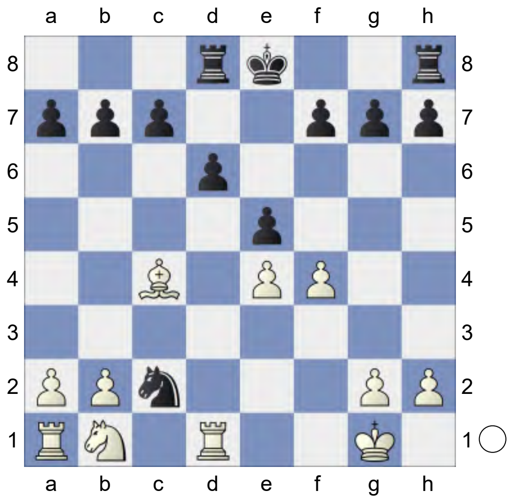
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.15/18

[7...h6∓ -0.90/19 8.f4 hxg5 9.fxe5 Ne6 10.exf6 gxf6]

8.f4= Bg4 9.Bxf6! Bxd1 10.Bxd8 The position is equal. **10...Rxd8 11.Rxd1 Nxc2**

(Diagram)



12.Nc3! Nxa1 13.Rxa1 exf4 14.Rf1N -0.31/21

[14.h4= 0.09/24 should be considered. h6 15.h5 #7 Theory 1A2: 7... d6-A2: 7...d6]

[14.Nd5 0-0 (*14...Kd7 15.Nxf4 Rhe8* 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. Bg5) 15.Be2 c6 16.Nxf4 Rde8 17.Bf3 f5 18.exf5 Rxf5 19.Nd3 d5 20.Rd1 h5 21.h3 Kh7 22.b4 Kh6 23.a4 Re3 24.a5 Rf6 25.Nc5 b6 26.axb6 axb6 27.Nd7 Rf7 28.Nxb6 Rb7 ½-½ Czopor,M (2415)-Royal,S (2412) London Mindsports GM 2022 (2)]

14...c6 15.Rxf4 Rd7 16.Kf2 0-0 17.g4 Re7 18.Ne2 g6 19.Nd4 Kg7 20.g5 Re5 21.h4 h6 0.13/24

[⌓21...d5 -0.27/20 22.exd5 cxd5]

22.Nf3 hxg5 23.hxg5 Rc5 24.Bb3 b5 0.60/23

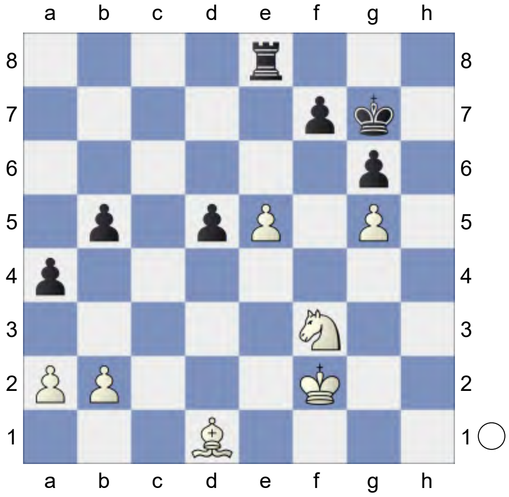
[24...Rb5= 0.04/21]

25.Rf6⩲ White has compensation. **25...a5 26.Rxd6 a4 27.Bd1 Re8 28.e5 Rd5?** 1.90/24

[28...Rc1⩲ 0.36/22]

29.Rxd5+- cxd5

(Diagram)



30.Ke3 0.76/24

[30.b3!+- 1.81/25 is the precise move to win.]

30...Rc8± 31.Kd4? -1.03/24

[31.Nd4⩲ 0.60/23 stays ahead.]

31...Rc1∓ 32.Be2 Rc2! 33.Bxb5 Rxb2 34.Bxa4 -5.74/26

[34.Bc6∓ -0.94/22 Rxa2 35.Bxd5]

34...Rb4+-+

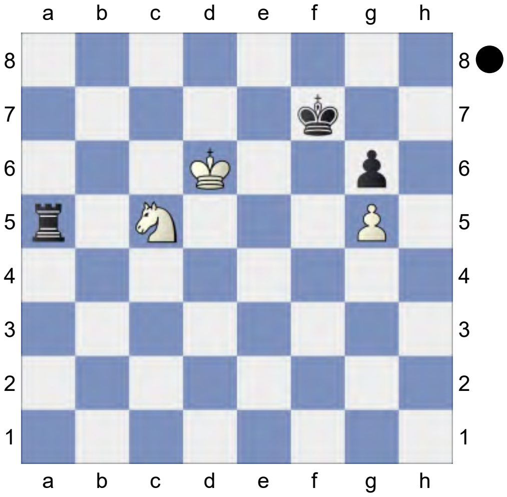
[And not 34...Rxa2 35.Bc6±]

35.Kxd5 Rxa4 Endgame KR-KN **36.Nd4 Rxa2 37.e6 Ra5+ 38.Kd6** e7 would now be deadly. **38...fxe6**

[38...Rxg5 39.e7 Rg4 40.Nf5+ *(40.e8R Rxd4+ 41.Ke5 Rh4-+; 40.Ne6+ fxe6 41.e8Q Rf4+-)* 40...gxf5 41.e8Q+- *(41.e8R?* is the wrong capture. *Ra4-+)*]

39.Nxe6+ Kf7 40.Nc5

(Diagram)



Prevents Ra6+ **40...Rxc5!** Deflection **41.Kxc5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.70/Black=0.22 (precise) **41...Ke6**

0-1

477 **C54**

☐ **Kaidanov,Gregory S** **2563**

■ **Karthik,Venkataraman** **2565**

FIDE World Cup (1.2) 31.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3 Nowadays more popular than 7.h3. Heutzutage beliebter als 7.h3.

[7.0-0 a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

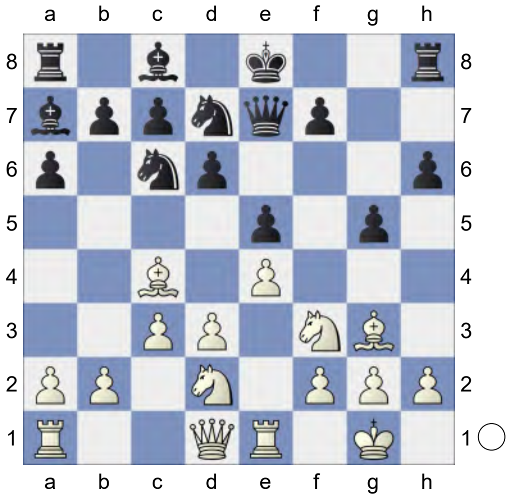
7...a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3

16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 Qe7 10.Re1 The position is equal. **10...g5 11.Bg3 Nd7N**

[Vorgänger: 11...Nh7 12.Nf1 -0.49/23 (*12.Bd5= 0.01/24*) 12...h5!∓ 13.h4! g4 14.N3d2 Nf8! White must now prevent ...Ng6. 15.Ne3 Bxe3 0.61/23 (*15...Ng6= 0.12/23*) 16.fxe3± Ng6 17.Rf1 Be6 ½-½ Aronian,L (2782)-Le,Q (2709) Chessable Masters KO rapid 2021 (2.11)]



12.d4 -0.44/23 **h5∓ 13.h3! g4 14.Nh4 Nf6 15.Bd5 gxh3 16.Nc4 Rg8↑** Black fights for an advantage.

[16...exd4? 17.Bxc6+ bxc6 18.e5+- (*18.cxd4 Be6±*)]

17.Qf3 aiming for Bxc6+. **17...Bg4**

[17...exd4? 18.Bxc6+ bxc6 19.e5 Rxg3 20.Qxc6+ (*20.Qxg3 dxe5 21.Nxe5 Be6+-; 20.Qxf6 Be6±; 20.exf6 Rxf3 21.Rxe7+ Kf8+-*) 20...Kf8 21.Qxa8 (*21.fxg3 dxc3+ 22.Kh1 Qd7=*) 21...dxc3 22.exd6+- (*22.Qxc8+ Qe8+-; 22.Qxa7 cxb2 23.Nxb2 Rxg2+ 24.Nxg2 Ng4+-; 22.exf6 Qxf6 23.Qxa7 Rg4+-*)]

18.Qd3 Bd7

[18...exd4? 19.Bxc6+ bxc6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Nxe5+-]

19.Bxc6 -1.19/23

[19.dxe5 dxe5 20.Bxc6 Bxc6-+]

[⌓19.Qf3 -0.71/23]

19...bxc6 0.01/19

[19...Bxc6∓ -1.19/23 20.Nf5 Qd7]

Black keeps a firm grip on the game.

20.dxe5? -2.66/26

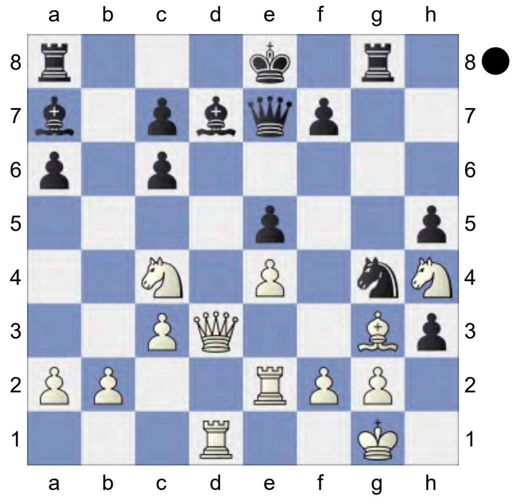
[20.Ne3!= 0.01/19]

20...Ng4-+ 21.Re2 dxe5 -1.89/27

[⌓21...Nxe5 -3.83/23 22.Nxe5 dxe5]

22.Rd1

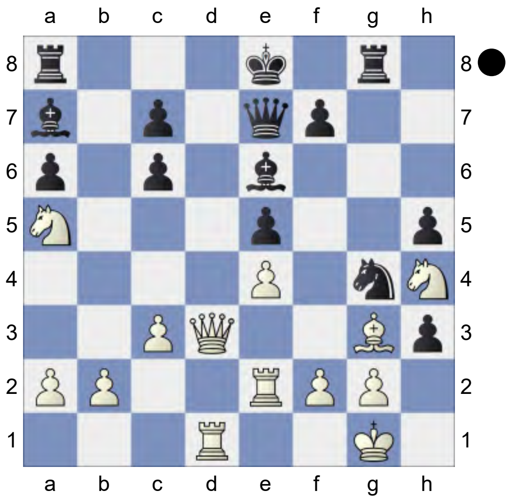
[22.gxh3? Nxf2 23.Kh2 Nxd3-+]



22...Be6 23.Na5? -4.30/25

[23.b3 -1.92/24]

(Diagram)



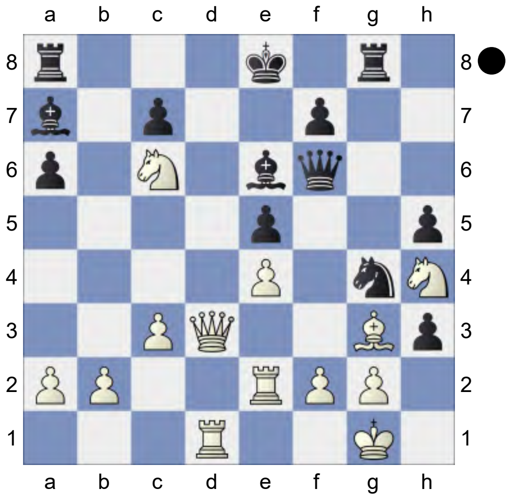
23...Qf6? -0.38/24

[23...Bxa2 24.Nf5 *(24.gxh3 Nxf2 25.Rxf2 Qxh4∓)* 24...Qf6 25.Bh4± *(25.Qxa6? Bxf2+ 26.Bxf2 Rxa6-+; 25.gxh3 Nxf2 26.Rxf2 h4=* Pin *)*]

[Black should try 23...Bxf2+!-+ -4.30/25 24.Rxf2 Qc5 Pin, Double Attack 25.Nxc6 Qxc6 *(25...Nxf2 26.Qd8+* Back Rank *Rxd8 27.Rxd8#)*]

24.Nxc6? -4.87/30

[White has to play 24.Rdd2!∓ -0.38/24]



24...Nxf2! 25.Bxf2

[25.Rxf2 Rxg3 *(25...h2+? 26.Kxh2 Bxf2 27.Bxf2∓)* 26.Nxa7 Rxd3 27.Rxf6 Rxd1+]

25...Bxf2+ Remove Defender

[25...Qxh4 26.Bxa7 *(26.Nxa7? Rxg2+ 27.Kh1 Qf4-+)* 26...Rg3 *(26...Bg4? 27.Bc5+-)* 27.Qd2 *(27.Qxa6? hxg2 28.Rxg2 Rxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Qxe4+ 30.Kf2 Qh4+ 31.Kg2 Qg4+ 32.Kf2 Qxd1-+)* 27...hxg2 28.Rxg2±]

26.Rxf2 Qxh4 27.Rfd2 -8.01/26

[⌓27.Rdd2 -4.37/26 f6 *(27...Bxa2 28.c4=)* 28.Qe3]

27...Rxg2+

[27...Bxa2 28.Qd8+ *(28.Nxe5 Be6∓)* 28...Rxd8 29.Rxd8+]

28.Rxg2 hxg2 29.Kxg2 f6

[29...Bxa2 30.Qd7+ Kf8 31.Qf5∓]

30.Rh1? -7.04/24

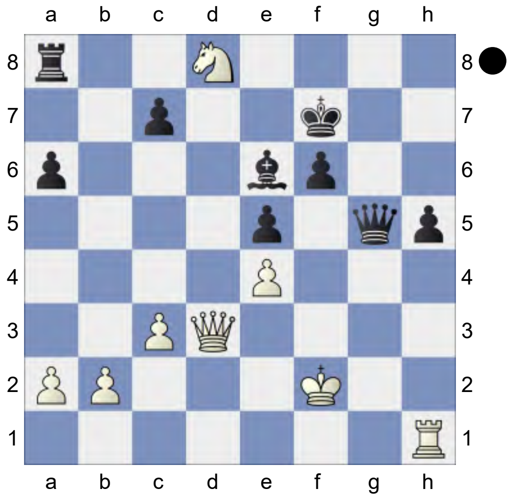
[30.Rd2 -3.69/27 a5 *(30...Bxa2 31.Qd7+ Kf8 32.Qh7∓)* 31.a4]

30...Qg5+ 31.Kf2 Kf7

[31...Bxa2? 32.Qe3 Qxe3+ 33.Kxe3-+]

32.Nd8+ -17.11/33

[⌓32.Qe3 -4.14/24 Rf8 *(32...Bxa2 33.Qxg5 fxg5 34.Rxh5∓)* 33.a4]



32...Rxd8! Black is clearly winning.

33.Qxd8 Endgame KQR-KQB **33...Qf4+**

[33...Bxa2? 34.Qxc7+ Kf8 35.Qc5+ Kf7 36.Qa7+ Ke8 37.Qe3+- *(37.Qxa6 Qf4+ 38.Kg1 Qg3+ 39.Kf1*

Qf4+ 40.Kg1 Qe3+ 41.Kh2 Qf2+ 42.Kh3 Qf3+ 43.Kh2 Qf2+ 44.Kh3 Qf3+ 45.Kh2 Qf2+=)]

34.Kg2 Qxe4+ 35.Kh2 Qe2+

[Stronger than 35...Bxa2 36.Qxc7+ Kf8 37.Qd6+ Ke8 *(37...Kf7 38.Qd7+ Kf8 39.Qc8+ Kf7 40.Qd7+ Kf8 41.Rf1=)* 38.Qb8+ *(38.Qxf6 Qe2+ 39.Kg3 Qd3+ 40.Kh2 Qe2+ 41.Kh3 Qd3+ 42.Kh2 Qe2+=)* 38...Ke7 39.Qb4+ Qxb4 40.cxb4=]

36.Kg1 h4 (-> ...Qe3+)

[36...Qxb2 37.Qxc7+ Kg6 38.Qc6∓]

37.Qxc7+ Kg6 (-> ...Qe1+) **38.Qc5 Qe1+** -7.09/5

[38...Bxa2 39.Qf2 Qxf2+ 40.Kxf2±]

[⌓38...Qd1+ -22.30/29 39.Kh2 Qd2+ 40.Kg1 Bd5 *(40...Qxb2 41.Rxh4 Kg5 42.Rh8=; 40...Bxa2 41.Qf2=)* 41.Qxd5 Qxd5 42.Rxh4 e4 *(42...Qxa2? 43.Rg4+ Kf5 44.Rg2-+)*]

39.Kg2 h3+ 40.Rxh3

Weighted Error Value: White=1.82/Black=1.07

40...Qe2+

[Weaker is 40...Bxh3+ 41.Kxh3 e4 42.Qd6∓]

0-1

478 **C50**

☐ WaterBottleOne **2592**

■ Larsen,Magnus **2578**

Blitz 08.08.2022

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Kf8N**

[7...Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

8.Qxc5+ Black is clearly better. **8...Qe7 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.Nc3 d6** -1.33/20

[10...d5-+ -2.29/17 11.exd5 Kf7]

11.0-0 Kf7 12.f4 Re8 13.f5 Ne5 -0.89/18

[Black should play 13...Nh8 -1.37/18 14.d3 Kg8]

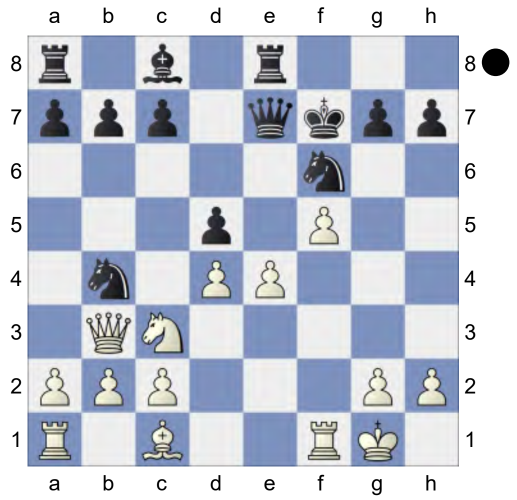
14.d4∓ Nc6 15.Qd3 Nb4 0.59/21

[15...Nxe4 16.f6 Nxf6 17.Bg5∓]

[15...Kg8∓ -0.78/18 16.Bg5 Kh8]

16.Qc4+!± White has compensation. **16...d5! 17.Qb3**

(Diagram)



c6 1.47/20

[17...Nxe4⩲ 0.45/18 18.Nxe4 Qxe4 19.Qxb4 Qxc2]

18.Bg5 h6 2.09/21

[18...Na6± 1.18/20]

19.Bh4+- e5 is the strong threat. **19...a5** 2.92/17

[19...Na6 1.84/18]

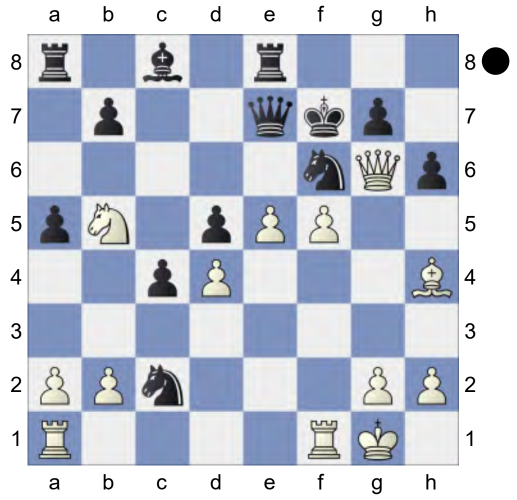
20.e5 c5 21.Nb5

[Not 21.exf6 Qe3+ 22.Bf2 a4+-]

21...c4 5.79/19

[21...Kg8 3.96/17 was necessary. 22.exf6 Qd7]

22.Qg3 White is clearly winning. **22...Nxc2 23.Qg6+**



Pin **23...Kf8 24.exf6 Qf7 25.Qxf7+ Kxf7 26.Nd6+ Kf8 27.Nxe8 Kxe8 28.fxg7 Kf7 29.Rac1 Nxd4 30.Rce1** Against Ne2+ **30...Nxf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.56 **31.g4** Pin

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479 **C53**

☐ **Bogner,Sebastian** **2549**

■ **Baidetsky,Valentin** **2498**

Mitropa Cup Trencin (4.1) 17.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C53: Giuoco Piano sidelines

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb6 7.Nc3 Nf6 The main line 7...Nf6 scores better than 7...Bg4. Die Hauptvariante 7...Sf6 punktet besser als 7...Lg4. **8.d5 Ne5 9.Nxe5 dxe5 10.0-0** White is slightly better. **10...0-0 11.a4** **c6N**

[11...a6 12.a5 Ba7 13.Qd3 Qd6 14.h3 h6 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Qxe3 Bd7 17.Ra3 Qb4 ½-½ (27) Schroeder,C (2132)-McGregor,S (2109) LSS CP-2009-P-00036 18.Qe2 Qc5 19.Bd3 Rfc8 20.Re1 Rab8 21.Qe3 Qb4 22.Re2 Re8 23.Rd2 Red8 24.Na2 Qd6 25.Nc3 Qb4 26.Na2 Qd6 27.Nc3 Qb4 ½-½ Schroeder,C (2108)-Mcgregor,S (2209) CP.2009.P.00036]

12.Qf3 Bd4 13.a5 Bd7 14.h3 Rc8 15.Bb3 cxd5 16.exd5 Ne8 0.33/22

[16...b6= -0.14/22]

17.Be3 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Rxc3 19.Qd1 Nd6 20.Re1 Bf5 21.Ba2 Qf6 White is weak on the light squares

[21...Qxa5?! 22.Bd2±]

22.Bxa7 -0.54/24

[22.Bb1= -0.05/22 might be stronger.]

22...Rfc8 0.20/23

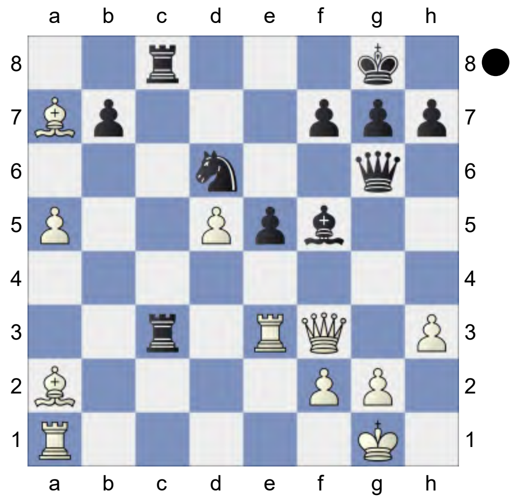
[22...Bxh3!∓ -0.54/24 23.gxh3 Rxh3]

23.Re3 -0.23/24

[⌓23.Bb1 0.20/23]

23...Qg6= 24.Qf3 -0.89/23

[24.Rxc3= -0.15/23 Rxc3 25.Bb1]



24...Nb5 -0.01/20

[24...Rxe3!∓ -0.89/23 25.Qxe3 *(25.Bxe3 Rc3∓)* 25...Be4]

25.Rae1! e4

[25...h5!? 26.Bb6☐ Kh7=]

26.Bb6! Rc1 1.21/23

[26...exf3 27.Re8+ Rxe8 28.Rxe8#]

[26...Rc2?! 27.Bb3 *(27.g4 Nd6∓)* 27...R2c3 28.Qf4±]

[26...Ra3= 0.02/23 27.Bb1 Rxe3 28.Qxe3 Nc3]

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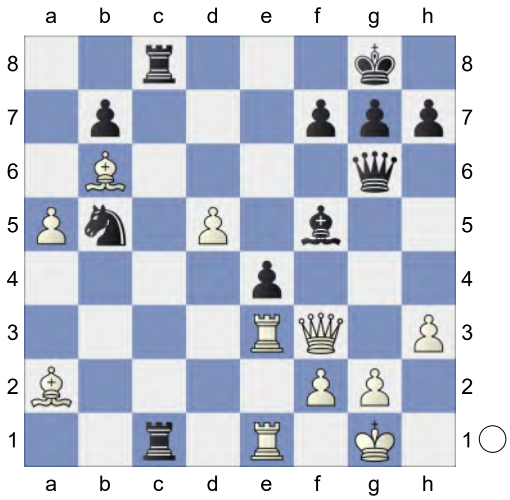

27.Qg3 0.01/23

[27.Qf4 Rxe1+ 28.Rxe1 Nc3⩲]

[White should try 27.Rxc1!± 1.21/23 Rxc1+ 28.Kh2]

27...Qxg3 28.fxg3 Nd6 29.g4 Bg6 0.96/23

[29...Bd7⩲ 0.43/24]

30.Rxc1± Rxc1+ 31.Kf2 0.41/23

[31.Kh2± 0.85/25]

31...h5 1.02/23

[31...Kf8⩲ 0.41/23]

32.Bd4 0.57/23

[32.gxh5± 1.02/23 Bxh5 33.g4]

32...hxg4⩲ 33.hxg4 f6 34.Rc3 Rd1 35.Be3 Bf7 36.Ke2 Ra1 37.Rc2 This move loses the game for Black.

37...Kf8? 3.44/26

[37...Nb5± 0.75/22 might work better. 38.Kd2 Kh7]

38.Bd4+- Rxa2 39.Rxa2 Bxd5 Endgame KRB-KBN **40.Rd2 Nb5**

41.Ke3 Black must now prevent Bc5+.

[Less strong is 41.Bc5+ Kf7 42.g5 *(42.Rxd5 Nc3+ 43.Ke3 Nxd5+ 44.Kxe4 Ke6=)* 42...Bc6+-]

41...Bc6

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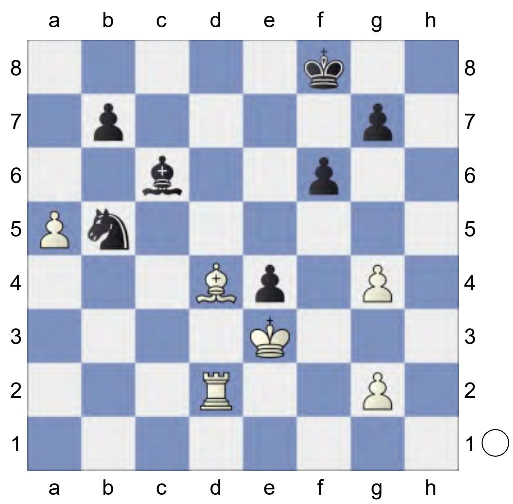

42.g5! fxg5

[42...Nc7 43.gxf6]

43.Rf2+ White is clearly winning. **43...Ke7 44.Bxg7 Nd6** 7.10/26

[⌓44...Kd7 4.27/23 45.Rf7+ Kc8]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.38

45.Bf8+

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480 C50

☐ **Nakamura,Hikaru 2736**

■ **Kollars,Dmitrij 2592**

Online 3 0 blitz 2020

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ke6**

[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr Australia 2004]

7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Qh4+N**

[8...Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.Bf4 (*13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.g4 Be6 23.0-0-0 Rf3* Jerome,A-Charles,S corr_167204 1881) 13...Qh5 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Jerome Gambit]

9.g3 Qf6

[9...Nf3+ 10.Kf1 Qh6 (*10...Nxh2+ 11.Kg2∓*) 11.Qd5+ Ke7 12.Qxc5+ d6 13.Qxc7+ Bd7 14.Qc3∓]

10.fxe5+ Qxe5 11.Qxe5+ Kxe5 12.b4 Bd4

[12...Bxb4? 13.Bb2+ Kxe4 14.Bxg7+-]

13.c3 Bb6 14.d4+ Ke6

[14...Kxe4 15.0-0-+]

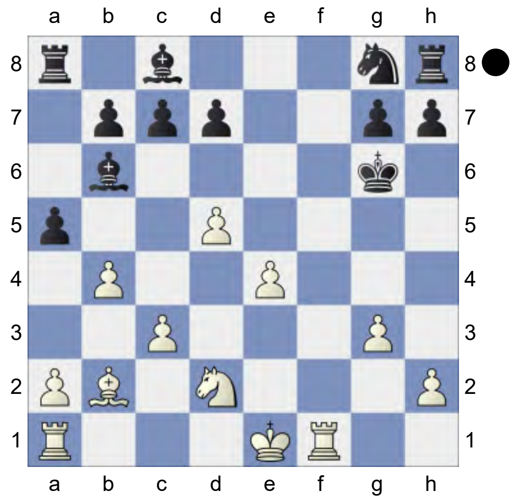
15.Bb2 a5 16.d5+ Kf7 17.Rf1+ Kg6 -1.74/17

[⌓17...Nf6 -3.48/21 18.e5 Pin Re8]

18.Nd2? -3.31/18

[18.Rf8 -1.74/17]

(Diagram)



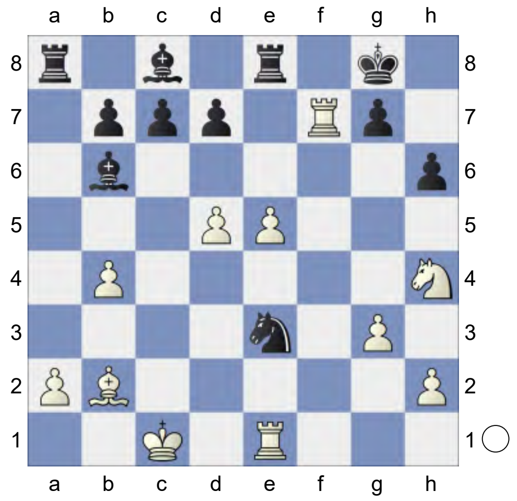
18...Nf6-+ 19.Nf3 Re8 Inhibits Ne5+.

[19...Nxe4 20.Ne5+ Kh5 21.Rf4⩲]

20.e5 h6 21.0-0-0 Ng4 22.Rde1 axb4 23.cxb4 Ne3 24.Nh4+ Kh7 25.Rf7 Kg8?? 4.14/16

[25...Nxd5 26.e6 Re7 *(26...Nxb4 27.Rxg7+ Kh8 28.Ng6#)* 27.Nf5 Nxb4 *(27...Rxe6 28.Rxg7+ Kh8 29.Rxe6 dxe6 30.Rf7+; 27...Rxf7? 28.exf7 Kg6 29.f8Q+-)* 28.Rxe7 Nd3+ 29.Kd2+-]

[25...Rxa2-+ -3.04/18 and life is good for Black. Strongly threatening ...Kg8!. 26.Nf5 Nxf5 *(26...Nxd5? 27.Rxg7+ Kh8 28.Rf7-+)* 27.Rxf5 Kg8]



26.e6!+- dxe6 #2/17

[26...Rxe6+- 4.53/17 27.Rxg7+ *(27.dxe6 dxe6 28.Rxg7+ Kf8+-)* 27...Kf8 28.dxe6 dxe6+- 29.Ng6+ Ke8 30.Re7+ Kd8]

27.Rxg7+ Kf8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.76

28.Ng6#

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481 C54

☐ **Travadon,Loic 2447**

■ **Anton Guijarro,David 2642**

FRA-chT Top 16 Basse (1.2) 29.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

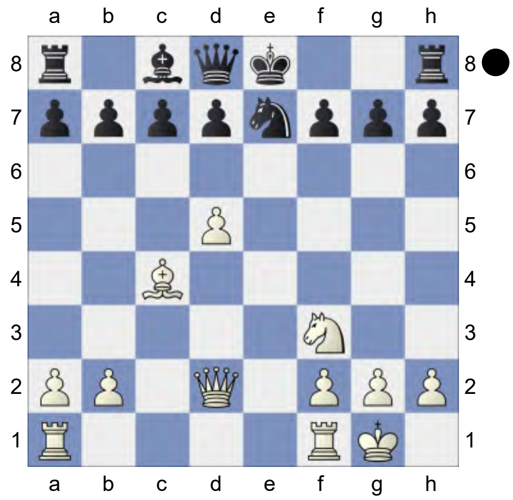
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ **7.Nbd2N** is currently scoring better than 7.Bd2. wohl besser als 7.Ld2.

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

7...Bxd2+ 8.Bxd2 Nxe4 9.d5 Ne7 10.0-0 Nxd2 11.Qxd2

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with d6. **11...d6 12.Rac1 0-0 13.Bb3N**

[13.h3 Ng6 14.Bd3 Re8 15.Qc3 -0.59/22 (*15.Bxg6=* 0.01/24 *hxg6 16.Qc3*) 15...Re7 0.01/22 (*15...Nf4∓* -0.59/22 *16.Qd4 Nxd3 17.Qxd3 Bd7*) 16.Bxg6 hxg6 17.Nd4 Bf5 18.Rfe1 Be4 0.01/23 (Better is *18...Rxe1+∓* -0.63/23 *19.Rxe1 Bd7*) 19.Qc4 -1.07/24 1-0 (43) Bortnyk,O (2598)-Tang,A (2538) Titled Arena 2nd Jan blitz 2021 (*19.Qe3=* 0.01/23 *Re5 20.f4*)]

13...a5 14.Rfe1 h6 15.a3 Bg4 0.01/20

[15...Bd7∓ -0.35/20 is more appropriate.]

16.Nd4= a4 17.Ba2 Bd7 18.Qb4 Rb8 19.Re3 Kh8 20.Rec3 c5 21.dxc6 bxc6 22.Qxd6 Rxb2 23.Bb1 Nd5 24.Nxc6 The position is equal. **24...Bxc6 25.Qxd8 Rxd8 26.Rxc6 g6 27.g3 Kg7 28.Bc2 Nb6 29.Kf1 Rd4 30.Bd1 Rd3 31.R6c3 Rdd2 32.Bc2 Rd4 33.Bd1 Ra2 34.Ke1 Re4+ 35.Kf1 Rd4 36.Ke1! Nd5 37.Rc4 Rxc4 38.Rxc4 Rxa3**

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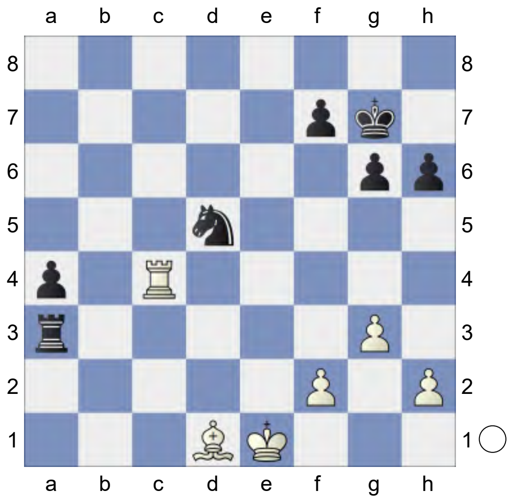


...Ra1 would now be deadly. **39.Rxa4** An even fight not without its subleties. Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless) **39...Rxa4**

½-½

482 **C54**
☐ **Lagno,Kateryna** **2527**
■ **Goryachkina,Aleksandra** **2533**
Shimkent (1.1) 30.10.2024
[Kitty Kat]

Bullet 1min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** 3 **e5** 23 **2.Nf3** 8 **Nc6** 13 **3.Bc4** 18 **Bc5** 29 **4.c3** 17 **Nf6** 49 **5.d3** 12 **d6** 3:21 **6.h3** 48 **a5** 5:16 **7.Nbd2** 1:05 **0-0** 2:35 **8.0-0** 6 **Ba7** 5:00 **9.Re1** 3:56 **Nh5N** 4:35

[9...Be6 10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ba4 Ng6 12.d4 Nh5 13.Nf1 Nhf4 14.Bc2 Qd7 15.Ne3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.cxd4 d5 18.exd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qd3 a4 21.Bd2 Rfd8 22.a3 c5 23.Be3 Qc8 24.Qc3 ½-½ Odeeva,K (2188)-Glatthaar,M (2448) corr AA/C18/SF/A ICCF 2018]

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6

15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 0-1 Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 Hamilton 2000 (10) Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 0-1 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (10)]

10.Nf1 2:13 **Qf6** 3:30 **11.Ne3** 12:14 **Bxe3** 2:57 **12.Bxe3** 8:12 **Nf4** 42 **13.d4** 16:52 **g5** 4:25 **14.Nh2** 2:15 **Qg6** 3:29 **15.f3** 15:40 **Kh8** 4:01 **16.Qd2** 1:48 **f6** 12:05 **17.Rac1** 28 **Ne7** 5:50 **18.b4** 3:59 **h5** 1:18 **19.Bf1** 7:07 **Rg8** 6:33 **20.bxa5** 4:53 **Qh6** 0.86/22 3:58

[20...Nc6!= -0.01/20 remains equal.]

21.Kh1± 6:05 **Rg6** 6:00 **22.c4** 35

[22.d5 seems wilder. Qg7 23.c4 g4 24.Bxf4 exf4 25.hxg4 hxg4 26.Qxf4 gxf3 27.Nxf3 Rh6+]

22...Qg7 2.29/21 1:10

[22...exd4± 0.86/22 23.Bxd4 Nc6]

23.c5+- 4:36 **g4** 3.16/23 5:17

[⌓23...exd4 2.10/21 24.Bxf4 gxf4 25.cxd6 *(25.Qxf4 Bxh3 26.cxd6 cxd6±; 25.Qxd4 Nc6±)* 25...cxd6]

24.hxg4 11

[24.dxe5 dxe5 25.fxg4 hxg4±]

24...hxg4 13 **25.fxg4** 10 **Bxg4** 1:59 **26.Bxf4** 37 **exf4** 11 **27.cxd6** 17 **cxd6** 1:25 **28.Qxf4** 50 **Rxa5** 4.06/23 8:39

[⌓28...Ng8 2.75/21 29.a6 *(29.Qxd6 Rxa5 30.Nxg4 Rxg4+-)* 29...bxa6]

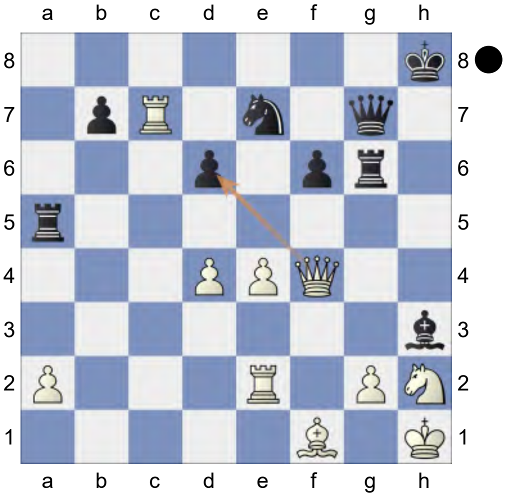
29.Rc7 1:31

[29.Qxd6 Ng8 30.Nxg4 Rh5+ 31.Nh2 Rgh6±]

29...Bh3 3:14 **30.Re2** 4:00

[30.gxh3? Rg1#]

[30.Qxd6 Rxg2 31.Be2 *(31.Qxe7? Rg1#; 31.Qd8+ Kh7)* 31...Re5 32.Qd8+ *(32.dxe5? Rxh2+ Clearance 33.Kxh2 Qg2#)* 32...Kh7=]



Hoping for Qf4xd6! **30...Rag5** 1:48 **31.Qh4+?** 0.95/24 2:02

[31.gxh3? Rg1#]

[31.Qxd6+- 5.55/24 is more deadly. Rxg2 32.Qd8+ *(32.Rxe7? Rg1#; 32.Bxg2 Rxg2 33.Qd8+ Kh7+-)* 32...Kh7 33.Rxg2 *(33.Rxe7? Rg1#; 33.Bxg2 Rxg2 34.Nf3 Rxe2+-)* 33...Rxg2 34.Nf3 *(34.Rxe7? Rg1#)*]

31...Rh6± 1:08 **32.Rxe7** 44 **Rxh4** 30 **33.Rxg7** 4 **Bxg2+** 40 **34.Bxg2** 21 **Rxg7** 36 **35.Kg1** 46 **d5** 1.83/20 1:20 **36.exd5+-** 26 And now Nh2-f3 would win. **36...Rxd4** 11 **37.Kf2** 1:00 **b5** 2.10/21 1:11

[⌓37...Kg8 1.73/22 38.Rc2 Kf8]

38.Rb2 1:13 **Ra7** 28 **39.Nf1** 1.08/22 42

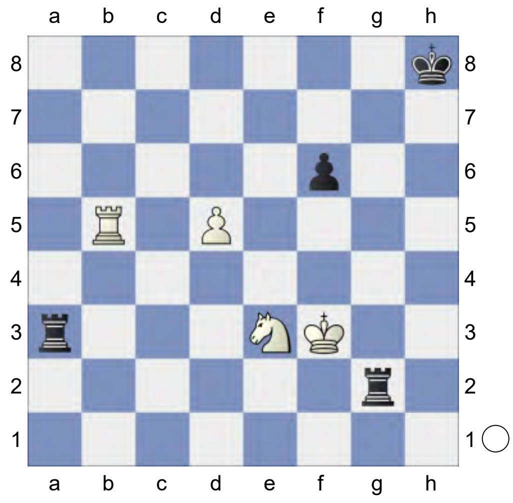
[And not 39.Rxb5 Rd2+ 40.Kg3 Raxa2=]

[39.Ke3!+- 1.66/22 Rda4 40.Bf1 *(40.Rxb5 Rxa2 41.Ng4 Rxg2=)*]

39...Rda4± 19 **40.Rxb5** 0.01/24 35

[40.Ke3± 0.94/22]

40...Rxa2+= 11 The position is equal. **41.Kf3** 30:34 Rb5-b3 would now be deadly. **41...R7a3+** 31:02 **42.Ne3** 5 **Rxg2** 1:24



Deflection **43.Kxg2** 16 **Rxe3** 2 **44.Kf2** 47 Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.33

½-½

483 **C54**
☐ **Harsha,Bharathakoti** **2538**
■ **Ohanyan,Emin** **2503**
Saint Louis Spring-B (6) 26.04.2025
[Kitty Kat,TA]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.b4N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

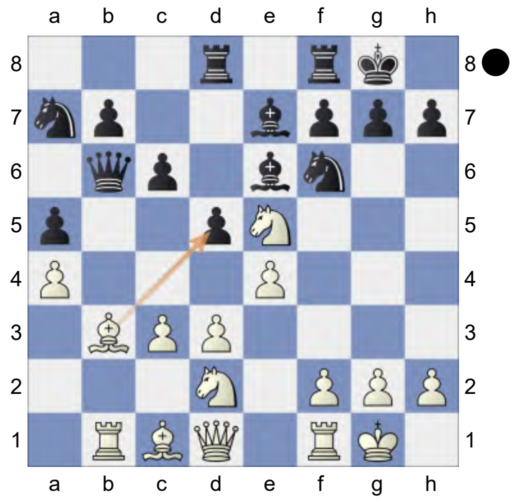
6...Be7! outshines the older 6...Bb6. erfolgreicher als das alte 6...Lb6. **7.Nbd2 d5 8.Bb3 Be6 9.0-0** The position is equal. **9...a5!N** 0.58/22 An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[9...a6 10.Re1 Qd7 11.Bb2 dxe4 12.dxe4 Rad8 13.a4 Nh5 14.g3 Prevents Nf4. Bh3 0.36/22 *(14...Bxb3= -0.19/20 15.Qxb3 Nf6)* 15.Kh1 -0.01/21 *(15.b5± 0.36/22 Na5 16.Bd5)* 15...Nf6 0-1 (32) Firouzja,A (2785)-Erigaisi,A (2701) Airthings Masters Div 1 W rapid 2023 (1.1)]

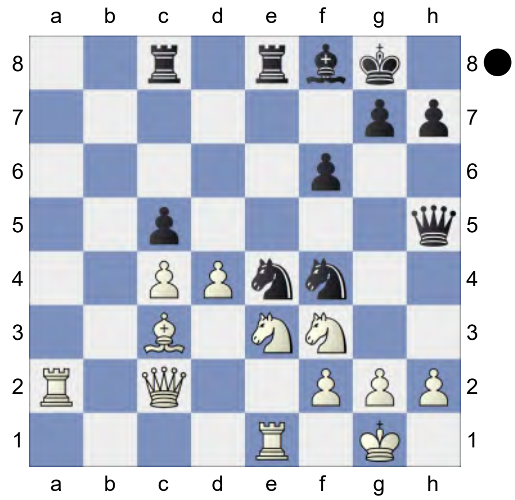
[Black should try 9...a6= 0.03/21]

10.b5± Na7 11.a4 c6! 12.b6 Qxb6 13.Nxe5 Rad8 14.Rb1

(Diagram)



Qc7! 15.d4
[15.Re1!?]
15...b5 16.exd5 -0.78/21
[16.Qe2= -0.07/19 remains equal.]
16...Bxd5 0.40/20
[16...cxd5∓ -0.78/21 17.Bb2 bxa4 18.Bxa4 Bd6]
17.Bb2 bxa4 18.Bxd5 Nxd5 19.Qxa4 Nb5 20.Qc4 Bd6 21.Ndf3 Rc8 22.Qd3 f6 Dodges Ng5 **23.Nc4 Rfe8 24.Ne3** Strongly threatening Nxd5.
24...Nf4 25.Qc2 Qf7 26.Rfe1 -0.17/23
[26.c4⩲ 0.41/22]
26...Bf8 0.62/25
[26...c5= -0.17/23 27.dxc5 Bxc5]
27.Ra1 0.23/23
[27.c4!⩲ 0.62/25 Nd6 28.Ba3]
27...Qh5 28.c4
[28.Rxa5? perishes. Nxd4 29.cxd4 Qxa5-+]
28...Nd6 29.Bc3 -0.34/23
[29.c5⩲ 0.45/21 Ne4 30.Bc1 *(30.Rxa5 Nh3+ 31.gxh3 Qxf3=)* 30...Nh3+ Double Attack 31.Kf1]
29...c5 30.Rxa5 -0.46/25
[30.d5= 0.01/20]
30...Ne4∓ Now White is beyond hope.
31.Ra2? -2.69/24
[White should try 31.d5∓ -0.43/23]

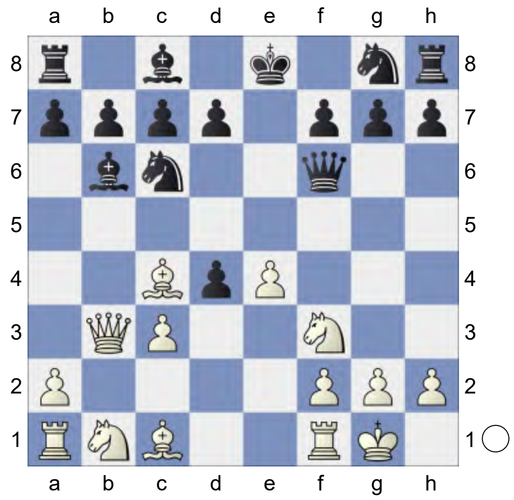


31...Nh3+!-+ Double Attack **32.Kf1 Nhxf2** Strongly threatening ...Bd6.
33.d5? -5.25/23
[33.Re2 -2.13/20 Nxc3 34.Qxc3]
33...Bd6 Black is clearly winning. **34.Re2 Bxh2 35.Nxh2**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.17 (very precise)
35...Qxh2
0-1

484 **C52**
☐ **ProteusSF** **2999**
■ **admete_bot** **2339**
Rapid 01.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 0.25/19
[6...d6 -0.16/21 is more appropriate.]
7.Qb3!= Qf6 8.0-0 Bb6

(Diagram)



9.e5 White has an edge. **9...Qg6 10.cxd4 Nxd4**

[10...Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio, L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

11.Nxd4 Bxd4 12.Nc3! Ne7N and ...b6! should not be overlooked

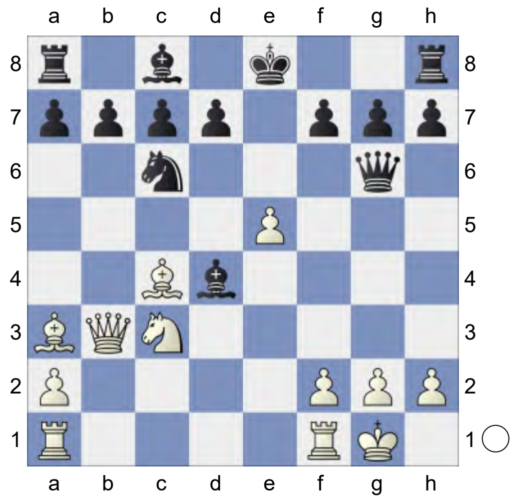
[12...Bxe5 13.Re1 d6 14.f4±]

[12...b6 13.Bd5 c6 14.Bf3 Qe6 15.Nd5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Qxe5 17.Rb1 Ba6 18.Bxa8 Bxf1 19.Kxf1 Ne7 20.Ba3 0-0 21.Re1 Qf6 22.Bf3 d6 23.Qa4 Ng6 24.Re2 a5 25.Qc6 Rd8 26.Re8+ Rxe8 27.Qxe8+ 0-1 Kurmann,O (2450)-Karpov,A (2616) Trans Europa Schach Express rapid 2012 (3.7)]

13.Ba3 White has compensation. Black cannot hold the game after this. **13...Nc6?** 4.22/20

[Better is 13...b6⩲ 0.32/22]

(Diagram)



14.Nb5!+- Bb6

[14...Bxe5 15.Rae1]

15.Rad1∓ Na5 4.75/19

[Much worse is 15...a6 16.Nd6+ cxd6 17.Qxb6+- (*17.Rxd6 Qh5+-*)]

[⌓15...h5 3.38/18 16.Bd5 (*16.Bd6 Na5=*) 16...h4 (*16...Nxe5? 17.Qc3+-; 16...a6? 17.Nd6+* Deflection *cxd6 18.Qxb6+-*)]

16.Qa4

[Weaker is 16.Qb4 c5 (*16...Nc6 17.Qb3∓*) 17.Qc3 Nxc4 18.Qxc4 0-0=]

16...Nc6 17.Bd5 Qh5 5.90/19

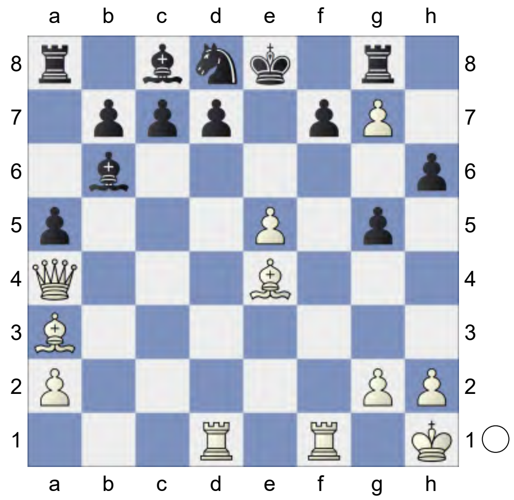
[⌓17...Qf5 4.14/17 18.Be4 (*18.Bd6 Kd8=*) 18...Qe6]

18.Kh1 a6 19.Nc3 Rg8 20.f4 a5 21.f5 Rh8 22.Ne4 Threatens to win with f6. **22...h6 23.f6 g5 24.Ng3** 15.08/24

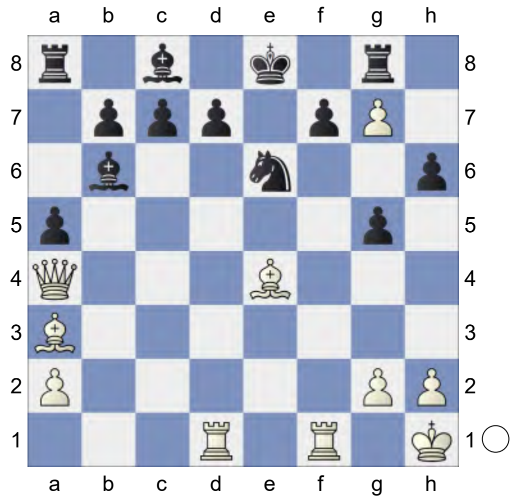
[⌓24.e6 34.05/29 fxe6 25.Bxc6 (*25.f7+ Qxf7 26.Rxf7 Kxf7+-*) 25...bxc6 26.f7+ Qxf7 27.Rxf7 Kxf7 28.Qb3]

24...Qg6 25.Be4 Qg8 26.Nh5 Nd8 27.Ng7+ Qxg7 28.fxg7 Rg8

(Diagram)



29.e6! Nxe6

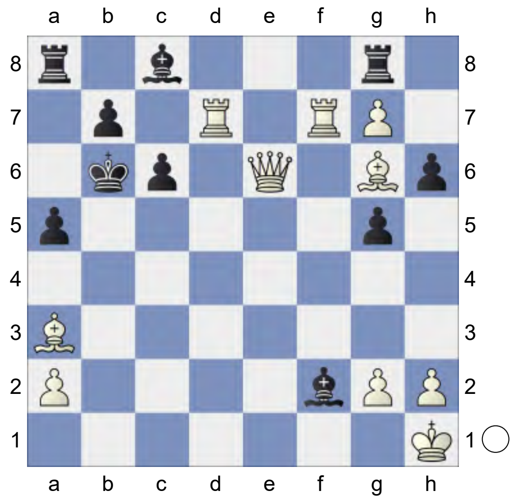


30.Rxf7! White wants to mate with Bg6. Decoy, Clearance **30...c6**

[30...Kxf7 31.Rxd7+]

31.Bg6 Kd8 32.Qb3 White mates. **32...Bf2 33.Qxe6 Kc7 34.Rdxd7+ Kb6**

(Diagram)



35.Rxb7+!! Bxb7 36.Qb3+ Ka6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=1.61 **37.Qxb7#**

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485 **C51**

☐ **ProteusSF** **2989**

■ **admete_bot** **2343**

Rapid 01.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.d3 Nf6 7.c3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Re1 Be6N**

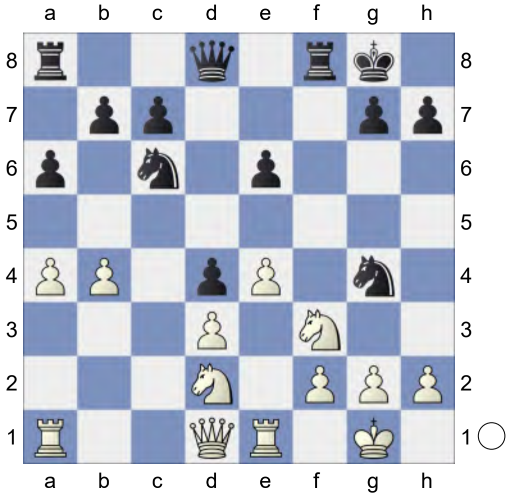
[9...Ne7 10.a5 Ba7 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Ng6 13.d4 Bd7 14.Qb3 Ng4 15.Re1 Kh8 16.h3 Nh6 17.Nbd2 Qf6 18.Re3 Nf4 19.Nf1 g5 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Rd1 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Nxh3+ 23.Kg2 g4 24.Ng3 0-1 Leconte,J-Miles,E Jugoslavija 76/203 1999]

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.a5 Ba7 13.cxd4 d5 14.e5 Ne4 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.Na3 f6 17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Be3 c6 19.g4 Nc3 20.Qc2 Bxd3 21.Qxc3 Rxf3 22.Qxd3 Qd6 0-1 Bacrot,E (2594)-Almasi,Z (2676) Szeged m

2000 (3)]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Be3 Bxe3 White has an edge. **12.Rxe3 d5 13.Nbd2 d4 14.cxd4 exd4 15.Re1** Black must now prevent b5. **15...Ng4** 1.37/21

[15...Nd7± 0.41/19]



16.h3!± Nge5 17.b5 axb5 18.axb5 Rxa1 19.Qxa1 Black cannot hold the game after this. **19...Nxd3?** 3.82/25

[19...Nxf3+± 1.03/24 20.Nxf3 Nb4]

20.bxc6+- Nxe1 21.Nxe1

[21.Qxe1 bxc6 22.Nb3 d3±]

21...bxc6 22.Nd3 Qd6 5.22/24

[⌓22...h6 3.36/20 23.Qa4 Qd7]

23.Qa4 Rb8 24.g3 c5 25.Nc4 Dodges Qb6 **25...Qf8 26.Kg2** Wards off Qf3+ **26...Rd8 27.Nce5 Qd6 28.h4 h6 29.h5 Kh7 30.Nf7** Excellent horsemanship. **30...Qd7 31.Qxd7 Rxd7 32.Nfe5**

[32.Nxc5? Rxf7 33.f4 e5-+]

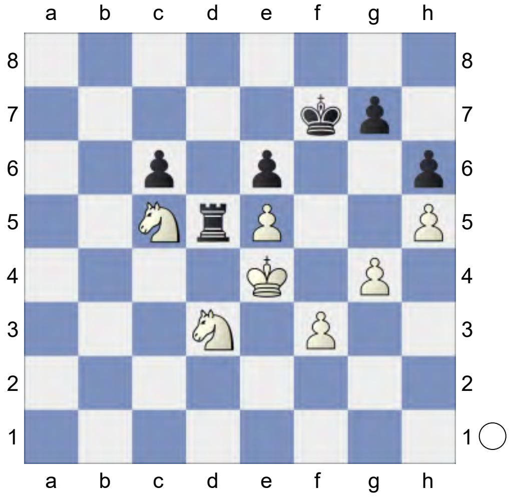
32...Rd8 33.Nxc5 Kg8 34.Ned3

[34.Nxe6? loses. Re8 35.Nxc7 Rxe5-+]

34...Kf7 35.Kf3 Ra8 36.e5

[36.Ne5+ Ke7 37.g4 Ra3+ 38.Kf4 Rc3±]

36...Ra2 37.Ke4 c6 38.Kxd4 Rd2 39.f3 Rg2 40.g4 Rd2 41.Nb3 Ra2 42.Ke3 Rc2 43.Nd4 Rc3 44.Kd2 Rc4 45.Nb3 Ra4 46.Ndc5 Ra8 47.Ke3 Rd8 48.Nd3 Rd5 49.Nbc5 Ke7 50.Ke4 Kf7



51.Nxe6! Rxd3

[51...Rd7 52.Nd4]

52.Kxd3 Kxe6 Endgame KP-KP. White is a pawn up. **53.Ke4** White threatens f4 and mate. **53...Ke7 54.Kd4 Kf7 55.f4 Ke7 56.Kc5 Kd7 57.f5 Kc7 58.e6 Kd8 59.Kd6 c5 60.e7+ Ke8 61.g5** White mates.

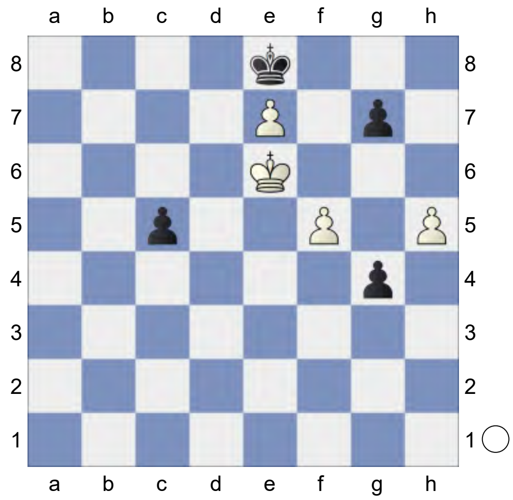
[61.Kxc5 Kxe7 62.Kd5 Kf6=]

61...hxg5 62.Ke6

[Worse is 62.Kxc5 Kxe7 63.Kd5 g4=]

62...g4

(Diagram)



63.h6! g6

[63...gxh6 64.f6]

64.h7 g3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.70

65.h8Q#

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486 C54
☐ **Shimanov,Aleksandr 2578**
■ **Injac,Teodora 2474**
AUT-chT Rapid (5.1) 01.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 h6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 is currently scoring better than 9...Ba7.wohl besser als 9...La7. **10.Re1** The position is equal. **10...Ba7 11.b4**

[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7.♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 b5N

[13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ 1-0 (74) Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7) Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 1-0 (74) Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7)]

14.Nb3 d5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 dxe4 1.05/24

[16...Re8± 0.55/21]

17.dxe4± Rd6 18.Nc5 Qe8N

[18...Rb8? 4.45/25 18...Qc8 1.03 19.Nxa6 Nh5 7.39/23 (*⌓19...Ra8* 4.20/21 *20.Nc5 Qb8*) 20.Nxb8+- Qxb8 21.a5 Nf4 22.Ne1 Qd8 23.a6 Rd2 24.Qb3 Qh4 7.36/23 (*⌓24...Rxf2* 4.94/21 *25.Kxf2 Qd2+ 26.Kf3 Ne2*) 25.Rf3+- Ne2+ 26.Kf1 Qxe4 27.Qxf7+ Kh8 28.a7 14.73/30 (*⌓28.Qe8+* #8/18 *Kh7 29.Rf8 Ng3+ 30.Kg1 Ne2+ 31.Kh1 Qxg2+ 32.Nxg2 Ng3+ 33.Kh2 Nf1+ 34.Kg1* Trapped Piece *g6 35.Rf7#*) 28...Nf4 29.a8Q+ Kh7 30.Qag8# 1-0 Preotu,R (2483)-Slade,T (1995) Titled Tuesday intern op 7th Mar Late blitz 2023 (7)]

19.Nh4 0.51/26

[19.Qa2± 1.13/24]

19...Ne7± 20.Nf3 -0.01/25

[White should try 20.c4± 0.70/22]

20...Nc6= 21.Qa2 Rdd8 22.a5 0.38/24

White is more active.

[22.Qe2± 1.25/24]

22...Nd7⩲ 23.Nxd7 Rxd7 24.Nd2 -0.62/26

[24.Ne1= 0.01/25]

24...Nd8∓ 25.Rc1 Ne6 -0.34/25

[25...Qe7 -0.70/23]

26.c4 -0.95/25

[26.Nf3∓ -0.34/25]

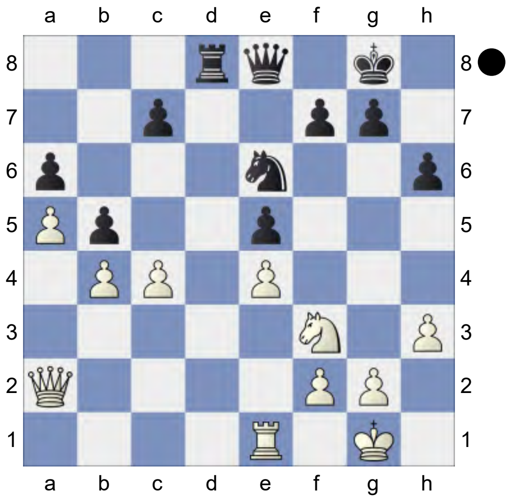
26...Rad8 -0.25/23

[26...Qe7!∓ -0.95/25 27.Qb2 Rb8]

27.Nf3= Rd1+ 28.Re1 -0.84/29

[28.Rxd1!= -0.03/29 remains equal. Rxd1+ 29.Kh2]

28...Rxe1+!∓ 29.Rxe1



Nd4! Repels Qc2 **30.Nxd4 Rxd4** -0.01/23

[Better is 30...exd4∓ -0.92/28 31.cxb5 Qxb5]

31.cxb5= Qxb5∓ Endgame KQR-KQR **32.Rc1 Rxb4**

[32...Rxe4? 33.Rxc7 Rf4 34.Rc8+ Kh7 35.Qc2+ e4 *(35...g6? 36.Qc7+-)* 36.g3+-]

[32...c6 simplifies 33.Qc2 Rxb4 34.Qxc6 Qxc6 35.Rxc6 Rxe4 36.Rxa6 Ra4]

33.Rxc7 Rb3 34.Kh2 g6 0.64/31

[34...g5= 0.01/26]

35.Qd2→ White is up to no good. **35...Kg7?** 11.08/28

[35...Rd3⩲ 0.50/30 36.Qxh6 Qxa5]

36.Qd6 Rb2 37.Rc5? 0.68/29

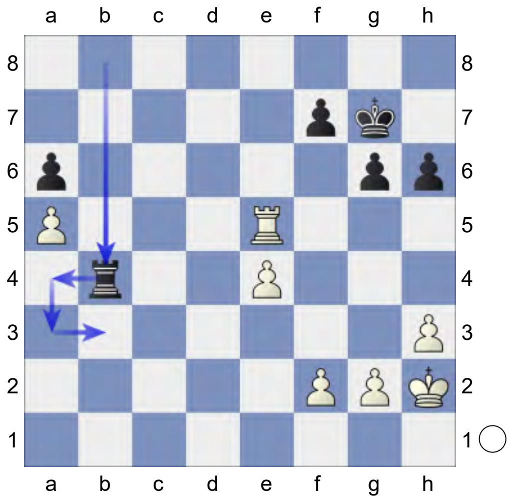
[White has to play 37.Rc8+- 5.91/28 Intending Qd8 and mate. Rxf2 38.Qf8+ Skewer Kf6 39.Qxh6]

37...Qb8 Prevents Qd8 **38.Qxb8**

[Don't play 38.Qxe5+ Qxe5+ 39.Rxe5 Rxf2=]

[38.Qxa6 Qb4 *(38...Rxf2 39.Qd3=)* 39.Qb6 *(39.Rxe5 Rxf2 40.Qd3 Qb2∓)* 39...Qd2=]

38...Rxb8 39.Rxe5 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **39...Rb4**



40.f3! Ra4 41.g4 g5? 3.05/34

[41...Kf6⩲ 0.70/33 42.Rc5 Ke7]

42.Kg3+- and h4 should not be overlooked **42...Ra3 43.Rf5 f6** 5.54/33

[⌓43...Rc3 3.85/35 44.h4 Kg6 45.hxg5 hxg5]

44.h4 White is clearly winning. **44...gxh4+ 45.Kxh4 Kg6 46.Kg3 Rb3 47.e5 Rb5 48.Rxf6+ Kg7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.53 **49.Rxa6**

1-0

487 **C51**
☐ **ProteusSF-Turbo** **2991**
■ **admete_bot** **2338**
Rapid 25.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.Qc2 Ng4N**

[10...0-0 11.0-0 c5 *(11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½* Gonzalez, J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)*)* 12.f4 b6 13.Nd2 Bb7 14.c4 Qd4+ 15.Kh1 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Qxa1 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Be4 Rad8 20.Qe2 Rd6 21.Bb2 Qxa2 22.Qh5+ Rh6 23.Qxh6+ gxh6 24.Nxf7+ Kg8 25.Nxh6# 1-0 Mestek,I (2060)-Apaar, S (2183) Nova Gorica op 29th 2025 (5)]

11.Nf3 Black should prevent h3. **11...Nc6 12.0-0 Nge5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Be2 0-0 15.Nd2 Bd6** 0.56/21

[15...b6= -0.01/19]

16.Nb3⩲ Nc6 17.f4 a5 0.92/20

[17...f6⩲ 0.55/19]

18.Be3± Re8 1.57/19

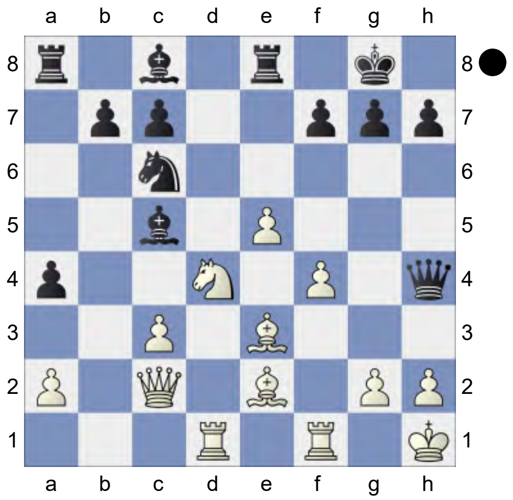
[⌓18...f6 0.76/20]

19.e5 a4 20.Nd4 White is more active. **20...Bc5 21.Rad1 Qh4** 1.84/18

[21...Ne7± 0.93/20]

22.Kh1+-

(Diagram)



Strongly threatening Nf3. This costs Black the game. **22...Bb6?** 3.41/19

[22...g6± 1.53/19 23.Bf2 Qe7 *(23...Qxf4 24.e6±)*]

23.Nf3 Qe7 4.16/24

[23...Qh6 2.85/20 was worth a try.]

24.Bxb6 cxb6 25.Ng5 g6 26.Bc4 Bf5 27.Qe2

[27.Bxf7+ Qxf7 28.Qe2 Qe7-+]

27...Nd8 28.g4 Bd7 29.Bd5 Kh8 30.Ne4 Qh4 5.24/20 Black is weak on the dark squares

[⌓30...b5 3.58/18 31.Qf3 Bc6]

31.Rg1

[Avoid the trap 31.Nf6? Qxf6 32.c4 Qe7-+]

31...Bc6 32.c4 b5 6.10/20

[⌓32...Ne6 4.14/18 33.Rgf1 Re7]

33.Bxc6 bxc6 34.Qe3

[34.cxb5 cxb5 35.Qf3 *(35.Qxb5 Ne6±)* 35...Ra6+-]

34...bxc4 35.Rg3 c5 10.19/24

[⌓35...Qe7 5.16/19 36.Nf6 Ne6]

36.Rh3

[36.Qxc5 Ne6 37.Qe3 *(37.Qxc4 Rec8±)* 37...Rg8±]

36...Qe7 37.Ng5

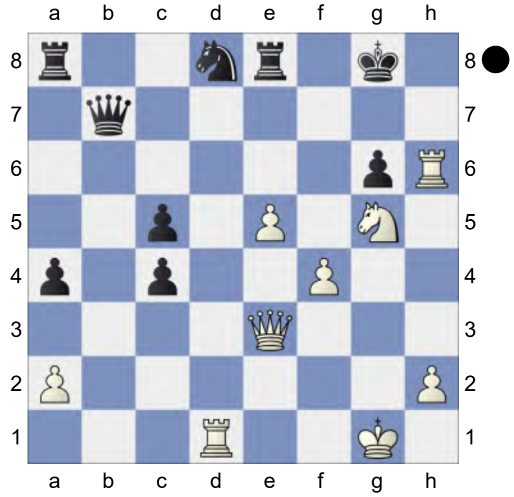
[37.Qxc5 Ne6 38.Qe3 *(38.Qxc4 Qb7=)* 38...Red8⩲]

37...Qb7+ 38.Kg1 h5 39.gxh5 Kg8

40.hxg6

[Not 40.Qxc5 Ne6 41.Nxe6 *(41.Qxc4 Nxg5 42.fxg5 Rad8=)* 41...Rac8±]

40...fxg6 41.Rh6



Intending Qh3! and mate. **41...Qg7 42.Rh7** 13.38/24

[⌓42.Qh3 32.55/29 Re7 43.Rd6 *(43.Rh7 Qxh7 44.Nxh7 Rxh7+-)*]

42...Qxh7 43.Nxh7 Kxh7 44.Rd7+ Kg8 45.Qh3 Nf7 46.e6 Rf8 47.exf7+ Rxf7 48.Qe6 Raf8 49.Qxg6+ Kh8 50.Rxf7 Rxf7 51.Qxf7 c3 52.Qf6+ Kg8 53.Qxc3 Kf7 54.Qe5 a3 55.f5 c4 56.Qe6+ Kg7 57.Qg6+ White mates. **57...Kf8 58.f6 c3 59.Qg7+ Ke8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.97 **60.Qe7#**

1-0

488 C54

☐ **Niemann,Hans Moke 2675**

■ **Jaracz,Pawel 2478**

Titled Tuesday intern op 13th Feb Late b..

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.c3**

[RR 6.Re1 a5 7.c3 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 Bb6 11.Nc4 Bc5 12.Ncd2 Bb6 13.Nf1 Ne7 14.d4 exd4 15.cxd4 *(RR 15.Nxd4 d5 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.exd5 Nfxd5 18.Rxe6)* 15...d5 16.e5 Ne4 17.Ng3 Nxg3 18.fxg3

A) RR 18...c5 19.g4 Ng6 20.Bd3 cxd4 21.g5 *(RR 21.Kh1)* 21...h5 22.Nh2 Qd7 *(RR 22...Qc8 23.Qf3 Bc7 24.Qxh5 Bf5)* 23.Qxh5 Bf5 *(RR 23...Rfc8)* 24.Ng4 Nf4 *(RR 24...Bxg4 25.hxg4 Rfe8)* 25.Bxf4 Bxd3 26.e6 Qe7;

B) 18...c6 19.Bd3 Nf5 20.Bxf5 Bxf5 Niemann,H (2675)-Tari,A (2635) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 16 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (79)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6

A) RR 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 *(RR 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3)* 13...Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 21.Bb3 Rag8;

B) 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 exd4 10.e5 Qg6]

[RR 6.a4 a6 *(RR 6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.c3 a5 9.Re1 Qd7 10.Nbd2 g5 11.g4 Nxg4 12.hxg4 Qxg4+ 13.Kf1 Qh3+ 14.Ke2 g4 15.Ng5 Qh4 16.d4 exd4 17.f4 gxf3+ 18.Ndxf3 Ne5 19.Bxf7+ Nxf7 20.cxd4 Nxg5 21.Bxg5)* 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6]

6...Bb6 6...a5 is a critical line. 6...a5 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

[RR 6...0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

7.Re1N

[RR 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Bb3 Ne7 9.Nc4 Ng6 10.Re1 (RR *10.h3 c6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.Re1 b5 13.a4 h6 14.Be3 bxa4 15.Rxa4 Rxa4 16.Bxa4 d5 17.Bc2 Re8 18.Qb1 Be6*) 10...Re8 (RR *10...c6 11.Nxb6 axb6 12.d4 Qe7 13.h3 h6 14.a3 b5 15.c4 bxc4 16.Bxc4 b5 17.Bf1 Bd7 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.b4 c5 20.bxc5 Qxc5;* RR *10...Be6 11.h3 h6 12.d4 Bxc4 13.Bxc4 Re8 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.a4 a5 16.Be3 Nxe4 17.Bb5 c6 18.Bd3 exd4 19.Bxd4 Bxd4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Rxe4 Bf6 22.Rae1 d5 23.R4e3 Rd8 24.Qb6 Ra8 25.Rd1*) 11.d4 (RR *11.Bc2*) 11...exd4 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.cxd4 (RR *13.Qxd4 Bg4 14.Ng5 d5 15.h3*) 13...Nxe4 (RR *13...Rxe4 14.Bxf7+ Kh8 15.Rxe4 Nxe4 16.Qe1*) 14.Bxf7+ Kxf7 15.Rxe4 Rxe4 16.Ng5+ Kg8 17.Nxe4 Qe7 18.Nc3 Qf7 19.d5 Bd7 20.Qd4 Qf5 21.Be3 Ne5 Caruana,F (2796)-Liang,A (2677) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (46) RR 22.b3]

7...h6 8.Nbd2 Ne7N

[8...0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.d4 Nc6 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Bb5 Qe7 13.a4 Be6 14.Qe2 Nh5 15.Nc4 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 a5 17.Kh2 Rad8 18.g3 Qf6 19.Kg2 Ne7 20.Nh2 Ng6 21.Ng4 Qc6 22.Bb5 Qc5 23.Be3 8.♗h4 g6 9. f4 e5 (2627)-Brodsky,M (2686) Metz 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] 1-0 (47)]

9.a4 Black must now prevent a4-a5.

9...a5 White has an edge. **10.d4 Ng6 11.h3 0-0 12.Bf1 c6 13.Nc4 Bc7 14.dxe5! dxe5 15.Qc2 Be6 16.Be3 b5N** 0.47/22

[Vorgänger: 16...Qe7 17.b4 Nd7 (*17...Bxc4!? 18.Bxc4 axb4=*) 18.Red1 b6 19.bxa5 bxa5 20.Bc1 Rfb8 21.Ba3 Qf6 22.Nh2 -0.42/23

(22.Bd6= 0.06/21 *Rc8 23.Bxc7 Rxc7 24.Rd6)* 22...Nf4 0-1 Zhai,M (2259)-Shen,Y (2397) CHN-chT China 2013 (11.4)]

[16...Nd7= 0.09/23]

17.Red1 0.08/22 **Qe7** 0.55/23

[17...Qb8= 0.08/22 18.Na3 Bd7]

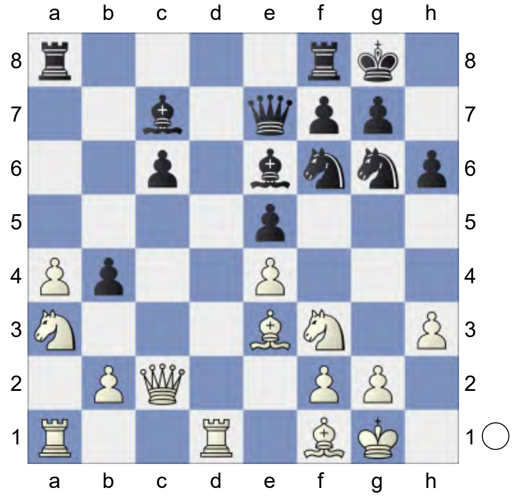
18.Na3 b4 1.05/23

[18...bxa4⩲ 0.47/20 19.Qxa4 Rfc8]

19.cxb4⩲

[19.Nc4?! bxc3 20.bxc3 Rfb8=]

19...axb4



20.Nc4 0.64/20

[20.Bc5!± 0.98/24 Bb3 21.Bxe7 Bxc2 22.Nxc2 Nxe7 23.Nxb4]

20...Nd7 1.36/21

[20...b3⩲ 0.64/20 21.Qxb3 Nxe4]

21.b3 0.84/21

[⌓21.a5 1.36/21]

21...f5 1.19/21

[Black should play 21...Rfc8 0.84/21]

22.Rac1 0.34/22 &Bianco is more active.

[White should try 22.a5!± 1.19/21]

22...f4⩲ 23.Bd2 Nh4 1.79/20

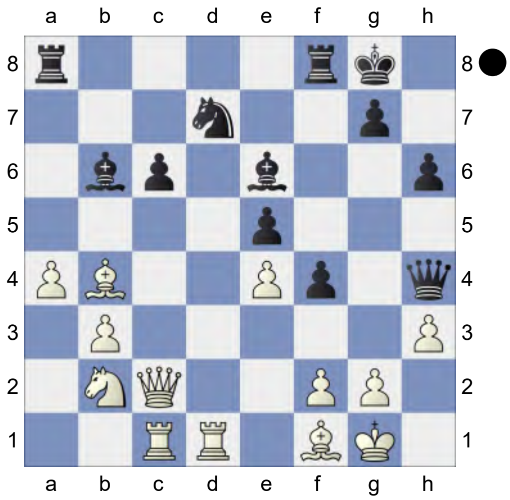
[23...Rfc8⩲ 0.39/20]

24.Nxh4+- Qxh4 25.Nb2? -0.95/20

[25.Bxb4+- 1.87/21 c5 26.Nd2]

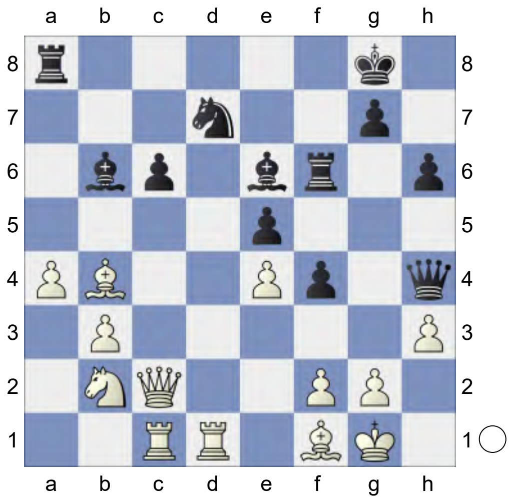
25...Bb6!∓ 26.Bxb4 -1.51/22

[⌓26.Be1 -0.97/25 f3 27.Qxc6]



26...Rf6? 1.80/21

[26...f3!∓ -1.51/22 and life is bright. aiming for ...f3xg2. 27.Bxf8 fxg2 28.Bxg2 Rxf8]



27.Be7 1.11/24

[Better is 27.Nc4!+- 1.80/21 Bd4 28.Be7]

27...Bxh3 2.08/24 **28.Bxf6+-** The board is on fire. **28...Nxf6 29.gxh3** -0.01/27

[29.Nc4+- 1.97/23 Bg4 30.Nxb6 Bxd1 31.Bc4+ *(31.Qxc6 Ng4=)* 31...Kh7 32.Rxd1]

29...Nxe4? 6.71/23 **30.Nd3??** -6.41/25

[30.Bc4++- 6.71/23 Kh8 31.Qxe4 Bxf2+ 32.Kf1]

30...Bd4?? 7.56/22

[30...Qg3+-+ -6.41/25 31.Kh1 Bxf2 32.Nxf2 (*32.Bg2* leads to mate. *f3 33.Qc4+ Kh8*) 32...Nxf2+ 33.Qxf2 Qxf2]

31.Qxc6 Bxf2+ 32.Kh1 f3 33.Qe6+ Kh8 34.Qg4 4.00/21

[⌓34.Rc8+ 8.10/23 Rxc8 35.Qxc8+ Kh7 36.Qf5+ Kh8 37.Qxf3]

34...Qf6 22.38/18

[⌓34...Qxg4 4.00/21 35.hxg4 Bg3]

35.Qxe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.87/Black=0.80

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489 **C54**

☐ **Cuenca Jimenez,Jose Fernando**

■ **Indjic,Aleksandar** **2601**

Speed Chess Q2 Sw blitz (7) 23.08.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 9...b5 is becoming the main line. 9...b5 wird zur Hauptvariante. **10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2N Ba5 13.0-0 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Nxd4** Deflection **15.Bxd4 Qg5+ 16.Kh1 Bxc3 17.Bxc3 Qf5** Vorgänger: **18.Rfc1!**

[18.fxe4?! Qxh3+ 19.Kg1 Qg4+ 20.Kh2 Qh4+ 21.Kg1 Qg4+ 22.Kh2 Qh4+ 23.Kg2 Qg4+ 24.Kh2=]

18...Qxh3+

[18...Qxf3+ 19.Kg1 Rae8 (*19...Qxh3 20.Bf1±*) 20.Qe2 (*20.Bxe8 Rxe8 21.Re1 Re6=*) 20...Qxh3 21.Bxe8 Rxe8 22.Qe3 Qg4+ 23.Kf1⩱]

19.Kg1 Ng5

[19...Qxf3 20.Bf1±]

20.Be2 Nxf3+ 1.67/5

[Black should play 20...Qh6⩲ 0.42/23]

21.Bxf3+- Qxf3 22.Qd1 Qe4

[22...Qh3 23.Qxd5 Qg4+ 24.Qg2 Qxg2+ 25.Kxg2]

23.Qd4

[23.Bd4 0.72/23 23.Qd4 1.52 a5 1.37/24 (*⌓23...Rae8* 0.72/23) 24.Rxc7 0.76/21 (*24.f3* 1.37/24 *Qh4 25.Rc2*) 24...Ra6± Strongly threatening ...Rh6. 25.f3! Rg6+

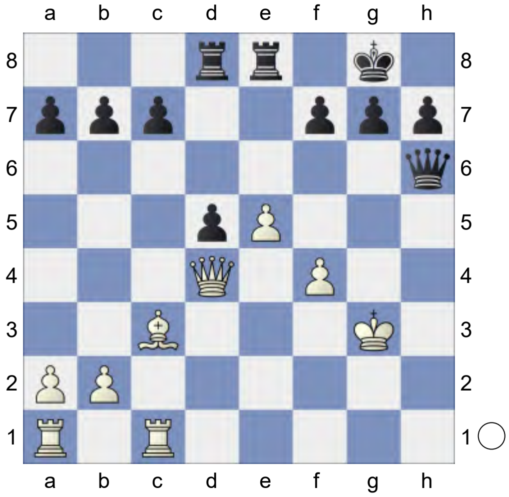
26.Kf1! Qh4 27.Bf2 Qh2 1.64/24 *(27...Qh5± 0.81/25)* 28.Rac1!+- Rg5 2.38/23 *(△28...Qxe5* 1.93/22 *29.Rc8 Qf5 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8)* 29.Qd4!]

23...Qg6+ 24.Kh2 0-1 Sanikidze,T (2464)-Pantsulaia,L (2579) GEO-ch 81st Tbilisi 2022 (9) **24...Qh6+ 25.Kg3 Rfe8 26.f4**

[26.Qxd5?! Qg6+ 27.Kf4 Qh6+ 28.Kf3 Qh5+ 29.Kf4 Qh6+ 30.Kf3 Rad8±]

26...Rad8 2.09/23

[26...Qg6+ 1.69/23 was necessary. 27.Kf2 Rad8]



Black is weak on the dark squares

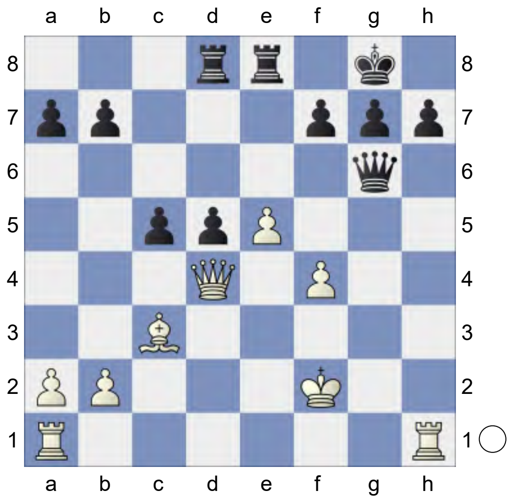
27.Rh1 0.60/24

[27.Qxa7 Re6 *(27...d4 28.Bd2=)* 28.Kf3 *(28.Qxb7* gets mated. *Rg6+ 29.Kf3 Qh3+ 30.Ke2 Rg2+ 31.Kd1 Qh5+ 32.Ke1 Qh1#; 28.Rh1? Qg6+ 29.Kf2 Qc2+ 30.Kf1 d4-+)* 28...Qh3+ 29.Kf2 d4 30.Bxd4 Qh2+ 31.Kf1 *(31.Ke3? Rh6-+)* 31...Qxf4+ 32.Bf2 Rh6-+ *(32...Rxe5 33.Rc3∓)*]

[27.Qd3!+- 2.09/23]

27...Qg6+⩲ 28.Kf2 c5

(Diagram)



29.Qxc5 -0.01/20

[White should play 29.Qd1!± 0.74/24]

29...Qc2+= 30.Kg1 and Rh2! would now be decisive **30...Qg6+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise)

31.Kf2 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

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490 **C54**

☐ **Vachier Lagrave,Maxime** **2732**

■ **Zou,Chen** **2449**

Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Feb Early ..

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 %evp 0,67,22,22,29,12,12,16,16,17,17,17,17,22,22,-17,2,10,-4,-6,25,26,24,25, 25,-10,3,-23,-5,-12,7,-13,4,-2,24,-70,28,-7,11,-16,39,9,41,46,46,44,86,87,164, 160,195,197,256,235,329,343,391,346,436,470,504,397,407,448,448,448,511,427, 478,398 **1.e4** John Watson Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 h6** Recently 6...a5 got a lot of attention. 6...a5 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit. **7.Nbd2 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Re1 0-0** The position is equal. **10.h3**

Ne7

[RR 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 *(RR 18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 *(RR 19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Qc8 22.Ba3 *(RR 22.N5g4 Nxg4 23.hxg4 Re8 24.Rb5)* 22...Re8 23.Qd3 *(RR 23.Bxe7 Rxe7 24.Qa1)* 23...Nc6 24.Rc1 Qe6 25.Rxb7 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

[RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5]

[RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5]

[RR 10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2]

11.d4

[RR 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 *(RR 15...c5)* 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5

A) RR 18...Qd7 19.dxe5 *(RR 19.Ra4)* 19...dxe5 20.Bb6 Bc7 21.Qe3 Nf4 22.Rad1 Qc8 23.Bxc7 Qxc7 24.b4 *(RR 24.Qc5)* 24...g6 *(RR 24...Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rc8)* 25.Nf1 *(RR 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rb1)* 25...Kg7 26.N1d2 *(RR 26.Qc5)* 26...c5 *(RR 26...Bxh3 27.gxh3 Nxh3+ 28.Kg2 Nf4+ 29.Kg1 Ng4)* 27.Qxc5 Qxc5 28.bxc5 Nd7 29.c6;

B) 18...Rd7 19.Ra4 *(RR 19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Qxh6)* 19...d5 *(RR 19...Qd8)* 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2]

[RR 11.Bb3 Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2 Rde7 Santos Latasa,J (2624)-Pranesh,M (2598) Timisoara 2024 Mega2024 Update 40 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (71)]

11...Ng6 12.Nf1N -0.39/21

[12.b4= 0.14/17]

[12.Bb3 Re8 13.Bc2 c5 *(13...Bd7 14.a5 c6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Qe7 17.Qd6 Qxd6 18.Nxd6 Re6 19.Rd1 Rb8 20.Kf1 Re7 21.Nc4 Rbe8 22.b3 Be6 23.Nb6 Bxb6 24.axb6 Rd7 25.Be3 Rc8 26.c4 Rxd1+ 27.Rxd1 c5 28.Ne1* 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2791)-Sudgen,J (2810) ICCF email 2017 Inf 43 [Pierce book p30-31] 1-0 (43) *)* 14.Nf1 cxd4 15.cxd4 Be6 16.d5 Bd7 17.Ne3 Rc8 18.Bd2 Nf4 19.Rc1 Qb6 20.b3 Rc7 21.Rf1 Rec8 22.Nc4 Rxc4 23.bxc4 Rxc4 24.Be3 Rc5 25.Rb1 Qc7 26.Bxc5 Bxc5 8.♗g5 h6 9.♗h4_64683 (2292)-Gunnarsson,G (2021) Elista 2023 CT-2879 [John Watson] 0-1 (42)]

[12.Bf1 Re8 13.a5 Bd7 14.b4 Bc6 15.d5 Bd7 16.c4 Nf4 17.c5 g5

18.Nc4 Qe7 19.Be3 Bb5 20.Rc1 Nxe4 21.cxd6 Nxd6 22.Bxf4 gxf4 23.Ncxe5 Kramnik,V (2808)-Radjabov,T (2722) Baku 2016 130 Games Section [Sokolov,Ivan] Bxf1 24.Kxf1 Nb5 25.Qd2 Qf6 26.Re4 Qg7 27.Rxf4 Rxe5 28.Rg4 Rh5 29.Rxg7+ Kxg7 30.g4 Rxh3 31.Kg2 Rxf3 32.Kxf3 Rd8 33.g5 Rd6 34.gxh6+ Reference Games-Kramnik,V (34)]

[RR 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 *(RR 19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7; RR 19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7)* 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7 Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa 2023 ½-½ (88)]

[RR 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7]

[RR 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7]

[RR 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7 Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) Moscow 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] ½-½ (88)]

12...Re8 0.44/21

[12...exd4!∓ -0.39/21 13.cxd4 Nxe4!]

13.Ng3 0.06/21

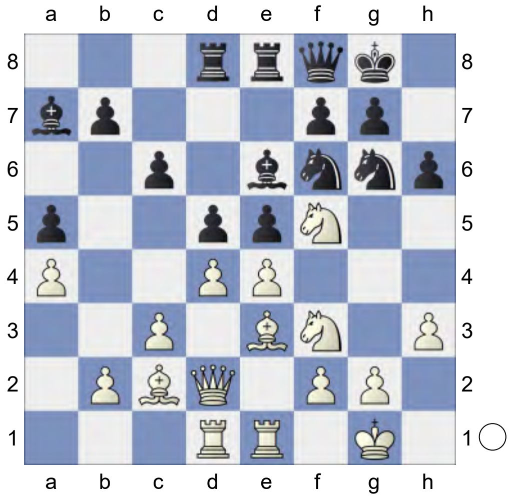
[13.Qb3⩲ 0.44/21 Qd7 14.Ng3]

13...Be6 14.Bd3 c6 15.Be3 a5 16.Qd2N

[Vorgänger: 16.Nh2 d5 17.dxe5! Nxe5 With the idea ...d5xe4. 18.Bxa7 Rxa7 19.Bf1 Ng6 20.e5 Nd7 21.f4 -1.10/20 *(21.Nf3= 0.14/24 keeps the balance.)* 21...Nxf4∓ 22.Qd4 0-1 Nilsen,T (2207)-Weetik,V (2423) Titled Tuesday intern op 19th Dec Early blitz 2023 (3)]

16...Qe7 17.Nf5 Qf8 18.Bc2 Rad8 19.Rad1 d5 0.94/24

[19...Bxf5= 0.28/21 20.exf5 Ne7]



20.exd5 0.38/23 &Bianco is more active.

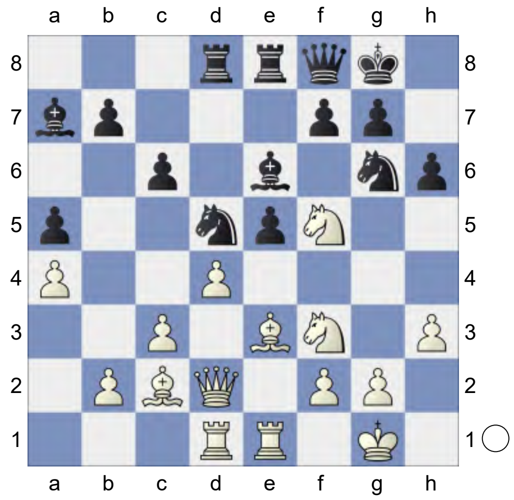
[20.Nxe5?! Nxe4 21.Bxe4 dxe4 22.Nxh6+ *(22.Nxg6 fxg6 23.Ng3 Bb3∓)* 22...gxh6 23.Bxh6 Qd6=]

[20.Nxh6+!± 0.94/24 gxh6 21.Bxh6]

20...Nxd5? 2.28/25

[20...Bxf5± 0.38/23 21.Bxf5 exd4 22.Bxd4 *(22.Nxd4 Nxd5 23.Qc2*

Nxe3=) 22...Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Bxd4 24.Nxd4 Ne7]



This costs Black the game. **21.Nxh6+! gxh6**

[21...Kh7 22.Ng4]

22.Bxh6 Qe7 23.Bg5

[23.Nxe5 Nxe5 24.Rxe5 f6±]

23...f6? 3.65/22

[23...Nf6? 24.Nxe5 Nxe5 25.Rxe5+-]

[23...Qc7 1.87/23 24.Bxd8 *(24.dxe5 Rd7=; 24.Nxe5 Nxe5 25.Bxd8 Nf3+ 26.gxf3 Qxd8±)* 24...Qxd8 25.Bxg6 *(25.dxe5 Qe7±; 25.Nxe5 Nxe5 26.Rxe5 Qf6±; 25.Qh6 Qf6+-)* 25...fxg6]

24.Bxg6+- fxg5 25.Bxe8

[Weaker is 25.Qxg5 Qxg5 26.Nxg5 Re7⩲]

[25.Rxe5 Bb8±]

[But not 25.Nxg5 Nf4 26.Rxe5 Bb8+-]

[Stronger than 25.Nxe5 Rf8=]

25...Rxe8 26.Rxe5 g4 7.50/23

[26...Qf6 3.38/23 27.Rxg5+ Kh8]

27.Ng5 White is clearly winning. **27...Qf6 28.Rde1 Nc7 29.hxg4 Re7 30.Qe2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.44

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491 C55

☐ Geopromethe 2835

■ Yeritsyan,Hayk 2464

Rapid 23.11.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.09/23

[7...h6∓ -0.59/23 8.f4 hxg5 9.fxe5 Ne6 10.exf6 gxf6]

8.f4!= Qe7 0.52/21

[Black should play 8...c6= -0.25/20]

9.Nc3N 0.07/22

[9.f5⩲ 0.52/21 d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 24.Rxg7 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]

[9.Na3 Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.Bxe6 *(11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 24.Ng4 Nd7 25.Be2 Ra5* 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)*)* 11...Qxe6 12.f5 Qe7 13.Nc2 Bc6 14.Qe2 h6 15.Bh4 Qd7 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Rfd1 a5 18.c4 b6 19.Qf3 Ke7 20.Ne3 a4 21.Rac1 Ra5 22.b4 axb3 23.axb3 Rha8 0-1 Luther,J (2011)-Husted,P (2108) 68/107 Tilburg 1996 (7)]

[9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Nc3 c6 12.Ne2 Bg4 13.c3 Ne6 14.Qd2 Qc5+ 15.Nd4 exd4 16.Bxe6 dxc3+ 17.Qf2 Qxf2+ 18.Rxf2 fxe6 19.bxc3 Rf8 20.Rb1 0-0-0 21.Rfb2 b6 22.a4 Rd1+ 0-1 Lanert,T (1398)-Dodul,A (1613) GER-ch U12 Willingen 2023 (5)]

9...Be6 0.82/20

[9...c6!= 0.07/22 keeps the balance.]

10.Bxe6? -0.91/23

[10.Nd5± 0.82/20 Bxd5 11.exd5]

10...fxe6∓ 11.fxe5 dxe5 12.Ne2 0-0-0 Black is more active. **13.Nxd4 Rxd4 14.Qf3 Rf8**

[14...Rxe4? 15.Qxe4 (*15.Bxf6 Qc5+ 16.Qf2 Qxf2+ 17.Rxf2 gxf6∓*) 15...h6 16.Qh4+- (*16.Qxe5 hxg5 17.Rae1 Re8+-*)]

15.Kh1 -1.69/20

[15.c3∓ -0.67/21 Rd7 (*15...Rxe4? 16.Qxe4* Pin *h6 17.Bxf6+-*) 16.Bh4]

15...h6 -1.29/19

[15...Rxe4? 16.Qxe4 h6 17.Bxf6 (*17.Qxe5 hxg5 18.a4 a6+-*) 17...gxf6 18.Qe3+-]

[15...Qe8-+ -1.69/20 16.Qe3 Kb8 (*16...Rxe4 17.Qxa7 Ra4 18.Qe3∓; 16...Nxe4? 17.c3+-*) 17.Bxf6 gxf6 (*17...Rxf6 18.h3∓*)]

16.Bxf6 -1.88/22

[16.c3∓ -1.29/19 keeps fighting. Rdd8 (*16...Rxe4? 17.Qxe4* Pin *hxg5 18.Qxe5+-*) 17.Bh4]

16...Rxf6-+

[16...Qxf6 17.Qe2 Qd8 18.Rxf8 Qxf8 19.Rf1]

17.Qe3 a6 -0.70/21

[17...b6-+ -1.89/21 and ...Rxf1+ would now be decisive 18.c3 Rd6]

18.c3!∓ Rd6 19.Qa7 c6 20.Rfd1 -0.85/22 Against Rd2

[20.a4∓ -0.46/23]

20...Rf8 -0.37/23

[20...g5∓ -0.85/22]

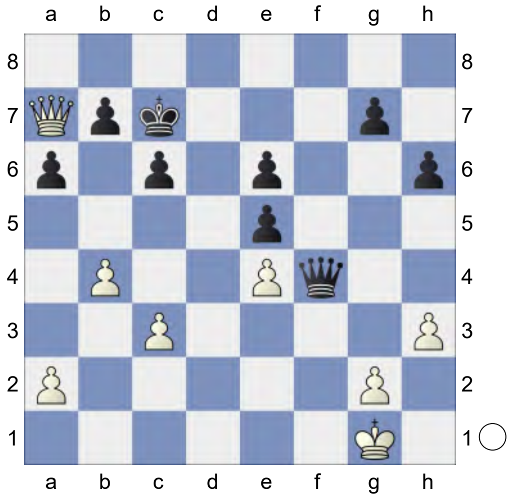
21.h3 Rfd8 0.00/26

[21...Rxd1+∓ -0.58/22 22.Rxd1 Rd8]

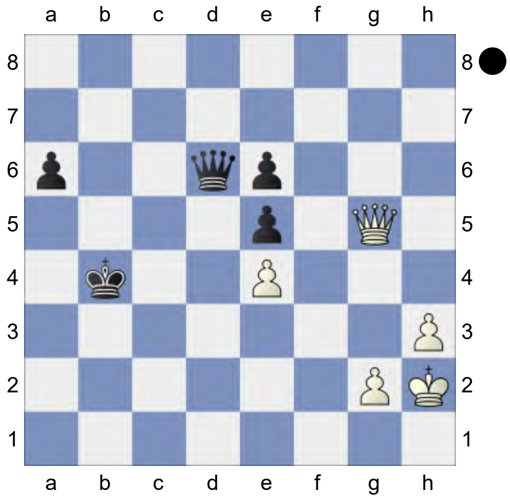
22.Rxd6!= Qxd6 Endgame KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up.

[22...Rxd6 23.Qe3∓]

23.Rf1 Kc7 24.b4 Rf8 25.Rxf8 Qxf8 KQ-KQ. Black is a pawn up. **26.Kg1** Against Qf1+ **26...Qf4**



27.Qc5 Qf6 28.a4 b6 29.Qc4 Kb7 30.a5 Qe7 31.axb6 Kxb6 32.Kh2 Qd6 33.Qa2 g5 34.Qf2+ c5 35.Qf6 cxb4 36.cxb4 Kb5 37.Qxh6 Kxb4 38.Qxg5



and h4 would now be decisive **38...a5 39.Qc1 a4 40.Qb2+ Ka5 41.h4 a3**

42.Qb3 Qe7 43.g3 -5.46/27

[43.h5= 0.00/30]

43...Qf8? -0.24/24

[43...Qb4-+ -5.46/27 44.Qxe6 Qb2+ *(44...Qxe4 45.Kh3∓)* 45.Kh3 a2 46.Qd5+ Kb4 47.Qd6+ Kc3 48.Qxe5+ Kc2 49.Qc5+ Kd3 50.Qd6+ Ke3 *(50...Kxe4 51.Qe6+ Kd3 52.Qf5+ Kc4 53.Qf7+ Kc5 54.Qc7+ Kd5 55.Qd7+ Ke4 56.Qe6+ Kd3 57.Qf5+ Ke2 58.Qe4+ Kd1 59.Qh1+ Kd2 60.Qg2+ Kc3 61.Qc6+ Kd3 62.Qf3+ Kc4 63.Qf7+ Kc5 64.Qc7+ Kd5 65.Qd7+ Kc5 66.Qc7+=)* 51.Qc5+ Ke2 *(51...Kxe4 52.Qc4+ Ke5 53.Qc7+ Ke6 54.Qc6+ Ke7 55.Qc7+ Ke6 56.Qc8+ Kd6 57.Qd8+ Ke6 58.Qe8+ Kd6 59.Qd8+ Ke6 60.Qe8+ Kd6 61.Qd8+=)* 52.Qh5+ Kf2 53.Qc5+ Kf1 54.Qf5+ Kg1 55.Qc5+ Kh1 *(55...Qf2? 56.Qe5-+)*]

White does not recover from this.

44.Kg2? -4.25/25

[44.Qc3+= -0.24/24 Qb4 45.Qxe5+ Qb5 46.Qc3+ Ka4 47.Qd4+ Qb4 48.Qd7+ Kb3 49.Qd1+ *(49.Qxe6+ Kb2∓)* 49...Kc4 50.Qe2+ Kd4 51.Qd1+ Ke3 *(51...Kxe4? 52.Qg4+* Skewer, Double Attack *Kd5 53.Qxb4+-)* 52.Qg1+ Kd3 *(52...Kxe4 53.Kh3∓)* 53.Kh3]

44...Qb4-+ 45.Qxe6 -6.42/18

[⌓45.Qe3 -4.11/19 Qb2+ 46.Kh3]

45...Qb2+

[45...Qxe4+ 46.Kh3∓]

46.Kh3 a2 47.Qd5+ Ka4 48.Qc4+ Ka3 49.Qa6+ Kb3 50.Qb5+ Kc2 51.Qe2+ Kc3 52.Qe1+ Kd3 53.Qd1+ Kxe4 54.Qe1+ Kd4 55.Qd1+ Kc5 56.Qg1+ Kc6 57.Qh1+ Kc7 58.Qd5 a1Q

[Less strong is 58...a1B 59.h5∓]

59.Qc5+ Kb7 (→ ...Qh1+) **60.Qd5+ Kb6 61.Qd6+ Kb5 62.Qd5+ Kb4 63.Qe4+ Qd4 64.Qb7+ Kc3** (→ ...Qf1+) **65.Qc6+ Kd2 66.Qg2+ Kd3** -26.03/20

[⌓66...Ke3 -#7/19 67.h5 Qad1 68.g4 Qf3+ 69.Kh2 Qdf4+ *(69...Qdxg4 70.Qxg4 Qxg4 71.Kh1 Kf3 72.h6 Qg2#)* 70.Kh1 Q4g3 *(70...Q4xg4? 71.Qxf3+ Kxf3 72.h6 Qg2#)* 71.Qxf3+ Kxf3 72.h6 Qg2#]

67.Qf3+ Kc4 68.Qc6+ Kb4 69.Qb7+ Ka3 70.Qa6+ Kb2 71.Qe2+ Kb1 72.Qe1+ Ka2 73.Qe2+ Qab2 74.Qa6+ Qa3 75.Qe2+ Qdb2 76.Qc4+ Ka1 (→ ...Qf2) **77.Qf1+ Qc1 78.Qe2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.71/Black=0.27 (precise) **78...Qc8+** -44.28/25

[⌓78...Qh1+ -#11/15 79.Qh2 Qxh2+ 80.Kxh2 e4 81.h5 e3 *(81...Qc1* is a self mate. *82.Kg2 Qc2+ 83.Kh3 e3 84.Kh4 e2 85.Kg5 e1Q 86.h6 Qxg3+ 87.Kf6 Qcg6+ 88.Ke7 Q3d6#)* 82.Kg2 e2 *(82...Ka2 83.h6 Qa8+ 84.Kh3 e2 85.Kh4 e1Q 86.h7 Qae4+ 87.Kh5 Qxg3 88.h8Q Qgh4#)* 83.Kf2 Qd3 *(83...Qe7 84.Ke1 Qe4 85.h6 Qd3 86.Kf2 Qd2 87.Kg2 e1Q+ 88.Kh3 Qxh6+ 89.Kg4 Qe4#)* 84.g4 Qd2 *(84...Qd4+ 85.Kxe2 Qxg4+ 86.Kf2 Qxh5 87.Kg3 Qg5+ 88.Kf2 Qg4 89.Ke3 Kb2 90.Kf2 Kb3 91.Ke3 Kc3 92.Kf2 Kd3 93.Kf1 Ke3 94.Ke1 Qg1#)* 85.Kf3 e1Q *(85...e1R 86.g5 Qxg5 87.Kf2 Qe3+ 88.Kg2 Rg1+ 89.Kh2 Qg3#)* 86.g5 Qef2+ 87.Kg4 Qd7#]

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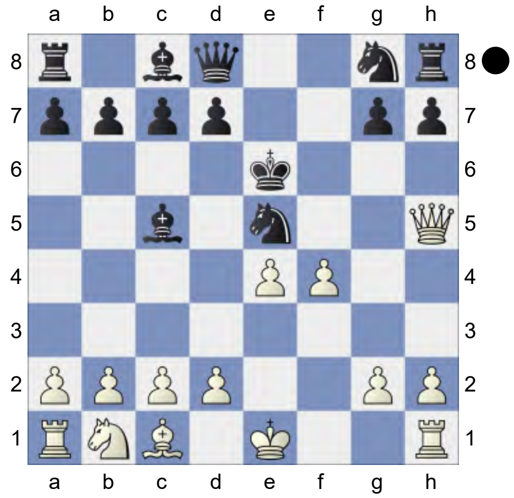
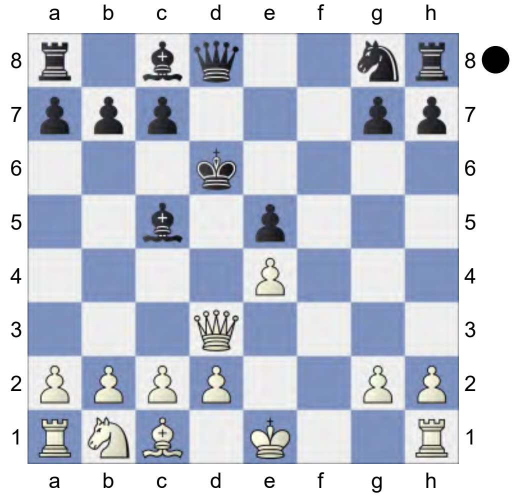
492 **C50**
☐ **Arisaaa** **2594**
■ **Kittinaa** **2584**
Blitz 21.11.2021
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.f4**



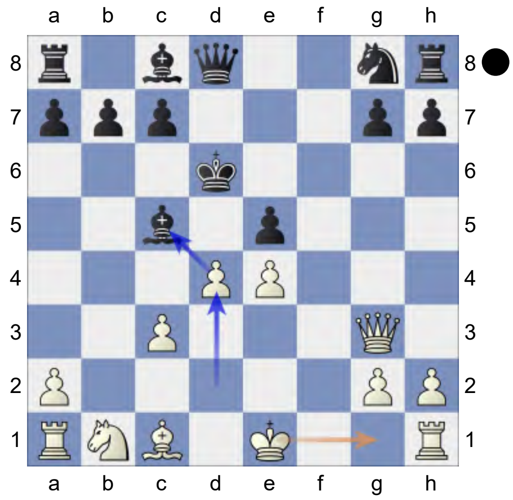
d6 8.fxe5 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...dxe5 9.Qh3+ Kd6 10.Qd3+**



Ke7! 11.Qg3 Kd6N 0.12/18

[11...Kf7-+ -3.00/18 and ...Nf6 should not be overlooked 12.Qxe5 Qh4+ *(12...Bd4 13.Rf1+ Nf6 14.Qh5+ Kg8* 22. Halloween,G-Jerome Gambit) 13.g3 Qe7 14.Qh5+ Kf8]

12.b4!= Bxb4 13.c3! Bc5 14.d4!



Black must now prevent 0-0!. **14...Qe7** 1.11/19 **15.dxc5+± Kc6 16.Nd2** 0.77/19 White is more active.

[White should play 16.c4 1.20/18]

16...Nf6 17.Nc4 Black cannot hold the game after this. **17...Nxe4?** 6.19/16

[17...Kxc5? 18.Ba3+ *(18.Nxe5 Kb6+-)* 18...Kxc4 19.Bxe7+-]

[17...b6± 1.12/18]

18.Nxe5++-

[Stronger than 18.Qxe5 Qh4+ *(18...Qxc5? loses. 19.Qxe4+ Kb5 20.Ba3+-)* 19.g3 Nxg3 20.Na5+ Kb5 21.c6+ Ka6∓]

18...Kd5 19.c4+ White mates. **19...Kxc5 20.Ba3+** Skewer **20...Kb6 21.Qb3+ Ka6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.83

22.Qb5#

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493 **C54**
☐ **Eljanov,Pavel** **2697**
■ **Blohberger,Felix** **2493**
Bundesliga 2223 (11.6) 19.03.2023
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d6 7.c3 Ne7 8.Nbd2 Ng6** 8...Be7 scores better than 8...Nbd7. 8...Le7 punktet besser als 8...Sbd7. **9.Re1 Bb6** The position is equal. **10.Bb3 c6**

[10...Nf4 11.d4 N6h5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Nc4 Qf6 14.Ncxe5 Bxh3 15.Bxf4 Qxf4 16.Nxf7 Qg3 17.N7g5+ Kh8 18.Nxh3 Nf4 19.Nxf4 Rxf4 20.Re3 Bxe3 21.fxe3 Rxe4 22.Qe1 Qg4 23.Rd1 h6 24.Rd4 Rae8 25.Bc2 QID 4 g3 Ba6 5 b3 (1496)-11.e5 de5 12.fe5 g5 (1756) Linz 2023 Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] 1-0 (54)]

11.Bc2N

[11.Nf1 Re8 *(11...d5 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Bxd5 Nf4 16.Be4 Bxh3 17.gxh3 Nxh3+ 18.Kg2 Nf4+ 19.Kh1 Bxf2 20.Re2 Nxe2 21.Qxe2 Bb6 22.Ng3 Qf4 23.Qg2 h5 24.Nxh5 Qh6 25.Qg5 Qxg5 26.Nxg5* Nguyen T Thanh,A (2732)-10. ♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2779) Khanty Mansiysk 2012 CBM 017 [Harding,Timothy David] 0-1 (38)*)* 12.Ng3 Be6 13.Bxe6 Rxe6 14.d4 d5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rxe5 17.Bf4 Re6 18.e5 Nd7 19.Nf5 Nc5 20.Nd4 Rg6 21.Be3 Ne4 22.Qh5 Qc7 23.Rad1 Re8 24.f4 f6 25.exf6 Nxf6 Grube,J (2777)-9.♘c5 (2617) San Diego 2017 200 Traps In The Opening [Kozlov] 1-0 (66)]

[11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 d5 13.e5 Nh5 14.Bc2 Nhf4 15.Nf1 f6 16.Bxf4 Nxf4 17.Ng3 fxe5 18.Rxe5 Bc7 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Ne2 Bxh3 21.gxh3 Nxh3+ 22.Kg2 Nxf2 23.Kxf2 Qh4+ 24.Kg2 Qg4+ 25.Kf2 Qh4+ Firouzja,A (2759)-Le,Q (2709) chess24.com (Int.-m2/2-rapid) 150/(133) 2021 [Tadic,Branko]]

11...Re8 12.d4 Bc7 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Nc4 **Be6N** **15.Qe2 h6 16.Qf1 Nh7 17.Ne3 Nf4 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Nf6 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.Rad1 Qc8 22.Qc4 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Qf8 24.Bb3 Re8 25.Rxe8 Qxe8 26.Qb4 b5 27.Qd4 Bb8 28.a4 Qe7 29.Qd3 a6 30.Kf1 Qd7**

[30...Bc7 is interesting. 31.Bc2 Bb6 32.b4 bxa4 33.Qxa6 Bxf2 34.Kxf2 Qe3+]

31.Qxd7 Nxd7= Endgame KBN-KBN **32.Nd4 Ne5 33.axb5 axb5 34.Bc2 Ba7** 0.63/24

[34...Kf8!= 0.14/25]

35.b4

[35.f6 seems wilder. b4 36.fxg7 Bb6 37.Nf5]

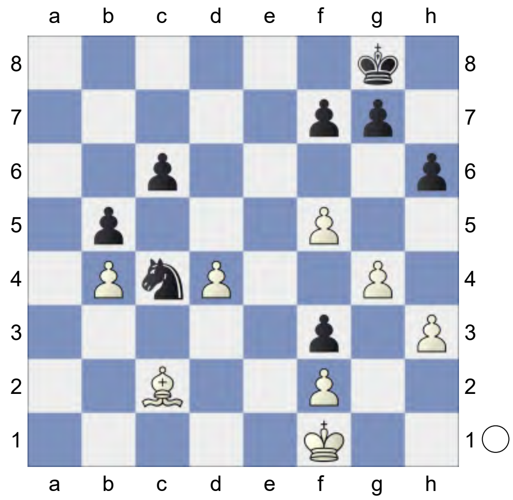
35...f3 0.89/27

[35...Bxd4± 0.37/27 36.cxd4 Nd7 37.Be4 Nb8 38.Ke2 Kf8 39.Kf3 Ke7 40.h4 *(40.Kxf4 Kd6)* 40...Kd6 41.Kg4 Nd7 *(41...Na6 42.Kh5)* 42.Kxf4 Nf6 43.g4 Nd7]

36.g4 Bxd4 37.cxd4± KB-KN **37...Nc4** 1.88/29

[37...Nd7± 1.08/30 38.Be4 Nb8 39.Bxf3 Kf8]

(Diagram)



38.Ke1!+- Nb6 2.32/29

[⌓38...Nd6 1.70/29 39.Bd1 Nb7 40.Bxf3 Nd8]

39.Be4 Nd5? 8.68/29

[39...h5 2.23/26 40.Bxc6 hxg4 41.hxg4 Kf8 42.Bxb5 Nd5]

40.Bxd5 cxd5 KP-KP **41.Kd2 Kf8 42.Ke3 Ke7 43.Kxf3 Kd7**

[43...g5 44.fxg6 fxg6 1-0 (49) Santos Latasa,J (2648)-Subelj,J (2468) Terme Catez 2022 45.Kf4 Ke6 *(45...Kf6 46.g5+ hxg5+ 47.Kg4)* 46.h4 Kd6 *(46...Kf6 47.g5+ hxg5+ 48.hxg5+ Ke6 49.Kg4 Kd6 50.f4 Ke6 51.f5+ gxf5+ 52.Kf4)* 47.h5 *(47.g5 h5)* 47...gxh5 48.g5 *(48.gxh5 Ke6)* 48...hxg5+ 49.Kxg5 Ke6 50.f4]

44.Kg3

[44.h4 Kd6 45.Kf4 f6 46.g5 h5]

44...Ke7 45.Kh4 g6 46.g5 h5 47.f4 Predecessor: **47...Kf8 48.fxg6 fxg6 49.f5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

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494 C54

☐ Yang,Kaiqi 2481

■ Quesada Perez,Yuniesky 2591

Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Jan Late bl..

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

The final rapid game of the four-game match between Wesley So and Praggnanandhaa. The score was tied at 1.5-1.5. A draw would mean that the match would be taken to the blitz format. But Wesley was determined to end the match in this game itself.

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.a4 h6 9.h3 Be6 The position is equal.

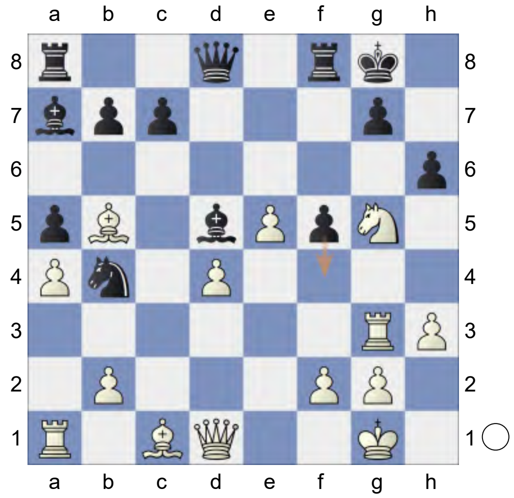
[9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Re8 15.Bd2 d5 16.exd5 Rxe1+ 17.Bxe1 Nxd5 18.Nb5 Bb6 19.Bxd5 Qxd5 20.Qxd5 cxd5 21.Ne2 Bd7 22.Nbd4 Re8 23.Kf1 Ne5 24.Bd2 ½-½ (48) 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5 1525 (2783)-Kuvaldin,V (2811) USSR 18/274 1974 (7)]

10.Bb5N

[10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Rxe3 Qe8 13.Nbd2 Nh5 14.g3 Qf7 15.Qe2 Rad8 16.Nh4 d5 17.Rf1 Nf6 18.Qd1 d4 19.cxd4 exd4 20.Ree1 g5 21.Ng2 Qh5 22.Qxh5 Nxh5 23.Nc4 Nf6 24.Rc1 Nd7 0-1 (58) Praggnanandhaa,R (2529)-So,W (2780) Leon 31st 2018 (1.4) 25.Na3 Nde5 26.Rfd1 Rd7 27.Nc4 Nf3+ 28.Kf1 Rdf7 29.Rc2 Kg7 30.Ne1 Nfe5 31.Nxe5 Nxe5 32.Rdc1 c5 33.Ra1 b6 34.Kg1 h5 35.Kg2 Kf6 36.Ra3 Ke7 37.Rb3 Nd7 38.Re2 Kd6 39.Nc2 Kc6 0-1 (58) Ronneland,D (2529)-Sudgen,J (2780) (ol) 55/626 Manila 1992 (1.4)]

10...Ba7 A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante. **11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4** Hoping for d5. **12...d5 13.e5 Ne4 14.Nc3 Bf5N**

[14...Nb4 1.04/23 14...Bf5 0.09 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Rxe4 Bd5 17.Rg4 f5 18.Rg3 Kh7 1.38/21 (*⌓18...f4 0.94/22 19.Rg4 c6*) 19.Ng5+ 0.59/21 (*19.Bd2!± 1.38/21*) 19...Kg8!±



and ...f4! should not be overlooked 20.Qh5 -0.01/25 (*20.Bf4!± 0.68/23*) 20...Qe7? 2.63/21 0-1 (49) Li Chen,H (1762)-Stoll,L (2006) EU-ch U14 Girls 31st 2023 (6) (*20...f4= -0.01/25 21.Qg6 hxg5 22.Rxg5 Qe7*)]

15.Be3 Nb4 16.Rc1 -0.63/22

[16.Na2!= 0.00/18]

16...c6∓ 17.Bf1 Qe7 18.Ne2 Rae8 Black is much more active. **19.Nf4 Bb8** -0.01/20

[19...f6∓ -0.46/20]

White is on the road to losing. **20.Nd2?** -1.71/23

[20.Nh5!= -0.01/20 and White stays safe.]

20...Nxd2 -1.26/24

[20...f6-+ -1.71/23 21.Nxe4 Bxe4]

21.Bxd2∓ f6 22.Bc3? -3.23/21

[22.exf6∓ -1.18/21 Qxf6 23.Rxe8 Rxe8 24.g3]

22...fxe5-+ 23.dxe5 Qg5 24.Nh5 -4.33/21

[24.g3 -2.42/20 Ba7 25.Qf3]

24...Bxh3 25.Ng3? -5.81/25

[25.Bd2 -3.46/22 was called for. Qg4 26.Ng3 Rxf2 27.Qxg4 Rxf1+ 28.Rxf1 Bxg4 29.Rf4]

25...Bg4 26.Qd4 h5 27.Bxb4 -7.46/21

[⌓27.Bd2 -4.03/20 Qg6 (*27...Bxe5? 28.Qxd5+ Nxd5 29.Bxg5-+*) 28.Re3]

27...axb4 28.Qxb4 h4 29.Nh1 Ba7 -4.11/23

[⌓29...Bxe5 -8.31/22 30.a5 Bf3]

30.Qc3 -8.76/22

[⌓30.Qxb7 -4.11/23 Re7 31.Qxc6]

30...Bf3 31.g3 Bxh1 -14.16/20

[⌓31...hxg3 -#13/25 32.Re2 gxf2+ 33.Kh2 Qg1+ 34.Kh3 Bg4+ (*34...Bxh1? 35.Re3-+*) 35.Kh4 g5+ Decoy (*35...Qxh1+? 36.Bh3-+*) 36.Kxg5 Rf5+ 37.Kh6 Re6#]

32.Kxh1 Rxf2 33.Bh3 hxg3 34.e6 Weighted Error Value: White=1.18/Black=0.74 **34...Rh2#**

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495 **C54**

☐ **Domingo Nunez,Ruben** **2429**

■ **Vitiugov,Nikita** **2670**

Karlsruhe Grenke op (4) 19.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.h3 a6 8.Bb3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Nbd2N White has an edge.

[10.Bc2 Ba7 11.Nbd2 d5 12.exd5 Qxd5 13.Qe2 Bf5 14.Ne4 Qd8

15.Ng3 Bh7 16.Nh4 Ne4 17.dxe4 Qxh4 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Rad8 20.b4 Qg5 21.Nf1 Re6 22.Bb3 Red6 23.Qxg5 hxg5 24.f3 Rd3 0-1 (62) Brunello,S-Piorun,K 58: Gjakova 2016 25.Rac1 a5 26.b5 Na7 27.Ne3 Kf8 28.a4 f6 29.Bd5 Rb8 30.Kf1 c6 31.Bc4 Rdd8 32.b6 Nc8 33.Rb1 Ke7 34.Be2 Nd6 35.Red1 Bg8 36.c4 c5 37.Ke1 Be6 38.Rb2 g6 39.Nd5+ Kf7 ½-½ (62) Cary,A (2340)-Zurek,M (2252) CUB corr Cuba 1993 (6.1) 40.Kf2 Rbc8 41.Nc7 Ke7 42.Rc1 f5 43.Ke3 Bd7 44.Bd3 Bc6 45.Rbc2 Kf6 46.Nb5 Ne8 47.Rb2 Rd7 48.Nc3 Ng7 49.Nd5+ Kf7 50.Ra2 Rd6 51.Rb2 Bd7 52.Ra2 f4+ 53.Kd2 Ne6 54.Kc3 Nd4 ½-½ (62) Brunello,M (2340)-Terbe,J (2252) Mitropa Cup (Women) 2023 (6.1)]

10...Be6 11.Bxe6 11.Bc2 is the modern continuation.11.Lc2 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **11...Rxe6 12.Nb3 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a5 15.a4 Qe7 16.Nh4N**

[16.Nbd2 d5 17.Qb3 Rd8 18.Ree1 b6 19.Qb5 d4 20.Rec1 dxc3 21.bxc3 Qd7 22.Ne1 Nb8 0.02/20 *(22...Ne8∓* -0.36/21 is more appropriate.*)* 23.Qb2 -0.52/22 0-1 (62) Nemeth,M (2487)-Vetoshko,V (2497) HUN-chT 1920 2019 (5.6) *(23.Rd1=* 0.02/20 *)*]

16...g6 17.Nf5 Double Attack **17...Qf8**

[17...gxf5? 18.exf5 Rd8 19.fxe6+-]

18.Rg3 d5 19.Qc2 Rd8 20.Ne3 b6 21.Re1 Ne7 22.exd5 Nexd5 23.Nxd5 Nxd5 24.d4 Rde8 25.dxe5 Rxe5 26.Rxe5 Rxe5 27.Qd2 and f4 should not be overlooked **27...Nf6 28.Re3 Rd5 29.Rd3 Rxd3 30.Qxd3∓** Endgame KQN-KQN **30...Qe8 31.Qd4 Kg7 32.Kf1?** -2.51/26

[32.Kh2!∓ -0.59/26]

32...c5-+ 33.Qc4 Ne4 -1.22/25

[33...Qd8-+ -1.70/25 34.Ke1 Qe7+ 35.Qe2 Qb7 *(35...Qd7 36.Qb5∓)*]

34.Kg1? -2.84/24

[34.f3∓ -1.22/25 was the only defense. Ng3+ 35.Kf2]

34...h5 35.h4 -3.56/27

[⌓35.Qa6 -2.31/24 Qe6 *(35...Qxa4 36.Qxb6 Qc4 37.f3=)* 36.Qe2]

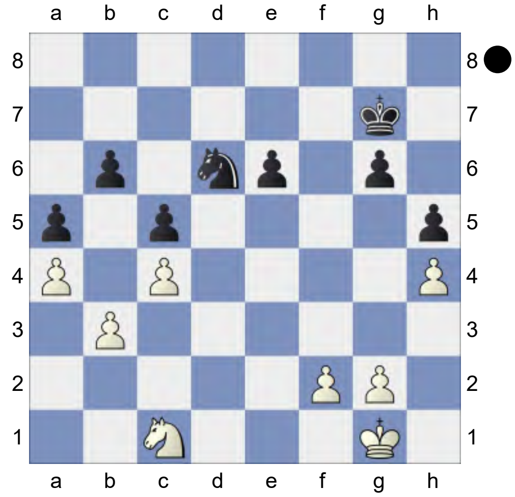
35...Qe5 -1.90/25

[⌓35...Nf6 -3.56/27 36.Kf1 Qd8]

36.Qe2 Qd5 Prevents Nd2. **37.c4 Qe6 38.Nc1** -2.22/25

[38.Qc2∓ -1.22/26 is a better defense.]

38...Nd6! 39.Qxe6 fxe6 KN-KN **40.b3**



Kf6! Black is clearly winning. **41.g3** -8.03/26

[⌓41.Nd3 -4.55/25 Nf5 42.f4]

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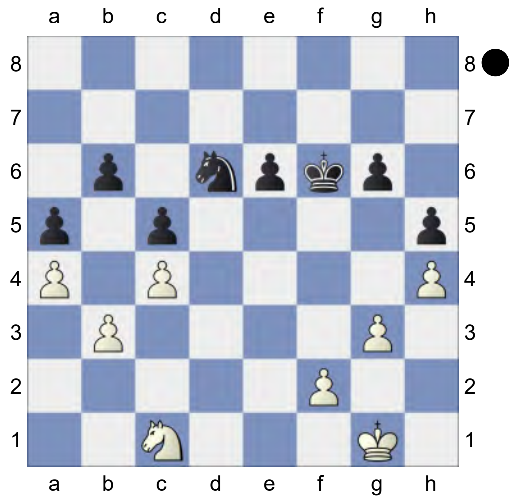

41...Ke5! 42.f3 Kd4 43.Kf2 Kc3 44.Ne2+ Kxb3 45.Nf4 Kxa4

[45...Kxc4 46.Ke2-+]

46.Nxg6 Kb3 Strongly threatening ... a4!. **47.g4 a4**

[47...Nxc4? 48.gxh5 Nd6 49.h6-+]

48.Ne5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/ Black=0.09 (flawless)

48...a3

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496 **C50**

☐ **bigskytek** **2550**

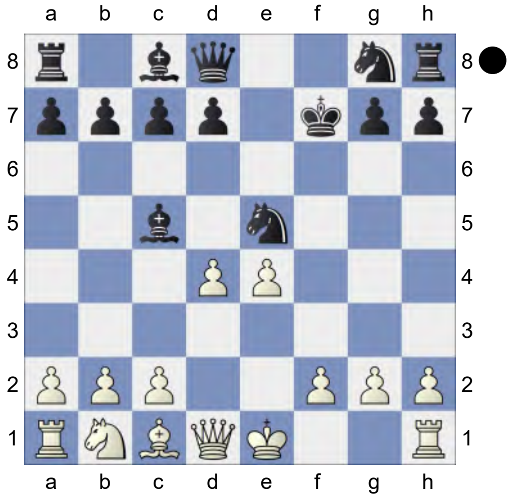
■ **ferdinand122** **2586**

Rapid 06.01.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Bxd4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S. 00008 1997 (6)]

7.Qxd4 d6 8.Nc3 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.0-0 Re8 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.Rad1 Kg8 13.f4 Nc6** -1.26/15

[13...Ng4-+ -2.86/17 and Black stays clearly on top. and ...Be6 would now be decisive 14.a4 Qxd4+ 15.Rxd4 Be6]

14.Qxf6∓ gxf6 15.Nd5 Kf7 0.27/19

[15...Rxe4? 16.Nxf6+ Kg7 17.Nxe4+-]

[15...Rd8!∓ -1.19/21 16.Nxc7 Rb8]

16.Nxc7= Bg4! 17.Rxd6 -0.81/19

[17.Rd2= 0.27/22 remains equal.]

17...Red8∓ 18.Rxc6 bxc6 19.Nxa8 Rxa8 Endgame KRB-KR **20.h3 Be6** -0.42/24

[20...Bd7!∓ -0.78/22]

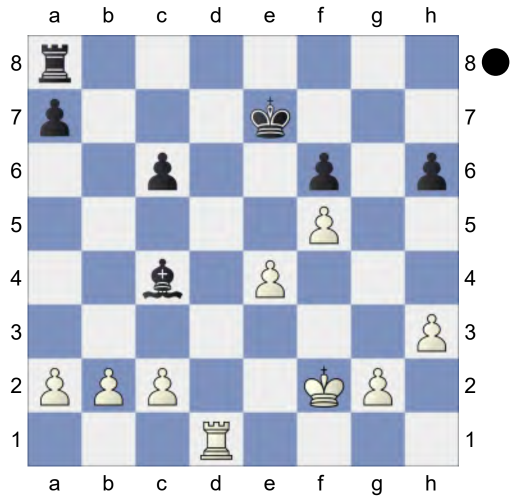
21.f5∓ Bc4

[21...Bxa2?! 22.b3±]

22.Rd1 Ke7

[22...Bxa2 23.b3±]

23.Kf2

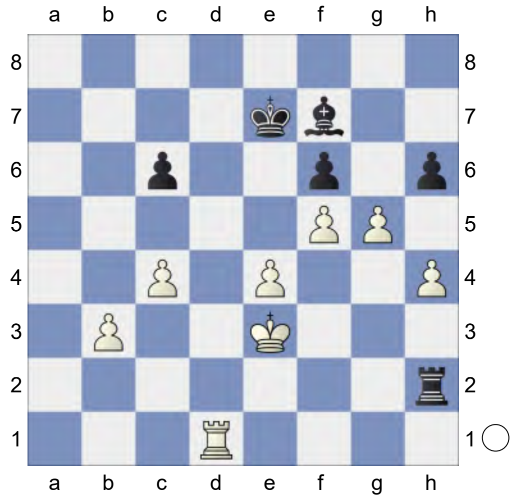


a5 0.00/27

[Black should play 23...Rd8!∓ -1.11/21 24.Rxd8 Kxd8]

24.b3= Bf7 25.Ke3 a4 26.Kf4 Ra5 27.g4 axb3 28.axb3 Rc5 29.c4 Ra5 Prevents Ra1. **30.h4 Ra2 31.g5** and g6 should not be overlooked. White has compensation. **31...Rf2+ 32.Ke3 Rh2** 0.96/22

[32...Rb2⩲ 0.59/21 should be considered.]



33.g6!±

[33.gxh6? Rxh4 34.Kd4 Rxh6∓]

Black cannot hold the game after this. **33...Bg8** 5.07/22

[33...Be8± 0.88/19 is tougher.]

34.Ra1+- White is clearly winning. **34...Rh3+ 35.Kd4 Rxb3 36.Ra8 Bxc4 37.Kxc4** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **37...Rg3 38.Kc5 Rc3+ 39.Kb6 Rg3 40.Kxc6 h5 41.Ra7+ Kf8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) / Black=0.92 **42.Kd6**

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497 **C50**

☐ **mariana_salaru7** **2639**

■ **retardedplatypus123** **2572**

Blitz 09.03.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]

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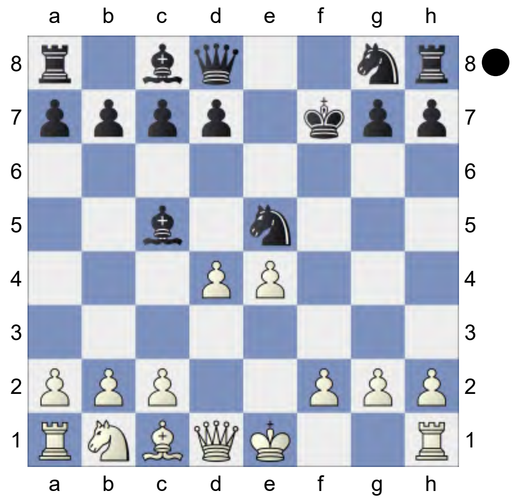
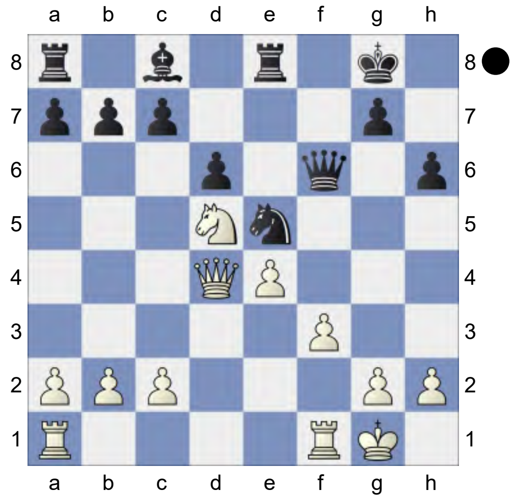


6...Bxd4N

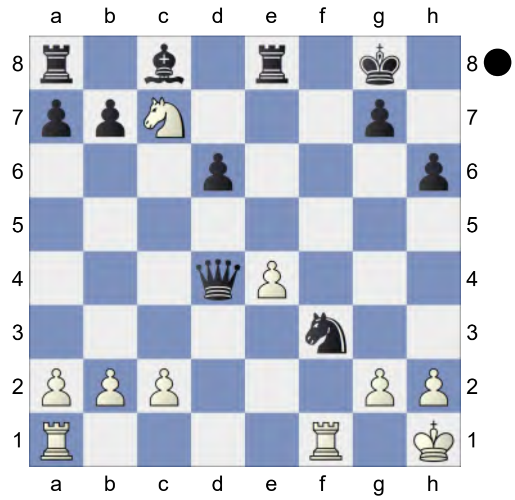
[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S. 00008 1997 (6)]

7.Qxd4 d6 8.f3 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.0-0 Re8 10.Nc3 Kg8 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.Nd5?** -8.62/23

[13.Rad1 -3.19/18]



13...Nxf3+!-+ Discovered Attack, Double Attack **14.Kh1 Qxd4 15.Nxc7**



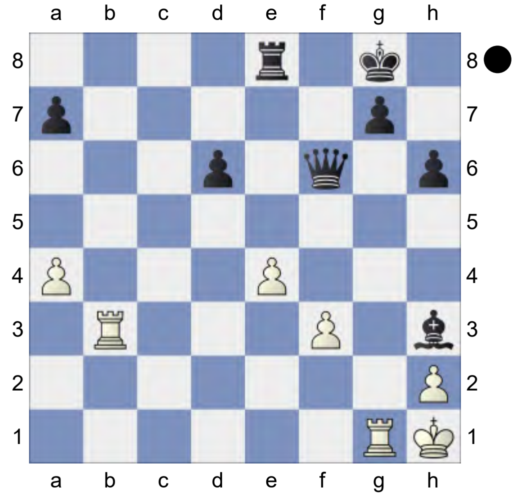
Bg4! And now ...Qxe4! would win. **16.gxf3**

[16.h3 Qe5]

16...Bh3 17.Rg1 Qxb2 18.Nxe8 Rxe8 19.Rab1 Qxc2 (→ ...Rc8) **20.Rxb7 Qc3** -10.97/21

[⌓20...g5 -#10/23 21.Rbb1 Qxa2 *(21...Bg2+ 22.Rxg2 Qxb1+ 23.Rg1 Qd3 24.Rc1 Qxf3+ 25.Kg1 Rf8 26.Rb1 Qg4+ 27.Kh1 Qxe4+ 28.Kg1 Qxb1+ 29.Kg2 Qf1+ 30.Kg3 Qf3#)* 22.Ra1 Qb2 *(22...Bg2+? 23.Rxg2 Qxa1+ 24.Rg1-+)* 23.Rxa7 Qf2 24.Ra3 Rc8 25.Rb3 Bg2+ Deflection, Back Rank 26.Rxg2 Rc1+ 27.Rg1 Rxg1#]

21.Rb3 Qf6 (→ ...Qf4) **22.a4**



d5! -13.45/19 **23.f4**

[23.Rg3 dxe4]

23...Be6 -11.57/20

[⌓23...Qxf4 -#10/17 24.Rxh3 Qxe4+ *(24...dxe4? 25.Kg2-+)* 25.Rg2 Rc8 *(25...Qxa4? 26.Rf2-+)* 26.Rc3 Rxc3 27.h3 Rxh3+ 28.Kg1 Qe1#]

24.f5 Bf7 25.Rb5 dxe4 (→ ...e3) **26.Rgb1 e3** Black mates. **27.Kg1 e2 28.Kf2 Qh4+ 29.Kg2 e1Q 30.Rxe1 Qxe1 31.f6 Re2+ 32.Kf3** Weighted Error Value: White=1.66/Black=0.96 **32...Qf2+**

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498 **C50**

☐ **JohnathanConstantine** **2521**

■ **ht101** **2574**

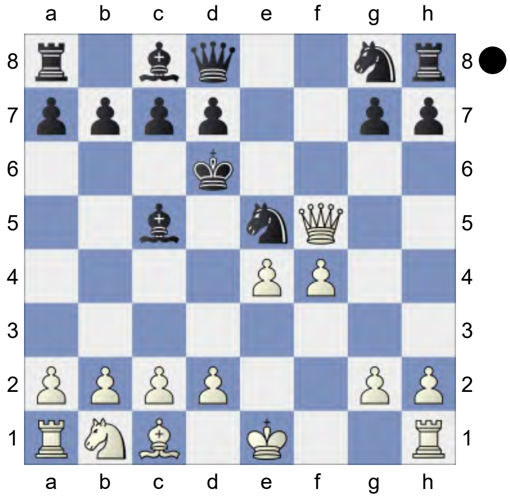
Blitz 21.01.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ke6**

[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr Australia 2004]

7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4



Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Qf6 9.Qxe5+N**

[9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.Bf4 *(13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.g4 Be6 23.0-0-0 Rf3* Jerome,A-Charles,S corr_167204 1881 *)* 13...Qh5 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Jerome Gambit]

9...Qxe5 10.fxe5+ Kxe5 11.b4 Bd4

[11...Bxb4? 12.Bb2+ Kxe4 13.Bxg7+-]

12.c3 Bb6 13.d4+ Kxe4 -1.42/19

[Black should try 13...Ke6-+ -2.40/18 14.0-0 Nf6]

14.0-0∓ Kd5 -1.08/23

[⌓14...Nf6 -1.45/22 15.Nd2+ Kd5 16.c4+ Kd6 *(16...Kxd4 17.c5∓)*]

15.Rf8 Ke6! 16.Bg5

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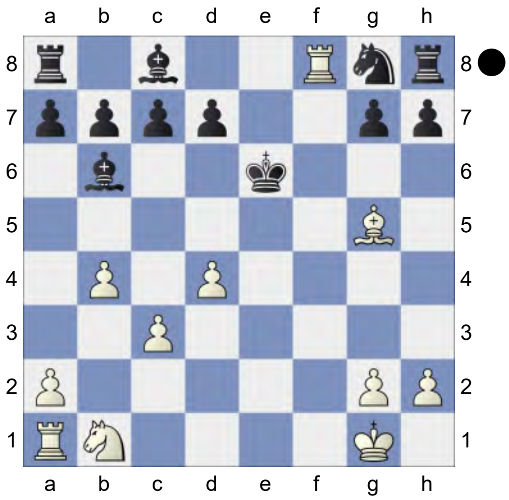


h6! 17.Bd8 c6? 1.65/22

[17...d6∓ -0.97/18 White must now prevent ...c6. 18.Nd2 Bd7 19.Re1+ Kd5 20.c4+ Kxd4]

18.Nd2+- Bxd8 19.Re1+ Kd6 20.Rxd8 Kc7 21.Ree8 White has strong compensation. White has more active pieces. **21...b5** 2.22/20

[21...b6 1.63/18 was called for. 22.c4 *(22.Rxg8 Rxg8 23.Rxg8 a5=)* 22...h5 *(22...a5 23.bxa5* Overworked Piece *bxa5 24.c5±)*]

22.Nb3 1.23/19

[22.Rxg8 Rxg8 23.Rxg8 a5=]

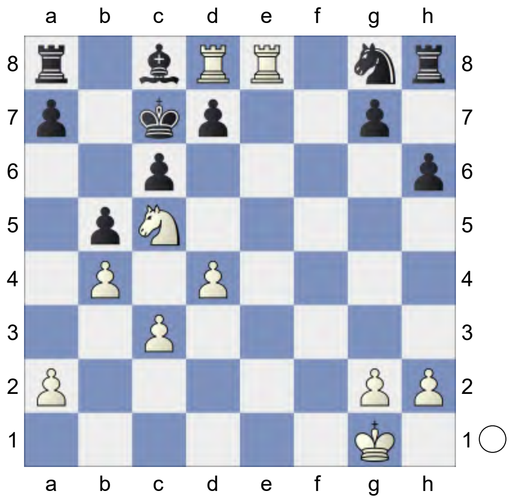
[White should try 22.h4+- 2.22/20]

22...Rb8 2.34/22 **23.Nc5**

[23.Rxg8?! Rxg8 24.Rxg8 g5]

23...Ra8

(Diagram)



24.h4!

[24.Rxg8 Rxg8 25.Rxg8 a5=]

24...d6 25.d5 dxc5 2.64/18

[⌓25...a6 1.65/19 26.Nb3 *(26.Rxg8? Rxg8 27.Rxg8 dxc5-+)* 26...cxd5]

26.d6+ Kb6? 4.63/25

[26...Kb7 2.46/20]

27.h5

[27.d7? Bxd7 28.Rxa8 Bxe8 29.Rxe8 cxb4 30.cxb4 h5-+]

27...cxb4 28.cxb4 c5 29.Rxc8

[29.Rxg8 Rxg8 30.Rxg8 Kb7 *(30...cxb4? 31.d7-+; 30...Kc6? 31.bxc5 a5 32.g4-+)* 31.Rxg7+ Kc6 32.bxc5 Bd7-+ *(32...Kxc5 33.d7∓)*]

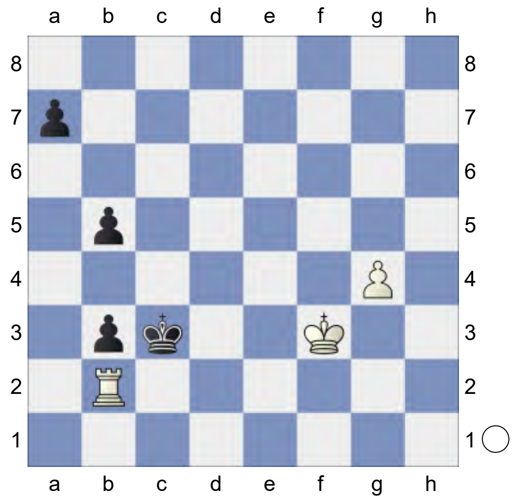
[29.d7 Bxd7 *(29...cxb4? 30.Rxc8+-)* 30.bxc5+ Kxc5 31.Rxa8 Bxe8 32.Rxe8 Kb4-+]

29...Rxc8 30.Rxc8 cxb4 Endgame KRN-KR **31.d7 Nf6 32.Rxh8 Nxd7** KR-KN **33.Rg8 Nf6 34.Rxg7** aiming for Rg6. **34...Nxh5 35.Rh7 Nf4 36.Rxh6+ Kc5 37.Ra6 Ne2+ 38.Kf2 Nc3 39.g4 Kc4 40.Kf3 Nxa2 41.Rxa2** KR-K3P **41...b3 42.Rb2**

[42.Rxa7? b2 43.Rf7 *(43.Rc7+? Kb3-+)* 43...b1Q-+ *(43...b1B?* perishes. *44.Ke3+-)*]

42...Kc3

(Diagram)



43.Rxb3+!! Kxb3 KPP-KP. Black is a pawn up.

[43...Kc4 44.Rb1]

44.g5 Kc2 45.g6 White threatens g7 and mate. **45...b4 46.g7** White mates. **46...b3 47.g8Q**

[47.g8R b2 48.Rc8+ Kb3=]

47...b2 48.Qh7+ Kc1 49.Qh1+

[49.Qxa7 b1Q=]

49...Kc2 50.Qg2+ Kb3 51.Qg8+ Kc2 52.Qg6+ Kc1 53.Qg1+ Kc2 54.Qf2+

[54.Qxa7 b1Q=]

54...Kc3 55.Qe3+

[55.Qxa7 b1Q=]

55...Kc2 56.Qe2+

[56.Qxa7 b1Q=]

56...Kc3 57.Qe1+ Kc2 58.Qe2+ Kc3 59.Qe3+ Kc2 60.Qe4+

[Stronger than 60.Qxa7 b1Q=]

60...Kc1 61.Qe1+ Kc2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) / Black=0.75 **62.Qe2+?** 0.00/73 Normal

[62.Qe4+ #20/21 mates Kc3 63.Qb1 Kd4 64.Qxb2+ Kd5 65.Qb4 Ke5 66.Qc5+ Ke6 67.Ke4 *(67.Qxa7 Kd6 68.Qa5 Ke6 69.Kf4 Kf6 70.Qe5+ Kf7 71.Kg5 Kg8 72.Kf6 Kh7 73.Qc7+ Kh8 74.Qg7#)*]

½-½

499 C50
☐ Anton Guijarro,David 2655
■ Sadzikowski,Daniel 2503
CZE-chT 2223 (11.4) 26.03.2023
[Mon Hokmomw]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.a4N**

[6.c3 d6

A) 7.Re1 a5 8.Nbd2 0-0

A1) 9.h3 Be6 10.Bb5 Qb8

A1a) 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Bb6 14.Nf1 *(14.a4 Re8 15.Ra3 d5 16.e5 Nd7 17.Nf1 c5 18.Ng3 cxd4 19.Nh5 c5 20.Qd2 Bf5 21.Nxg7 Kxg7 22.Qxh6+ Kg8 23.Nh4 Nxe5 24.Bf4 Nf3+ 25.Rxf3 Rxe1+ 26.Kh2 Qf8 27.Qxb6 Re6 28.Rg3+ Kh7* 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2627)-E. Schunk (2606) Ohrid 2022 The Week in Chess 354 [John Watson] ½-½ (82) *)* 14...d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.N1d2 Nxd2 17.Bxd2 c5 18.Qc1 cxd4 19.Bxh6 gxh6 20.Qxh6 Qd8 21.g4 f6 22.g5 Qd7 23.gxf6 Qh7 24.Qxh7+ Kxh7 25.Ng5+ Kg6 8.♗h4 g6 9.f4 e5 (2628)-Neumann,J (2637) Tilburg 2022 ICCF 2019 [John Watson] 1-0 (35);

A1b) 11.Nf1 Qa7 12.Re2 a4 13.Ng3 Qa5 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.d4 Bb6 16.Be3 Rfe8 17.Qd2 exd4 18.Bxh6 dxc3 19.bxc3 Nh5 20.Bf4 Bogner,S (2588)-Anton Guijarro,D (2647) Batumi 2018 [Milanovic,Danilo];

A2) 9.Nf1 a4 10.Ng3 Ra5 11.d4 Bb6 12.h3 exd4 13.cxd4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4 d5 15.Bd2 Ra8 16.Bxh6 dxc4 17.Bg5 f6 18.Qc2 fxg5 19.Nexg5 Bf5 20.Qxc4+ Kh8 21.Nf7+ Rxf7 8... ♘bd7 (2698)-Skara,M (2631) Imperatriz 2023 Inf 94 [John Watson] 1-0 (98);

B) 7.Nbd2 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Bb3 0-0 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 Nc6 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Re1 Nh5 14.Nf1 Qf6 15.Be3 Nf4 16.Bxf4 Qxf4 17.Ne3 Ne7 18.Qe2 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Qxe3 20.Rxe3 Ng6 16.Qd3 (2260)-Wahltuch,V (2458) Yerevan ARM 2023 The Week in Chess 273 [John Watson] 0-1 (58)]

6...a5 now supersedes 6...d6. löst 6...d6 inzwischen ab. **7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3** The position is equal. **8...d5N** 0.43/23

[Predecessor: 8...0-0

A) 9.Nbd2± 0.41/22 is more appropriate. d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Qe2 Be6 12.Rae1 Qe7 13.c3 Nb6 14.Bb5 Bg4 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Bg6 17.d4 exd4 18.exd4 Qxe2 19.Rxe2 Na7 20.Ne5 Bh7 *(RR 20...Nxb5 21.Nxg6 fxg6 22.axb5)* 21.Bd3 Bxd3 22.Nxd3 Nxa4 23.Nb3 Nepomniachtchi,I (2771)-So,W (2752) Saint Louis 2023 Mega2024 Update 03 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (40) *(RR 23.Re7)*;

B) 9.Nc3 0.10/21 9...d6= 10.d4 Bg4 11.Qd2 Bh5 12.Qf2 Ng4 0.32/24 *(12...Bg6= 0.01/21)* 13.Qe1!± Nb4 14.Bb3 Kh8 1-0 (56) Svidler,P (2714)-Le,Q (2709) Saint Louis 2021]

[8...d6= 0.12/23]

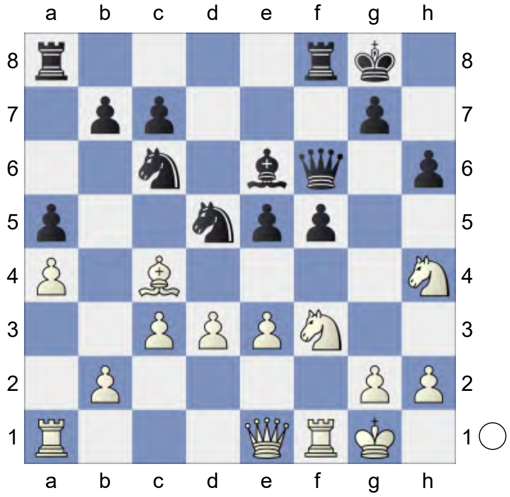
9.exd5± Nxd5 10.Qe1 0-0 11.Nbd2 Be6 12.c3 f5 0.63/24

[12...Rb8= 0.21/20]

13.Nh4 Qg5 1.25/24 White now steadily converts the win.

[13...Qd7± 0.59/24]

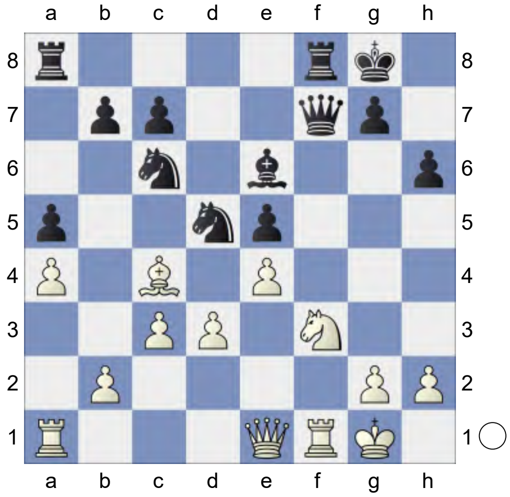
14.Ndf3± Qf6



15.Nxf5 Qxf5

[15...Rae8 16.e4]

16.e4 Qf7



White must now prevent ...Nd5-f4. **17.Ng5! Qxf1+ 18.Qxf1** Really sharp! **18...Rxf1+ 19.Rxf1 hxg5 20.exd5 Bf7**

[20...b5? 21.axb5 Bf7 22.dxc6 Bxc4 23.dxc4+-]

21.dxc6 Bxc4 22.cxb7 Rb8 23.dxc4 Threatens to win with b2-b4. **23...Rxb7** Endgame KR-KR **24.Rf5 Rxb2**

25.Rxe5 g4 1.93/26

[25...Rb1+± 1.60/24 26.Kf2 Rb2+ 27.Kf1 Rb1+ 28.Kf2 Rb2+ 29.Kf3 Rc2]

26.Rxa5+- Ra2 27.Rg5 Rxa4 28.Rxg4 Kf7 29.Kf2 Kf6 1.84/24

[29...Ra3± 1.40/26 30.Rg5 Rxc3]

30.Ke3 c5 3.02/27

[⌓30...g5 1.89/24 31.Kd4 Ra6]

31.h4 g6? 6.05/30

[31...g5 3.20/25 32.hxg5+ *(32.Rxg5 Rxc4 33.g4 Rxc3+ 34.Kf4 Rc4+ 35.Kg3 Rc3+ 36.Kf4 Rc4+ 37.Kf3 Rc3+ 38.Kg2 Rc2+ 39.Kh3 Rc3+ 40.Kh2 Rc2+ 41.Kh3 Rc3+ 42.Kg2 Rc2+ 43.Kh3±)* 32...Kg6]

32.g3 White is clearly winning. **32...Ra1 33.Rg5 Re1+ 34.Kd3 Rg1 35.Ke4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.29 (precise)

1-0

500 **C54**

☐ **Shubin,Kirill** **2442**

■ **Sjugirov,Sanan** **2627**

RUS-chT 32nd (1.2) 26.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 a6 10.a4 Ba7 The position is equal. **11.Nbd2 Nh7N** 11...Kg7 is more fashionable.11...Kg7 ist modischer.

[11...Kh8 with more complications. 12.b4 g4 13.Bh4 gxf3 14.Qxf3 Kg7]

[11...Kg7 12.b4 *(12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1 Nd3 26.h4 Nxe1* 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5)*)* 12...g4 13.Bh4 Ne7 14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Kh1 d5 17.Bb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 Ng8 19.g3 Qd3 20.Qe1 Rd8 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Rd1 Qxd1 23.Bxd1 Bxc4 24.Nf5+ Kh7 25.Be2 Be6 26.Bxg4 (28) Chapter C50-Games Chapter C50 Game 2 Nf6 27.Qe2 Nxe4 28.Ne7 1-0 13.♗f4 ♗f5 (2629)-Arbakov,V (2619) Deutschland 60/178 1994]

[11...Ne7 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne8 16.Bd3 Nf5 17.Bxf5 Bxf5 18.f4 Ng7 19.Rc1 Ne6 20.Nb3 Kh7 21.Rc3 c6 22.Re3 ½-½ Blahynka,M (1890)-Sharevich,A (2026) WchT U26 01 prel-4 1978 (3.2)]

[11...Be6 12.Re1 Qd7 13.b4 Ne7 14.d4 Ng6 15.h3 Bxc4 16.Nxc4 g4 17.Nh4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rae8 19.Nf5 h5 20.hxg4 Nxe4 21.Nce3 Nxg3 22.fxg3 Ne7 23.gxh5 Nxf5 24.Qg4+ Kh7 25.Qxf5+ Qxf5 26.Nxf5 1-0 (34) Hetenyi,G (2581)-Enoch (2545) chess.com (Int.-blitz) 146/(21) 2020 (3)]

12.Kh1 Kh8 13.b4 h5 14.h3 h4 15.Bh2 g4 16.hxg4 Bxg4 17.Qe1 -0.87/20

[17.b5= 0.18/20 keeps the balance. Na5 18.bxa6]

17...h3N 0.93/20

[17...f5? 1.24/21 17...Qf6 -0.94 18.b5 Na5? 2.79/20 *(18...Ne7± 1.18/21)* 19.Nxe5+- dxe5? 5.36/20 *(19...Bh5 2.39/18 was worth a try.)* 20.Bxe5++- Nf6 21.f3 Nxc4 22.Nxc4 Bh5 23.Qxh4 Kg7 7.76/19 1-0 (31)

Mendonca,L (2608)-Yilmaz,M (2665)
Tata Steel-B 86th 2024 (11)

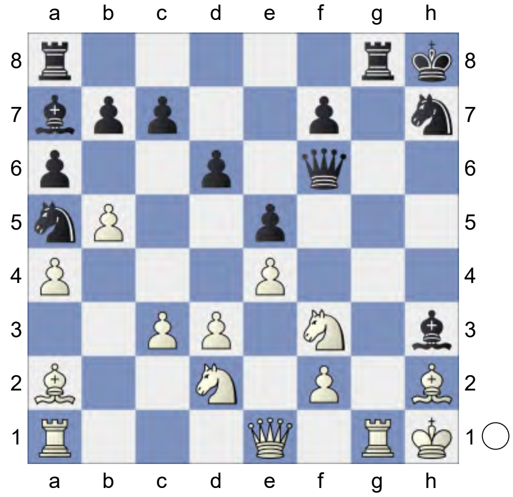
(⌓23...Kg8 4.15/19 24.bxa6 bxa6)]

[17...Qf6!∓ -0.87/20 and life is bright.]

18.gxh3 Bxh3 19.Rg1 Qf6 20.b5! Na5 21.Ba2 d4! is the strong threat.

[21.bxa6? Nxc4 22.dxc4 bxa6-+]

21...Rg8



22.d4! -0.16/23 **Rxg1+= 23.Nxg1 Bg4 24.f3 Be6 25.Bxe6 Qxe6 26.dxe5 dxe5 27.Qg3 f6 28.f4! Rg8 29.Qf3 exf4 30.Qxf4 Nc4↑** White is under pressure. **31.Nxc4 Qxc4 32.Qf3 axb5 33.axb5 Bxg1 34.Rxg1 Rxg1+ 35.Bxg1**

[35.Kxg1!? Qxb5 36.e5=]

35...Qxb5 Endgame Hoping for ...Kg7. KQB-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **36.Qg4 Ng5 37.Qc8+?** -2.96/27

[37.Bd4∓ -0.75/24 Qb1+ 38.Kg2 Qc2+ *(38...Qxe4+ 39.Qxe4 Nxe4 40.Kf3∓; 38...Nxe4 39.Qf5∓)* 39.Kg3 Qd3+ *(39...Nxe4+ 40.Kf4=)* 40.Kh4 Nxe4 *(40...Qxe4 41.Bxf6+ Kh7 42.Bxg5+-)* 41.Qc8+ Kh7 42.Qxc7+ Kg6 43.Qb8]

37...Kg7 38.Qxc7+ Kg6 39.Qc8 -3.69/26

[⌓39.Qe7 -2.26/24]

39...Qf1? -0.73/26

[39...Nxe4-+ -3.69/26 is more deadly. 40.Qg8+ Kf5 41.Qh7+ Kf4 42.Qh6+ Kg4 43.Qg6+ Ng5]

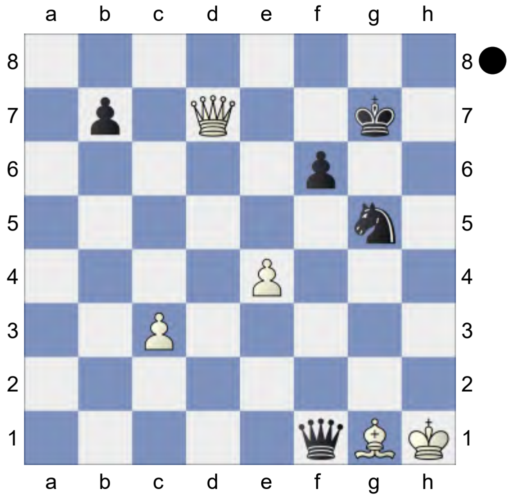
40.Qe8+∓ Kh6 -0.36/24 Black is more active.

[40...Kg7∓ -0.79/29 (-> ...Qf3+) 41.Qd7+ Kh6]

41.Qh8+∓ Kg6 0.01/23

[Black should try 41...Nh7∓ -0.49/26]

42.Qe8+= Kg7! 43.Qd7+



Kh6! 44.Qg4 -4.10/26

[44.Qf5∓ -0.74/28 Qxf5 45.exf5]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.26 (precise)

44...Qe1

0-1

501 **C51**
☐ **ProteusSF-Open** **2998**
■ **admete_bot** **2320**
Rapid 07.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Sokolov,I: 'Inf 91/283' Lukacs: 'LesEchecs.com: 'C50: Partie italienne (gambit Evans refusé) "

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 0.59/23

[5...Ba5= -0.21/23]

6.0-0± White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.d4! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4?! 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Re1 Nxc4 10.Rxe4+ Be7 11.Rxc4±]

8.Re1 White is slightly better. **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ Short,N (2712)-Sokolov,I (2690) Sarajevo Bosnia 34th 2004 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.Bd3 Rb8N

[11...Na5 12.Qc2 *(12.Qa4 b6 13.Nf1 Bb7 14.Ng3 Qf8 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.f4 Ree8 18.e5 d6 19.Ba3 Bc6 20.Qd1 Nd7 21.Qg4 Nb7 22.Nf5 Kh8 23.Re3 Nbc5 24.Rae1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Re6 26.Qh4 Rg6* 1-0 Felgaer,R (2593)-Harikrishna,P (2646) Dos Hermanas-A 2005 (4) *)* 12...b6 13.Rb1 Bb7]

[11...b6 12.Nc4 #4 1) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit: 4...Bxb4]

12.Rb1 0.09/23

[12.a4± 0.58/23]

12...b5= 13.Qd1 a6 0.63/23

[13...Ba6= 0.16/23]

14.a4± Qd8 15.h3 0.25/25

[15.axb5± 0.67/26 is more appropriate. axb5 16.Bxb5]

15...Bb7 1.59/26

[15...exd4= 0.25/25 16.cxd4 Nb4]

16.axb5± axb5 17.Rxb5

[17.Bxb5 exd4 18.cxd4 Nb4±]

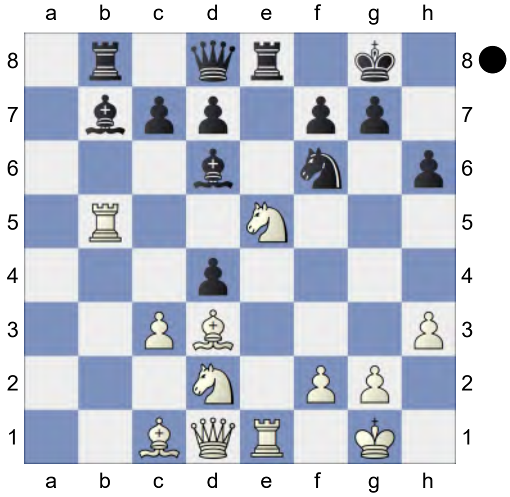
17...exd4 2.26/26

[17...Ba6± 1.39/23 18.Rxb8 Discovered Attack Nxb8]

18.e5+- Nxe5

[18...dxc3?! 19.Nc4 Nxe5 20.Ncxe5± *(20.Nfxe5 Bf8+-)*]

19.Nxe5



dxc3 20.Ndc4 This costs Black the game. **20...Bxe5** 3.43/21

[20...Bf8± 1.51/19 was worth a try.]

21.Rbxe5

[21.Rexe5 Ba6 22.Rxe8+ Qxe8+-]

21...Rxe5 22.Nxe5

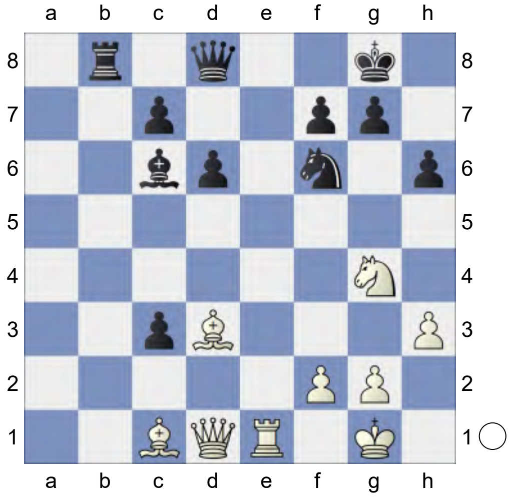
[Less strong is 22.Rxe5 d5 23.Na5 c5 24.Nxb7 Rxb7±]

22...d6 5.47/20

[⌓22...Qf8 3.45/19 23.Bc2 Re8]

23.Ng4 Bc6 8.84/22

[⌓23...Kf8 5.00/21 24.Bc2 Bc8 25.Nxh6 *(25.Nxf6 Qxf6 26.Qd3 Bd7+-)* 25...Be6]



24.Nxh6+! Demolition **24...gxh6**

[24...Kf8 25.Nf5]

25.Bxh6 Kh8 26.Re3 Be4 27.Bxe4 A strong pair of Bishops. **27...Rb5 28.Bc2** White threatens Qd4! and mate. **28...Rh5 29.Bf4** and Qf3! would now be decisive **29...Rd5 30.Qf3 Rh5 31.g4 Ra5 32.Bh6 Re5 33.g5 c5 34.gxf6 Qg8+ 35.Kh2 Rxe3 36.Bxe3** 13.61/5

[⌓36.Qh5 #6/14 Qg1+ Decoy 37.Kxg1 Re1+ 38.Kg2 Rg1+ 39.Kxg1 Kg8 40.Qg5+ Kh8 41.Qg7#]

36...Qg7 37.fxg7+ White mates. **37...Kg8 38.Bh6 d5 39.Qxd5 c4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=1.11 **40.Qa8#**

1-0

502 **C54**

☐ **Razafindratsima,Timothe** **2465**

■ **Sonis,Francesco** **2570**

Mitropa Cup Trencin (3.1) 16.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

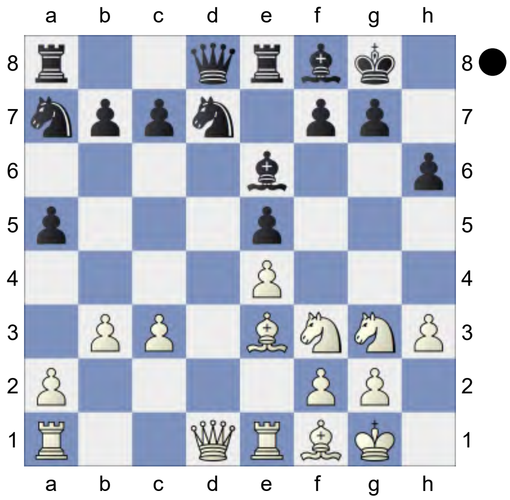
5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a5 8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 White has an edge. **10.Bb5 Nd7 11.Nf1 d5 12.Ng3 Re8! 13.Be3 dxe4!N** An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[13...Bf8 14.Qc2 dxe4 15.dxe4 Na7 16.Ba4 c5 aiming for ...b5. 17.c4 Qc7 18.b3 Red8 19.Ne2 Nb6 ½-½ (71) Ivanchuk,V (2635)-Yakubboev,N (2666) Olympiad-45 Budapest 2024 (7.2)]

14.dxe4 Bf8 15.b3 Na7 16.Bf1



a4! 17.Qc2

[17.Nd2 Nc8]

17...c6 18.Rad1 and Nxe5 would now be decisive **18...Qa5 19.b4 Qc7 20.Nh4 c5 21.bxc5**

[21.Qxa4 Nc6 22.Qc2 Rxa2-+ *(22...Bxa2 23.b5±)*]

21...Nxc5 22.Nhf5 Qc6 23.Bc1 -0.13/20

[23.c4!⩲ 0.59/20]

23...a3 24.Ne3 -0.54/23

[White should play 24.Bxa3= 0.11/20 Nb5 25.Bb4]

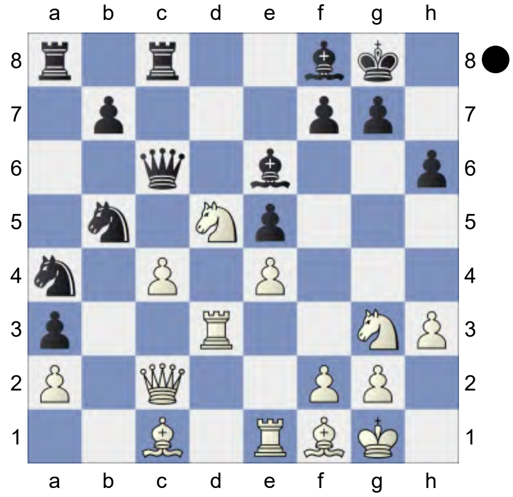
24...Nb5 0.03/21

[Black should play 24...Qa4∓ -0.54/23]

25.Nd5= Na4 26.Rd3 -0.90/21

[26.Re3= 0.08/20]

26...Rec8 27.c4 -1.35/22



Nd4!∓

[27...Qxc4 28.Qxc4 Rxc4 29.Rb3 Bxd5 30.exd5⩲ *(30.Rxb5 Rxc1 31.Rxc1 Bxa2-+)*]

28.Qd2 Nb6↑ Black has strong initiative.

[28...Qxc4 29.Bxa3 *(29.Rc3? Qxc3 30.Nxc3 Nxc3-+)* 29...Bxa3 30.Rxa3=]

Loses the game. **29.Rxd4** -3.83/18

[29.Qd1∓ -1.15/22 might work better.]

29...exd4-+ 30.Nh5 Nxc4 31.Qxd4 Qc5 Inhibits Ne7+. **32.Qd3 Bxd5 33.exd5 Qd6** -1.64/21

[33...Re8 -4.62/20 34.Rxe8 Rxe8 35.Bxh6 *(35.Qxc4?* loses. *Qxc4 36.Bxc4 Re1+ 37.Bf1 Rxc1-+)* 35...b5]

34.Ng3? -4.52/22

[34.Bf4 -1.64/21 Qg6 35.Qf3]

34...b5 35.Ne4 Qb4 36.Nf6+? -6.98/5

[36.Bxh6 -3.33/22 Qxe1 37.Bf4]

36...gxf6 Black is clearly winning. **37.Re4 Bg7 38.Qg3 f5 39.Rd4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.28 (precise)

39...Qd6

0-1

503 C54

☐ **Aswath,S 2466**

■ **Jacobson,Brandon 2570**

Karlsruhe Grenke op (5) 19.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is a critical line .7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1**

[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

8...h6

[8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 21.Rd5 f6

22.Rxc5 Ne6 23.Rd5 0-1 (33) Nordquelle,D (2151)-Carlsson,L (2367) NOR-chT Elite 2223 2022 (5.34)]

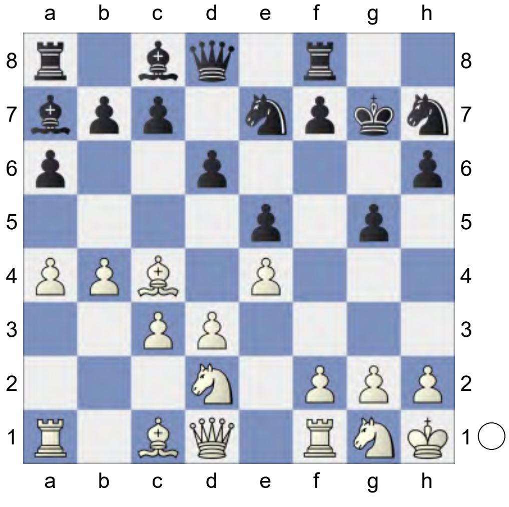
9.Nbd2N White has an edge.

[9.b4 0-0 10.Ra2 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ng6 12.Nf1 c6 13.Bb3 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Ng3 Qe8 16.d4 Rd8 17.h3 exd4 18.cxd4 e5 19.Be3 exd4 20.Bxd4 Bxd4 21.Nxd4 Qf7 22.Rd2 Ne5 23.Ndf5 Ne8 1-0 (28) Nevednichy,V (2499)-Makropoulou,M (2153) Wch Seniors 50 30th 2022 (3) 24.f4 Nc4 25.Rf2 b5 26.e5 Nc7 27.Qg4 Kh7 28.e6 1-0 Salinas Cardenas,R (2499)-Medvegy,Z (2153) Amsterdam ACT op 2nd 2005 (3)]

9...g5 10.b4 Nh7 11.Kh1 0-0 12.Rf1! Ne7 13.Ng1N

[13.Ra3 -0.19/19 13.Bb3 0.40 Kg7 0.42/20 (*13...Nf6= -0.19/19*) 14.d4± Ng6 15.Bd3 Nf4 0.90/21 (*15...Nf6± 0.32/17*) 16.Bb1 g4 1.18/20 (*16...Re8± 0.66/19*) 17.Ng1 b5 1.81/19 Against Nc4 (*17...Be6± 0.86/18*) 18.axb5+- axb5 19.c4 0.95/21 1-0 (46) Tari,A (2653)-Moroni,L (2588) EU-ch 22nd Terme Catez 2022 (11) (*19.Nb3+- 1.82/19*)]

13...Kg7



14.d4! f5! 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.exf5 Bxf5 17.Ne2 Bd3 18.Bxd3 Qxd3 19.f3 -0.97/23

[19.Qe1= -0.15/20 remains equal.]

19...Nf6 -0.18/23

[19...Nf5!∓ -0.97/23 20.Ne4 Rad8 21.Qxd3 Rxd3]

20.Ng3 Qxc3 0.60/22

[20...Nf5∓ -0.42/23 21.Nde4 Nxg3+ 22.Nxg3 Qxd1 23.Rxd1 Rae8]

21.Rb1 -0.01/23

[21.Ra3± 0.60/22 Qc6 (*21...Qxb4 22.Rd3±*) 22.Qe2]

21...Rad8= 22.Qe2 -0.59/21 Wards off b5

[22.b5= 0.01/21]

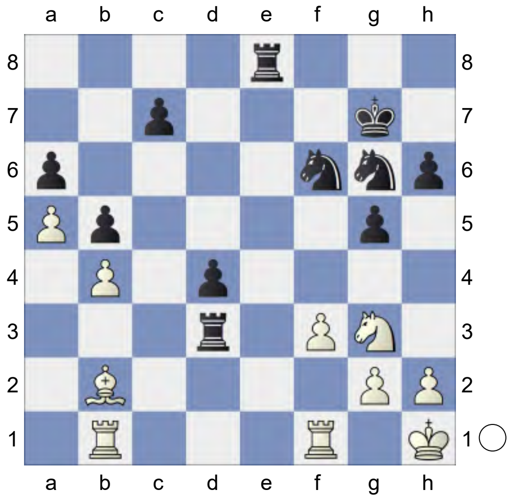
22...Ng6!∓ 23.Nc4 Qd3 24.Qxd3 Rxd3 25.Bb2! Re8 26.Na5 b5 0.01/24

[26...Nf4∓ -0.75/21 aiming for ...h5. 27.Nxb7 Rd2]

27.Nc6 Bb6 28.a5 Bd4 1.58/26

[Better is 28...Re6= -0.01/22]

29.Nxd4± exd4



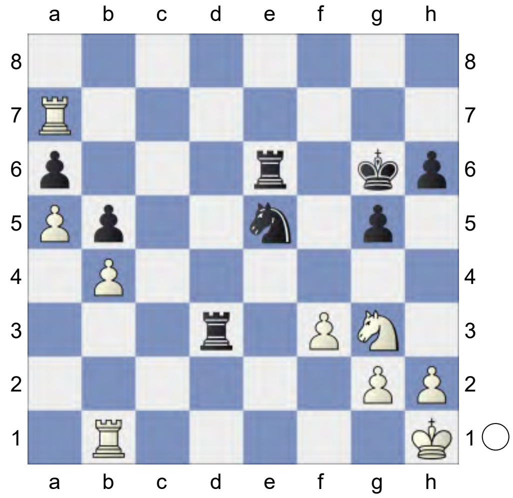
30.Bxd4! Kf7

[30...Nf4 31.Rfc1]

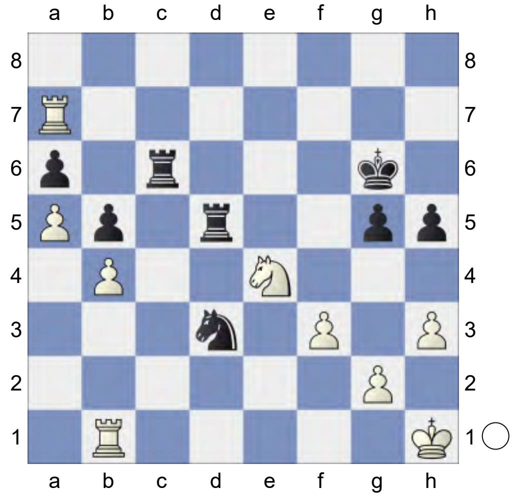
31.Bxf6 Kxf6 32.Rfc1 Ne5

[32...Rd7 33.Rc6+ Kf7 (*33...Re6? 34.Ne4+ Ke5 35.Rxe6+ Kxe6 36.Nc5+ Ke7 37.Nxd7+-*) 34.Ne4+- (*34.Rxa6 Red8+-*)]

33.Rxc7 Kg6 2.44/23
[33...Red8± 1.36/23 34.Kg1 Rd1+ 35.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Kf2 Rb1]
34.Ra7 Re6



35.Ne4! Rc6 36.h3 h5 3.10/23
[36...Rd7 1.81/22 37.Rxd7 Nxd7]
37.Re1 Rd5 38.Ra8 Nd3 2.16/23
[⌓38...g4 1.69/23 39.fxg4 hxg4]
39.Rb1+- Kg7 2.47/22
[39...Nf4 1.91/22 40.Rb8 Re5]
40.Ra7+ Kg6 3.17/23
[40...Kh6 2.23/21 was worth a try. 41.Rb3 g4]



41.Rb7! Re5 42.Kh2 Ree6 3.74/24
[⌓42...Nf4 2.32/21 43.Rb2 Nd5]
43.Rd1 Nxb4 44.Rd4 Na2 45.Rdd7 Hoping for g4. **45...Nc3?** 4.93/26
[45...g4 2.54/23 46.Kg3 (*46.hxg4 hxg4 47.Kg3 Kf5+-*) 46...Kf5 47.hxg4+ (*47.fxg4+ Kxe4 48.gxh5 Nc1∓*) 47...hxg4 48.Rd5+ Re5]
46.Rg7+
Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.41
46...Kf5
1-0

504 **C54**
□ **Gokerkan,Cem Kaan** **2486**
■ **Dastan,Batuhan Muhammed** **2560**
TUR-ch Antalya (4.2) 20.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]
5...d6N
[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6

31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

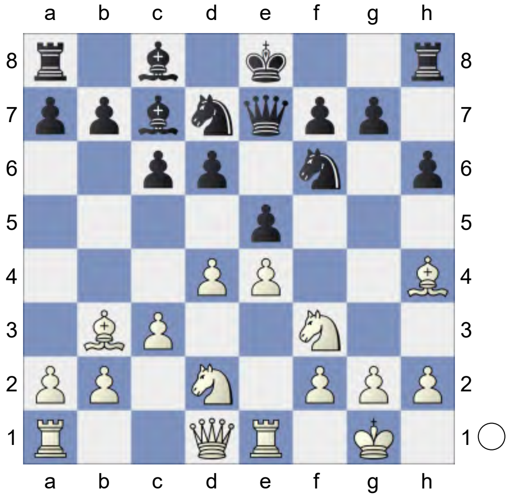
6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Bb6 8.Nbd2 Qe7 9.0-0 Nb8!?N 0.85/20
New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[9...g5 10.Bg3 Rg8 11.d4 h5 12.h4 gxh4 13.Bxh4 Rg4 14.Bb5 and d5 should not be overlooked Bd7 And now ...0-0-0 would win. 15.Nc4 0.01/20 *(15.a4!± 0.66/21)* 15...0-0-0 0-1 (70) Firouzja,A (2777)-Andreikin,D (2729) Chess.com Speed Chess blitz 2023 (1)]

[9...g5= 0.20/22 10.Bg3 Be6]

10.d4 c6 11.Bb3 Bc7 12.Re1 Nbd7 1.16/20

[⌓12...Bg4 0.79/20]



13.Nc4!± Nf8? 2.77/22

[13...0-0± 1.08/19]

14.Bg3? 0.59/21

[14.Nfxe5+- 2.77/22 dxe5 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.f4]

14...Ng6± 15.Bc2 Bd7 16.a4 0-0 17.Ne3 Rfe8 18.Nf5 0.42/18

[18.Nh4± 0.78/18]

18...Qf8 19.N3h4 Nxh4

[19...Nf4 20.Bb3 Be6 21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.Qb3 Rb8]

20.Bxh4 Bxf5 21.exf5 exd4 22.Rxe8 Rxe8 23.Qxd4 Qe7 (-> ...Qe1+!) **24.Bd3**

[24.Qxa7? Qe1+ 25.Rxe1 Rxe1#]

24...Bb6

[24...c5 25.Qe3 Qxe3 26.fxe3 Rxe3 27.Rd1 Ng4]

25.Qf4

[25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.Qxf6 gxf6 27.g3]

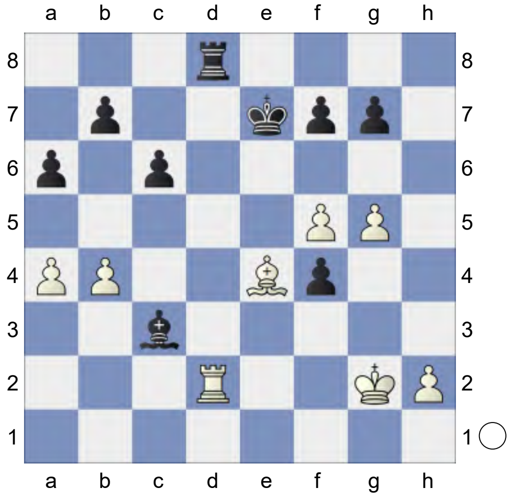
25...Qe5 26.Qf3

[26.Qxe5 simplifies Rxe5 27.Kf1 Kf8 28.Rd1]

26...Ne4 27.g4 Ng5 28.Bxg5 hxg5 29.Kg2 White is weak on the dark squares **29...d5 30.Rh1 Bd8 31.Qg3 Bf6 32.Rf1 a6 33.Rd1 Rd8 34.Rd2 d4**

[34...Qe1 with more complications. 35.Re2 Qd1 36.a5 Qa4]

35.Qxe5 Bxe5= Endgame KRB-KRB **36.Be4 Kf8 37.cxd4 Bxd4 38.b4 Ke7 39.f4 gxf4 40.g5 Bc3**



Discovered Attack **41.Rxd8 Kxd8**

KB-KB. Black is a pawn up. **42.b5 cxb5**

[42...axb5 43.axb5 cxb5 44.h4∓]

43.axb5 axb5 44.Bxb7 Kc7 45.Bd5 f6 46.h4 Kd6 47.Bb3 -5.16/32

[47.Be4∓ -0.45/29]

47...Ke5-+ Black is clearly winning.

48.Bc2 Be1 49.gxf6 Kxf6

[49...Bxh4? loses. 50.fxg7 Be7 51.g8Q+- *(51.g8R Bc5+-)*]

[49...gxf6 50.h5 f3+ 51.Kxf3=]

50.Kf3 Ke5

[Less strong is 50...Bxh4 51.Bd3∓]

51.h5 Bh4 52.Kg4 Be7 53.Kf3 Bg5

Quite a comeback for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=0.15 (very precise)

54.Ke2

0-1

505 **C54**

☐ **Nasuta,Grzegorz** **2555**

■ **Kazakouski,Valery** **2538**

Bydgoszcz op-A (9) 02.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

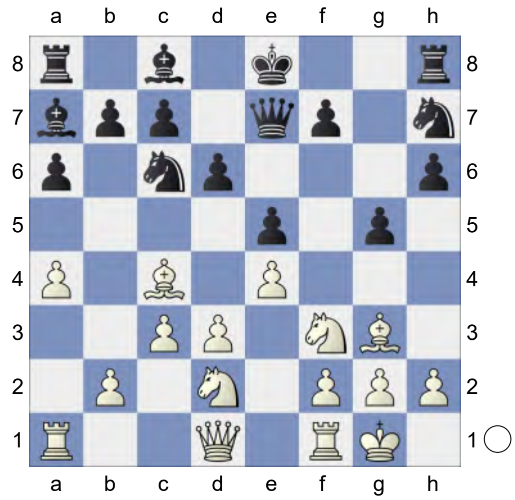
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7N

[8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Qb3 Qc8 11.Nc4 0-0 12.Ne3 Qd7 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.Qd1 Nxg3 15.hxg3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Qf7 17.Qe2 Qg6 18.Rh3 Rf7 19.0-0-0 Raf8 20.Qc2 Qg4 21.Rdh1 d5 22.exd5 Nb8 ½-½ Kaasen,T (1554)-Yilmazyerli,M (1574) Jugoslavija 41/224 1986 (5)]

9.0-0 g5 10.Bg3 The position is equal.

10...Qe7 11.a4 Nh7 0.33/18

[11...Nd7= -0.18/20]



12.d4!± h5 13.h4! g4 14.Ne1 Nf8!?N 0.79/20 An interesting novelty. Eine interessante Neuerung.

[Predecessor: 14...exd4 15.Nd3 dxc3 16.bxc3 Black should prevent e5!. 0-0 0.48/20 *(16...Ne5= 0.01/20)* 17.Nf4 0.01/20 *(17.Bb3± 0.48/20)* 17...Ne5= 18.Nxh5 Kh8 0.36/19 *(18...Nxc4= -0.01/21 19.Nxc4 Qxe4)* 19.Be2 f5 20.exf5 Bxf5 1-0 Nasuta,G (2552)-Fressinet,L (2630) ChessKid Cup Play In blitz 2023 (5)]

[14...exd4= 0.12/20 15.Bd5 dxc3 16.bxc3 Ne5]

15.f4 -0.01/20

[15.Nd3± 0.79/20]

15...exd4 0.48/23

[15...Be6= -0.01/20 deserves consideration.]

16.Kh1 0.00/21

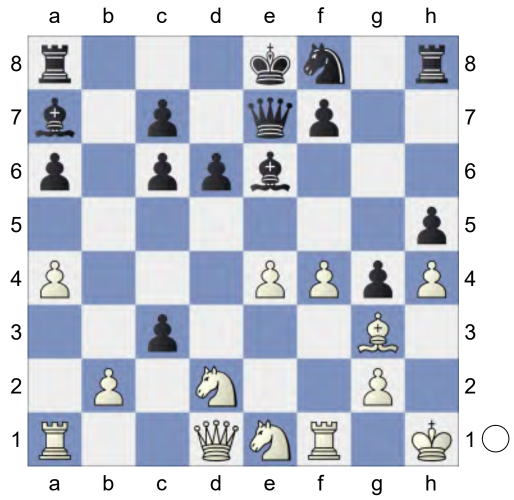
[16.Kh2!± 0.48/23]

16...Be6 17.Bd5 f5 is the strong threat.

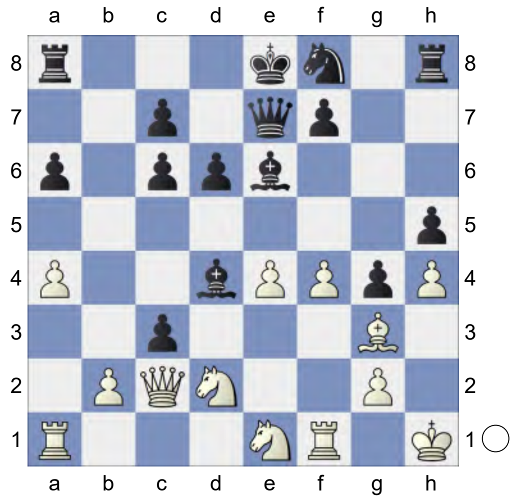
17...dxc3 Strongly threatening ...Bxd5.

18.Bxc6+ bxc6

(Diagram)



19.Qc2 Bd4



20.e5 -0.94/22 **f5** -0.50/21
[20...cxd2∓ -0.94/22 21.Qxc6+ Nd7 22.Qxa8+ Qd8 23.Qxa6 dxe5 *(23...dxe1R 24.Raxe1 dxe5 25.fxe5∓)*]

21.exf6? -2.14/23
[21.bxc3∓ -0.50/21 Ba7 22.Nd3]

21...Bxf6-+
[21...cxb2 22.Qxc6+ Nd7 *(22...Kf7? 23.fxe7 bxa1Q 24.f5+-)* 23.Ra3± *(23.fxe7? bxa1Q 24.Qxa8+ Kxe7-+* Discovered Attack*; 23.Qxa8+ Qd8±)*]

Loses the game. **22.f5?** -4.01/20
[22.bxc3∓ -1.58/19 Bd5 *(22...Bxh4? 23.Bh2-+)* 23.c4]

22...Bd5
[22...cxd2 23.fxe6 *(23.Qxc6+ Kf7∓)* 23...c5 *(23...dxe1B?* perishes. *24.Qxc6+ Nd7 25.Qxa8+ Qd8 26.Qe4+-; 23...Nxe6 24.Qg6+ Qf7 25.Qxf6∓)* 24.Qe4-+]
[Not 22...Bxh4 23.Bh2 *(23.Qxc3? Bxg3 24.Qxg3 Bd5∓)* 23...Bd5 *(23...cxd2 24.Qxc6+ Kd8 25.Qxa8+ Bc8 26.Nc2=)* 24.bxc3∓]

23.bxc3 Qe3 Wards off Nd3
[23...Bxh4 24.Bxh4 Qxh4+ 25.Kg1-+]

24.Qd3 Qxd3 Black is clearly winning. **25.Nxd3 Bxc3** A strong pair of Bishops. **26.Rad1 Nd7 27.Nb1 Bf6 28.Nb4 Kf7**
[28...Be4 29.Rfe1 d5 *(29...Nc5 30.Nd2=)* 30.Nd2±]

29.Nxd5 cxd5 30.Rxd5 Nb6 31.Rdd1 Nxa4 32.Nd2 Nc3 33.Rc1 Rac8 34.Rc2 Ne2 Prevents Rfc1 **35.Bf2 Rhe8** Prevents Ne4. **36.Nc4 g3 37.Ba7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.76/Black=0.15 (very precise)

37...Re4

0-1

506 **C50**
☐ **hellodearteddy** **2574**
■ **emandr** **2523**
Rapid 22.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5** Black is clearly better. **8...d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.0-0N** -2.07/19

[⌓10.d3 -1.71/19]

[10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 Rxa2 53.Nc7 b4 54.Nxd5 b3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann, J corr 1881]

10...Qe7 -1.19/19

[10...Nh5-+ -2.07/19 11.d4 Rf8]

11.Nc3 -1.58/18

[⌓11.f4 -1.19/19]

11...Bd7 -0.97/19

[⌓11...d5 -1.58/18 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 *(12...Qxe4? 13.Nxf6+* Remove Defender *gxf6 14.Qxe4++-)* 13.exd5 Bf5]

12.d4 Ng4 0.52/21 Dodges f4

[12...b5∓ -0.97/16 and ...b4 would now be decisive 13.a3 Rc8]

13.Qe2 0.10/20

[13.Qd3!⩲ 0.52/21]

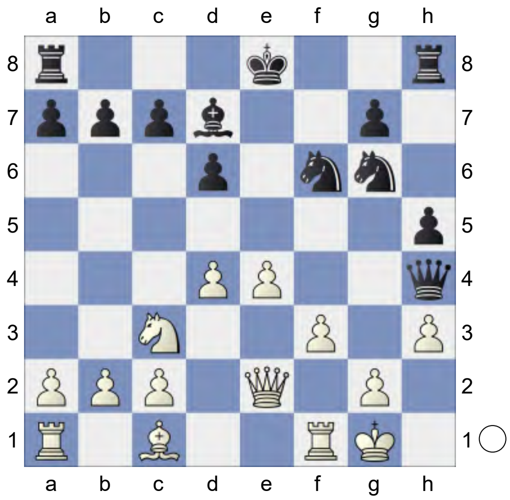
13...Qh4= 14.h3 White has compensation. **14...h5** 1.05/19 Black is on the road to losing. **15.f3** 0.64/19

[15.hxg4 hxg4]

[15.Bd2± 1.05/19]

15...Nf6 1.00/18

[15...Nh6⩲ 0.64/19 is more appropriate.]



16.f4!± Ng4 1.66/18 **17.f5**

[17.hxg4? hxg4 18.g3 Qh1+ *(18...Qxg3+ 19.Qg2=)* 19.Kf2 Rh2+ 20.Ke3 Rxe2+-+]

17...Qg3 3.03/21

[17...Ne7± 1.58/17]

18.hxg4+-

[18.fxg6? Qh2#]

18...hxg4 19.fxg6 Rh1+? 5.18/5

[19...Qh4 2.77/16 is a better defense. 20.e5 d5]

20.Kxh1 Qh4+ 21.Kg1 g3

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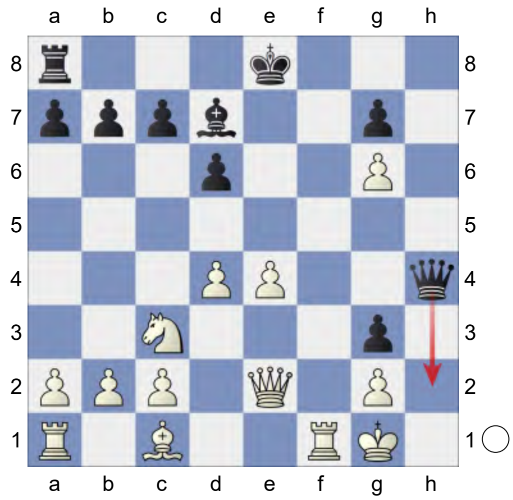

22.Rf8+!! Kxf8 23.Qf3+ Kg8 24.Qf7+ Kh8 25.Qxd7 Qh2+ 26.Kf1 Rf8+ 27.Ke2 Qxg2+ 28.Kd3 Strongly threatening Bh6!. **28...Qf1+ 29.Ne2 Qd1+ 30.Kc3** Intending Qh3+ and mate. **30...Rf3+ 31.Kb4** White mates. **31...a5+ 32.Kxa5 Qe1+ 33.b4 b6+ 34.Ka6 Qxe2+ 35.Ka7 Kg8 36.Qc8+ Rf8 37.Qe6+**

[Stronger than 37.Qxc7 Qxe4 38.d5 (*38.Kxb6? too greedy. Qa8-+*) 38...Qxg6 39.Kxb6 Qg4=]

37...Kh8 38.Qh3+ Kg8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.66 **39.Qh7#**

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507 **C54**

□ **Vachier-Lagrave,Maxime** **2732**

■ **Demin,V1** **2430**

Titled Tue 6. Feb Early (1) 06.02.2024

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.Bg5** 7.Re1 is the recent fashion. 7.Te1 ist aktuell in Mode. **7...h6 8.Bh4 Ba7**

[8...Qe7 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.a4 g5 11.Bg3 Rg8 12.b4 h5 13.h4 Bg4 14.Qe1 gxh4 15.Bxh4 Qd7 16.Kh1 Rg6 17.Nh2 Bh3 18.Rg1 Be6 19.a5 Ng4 20.b5 Ne7 21.Bxe6 Rxe6 22.bxa6 bxa6 23.Rf1 6.♘a3 cd4 7. cd4 ♗d7 (2702)- ♘d7 10.d4 (2747) New York 2023 Inf55 [John Watson] 0-1 (32)]

9.d4N -0.37/21

[9.b4= 0.11/21 is more appropriate.]

[9.Nbd2 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.a4 g4 12.Bh4 Kg7 13.Kh1 gxf3 14.Qxf3 Nb8 15.g4 Nbd7 16.Rg1 Rh8 17.Nf1 Qe8 18.g5 Ng8 19.gxh6+ Kf8 20.Qg3 Ngf6 21.Qg7+ Ke7 22.Rg6 Rg8 23.Bxf6+ Nxf6 Hemmer,A-Van Hofwegen The Hague (Netherlands) 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] 24.Qxf6+ Kd7 25.Bxf7 8 Chapter 9-Game 8 Game]

[RR 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh7 11.d4

A) RR 11...h5 12.h4 (*RR 12.dxe5 h4*) 12...g4;

B) 11...Qe7 12.Bd5 f6 13.Nbd2 (*RR 13.b4*) 13...h5 14.dxe5 (*RR 14.h4*) 14...dxe5 (*RR 14...fxe5 15.Nc4 h4 16.Nxh4 gxh4 17.Qh5+ Kf8 18.Bxh4 Qg7 19.Qf3+ Ke8 20.Qh5+ Kf8 21.Qf3+ Ke8 22.Qh5+ Kf8*) 15.Nc4 (*RR 15.h4*)

B1) RR 15...h4 16.Bxc6+ bxc6 17.Nfxe5 fxe5 (*RR 17...hxg3 18.Qh5+ Kf8 19.Ng6+ Kf7 20.Nxe7+*) 18.Qh5+ Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.Bxe5 Nf6;

B2) 15...Nf8 16.h4 g4 17.Ne1 Qh7 (*RR 17...Nd8*) 18.Ne3 (*RR 18.Bxc6+ bxc6 19.Qe2*) 18...Ne7 19.Nd3 c6 (*RR 19...Nxd5 20.Nxd5 Qg7*) 20.Ba2

(RR 20.Bc4) 20...Ne6 (RR *20...Neg6)* 21.Nc4 Ng8 (RR *21...Ng6 22.Nd6+ Ke7)* 22.Nd6+ Ke7 23.Nxe5 fxe5 Niemann,H (2733)-Nakamura,H (2802) Paris 2024 Mega2024 Update 45 [Kitty Kat] 1-0]

9...g5∓ 10.dxe5 Nxe4N

[Vorgänger: 10...gxh4 11.exf6 Qxf6 12.h3? -2.18/25 *(12.Nbd2∓* -0.46/22 *)* 12...Rg8-+ ...Bc8xh3 is the strong threat. 13.Kh1 -2.41/24 *(⌓13.Kh2* -1.83/24 *)* 13...Bd7? -0.57/22 *(13...Qg6-+* -2.41/24 *14.Ne1 Bxh3 15.gxh3 Qxe4+ 16.Nf3 Qxc4)* 14.Nbd2 0-0-0 15.Qe2 Rg7 16.a4 Rdg8 0-1 Repkova,E (2329)-Lehner,O (2407) AUT-chT 1617 2016 (10.6)]

[10...dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bg3=]

11.Re1 Bf5 12.exd6 Strongly threatening Qd1-d5. **12...0-0** 0.11/24

[12...Qxd6 13.Qxd6 cxd6 14.Bd5!± *(14.Nbd2 0-0-0=)*]

[12...gxh4∓ -0.47/24 13.Qd5 Qf6 14.Rxe4+ Bxe4 15.Qxe4+ Kd8]

13.Nbd2= Nxd2 0.71/23

[13...Nxd6= -0.01/24 remains equal. 14.Bg3 Re8]

14.Qxd2± gxh4 1.38/23

[⌓14...Qxd6 0.71/22 15.Qxd6 cxd6]

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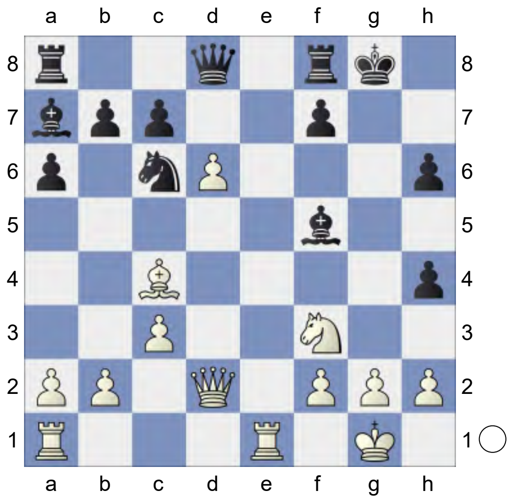

15.Qf4! &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed. **15...Bh7** 2.04/24

[15...Bc2± 1.45/23 might work better.]

16.dxc7+- Qc8 17.Rad1

[Weaker is 17.Qxh4 Kg7±]

[17.Nxh4 Bb6+-]

17...Qf5 18.Qxh6 Really sharp! **18...Bb6?** 18.93/25

[18...Bxf2+ 2.07/22 19.Kxf2 Qc5+ 20.Re3 Qxc4 21.Nxh4 *(21.Qxh4 Qxh4+ 22.Nxh4 Rfe8∓)* 21...Rae8 22.Rxe8 Rxe8 23.Qg5+ Bg6]

19.Rd5 Qc2 20.Rg5+ Kh8 21.Qf6# Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.72

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508 C52

☐ Zhigalko,Sergei 2572

■ Gorovets,Andrey 2461

Titled Tue 8. Apr Late (11) 08.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Nxc4

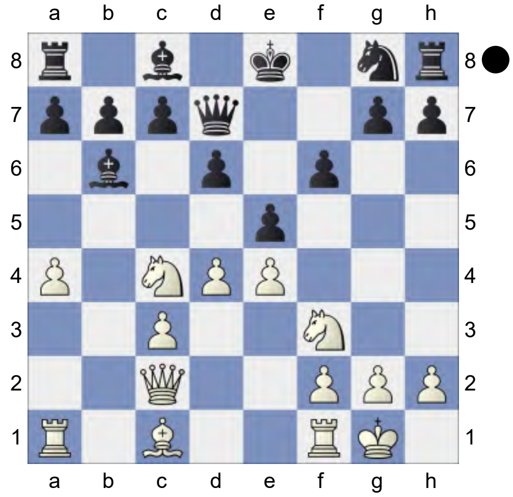
0.34/18

[10...Ne7= -0.03/21]

11.Nxc4⩲ f6 1.67/22

[11...Qc6= 0.17/21 12.Qd3 (*12.Nxb6 axb6 13.dxe5 dxe5= 14.Nxe5 Qa4 15.Qd3 Ne7 16.Qg3 0-0 17.Re1 Re8 18.Bf4 Ng6 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.Bxc7 Rxe4 21.h3 Qxa2 22.Rxe4 Qxa1+ 23.Kh2 Be6 24.Bxb6 Re8 25.Bd4 Qa5 26.h4 Bd7 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.Qb8 Qb5* ½-½ (39) Chernov, V (2609)-11. ♕f2 ♗d4 12. ♗d4 16296 (2615) Palace Hotel GM 2008 (6)) 12...f5 13.exf5 e4]

12.a4+-



Qc6N 2.41/20

[12...Qe6± 1.22/19]

[12...Qf7 13.Qd3 (*13.d5 Bc5 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.fxe3 Nh6 16.a5 0-0 17.h3 Bd7 18.Nfd2 b6 19.Rf2 Qg6 20.g4 f5 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.e4 Bd7 23.Raf1 Rxf2 24.Rxf2 Nf7 25.Ne3 h5 26.Rg2 Ng5 27.Kh2 hxg4* 0-1 (35) Meyer (2254)-A,H (2506) (m/1) 100/177 2007 (1) *28.Nxg4 Qh5 29.Nf2 Rf8 30.Qd3 Bxh3 31.Nxh3 Rf3 32.Nxf3 Qxh3+ 33.Kg1 Nxf3+ 34.Kf2 Qxg2+ 35.Kxg2 Ne1+* 0-1 Reprintsev,A (2254)-Kukhmazov,A (2506) Titled Tuesday intern op 11th Apr Early blitz 2023 (1)) 13...Be6 14.Nfd2 a6 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.Rxb6 0-0-0 17.Rb2 d5 18.Na5 dxe4 19.Nxe4 Bd5 20.Nc5 Qg6 21.Qxg6 hxg6 22.Naxb7 Rde8 23.dxe5 Nf5 24.exf6 gxf6 25.Na5 Rh4 26.f3 Reh8 27.h3 1-0 (30) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Kevlishvili,R (2551) Titled Tuesday intern op 17th Sep Early blitz 2024 (5)]

13.Qe2 a6? 3.92/22

[13...exd4 1.83/21 14.cxd4 Bg4]

14.d5 Qd7 15.Nxb6 cxb6 16.Rb1? 0.85/19

[16.Nd2+- 3.44/20]

16...Qd8 1.75/21

[16...b5± 0.85/19]

17.Be3 0.91/20

[17.Nh4+- 1.75/21]

17...b5 1.78/21 **18.axb5 a5** 2.33/20

[18...Ne7± 1.56/21 was called for. 19.bxa6 Rxa6]

19.b6 1.12/19

[19.c4+- 2.33/20 is more deadly.]

19...f5± 20.Bg5 0.72/20 White is much more active.

[20.c4 1.55/20]

20...Nf6 21.Nd2 0.05/19

[Better is 21.exf5± 1.06/23 Threatens to win with Nd4. Bxf5 22.Nxe5]

21...0-0= 22.f3 h6 23.Be3 -0.32/25

[23.Bh4= 0.09/19 might be stronger.]

23...f4 1.17/19

[23...a4∓ -0.32/25 stays ahead.]

24.Bf2± g5 1.86/20

[24...a4± 0.85/20]

25.c4+-

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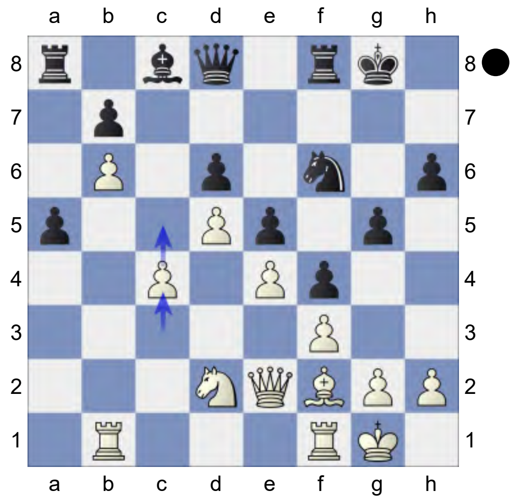

g4 2.60/19

[25...Nd7± 1.47/19 26.c5 Nxc5]

26.c5 g3? 4.77/18

[26...dxc5 1.66/19 27.Bxc5 Re8]

27.hxg3 Nh5 28.g4 Ng3 29.Bxg3 fxg3 30.Rfc1 dxc5 31.Nf1 Bxg4 6.34/19

[⌓31...Qd6 4.39/19 32.Qe3 *(32.Nxg3 Bd7+-)* 32...a4 33.Nxg3 *(33.Rxc5 a3+-)* 33...Bd7 34.Qxc5 Qxc5+ 35.Rxc5 Rf6]

32.Nxg3 Bd7 33.Qe3 Qh4 34.Nf1 Kh7? 6.77/20

[34...Rac8 2.70/21 35.Rb2 *(35.Rxc5 Rxc5 36.Qxc5 Qg5+-)* 35...c4]

35.Rxc5

[35.Qxc5 Rxf3 36.Rb2 Rg8=]

35...Rg8 and ...Rxg2+! should not be overlooked **36.Rc7??** -7.25/20

[36.Qf2+- 7.13/19 Rxg2+ 37.Qxg2]

36...Rg7?? 7.05/19

[36...Rxg2+-+ -7.25/20 37.Kxg2 Rg8+ 38.Ng3 Qxg3+ 39.Kf1 Qg2+ 40.Ke1 Qh1+ 41.Ke2 Rg2+ *(41...Qxb1 42.Rxd7+ Kg6 43.Re7=)* 42.Qf2 Rxf2+ Discovered Attack *(42...Qxb1 43.Rxd7+ Rg7 44.Rxg7+ Kxg7 45.Qg3+ Kf7 46.Qxe5=)* 43.Kxf2 Qxb1 44.Rxd7+ Kg6 45.Rxb7 a4]

37.Rb2

[37.Rxb7? too greedy. Rxg2+ 38.Kxg2 Rg8+-+]

37...Rag8 38.Qc3 Bh3 8.87/20

[⌓38...Qh3 4.01/20 39.Qd2 *(39.Qxa5? is a self mate. Rxg2+ 40.Rxg2 Rxg2#; 39.g3 Rxg3+ 40.Kf2 Rg1=)* 39...Qxf3 40.Rxb7 Qxe4]

39.Rxg7+ Rxg7 40.Qxe5 a4 41.Qh2? 1.07/22

[41.Rc2+- 8.51/19]

41...a3? 7.30/22

[41...Qf6± 1.07/22 42.Rf2 Bd7]

42.Ra2 Qh5 43.d6?? -6.77/23

[43.Rxa3 Rxg2+ 44.Qxg2 Bxg2 45.Kxg2 Qg6+ 46.Ng3 h5+-]

[43.Ng3+- 7.47/22 Qe5 44.Qxh3 Rxg3 45.Qf5+ Qxf5 46.exf5]

43...Qxf3 -3.13/24

[⌓43...Qc5+ -6.77/23 44.Kh1 Be6]

Quite a comeback for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=1.18/Black=1.41

44.d7? -7.34/25 Loss on time!?

[44.Rf2 -3.13/24 Qc3 45.Qf4]

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509 **C51**

☐ **Pichot,Alan** **2561**

■ **Xiao,Tong(QD)** **2456**

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[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 1 **e5** 4 **2.Nf3** 1 **Nc6** 2 **3.Bc4** 1 **Bc5** 2 **4.b4** 10 **Bxb4** 2 **5.c3** 0 **Be7** 9 **6.d4** 4 **d6** 0 **7.Qb3** 20 **Na5** 11 **8.Bxf7+** 2 **Kf8** 1 **9.Qa4** 1 **Kxf7** 22 **10.Qxa5** 1 White is better. **10...exd4** 18

[10...b6 11.Qa4 Bd7 12.Qb3+ Be6 13.c4 Bf6 14.0-0 exd4 15.Na3 a6

16.Re1 Nh6 17.Qd1 c5 18.e5 dxe5 19.Nxe5+ Kg8 20.Bxh6 gxh6 21.Qf3 Kg7 ½-½ Hilchenbach,H (2417)-Feldmann,C (2226) corr 2. TT enginefrei/Endrunde 2024]

11.cxd4 0.26/21 7 White has more active pieces.

[11.Qd5+± 0.81/21 Ke8 12.0-0]

11...c6 0.93/25 2

[11...Nf6= 0.26/21]

12.Qa4 0.57/21 37

[12.Qc3± 0.93/25]

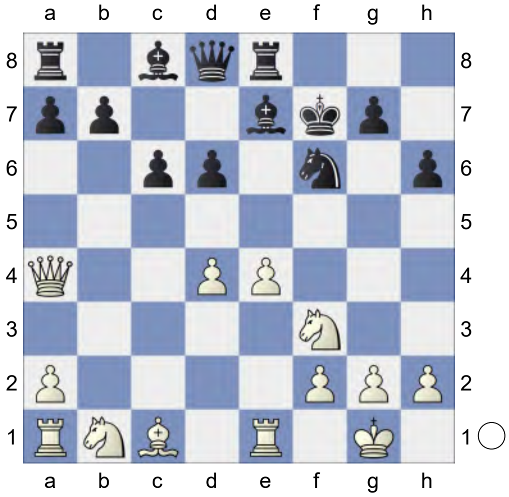
12...h6N 1.59/21 31

[12...Nf6⩲ 0.57/21]

13.0-0 0.57/22 6

[White should play 13.e5± 1.59/21]

13...Nf6⩲ 4 **14.Re1** 7 **Re8** 7



15.Qb3+ 0.21/22 14

[15.Nc3!± 0.80/22]

15...Be6= 22 **16.Qxb7** 4 **Qb6** 2 **17.Qxb6** 7 **axb6** 0 **18.Nc3!** 16 **Kg8** 5 **19.a4** 15 **b5** 36

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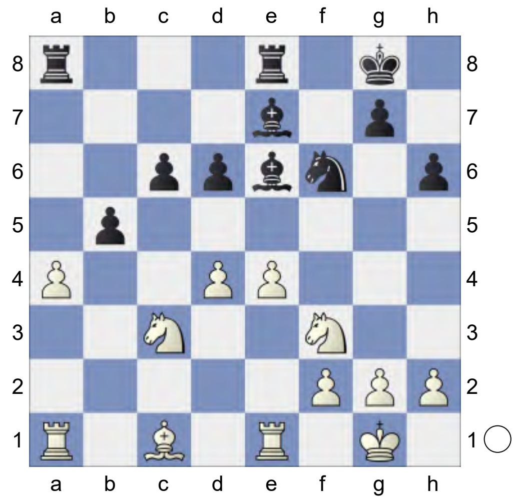


20.d5! 3 **b4!** 28 **21.dxe6** 38 **bxc3** 2 **22.Nd4⇄** 16 White puts up resistance

22...Bf8 0.54/21 8

[22...d5= -0.01/25]

23.Re3 0.08/21 12

[23.Nxc6 Rxe6 24.f3 d5=]

[23.g3⩲ 0.54/21]

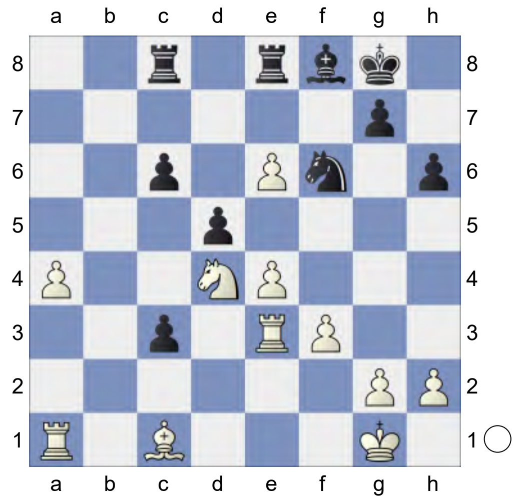
White leaves nothing to chance now.

23...Rac8 1.33/24 25

[23...d5!= 0.08/21 remains equal. 24.Rxc3 (*24.Nxc6 Bc5∓*) 24...c5]

24.f3± 14 **d5?** 3.27/25 3

[24...c5± 0.89/21 25.Nb5 d5]



25.e5!+- 12

[25.Rxc3 dxe4 26.a5 (*26.Rxc6 Bc5=; 26.Nxc6 Nd5=*) 26...exf3±]

25...Nh7 1:06 **26.Rxc3** 2 **c5** 1 **27.Nb5** 7 **Ng5?** 4.54/25 18

[27...Rxe6 2.24/20 28.f4 c4]

28.Bxg5 1:46 **hxg5** 0 **29.Nd6** 1.91/26 1

[⌓29.a5 4.40/24]

29...Bxd6 4 **30.exd6** 0 **Rxe6** 2 Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **31.d7** 2 **Rd8** 0 **32.Rxc5** 0 **Rxd7** 1 **33.a5** 1 Strongly threatening a6. **33...Ra6?** 5.08/25 30

[33...g4 1.89/24 34.fxg4 d4]

34.Rd1 4 **Rad6** 2 **35.Kf2** 11 **Kf7** 2 **36.Kg3** 3 **Kg6** 3 **37.Rd4** 4 **Kf5** 3 **38.h3** 16 **Kg6** 20 **39.Kg4** 2 **Kf6** 2 **40.Rb5** 2 **Rd8** 10 **41.Ra4** 2.34/23 29

[⌓41.Rd3 5.37/24 d4 42.Rf5+ (*42.Rxg5 Rc6+-*) 42...Kg6 43.Rxg5+ Kh7 44.f4]

41...Ra8? 4.59/23 27

[41...d4 2.34/23 42.Rf5+ (*42.Rxg5 d3∓*) 42...Ke7]

42.g3 12 **Kg6?** 5.81/25 5

[42...d4 3.16/25 keeps fighting. 43.Rf5+ (*43.Rxg5 g6=*) 43...Ke6]

43.Rd4 3 **Rad8** 3 **44.h4** 3 **gxh4** 2 **45.Kxh4** 0

[Not 45.gxh4 Kh7 46.h5 Rc8 47.Rbxd5 (*47.Rdxd5 Ra6±*) 47...Ra6±]

45...Kf5 5 **46.g4+** 6 **Ke5** 2 **47.Ra4** 1.01/23 3

[47.Rdb4+- 3.06/24 is more deadly.]

47...Ra8? 5.62/24 10

[47...Kf6± 1.01/23]

48.Kg5 2 **Ke6** 18 **49.Rd4** 3 **Ke5** #1/6 17

[49...Rd7+- 4.25/26 50.f4 Ra6]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/ Black=0.74 **50.Re4#** 3

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510 **C54**
☐ **Nowroozian,Nader** **2645**
■ **Joseph,Fabian** **2578**
42/259 Nikea (8.4) 25.05.2019
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** John Watson Kitty Kat Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro John Watson **1...e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.0-0** **Nf6** **5.d3** **a6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.a4 a6 7.c3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Nbd2 Kh8 10.Re1 f6 11.d4 Ba7 (*RR 11...exd4 12.Nb3 Ba7 13.Nbxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 (*RR 14.Ne4*) 14...c6 (*RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Qh4+ 16.Kg1 Qxc4 17.Rxe5*) 15.Bg5 (*RR 15.Bxd5 cxd5 16.Rxe5 Bg4*)

A) RR 15...Bxf2+ 16.Kxf2 (*RR 16.Kh1 Qd6 17.Re2 Be6 18.Rxf2 e4*) 16...Qxg5 17.Kg1 Qd8 18.Nxe5;

B) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bh4 (*RR 16.Re4 Qg6 17.Bxd5 cxd5 18.Rxe5 Bg4 19.Kh1*) 16...Bg4 17.Bg3 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Rf5;

C) 15...Qb6 16.Bxd5 cxd5 (*RR 16...Qxf2+ 17.Kh1 cxd5 18.Qxd5*) 17.Be3 Qxb2 18.Bxa7 Rxa7 19.Qxd5 b6 (*RR 19...Qxc3 20.Qd6 Rg8 21.Qb8*) 20.Rab1 Kramnik,V (2808)-Karjakin,S (2781) Stavanger 2017 CBM 179 [Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro] ½-½ (44) (*RR 20.Qc4 e4 21.Ra2 Rc7 22.Qxc7 Qxa2 23.Rxe4*)]

[RR 5...d6 6.Nc3 Na5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bxf6 Qxf6 9.Nd5 Qd8 10.b4 Nxc4 11.bxc5 Na5 12.Qd2 (*RR 12.cxd6 cxd6 13.d4 0-0 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Nxe5 Re8 16.Qh5 Be6 17.Rad1* *f6 18.Ng4 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Qc7 20.Rxa5)* 12...Nc6 13.cxd6 cxd6 14.d4 0-0 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qc3 f6 17.Rfd1 Qa5 18.Qc4 Be6 19.Ne7+ Nxe7 20.Qxe6+ Oksendal,M (2246)-Omurbekova,D (1754) Chess.com INT 2025 1-0]

6.c3 d6 7.a4 h6N

[RR 7...Ba7 8.Re1 (RR *8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6)* 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 (RR *12...h5 13.Qd2 Be6 14.Bd5 Bxd5 15.exd5 Ne7 16.d4 0-0-0 17.h3 Nh6 18.Ng3 Nxd5 19.Nxh5)* 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 21.Rd5 f6 22.Rxc5 Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac 2023 CBM 053 ext [John Watson] 0-1 (33)]

[RR 7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 (RR *9.b4 h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8)* 9...Re8 (RR *9...Kh8 10.Re1 Ng8 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Be3 Qf6 14.N1h2 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Nge7)* 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4

A) RR 19.Qxc7 Rf6 20.Rf1 (RR *20.Qxb7 Qxf2+ 21.Kh2 Qf4+ 22.Kg1 Rf8;* RR *20.Nf3 Rxf3 21.gxf3 Nf4)*

A1) RR 20...axb5 21.axb5 (RR *21.Qxb7 Qd8)*;

A2) 20...Nf4 21.Nf3 (RR *21.Nb3 Qd6 22.Qxb7)* 21...Nxh3+ 22.Kh2 Rxf3 23.gxf3 Nf4 24.Qxb7 (RR *24.bxa6 bxa6 25.Rad1)* 24...Qd8 25.Rfc1;

B) 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 (RR *21.bxa6 Raxa6 22.Qc5)* 21...Qg5 22.Rh1 Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) Düsseldorf 2023 Mega2023 Update 43 [Kitty Kat] 0-1 (40) RR Nf4+ 23.Kf1 Ne6 (RR *23...Nxh3 24.bxa6 bxa6 25.a5;* RR *23...Rxh3 24.Rxh3 Nxh3 25.Qxc7)*]

[RR 7...Ba7 8.Be3 h6 9.Bxa7 Rxa7 10.Nbd2 Nh5 (RR *10...0-0 11.h3 Ne7 12.Re1 Ng6 13.Nf1 Qe7 14.Ng3 Ra8 15.a5 Be6 16.Bxe6 Qxe6)* 11.d4 Nf4 12.Re1 Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.d5 Ne7 15.a5 g5 16.Qa4+ Kf8 17.Nh2 Qc8 18.Ndf1 Bg6 19.b4 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Ng3 Nh4 22.Bf1 Marshall Attack (2400)-Sekula,M (2385) New York 2023 Steinitz/Blackburne [John Watson] 0-1 (43)]

8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 The position is equal. **10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.Bb3 Bg4N**

[12...Bb6 13.d4 exd4 14.cxd4 Bg4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.gxf3 d5 17.e5 Nh7 18.f4 So,W (2770)-Wei,Y (2732) chess24.com (Int.-rapid) 144/(95) 2020 [Tadic,Branko]]

13.h3 Qb6 14.Be3 Hoping for Be3xc5. **14...Bxf3 15.gxf3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 a5 17.Nf5** Prevents Ng6-h4. **17...d5 18.Kh2 Rad8 19.Rg1 Kh8 20.Qc2 Rd7 21.Rg2** -0.51/21

[Better is 21.Rae1= -0.01/20]

21...Ne7∓ White must now prevent ... d5xe4. **22.Nxe7 Rxe7 23.Re1 Nh5 24.Ba2 f5** 0.12/24

[24...d4∓ -0.43/19 25.Qd2 dxe3 26.Qxe3 c5]

25.Qf2 -0.41/23

[25.exd5= 0.12/24 cxd5 26.Bxd5]

25...fxe4 26.Qh4 Nf6 27.fxe4 dxe4 -0.62/23

[27...Qd8= -0.17/21]

28.dxe4 Qd8 29.Reg1 Rd7 30.Be6 Rd2 31.Bf5 Rxg2+ 32.Rxg2 Qe7 33.Qg3 Rd8 34.Qg6 Rd3 35.Qg3 Rd6 36.Qg6 Rd3 37.Qg3 Qc7 38.Be6 Nxe4? 1.19/24

[38...Rd6∓ -0.34/23 stays ahead. 39.Bb3 (*39.Qxe5? Qe7-+*) 39...Qe7]

39.Qg6± White threatens Qg6-e8+ and mate. **39...Nf6** Inhibits Qg6-e8+. **40.e4?** -1.28/25

[Not 40.Bf7? e4+ 41.Kg1 Rd1+ 42.Kf2 Rd2+ 43.Kg1 Rxg2+ 44.Kxg2 Qd7-+]

[40.Rf2!± 1.33/23 is necessary to keep the advantage. Strongly threatening Rf2xf6. e4+ 41.Kg2]

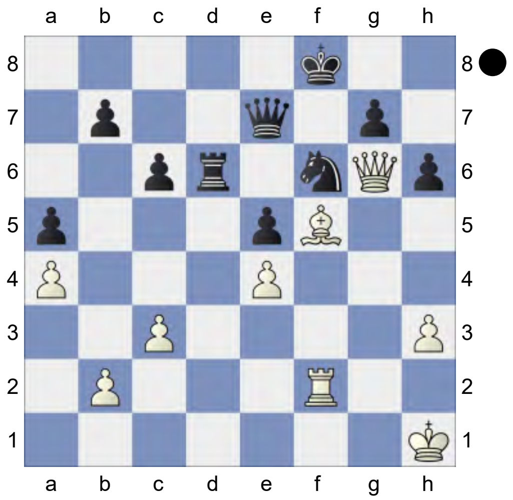
40...Qe7∓ 41.Bf5 Rd8 42.Qg3 Rd6 And now ...Nf6-h5 would win. **43.Qg6** Prevents Nf6-h5. **43...Rd3 44.Kh1 Rd6** 0.01/23

[44...b5∓ -1.40/25 45.axb5 cxb5]

45.Kh2= Kg8 46.Kh1 Kf8 47.Rf2 -1.84/23

[47.Bc8∓ -1.28/22 is a better defense.]

(Diagram)



47...Rd3 -1.00/23

[47...Nd5!-+ -1.84/23 48.Qh7 (*48.Be6+? Nf4-+*) 48...Nf4]

48.Bg4 Kg8 49.Be2 Rxh3+ -0.88/23

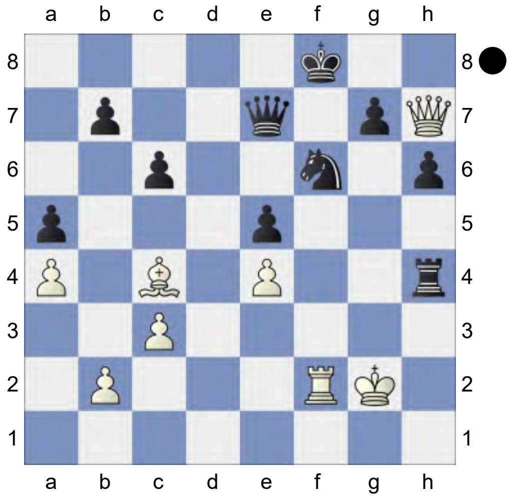
[Black should play 49...Rd8 -1.19/24 50.Bc4+ Kh8]

50.Kg2∓ Rh4 Threatens to win with ...Qe7-d8. **51.Bc4+ Kf8!**

[51...Kh8? 52.Rxf6! Rg4+ 53.Qxg4+-]

52.Qh7? -3.09/26

[52.Kg3∓ -0.94/24 Rf4 53.Rxf4 exf4+ 54.Kxf4]



Loses the game. **52...Ke8!-+ 53.Qf5** aiming for Qf5-c8+. **53...Kd8** Prevents Qf5-c8+. **54.Re2?** -6.27/23

[54.Qe6 -3.71/19]

54...Rg4+ 55.Kh2 Rf4 56.Qg6 -8.99/26

[⌓56.Qe6 -4.16/23]

56...Rh4+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.29 (precise)

0-1

511 **C50**

☐ **Igor_Perelygin** **2456**

■ **thickgreenphlegm** **2571**

Blitz 31.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

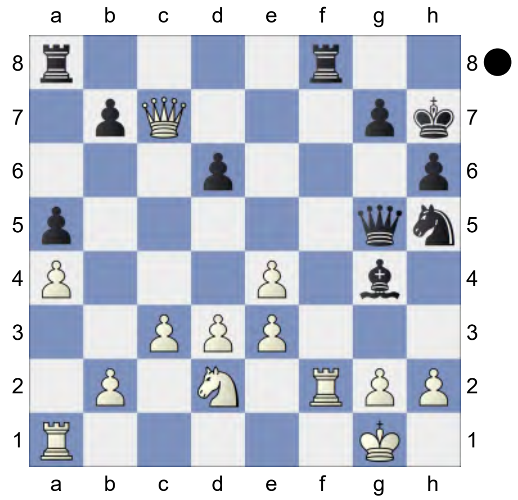
Blitz 3min+2sec C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo How to Refute the Jerome Gambit: There are various ways for Black to do well against the Jerome Gambit, as the sacrifice on f7 is simply wrong. If it's a light-hearted game on the Internet you might admire White's bravado, but if you come up against it at tournament level then it is best to be prepared: **1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Kf8N**

[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6)]

[6...Ke6 7.f4 *(7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7* So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021*)* 7...d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Nc3 Nf6 10.Qh4 Rf8 11.d3 Kf7 12.Bg5 Kg8 Jerome Gambit-N,N]

7.Qxe5 d6 8.Qg3 Black is clearly better. **8...Nf6 9.d3 Be6 10.0-0 Kg8 11.c3 Bb6 12.a4 a5 13.Bg5 h6 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.fxe3 Kh7 16.Nd2 Nh5 17.Qf3 Qg5 18.Rf2 Bg4 19.Qf7 Rhf8 20.Qxc7** -9.13/18

[20.Qd5 -3.66/18]



20...Qxe3-+ 21.Raf1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Nf3 Bxf3 -14.40/20

[⌓23...Rxf3 -#5/18 24.Qxg7+ Nxg7 25.gxf3 Bh3 26.Kh1 Qe1+ 27.Rf1 Qxf1#]

24.gxf3 Weighted Error Value: White=1.00/Black=0.28 (precise) **24...Rxf3**

0-1

512 **C54**

☐ **Maurizzi,Marc Andria** **2472**

■ **Le,Tuan Minh** **2503**

WchT Rapid London (4.4) 11.06.2025

[Kitty Kat,TA]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.a4 a6 7.b4

[7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7

10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

[7.h3 h6 8.0-0 Ba7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16)]

7...Ba7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7N

[9...h6 10.h3 Ne7 11.Re1 Ng6 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 0-1 (52) Nikitenko,M (2484)-Sjugirov,S (2709) RUS-chT Blitz 2022 (11.10)]

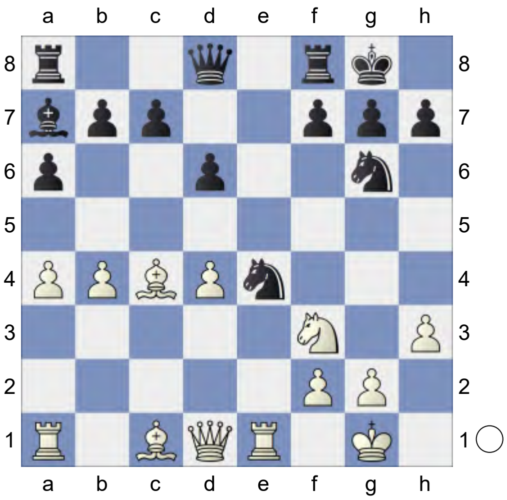
10.Re1 Ng6 11.d4 has lost popularity (11.Nf1). verliert an Beliebtheit (11.Sf1).

11...Bg4!N An important novelty. Eine beachtenswerte Neuerung.

[11...exd4 0.49/19 11...c6 0.13 12.cxd4 d5 13.exd5! Nxd5 1-0 (34) Volokitin,A (2643)-Sokolovsky,Y (2552) ISR-chT Israel 2025 (8.1)]

12.h3 White has an edge. **12...Bxf3 13.Nxf3 exd4 14.cxd4 Nxe4!**

(Diagram)



Decoy **15.Bxf7+ Rxf7 16.Rxe4 d5 17.Rg4 Qf6** 0.66/22

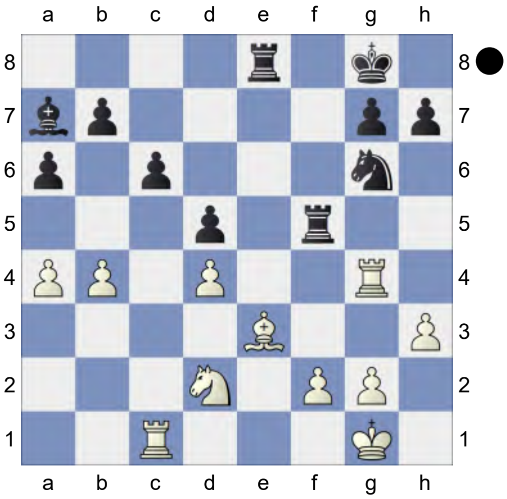
[17...c6= 0.17/21]

18.Be3⩲ Re8! 19.Qd3

[19.Ne5 with more complications. Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Nxe5 21.f4]

19...Qf5 20.Qxf5 Rxf5 21.Rc1 c6 22.Nd2 -0.78/22

[22.Bd2= -0.01/21]



22...Bb8!⩱ White does not recover from this. **23.h4?** -2.37/24

[23.Nf3⩱ -0.57/20]

23...Nf4-+ 24.Rd1 -3.13/24

[⌓24.Re1 -1.79/22]

24...Ne2+ 25.Kh1 Nc3 26.Rc1 -4.03/23

[⌓26.Ra1 -2.86/21]

26...Nxa4 27.Nb3 Nb2 28.Nc5 Against Nd3 **28...Rf7 29.Kg1 Nc4** Black is clearly winning. **30.Rc3** -6.15/24

[⌓30.Re1 -4.36/22 h5 31.Rg6]

30...b6 31.Na4 Bd6 32.Rb3 Ref8 33.f3 Re8 34.Bf2 Re2 Prevents Nb2 **35.h5 Ra2** And now ...Ra1+ would win. **36.Nc3 Ra1+ 37.Rb1 Rxb1+** Remove Defender **38.Nxb1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/Black=0.10 (very precise)

38...Bxb4

0-1

513 **C50**
☐ **Helmi-Rojali** **2561**
■ **Just_StudentMATF** **2629**
Blitz 31.03.2020
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 3min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Kf8N**

[7...Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

8.Qxc5+ Black is clearly better. **8...d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.0-0 Ng4** -1.15/20

[⌓10...d5 -1.54/20 11.e5 Ng8]

11.Qg3∓ Qh4 12.Qxh4 Nxh4 13.f4 Ng6! 14.Nc3 c6 -0.40/20

[Better is 14...Nf6∓ -1.42/19 15.f5 Ne7]

15.d4 -0.76/20

[15.h3∓ -0.40/20 Nh6 16.b3]

15...Bd7 0.62/22

[15...h5∓ -0.76/20]

16.f5 Ne7 17.h3! Nf6 18.e5 dxe5 0.94/16

[18...Ne8⩲ 0.32/17]

19.dxe5± Nfd5 20.f6? -0.77/17

[20.Ne4± 0.99/19 stays on course.]

20...Ng6 0.28/22

[20...gxf6∓ -0.77/17 21.Ne4 f5]

21.Nxd5 -0.62/17

[21.Ne4!= 0.28/22]

21...cxd5∓ 22.Bg5 Rg8 -0.39/21

[22...Nxe5 23.fxg7+ Kxg7 24.Bf6+ Kg6 25.Bxe5±]

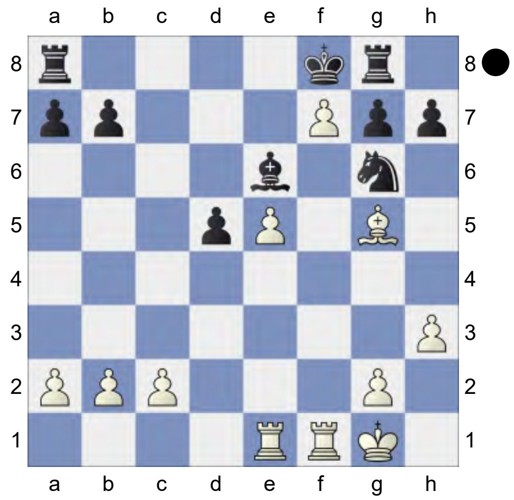
[22...Bb5!∓ -0.77/22 23.Rf5 gxf6 *(23...Bd7 24.Rff1=)*]

23.Rae1 -1.05/19

[23.Rad1∓ -0.39/21]

23...Be6!∓ 24.f7!

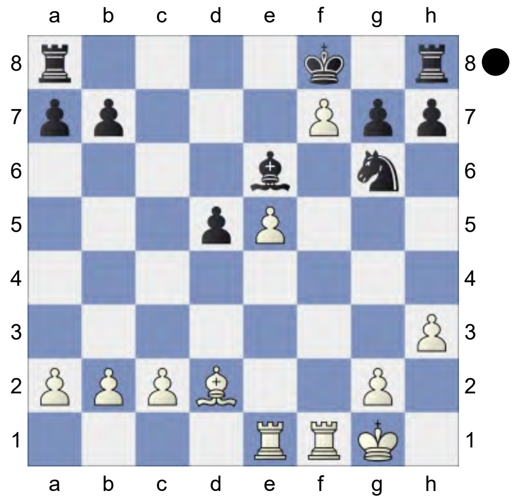
(Diagram)



Rh8

[24...Bxf7 25.e6 Rh8 26.Bd2+- *(26.exf7 a5+-; 26.Rxf7+ Kg8+-)*]

25.Bd2



Rc8 0.00/22

[25...Bxf7? 26.e6 Ke7 27.Rxf7+ *(27.exf7+ Kd7+-)* 27...Kd6 28.Rxb7+- *(28.Rxg7 Kc6+-)*]

[25...a5!∓ -0.99/21 ...Ke7! is the strong threat. 26.b4 Ke7 *(26...Bxf7? 27.e6+-* Pin *)* 27.bxa5 Bxf7]

26.Bb4+= Ne7 27.c3 h5

[27...Bxf7? 28.e6+-]

28.Bd6 Rh6

[28...Bxf7? perishes. 29.e6 Rh6 30.Rxf7+ Kg8 31.Rxe7+-]

29.Rf4 -0.97/24

[29.Re3∓ -0.46/23]

29...Rc6? #7/22

[29...Bxf7 30.e6 Rd8 31.Rxf7+ Kg8 32.Bxe7+-]

[29...Rd8∓ -0.97/24]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.59 **30.Bxe7+**

1-0

514 **C54**

□ **Maurizzi,Marc Andria** **2581**

■ **Oro,Faustino** **2447**

Djerba Festival Masters 2025 (1.3)

[Kitty Kat]

Slow 90min+30sec C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** 29 **e5** 8 **2.Nf3** 50 **Nc6** 7 **3.Bc4** 2:20 **Bc5** 7 **4.c3** 37 **Nf6** 16 **5.d3** 5 **a5** 34

[5...a6 6.Bb3 d6 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.h3 Be6 9.0-0 Ba7 10.Re1 h6 11.Nf1 Re8 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 Bxd5 16.d4 e4 17.Nd2 f5 18.f3 e3 19.f4 Na5 20.Bxd5+ ½-½ Ellithorpe,G (2715)-Buchicchio,G (2769) 39th World Open Philadelphia USA 2011]

[5...d6 6.0-0 Bb6 7.Re1 Ng4 8.Re2 0-0 9.h3 Nf6 10.Re1 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nbd2 c6 13.Bb3 exd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Nh5 16.Bc2 Nhf4 17.Nf1 f6 18.Bxg6 Nxg6 19.Ng3 Bc7 20.b3 0-1 Krause,B (2404)-Petrov,N (2589) EU-Cup 39th Vrnjacka Banja 2024 (6.2)]

6.0-0N 2:04 Hoping for d4.

[6.a4 d6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 Re8 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Qb3 Rb8 12.Rfe1 Ba7 13.Nf1 Bxc4 14.Qxc4 Re6 15.Rad1 Qd7 16.Qb5 Ng4 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rg6 19.Bg3

Bb6 20.N1d2 Rd8 1-0 Antal,T (2539)-Medina,J (2483) Leon 1995 (6)]

6...Ba7 57 **7.Be3** 5:20 '!?' Exploring less charted territory.Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **7...Bxe3** 1:39 **8.fxe3** 21 The position is equal. **8...0-0** 6 **9.Nbd2** 2:23 **d5** 7:12 'N'

[9...d6 10.a4 Qe7 11.Qb3 Nd8 12.d4 b6 13.Rae1 Rb8 14.Qc2 Bb7 15.Nh4 g6 ½-½ (35) Sirotine,K (2326)-Ponkratov,P (2407) RUS-ch U16 Dagomys 2004]

10.exd5 5:19 **Nxd5** 1:11 **11.Qe2** 3:37 **h6** 0.69/19 7:21

[11...Nb6= 0.17/19]

12.a4 7:44 **Nb6** 8:18 **13.Bb3** 5:06 **Qe7** 3:51 **14.e4** 0.10/21 3:22

[14.Qf2⩲ 0.56/18]

14...Be6= 4:53 **15.Bxe6** 34 **Qxe6** 59 **16.Nh4** 27 **Ne7** 9:44 **17.Rf3** 1:26 **Rad8** 2:50 **18.Rg3** 5:36 **Kh7** 3:06 **19.Kh1** 4:04 **g6** 0.39/20 5:08

[Black should try 19...f6= -0.28/18]

20.Rf3 0.02/20 10:28

[20.Nhf3⩲ 0.39/20]

20...Kg7 0.65/20 2:17

[20...f6= 0.02/20]

21.Raf1 0.18/22 7:57

[21.Qf2⩲ 0.65/20]

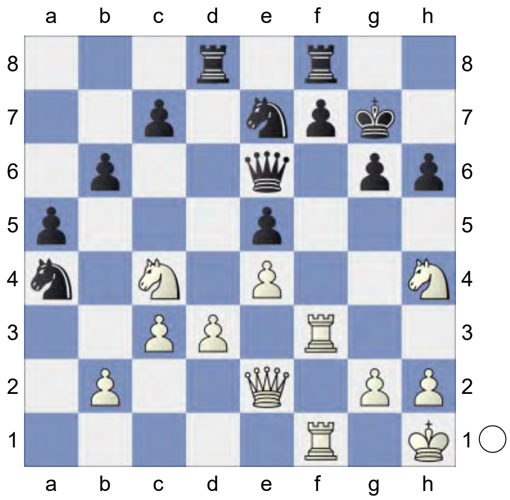
21...Nxa4 6:19 **22.Nc4** 0.09/19 2:06

[22.Rf6⩲ 0.51/21 Qxf6 23.Rxf6 Kxf6 24.d4]

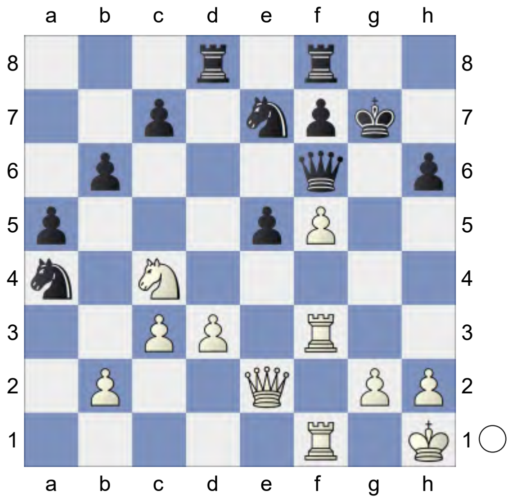
22...b6? 1.71/22 3:25

[22...b5!= 0.09/19 23.Rf6 (*23.Nxa5 f6=*) 23...Qxf6 24.Rxf6 bxc4]

(Diagram)



23.Nf5+!+- 3:22 **gxf5** 7:20 **24.exf5** 10 **Qf6** 6



25.Nxe5 0.27/23 5:34

[25.Ne3!± 1.56/21 aiming for Ng4. Nd5 26.Ng4 (*26.Rg3+ Kh7±*)]

25...Ng8 0.65/21 14

[25...Rfe8= 0.27/23]

26.Ng4 0.01/22 3:00

[White should play 26.d4⩲ 0.65/21]

26...Qg5? 3.46/22 3:07 White stays focused until the end.

[26...Rfe8= 0.01/22 27.Qc2 Qc6 28.f6+ Kf8]

27.f6+ 1:35 **Kh8** 9 **28.Rf5** 1:41 **Rde8** 2:18 **29.Ne5** 36 **Rxe5** 25 **30.Qxe5** 1:28

[30.Rxe5 Qg6 31.d4 Nxf6+-]

30...Qg6 1:59 **31.R5f3** 1:58

And now Rg3 would win.

[31.Qxc7 Nxb2 32.Kg1 (*32.Qxb6 Re8±*) 32...Na4+- (*32...Nxd3? 33.Qd6+-*)]

31...Nc5 5:20 **32.Rg3** 44

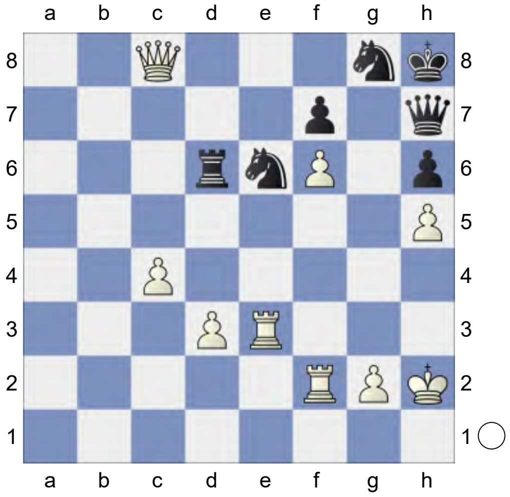
[32.Qxc7 Ne6 33.Qxb6 Qh5+-]

32...Qh7 1 **33.Qxc7** 1:11 **Re8** 1:56 **34.h3** 3:24

[Less strong is 34.Qxb6 Qf5 35.Kg1 (*35.Rxf5? leads to mate. Re1+; 35.Rxg8+? Kxg8 36.Kg1 Qg5-+*) 35...Qd5 36.Qxa5 Qd6+-]

34...Ne6 6:00 **35.Qxb6** 7 **Rd8** 8:37 **36.Rff3** 3:34 **Ra8** 0 **37.Rf2** 1:22 **Ng5** 0 **38.h4** 2:58 **Ne6** 0 **39.h5** 22 **Ng5** 0 **40.Re3** 16 **a4** 0 **41.c4** 34 **a3** 0 **42.bxa3** 1 **Rxa3** 0 **43.Qd8** 21 **Ra6** 29 **44.Kh2** 1:02 **Ne6** 26 **45.Qc8** 1:28 **Rd6** 7.35/25 4

[⌓45...Ra5 4.17/26 46.g4 Rg5 47.Qxe6 Promotion fxe6 (*47...Rxh5+ 48.gxh5 fxe6 49.f7 Qg7 50.f8Q Qxf8 51.Rxf8 Kg7 52.Ref3*)]

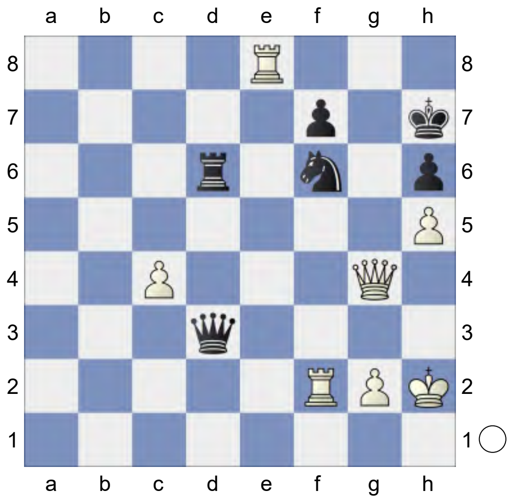


46.Rxe6! 44 Deflection, Promotion **46...Qxd3** 1:26

[46...Rxe6 47.Qxe6]

47.Re8 30 White mates. **47...Kh7** 6 **48.Qg4** 1:10 **Nxf6** 27

(Diagram)



49.Rxf6! 3 Remove Defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.51

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515 **C54**
☐ **Xue,Haowen** **2518**
■ **Jiang,Haochen** **2455**
CHN-ch Rapid/Blitz 4th (1.5) 13.07.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.a4 h6N

[7...Ba7 8.h3 (*8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)*; 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 0-0 10.Nbd2 h6 11.d4 Bg4 12.Qc2 Bh5 13.Rae1 Nd7 14.b4 Qe7 15.g3 a5 16.b5 Nd8 17.Nh4 Ne6 18.Bd5 Ra7 19.Nf5 Qd8 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bc4 c6 22.Bd3 Bg6* 0-1 (63) Kucera,T (2466)-Kauschmann,H (2681) 4NCL West

Bromwich ENG 2004 (1.20)) 8...h6 9.Re1 (*9.Nbd2 g5 10.Re1 g4 11.hxg4 Nxg4 12.Re2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Rg8 14.Rc2 Bd7 15.b4 Qg6 16.Be3 Nxe3 17.fxe3 a5 18.Rf2 Rg7 19.Qb3 0-0-0 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Rb1 Nxd5 22.bxa5 Nb6 23.axb6 cxb6* 1-0 (50) 13.b3 ♗f8 14. ♗b2 (2133)-Martinez Catalan,F (2358) FRA-chT Top 16 GpA 2006 (6)) 9...g5 10.Nh2 g4 11.hxg4 h5 12.g5 Ng4 13.Rf1 Qe7 14.Nf3 Rg8 15.b4 Be6 16.Na3 f6 17.Qb3 Nd8 18.d4 fxg5 19.b5 Qf6 20.a5 axb5 21.Nxb5 Bb8 22.dxe5 1-0 (64) Nevednichy,V (2524)-Van Foreest,J (2609) Hersonissos 135/119 2017]

8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Be6 9...Re8 is becoming the main line.9...Te8 wird zur Hauptvariante. **10.Bxe6** was the old line (10.Re1). war die alte Variante (10.Te1). **10...fxe6 11.b4 Ba7 12.Ra2** The position is equal. **12...Qd7 13.Re1 Ne7 14.Nf1 Ng6 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Qf7N**

[16...a5 17.b5 c6 18.Rb2 c5 19.Qb3 b6 0.37/19 (*19...Nf4=* -0.07/20) 20.N1d2 0.01/21 (*20.d4±* 0.37/19 might be stronger.) 20...Rae8 0.60/21 (*20...d5=* 0.01/21) 21.Nc4 -0.01/21 (*21.d4!±* 0.60/21) 21...Qc7!= 22.d4 exd4 23.cxd4 cxd4 24.Nxd4 1-0 (49) Suarez Uriel,A (2387)-Calvo Gonzalez,J (2085) Madrid Alcorcon op 1st 2022 (8)]

17.N1h2 Nf4 18.Ne1 d5 19.Nhf3 Ng6 0.13/19

[⌓19...Nd7 -0.27/19]

20.Rd2 Rad8 21.g3 Rd6 22.Qc2 Rfd8 23.exd5 Nxd5 24.Re4

[24.Nxe5? Nxe3 25.Nxf7 Nxc2 26.Nxd6 Nxe1-+]

24...Rc6 25.Rc4! Rcd6 26.Re2 Nb6 1.79/22

[26...Qf5± 0.64/19]

27.Rce4 1.11/21

[27.Nxe5? Nxe5 28.Rf4 Qh5-+]

[27.Rc5+- 1.79/22]

27...Nd7± 28.h4 a5 2.15/21 **29.bxa5+- Rd5 30.h5** 1.21/23

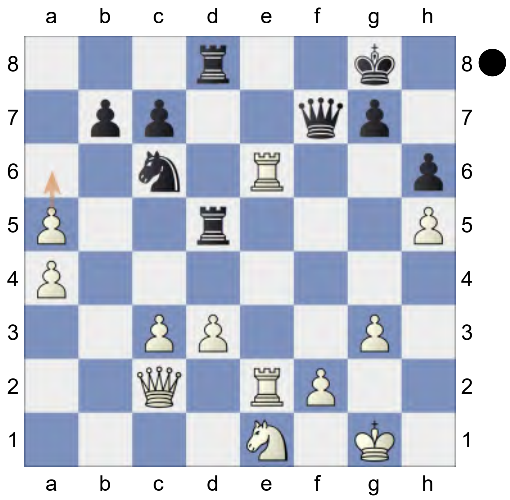
[White should play 30.Rb4+- 2.37/19]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

30...Ne7? 4.37/23

[30...Ngf8± 1.21/23 is tougher.]

31.Nxe5 Nxe5 32.Rxe5 Nc6 33.Rxe6



Rxa5 34.d4 Rxh5 35.Qe4 Qf5 36.Nd3 Qxe4 37.R2xe4

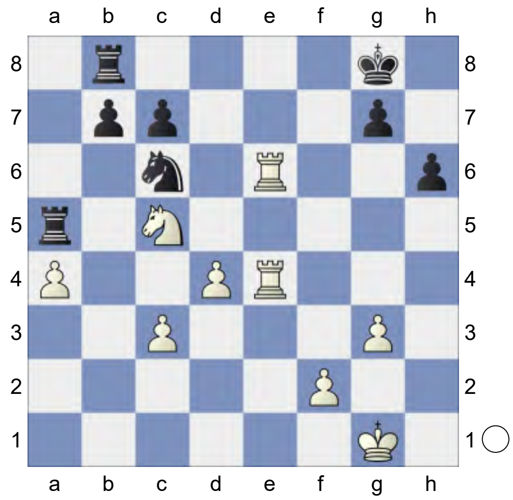
[Weaker is 37.R6xe4 Ra5 38.Nc5 Rf8 39.Nxb7 Rxa4+-]

37...Ra5 6.34/26

[37...Rf5 3.46/23 38.Nc5 Na5 39.Re8+ Rxe8 40.Rxe8+ Kh7]

38.Nc5 Rb8

(Diagram)



39.Nxb7! Remove Defender **39...Rxb7 40.Rxc6 Rxa4** Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **41.Re7 Raa7 42.Rg6 Kf8 43.Rgxg7 h5 44.Kg2 Rb1 45.Ref7+ Ke8 46.Rxc7 Rxc7 47.Rxc7** KR-KR. White is 3 pawns up. **47...Rc1 48.Rc5 Ke7 49.Rxh5 Rxc3 50.Re5+ Kf6 51.g4 Rd3 52.Re4 Kg5 53.Kf1 Rd2 54.Ke1 Ra2 55.d5 Ra1+ 56.Ke2 Ra2+ 57.Ke3 Kf6 58.f3** and Kf4 should not be overlooked **58...Ra5 59.Re6+ Kf7 60.Re5 Ra3+ 61.Kf4 Kf6 62.g5+ Kf7 63.Kg4 Rd3 64.f4 Kg6 65.f5+ Kf7 66.g6+ Kg7 67.Re7+** 19.87/27

[⌓67.Kf4 #18/26 Rd2 68.Re7+ Kf8 69.f6 Rf2+ 70.Ke5 Re2+ 71.Kd6 Rg2 72.g7+ Kg8 73.Re8+ Kf7 74.Rf8+ Kg6 75.g8Q+ *(75.g8R+ Kf5 76.Rxg2 Kf4 77.Rfg8 Ke4 78.R2g3 Kf4 79.Ke6 Ke4 80.R8g4#)* 75...Kf5 76.Qxg2 Kf4 77.Re8 Kf5 78.f7 Kf6 79.f8Q#]

67...Kf8 68.Rf7+ Kg8 69.Rd7 Kf8 70.f6 14.53/5

[⌓70.g7+ #8/18 Kg8 71.f6 Kh7 72.Rd8 Rd4+ 73.Kg5 *(73.Kh5 Rxd5+ 74.Rxd5 Kg8 75.Rd8+ Kf7 76.Kg5 Ke6 77.g8Q+ Ke5 78.Qe8#)* 73...Rg4+ 74.Kxg4 Kg6 75.g8Q+ *(75.g8R+ Kxf6 76.Rge8 Kf7 77.Kg5 Kg7 78.Re7#)* 75...Kxf6 76.Kf4 Ke7 77.Qf8#]

70...Ke8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.76

71.Re7+ 33.24/5

[⌓71.Ra7 #8/18 Rd4+ 72.Kf5 Kd8 73.f7 Rxd5+ 74.Ke6 Kc8 75.f8Q+ *(75.f8R+ Rd8 76.Rxd8+* Back Rank *Kxd8 77.g7 Ke8 78.g8Q#)* 75...Rd8 76.Qc5+ Kb8 77.Qc7#]

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516 **C53**
□ **Bok,Benjamin** **2583**
■ **Oro,Faustino** **2447**
Tata Steel Challengers (4.5) 21.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Ilincic,Zlatko Dragan Solak Kitty Kat Kitty Kat ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0**

[RR 5...d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(*RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5*

Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

6.0-0N

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 (RR *9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3;* RR *9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3;* RR *9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3*) 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 (RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4;* RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4;* RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4*) 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 d6 9.a4 (RR *9.h3 Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ne3 Bg6 14.0-0 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Be4 17.Bd5 Bxd5 18.Nxd5 Bg5 19.Qb3 Qf7 20.h4 Bf6 21.Rac1 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Qxd5 23.Rxc6 Bxb2*) 9...Be6 (RR *9...Nh5;* RR *9...Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4*) 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5 Qe8 12.Nbd2 Nh5 13.0-0 Bf6 14.Qb3 Rb8 15.Qc4 g5 16.h3 Nf4

(RR 16...Bg7) 17.d4 h5 *(RR 17...Kh8)* 18.d5 exd5 19.exd5 Ne7

A) RR 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.Rae1 *(RR 21.Qxc7 g4)*;

B) 20.Qxc7 g4 Wafa,H (2359)-Garv,R (2277) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (71) RR 21.Bxf4 gxf3 22.Be3]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) Novi Sad 2003 CI1-130 [Ilincic,Zlatko] 0-1 (45)]

6...h6 7.b4

[7.Nbd2 a6 8.Bb3 d6 9.Re1 Bg4 10.h3 Bd7 11.Nf1 Nh5 12.d4 exd4 13.g4 Nf6 14.cxd4 Bb6 15.Ng3 Nh7 16.Be3 Ne7 17.Qd2 Ng6 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.gxf5 Nh4 20.Nh2 Ng5 21.Bxg5 hxg5 6... Bb6 7... Ne4 11.... h6! (2200)-Smith,V (1854) Jugoslavija 81/403 2014 The Benko Gambit: MBM [Budovskis, Latvian CC mag 5/95 p20] 1-0 (32)]

[7.Re1 d6 8.h3 a6 9.Bb3 Na5 10.Bc2 Ba7 11.Nbd2 c5 12.Nf1 b5 13.Ng3 Nc6 14.Nh2 c4 15.Qf3 cxd3 16.Bxd3 b4 17.Nhf1 bxc3 18.bxc3 Na5 19.Ne3 Bxe3 20.Bxe3 Be6 21.Nf5 Bxf5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Bd2 Bg4_3395 (1262)-3.Nf3 Bc3 4.dc3 Nc6_275 (1361) corr LSS 2023 Schlechter-Tarrasch [John Watson] ½-½]

7...Be7 8.Qb3N '!?' A promising side line. Eine vielversprechende Nebenvariante.

[8.Bb2 a6 *(8...d6 9.a4 #3 2) Italian - Fast & Furious-3...Bc5 4.d3 h6)* 9.a4 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.b5 Na5 12.Bxd5 Qxd5 13.c4 Qd8 14.Nxe5 #2 Italian Fast Furious-3... Bc5 4.d3 h6]

8...a5 'N'

[8...d6 9.a4 a5 10.b5 Nb8 11.Nh4 Nd5 12.Ng6 fxg6 13.Bxd5+ Kh7 14.Be3 Bg5 ½-½ (47) Garban,M (2152)-Vemparala,N (2096) Piestany Slovakia op-A 2023 (6)]

9.b5 a4 The position is equal. **10.Qc2 Na5 11.Nxe5 Nxc4 12.dxc4 Bc5 13.Nd2 d6 14.Nd3 Bb6 15.Ba3 Re8 16.Rae1 Ng4** 0.44/19

[16...Nh5= 0.01/19 is more appropriate.]

17.Nf3⩲ Be6 18.h3 Nxf2 0.86/21

[18...Nf6⩲ 0.32/20]

19.Nxf2 0.38/19

[19.Rxf2± 0.86/21 aiming for c5. Bxf2+ 20.Nxf2]

19...Bxc4 20.Kh1 Bxf1 21.Rxf1 Qf6! 22.c4 Re6 1.15/22 White now steadily converts the win.

[22...Qg6!⩲ 0.43/20]

23.e5 dxe5 24.c5↑ White is in control. &Bianco is more active. **24...Ba5 25.Ng4** White has strong compensation. **25...Qg6** 1.93/21

[25...Qe7± 1.19/20]

26.Qc4+-

[26.Qxa4?! Qd3 27.Rd1 Qe2±]

[26.Qxg6 fxg6 27.Ngxe5 *(27.Nfxe5? h5-+)* 27...Bc3∓]

26...Rae8 1.87/20

[26...Ree8± 1.34/23]

27.Bb2

[27.Qxa4?! Bc3±]

27...f6 28.Nh4

[Don't take 28.Qxa4?! b6±]

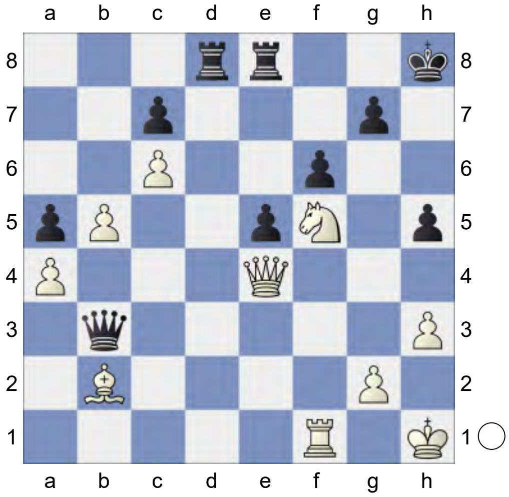
28...Qf7 29.Nf5 Kh7 2.71/21

[⌓29...Bd2 1.62/21]

30.Qxa4 b6 31.Qe4 Threatens to win with Nfxh6+. **31...Kh8** 3.91/20

[⌓31...g6 2.53/21 32.Nfxh6 Qe7]

32.c6 h5 33.Nge3 Rd8 34.Nc4 Ree8 35.Nxa5 bxa5 36.a4 Qb3

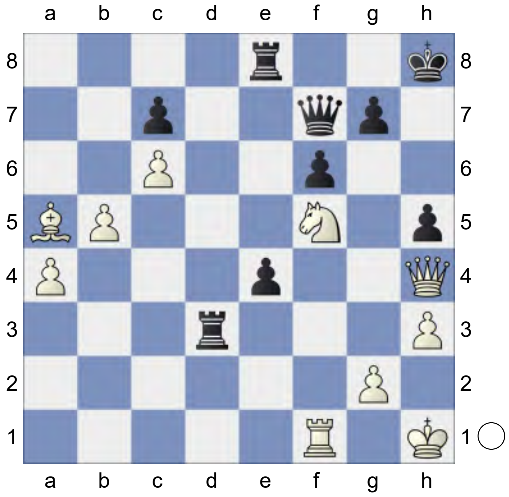


37.Qh4! White is clearly winning.

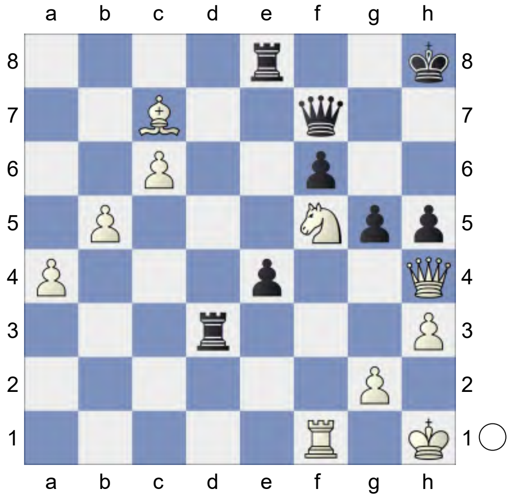
37...Qf7

[37...Qxb2 leads to mate. 38.Qxh5+ Kg8 39.Qg6]

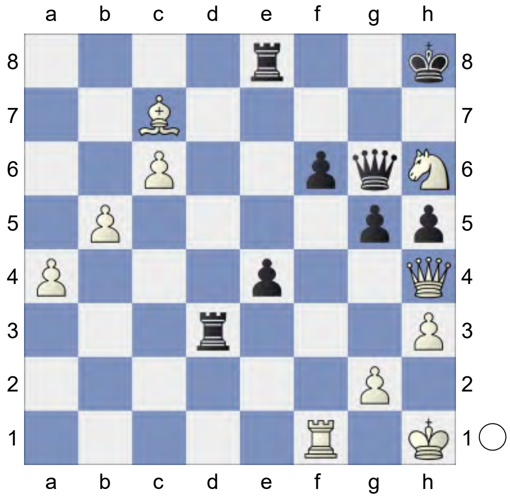
38.Bc3 Rd3 39.Bxa5 e4



40.Bxc7! g5



41.Nh6! Qg6



42.Rxf6!! gxh4

[42...Qxf6 43.Qxh5]

43.Rxg6 e3 44.Nf5 e2 45.Ba5 e1Q+ 46.Bxe1 Rxe1+ 47.Kh2 Rdd1 48.Nxh4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.28 (precise)

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517 **C54**
☐ **Lu,Miaoyi** **2429**
■ **L'Ami,Erwin** **2614**
Tata Steel Challengers (11.3) 31.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 *(RR 6...d6)* 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 *(RR 11...Qd6)* 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 *(RR 11.b4 Be7)* 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 *(RR 10...Qe7)* 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 *(RR 10...Re8)*

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 *(RR 11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+)* 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 *(RR 12...fxe5 13.Ng5)*

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 *(RR 15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3)* 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 *(RR 13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3)* 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 *(RR 16.Nd2 Rad8)* 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 *(RR 17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8)* 18.Qg4 *(RR 18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1)*;

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 *(RR 17.f3 Rfd8*

18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3)*

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2)* 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6)* 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1)* 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5)* 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6*)]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus, D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.d5 Ne5 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 b5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.Be3 a5 14.Qb3 0-0 15.Rd1 Qc8 16.d6 Rd8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.f4 Rxd6 19.Rxd6 Qxd6 20.Rd1 Qc7 21.fxe5 Qxe5 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992]

7...Nxe4 8.0-0 Nxd2 9.Bxd2 Bxd2 10.Qxd2 0-0 11.d5 Ne7 12.d6 cxd6 13.Ng5 d5! 14.Qd3 The position is equal. **14...g6 15.Bxd5 d6 16.Ne4 Kg7** 0.85/20 Inhibits Nf6.

[16...Nxd5= 0.00/21 17.Qxd5 Bf5]

17.Rfd1 0.42/22

[17.Qc3+± 0.85/20 f6 18.Rad1]

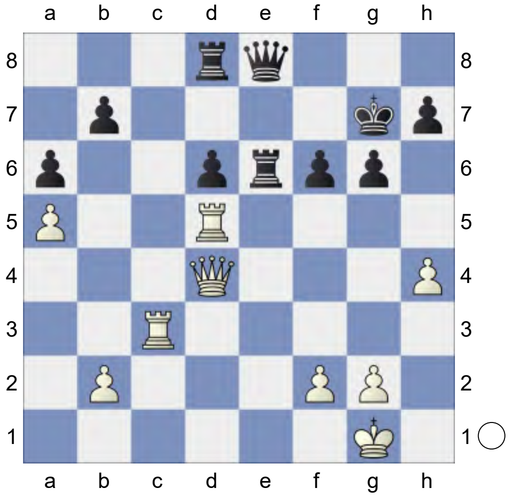
17...Qb6 18.Qc3+ f6 19.a4 0.11/22

[19.Rd4⩲ 0.49/21]

19...Bf5!= Strongly threatening ...Nxd5. **20.a5⇄** White is fighting back **20...Nxd5** Remove Defender **21.Rxd5 Qc6 22.Qd4 Bxe4 23.Qxe4 Rfe8 24.Qd4 Re6 25.h4 a6** 0.07/23

[25...Rae8 -0.30/23 might be stronger.]

26.Ra3 Rd8 27.Rc3 Qe8



28.h5! Qe7

[28...Rd7 29.Re3]

29.Rd3

[29.Rh3 keeps more tension. Re1+ 30.Kh2 Qe4 31.hxg6 hxg6 32.Qd2]

29...Re4 30.Qb6 -0.48/22

[30.Qc3= -0.01/23]

30...Re1+ 31.Kh2 Re5 32.g3 Re6 33.Rd1 Rd7 34.R1d2 g5 0.01/23

[34...Re5∓ -0.44/23]

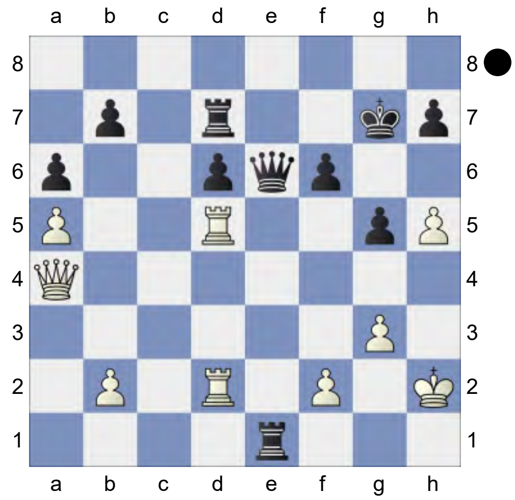
35.Qd4 Kh6 36.Qg4! Re4 37.Qd1

[37.Qf3 with more complications. Qe6 38.Qd1 Re1 39.Qf3]

37...Re1 38.Qf3 Kg7 39.Qg4 Qe6 40.Qa4 -1.31/25

[40.Qxe6!= -0.01/24 remains equal. Rxe6 41.Kh3]

(Diagram)



40...Re5 0.01/24

[40...Re7!∓ -1.31/25 (→ ...Rh1+!) 41.Kg2 (*41.Rxd6?* *Rh1+* Skewer *42.Kg2 Qh3+ 43.Kf3 Rhe1 44.h6+* Decoy *Kxh6 45.Rxf6+ Kh5-+*) 41...Rh1 Back Rank]

41.Qd1

[41.g4 seems wilder. Re1 42.Kg3 Kf8 43.Kf3]

41...Qf5 42.f3 -0.39/24

[42.g4= 0.01/24 Qf4+ 43.Kg2]

42...Rde7∓ 43.b4 Qc8 44.Rxe5 dxe5= Endgame. KQR-KQR **45.Rd8! Qe6 46.Qd3 e4 47.fxe4 Qxe4 48.Qxe4 Rxe4∓** KR-KR **49.Rd7+?** -2.37/24

[49.Kh3∓ -0.77/26 was forced.]

49...Kh6-+ 50.Rxb7 Kxh5 51.Rxh7+? -5.08/31

[51.Kh3∓ -1.59/28 was the crucial defense.]

51...Kg4 52.Rh6 f5 ...Re2+ would now be deadly.

[52...Rxb4 53.Rxf6 Rb2+ 54.Kg1=]

53.Rxa6 -12.84/22

[⌓53.Kg2 -5.17/26 Rxb4 54.Rb6]

53...Re2+ Deflection

[53...Rxb4 54.Rb6 Ra4 55.Rb2=]

54.Kg1 Loses the game. **54...Kxg3 55.Kf1** Wards off Re1+ **55...Rf2+ 56.Ke1 Rb2** Hoping for ...f4! **57.Rd6 f4**

...f3! is the strong threat.

[And not 57...Rxb4 58.Rd3+ Kg2 59.Rd5=]

58.Rd2 Rb1+ 59.Ke2 f3+ 60.Ke3 Rb3+ -10.45/25

[⌓60...Re1+ -22.14/21 61.Kd4 f2 62.Rxf2 Kxf2 63.b5 Ra1 64.Kd5 Rxa5 65.Kc6 Rxb5 66.Kxb5 Ke3 67.Kc4 g4 68.Kd5 g3 69.Kd6 g2 70.Ke6 Ke4 (*70...g1R* leads to mate. *71.Kf5 Rd1 72.Ke5 Kf3 73.Kf5 Re1 74.Kg5 Re5+ 75.Kf6 Kf4 76.Kg6 Rf5 77.Kh6 Rg5 78.Kh7 Rg1 79.Kh6 Kf5 80.Kh7 Kf6 81.Kh8 Kf7 82.Kh7 Rh1#*) 71.Ke7 g1Q (*71...g1R* is a self mate. *72.Ke6 Rd1 73.Kf6 Rd6+ 74.Ke7 Ke5 75.Kf7 Re6 76.Kg7 Rf6 77.Kg8 Kf5 78.Kg7 Ke6 79.Kg8 Rg6+ 80.Kh8 Kf7 81.Kh7 Rf6 82.Kh8 Rh6#*) 72.Kf6 Qd4+ 73.Kf7 Ke5 74.Kg6 Qa7 75.Kh5 Qg1 76.Kh6 Kf6 77.Kh7 Qg7#]

61.Kd4 Rxb4+ 62.Kc5 Ra4 63.Kb5 Ra1 64.a6 f2 Black mates. **65.Rd3+ Kg2 66.Rd2 Kg1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.20 (precise)

0-1

518 **C50**

☐ **Lovefully** **2712**

■ **BLITZ16** **2481**

Rapid 29.07.2021

[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5** Black is clearly better. **8...d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d3N**

[10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 Rxa2 53.Nc7 b4 54.Nxd5 b3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

10...Rf8 11.f4 Kf7 12.0-0

[12.f5? Bxf5 13.exf5 Re8 14.fxg6+ Kxg6-+]

12...Kg8 13.Nc3 c6 14.f5 Ne5 15.b3 d5 -0.29/17

[15...b5∓ -1.32/18 16.Qg3 b4]

16.Qg3!= Re8 17.d4 Qb6

[17...Nxe4 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.f6 (*19.dxe5 Bxf5 20.Be3 Qc8⩲*) 19...Qxd4+ 20.Be3+-]

18.Be3 Neg4

[18...Nxe4 19.Nxe4 dxe4

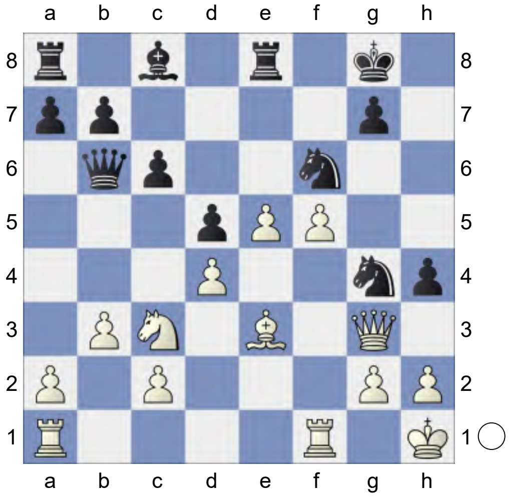
20.dxe5+-]

19.e5 Threatens to win with Rae1.

19...h5 0.27/21

[⌓19...Qb4 -0.15/21 20.Ne2 h5]

20.Kh1 h4



Deflection **21.Qxh4** 0.00/23

[21.Qh3!⩲ 0.45/22]

21...Nxe3 22.exf6 Nxf1

[22...Bxf5 23.Qg3 g6 (*23...Nxf1 24.Qxg7#*) 24.Rxf5+-]

[22...Nxf5 23.Qh5 (*23.Qg5 Qc7∓*) 23...Re3 (*23...Rf8? 24.fxg7 Kxg7 25.g4+-*) 24.Qg5±]

23.Qh5→ White wants to mate with f7+. White attacks. Chess con chili. White now steadily converts the win. **23...Bxf5?** 5.01/21 **24.f7++-** Zwischenzug, Double Attack

[Worse is 24.Qxf5 Qc7 (*24...Ng3+ 25.hxg3 Qc7 26.Rf1∓*) 25.Rxf1 Qf7=]

24...Kf8 Hoping for ...Ng3+!. **25.fxe8Q+ Rxe8 26.Qxf5+ Kg8 27.Rxf1 Qc7** 10.18/17

[⌓27...Qd8 5.08/18 28.Qf7+ Kh7 29.Qh5+ (*29.Qxb7 Qf6+- Back Rank*) 29...Kg8 30.Qf7+]

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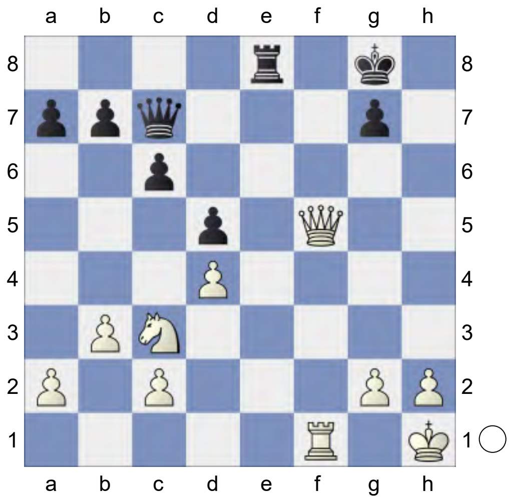


Repels Qf7+ **28.Nxd5! cxd5**

[28...Qd8 29.Qf7+]

29.Qxd5+ KQR-KQR. White is 3 pawns up. **29...Kh8 30.Qh5+ Kg8 31.Qxe8+ Kh7 32.Qh5+ Kg8 33.Qd5+ Kh7 34.Rf8 g6** Dodges Qh5+ **35.Rf7+** White mates. **35...Qxf7 36.Qxf7+ Kh6 37.Qxb7 a6 38.Qxa6 Kh5 39.Qf6 g5 40.Qh8+ Kg4 41.Qh3+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.96 **41...Kf4**

1-0

519 **C54**

☐ **Grebnev,Aleksey** **2530**

■ **Rohit,Krishna S** **2474**

Asia-ch U18 Tagaytay City (4) 15.10.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.h3 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Re1 h6

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4

Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)]

10.Nbd2 The position is equal. **10...Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bb3N**

[12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7 ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa Vergani Cup 2023 (2) 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Nf3 Nc7 29.Ne3 Ng4 30.Nxg4 Bxg4 31.Nd2 g5 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Nc4 Qh6 34.Ne3 Bc8 35.Bg2 Nb5 36.Rbb1 Qf6 37.Kf1 Be6 38.Rbd1 Qe7 39.Qb2 Rxd1 40.Rxd1 Rd8 41.Rxd8+ Qxd8 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2)]

12...Re8 13.Bc2 Be6 13...b5 is the modern continuation.13...b5 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **14.Nf1 c6 15.Ng3 Qc7 16.Be3 a5 17.Qd2 Qe7N**

[17...Rad8 18.Rad1 Bc8 19.dxe5 -0.21/23 (*19.Qc1± 0.84/19*) 19...dxe5= 20.Qc1 aiming for Rxd8. Bxe3 21.Qxe3 b6 22.Bb3 Be6 0.26/25 (*22...Ba6⩱ -0.47/22*) 23.Bxe6 Rxe6 1-0 (40) Muradli,M (2554)-Sadykov,R (2338) Titled Tuesday intern op 08th Aug Early blitz 2023 (2)]

18.Rad1 Rad8 1.07/21

[⌓18...Bb8 0.71/18]

19.Qc1 0.64/18

[White should play 19.c4± 1.07/21]

19...Bb8⩲ 20.b4 0.32/23

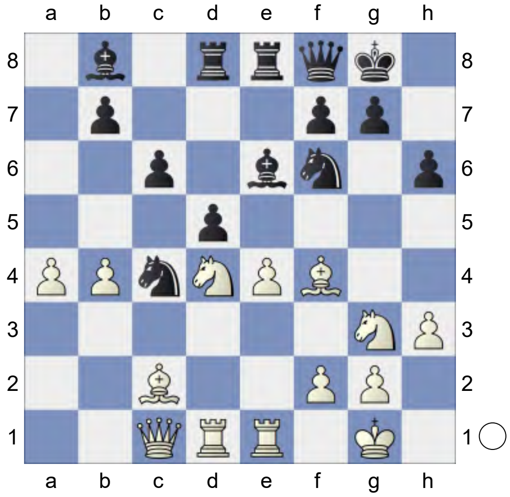
[20.c4± 0.76/18]

20...axb4 21.cxb4 Qf8 1.28/20

[Better is 21...d5⩲ 0.61/23]

22.dxe5 Nxe5 23.Nd4 Nc4 24.Bf4 Loses the game. **24...d5** 2.47/22

[24...Ne5± 1.12/19]



25.Bxb8!+- Rxb8 26.e5 Nh7 27.Qb1 Ng5 28.f4 Na3 29.Qb3 Nxc2 30.Qxc2 Nh7 4.01/23

[30...Ne4 1.92/23]

31.Qc3 c5 4.65/20

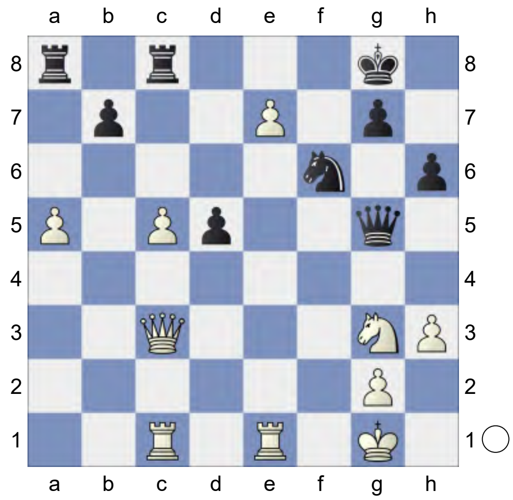
[31...g6 3.28/21 was called for. 32.Re3 Ra8]

32.bxc5 Rec8 33.Rc1 Bd7 34.a5 Qd8 35.f5 Ra8 36.e6 Be8 37.exf7+ Bxf7 38.Ne6 Bxe6? 6.39/21

[38...Qf6 3.78/21 39.Qb3 Qh4]

39.fxe6 White is clearly winning. **39...Qg5 40.e7 Nf6**

(Diagram)



41.h4! Deflection **41...Qxh4**

[41...Qg6 42.Re6]

42.Nf5 Qh5 43.Nd6 Rcb8 44.Re5 Qg4 45.Rf1 Qg6 46.Qd4 Ne8 47.Qxd5+ Kh7 48.Nxb7 Nf6 49.Qf3 Ng4 50.Re4 Nf6 51.Re6 Qg5 52.c6 Kh8 53.Qe3 Qh5 54.Qe5 10.64/24

[⌓54.Rexf6 21.79/25 gxf6 55.Rxf6 *(55.Nd6 Rg8+-)*]

54...Qxe5 55.Rxe5 Ne8 56.Rf8+ Kh7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=1.01

57.Rd5

1-0

520 **C54**

☐ **Santos Latasa,Jaime** **2650**

■ **Sokolovsky,Yahli** **2447**

EU-Cup 38th Durres (6.5) 06.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4! outshines the older 7.Bb3. erfolgreicher als das alte 7.Lb3. **7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 Nh5N**

[8...0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 0-1 (40) Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11) Rg6 24.Kh2 c6 25.bxa6 bxa6 26.dxe5 Qxe5 27.Rad1 Rb8 28.Rhg1 h6 29.Rd3 Rb4 30.Re3 Rxa4 31.Nc5 Ra5 32.Nd3 Qe6 33.e5 Ra2 34.Qd1 Rg5 35.Rg2 Qd5 36.Qb1 Rd2 37.Qf1 c5 38.f4 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

9.Nb3 h6N Inhibits Ng5.

[Vorgänger: 9...Qf6 10.Nxe5 -1.38/28 *(10.Bg5!= 0.03/22 Qg6 11.Bc1)* 10...Nxe5∓ 11.Qxh5 Bg4! 12.Qg5 Be2! 13.Qxf6 gxf6 14.Bf4 -2.48/26 *(14.Nd2∓ -1.49/26* was worth a try.*)* 14...Nxc4-+ 15.dxc4 Bxc4 0-1 Vignesh,N (2436)-Wagner,D (2590) Moscow Aeroflot op-A 2020 (5)]

10.Be3 Qf6 11.Qd2 Be6 12.Bxe6 Qxe6 13.Qc2 0-0

[13...Bxe3 14.fxe3 0-0 15.Nbd2 Nf6]

14.d4 Qg4

[14...exd4 simplifies 15.Nfxd4 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Bxd4 Rfe8]

15.h3 Qg6 16.Rfe1 0.23/23

[16.Nh4± 0.72/22 Qf6 17.Nf5]

16...Rfe8 0.67/23

[16...exd4!= 0.23/23 17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.cxd4 c5]

17.Nh4⩲ Qf6 18.Nf3 -0.01/24

[18.Nf5± 0.84/23]

18...Nf4 19.Kh2 exd4 20.Nbxd4 Ne5 21.Nxe5 dxe5 22.Nf5 Bxe3 23.Nxe3 Rad8 24.Rad1 Qc6 0.52/21

[24...h5= 0.14/22]

25.b4 0.11/22

[25.a5⩲ 0.52/21]

25...Kf8 0.56/23

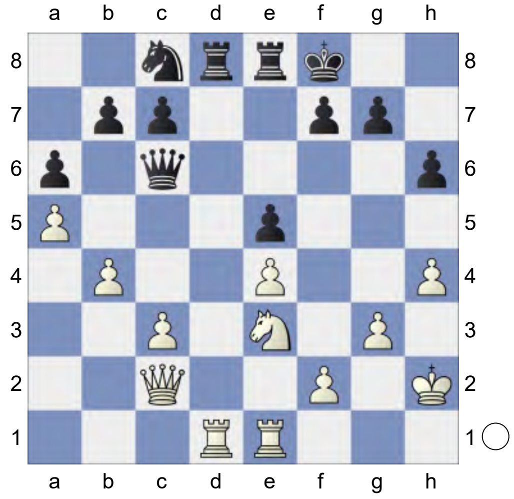
[25...a5= 0.11/22]

26.g3 Ng6 0.69/23

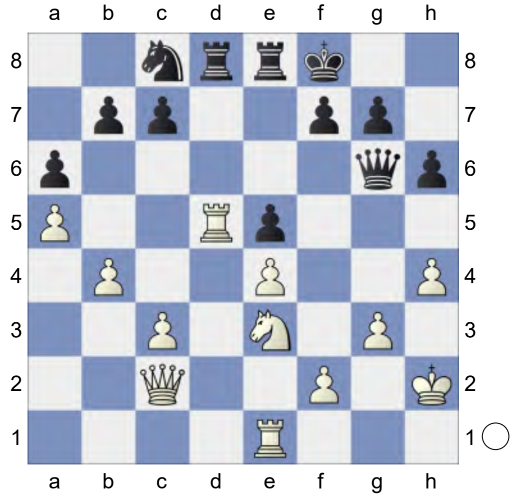
[26...Nh5= 0.29/22]

27.a5 Ne7 28.h4 Nc8 0.94/22

[28...h5⩲ 0.46/23]



29.Rd5!± Qg6



30.Red1! Rxd5 31.Nxd5 0.56/23

[31.Rxd5± 1.34/25 Nc4 is the strong threat. Nd6 32.Nf5]

31...Qc6⩲ 32.Qd3 Rd8 33.c4 f6? 2.84/22

[33...Qa4!⩲ 0.37/23 34.Qf3 Ne7]

34.Qe2? 0.53/22

[34.Qf3+- 2.84/22]

34...Nd6 35.Rc1 0.14/24

[35.Nc3⩲ 0.52/23]

35...Qd7 0.60/25

[35...Nb5= 0.14/24 feels stronger.]

36.Kg2 c6 37.Nb6 Qe8 38.Rd1 0.46/27

[38.Na4± 0.85/26]

38...Nf7 39.Na4 White is much more active. **39...Qe7 40.Nc5 Rxd1 41.Qxd1** Endgame KQN-KQN **41...Nd6 42.Qg4 Kf7** Dodges Ne6 **43.Qe2 Kg8 44.Qd3 Kf8** 0.81/23

[44...h5= 0.27/24]

45.h5 0.36/26

[Better is 45.f4± 0.81/23]

45...Ke8 46.Kf1 Nf7 47.Qe2 Nd6 48.Qd3 -0.01/26

[48.Qg4⩲ 0.69/24]

48...Nf7= 49.Kg2 -0.01/30

[49.Qd1⩲ 0.52/25]

49...Nd8 The position is equal. **50.Qe2**

[50.Kf3 looks sharper. Nf7 51.Kg4 Ng5 52.Kf5]

50...Ne6 51.Qg4 Nxc5 52.Qc8+ Qd8 53.Qxd8+ Kxd8 54.bxc5 KP-KP **54...Ke7 55.Kh3 Kf7 56.Kh4 Ke7 57.Kh3**

[57.Kg4!?]

57...Kf7 58.Kh4 Ke7

Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.18 (very precise)

59.Kh3

[59.Kg4!? Ke6□ 60.Kf3=]

½-½

521 **C50**
□ **Janik,Igor** **2527**
■ **Drygalov,Andrey** **2457**
Titled Tue 4th Mar Early blitz (4) 4.3.25
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5** is now more promising than 7.f4. im Vergleich zu 7.f4 vielversprechender .is now more promising than 7.f4.im Vergleich zu 7.f4 vielversprechender. **7...h6 8.Bh4 Qe7**

[8...d6 9.f4 Bg4 10.Bxf6 Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Na3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6 15.Rf1 exf4 16.Rxf4 0-0 17.Kf2 Kh8 18.Ke3 d5 0-1 Tumukunde,T-Okurut,M (1493) UGA-ch U20 Kampala 2025 (4)]

9.f4 d6N 0.36/19

[9...Qc5∓ -0.99/20 and ...Nf3+ should not be overlooked 10.fxe5

A) 10...Nxc2+ 11.Rf2± (*11.Bf2 Qxc4 12.exf6 Nxa1 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 d6 15.Nd5 Rxg7 16.b3 Qc2 17.Qxc2 Nxc2 18.Nxc7+ Kd8 19.Nxa8 Bh3 20.Bg3 Bxg2 21.Rd1 Rg6 22.Rxd6+ Rxd6 23.Bxd6 Bxe4 24.Kf2 Kd7 25.Bf4 Nb4* 0-1 Baselmans,L (2338)-Van Foreest,M (2291) Dieren op 2023 (2));

B) 10...Nf3+ Discovered Attack (Double Check), Double Attack 11.Kh1 Nxh4 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 c6 15.Qd2 Qe6 (*15...d6 16.Rae1 Be6 17.Nd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Rxg7 19.dxe6 Qc6 20.exf7+ Kd7 21.Re2 Rf8 22.Qe3* #2 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6) 16.Nd5 cxd5 17.exd5 Qd6 18.Rae1+ Kd8 19.Qd4 b6 20.Qxh4+ Kc7 21.Rxf7 Bb7 22.Re6 Qxd5 23.Qf4+ #5 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6]

10.c3 -0.85/20

[10.f5± 0.36/19]

10...Ne6!∓ 11.f5 Nc5 -0.19/20 A dynamic duo of knights.

[11...Nf4∓ -0.96/19]

12.Nd2= Bd7N

[12...a6 0.19/18 12...a5 -0.21 13.b4 Ncd7 14.Bd3 -0.57/19 (*14.a4= 0.14/17*) 14...b6 15.Nc4 Bb7 16.Ne3 g5 0.17/18 (*16...a5∓ -0.62/15*) 17.fxg6= fxg6 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.exd5 1-0 Morris Suzuki,S (2043)-Yu,J (2316) Speed Chess (Women) Q8 blitz 2021 (8)]

13.Qe2 0-0-0? 1.56/18

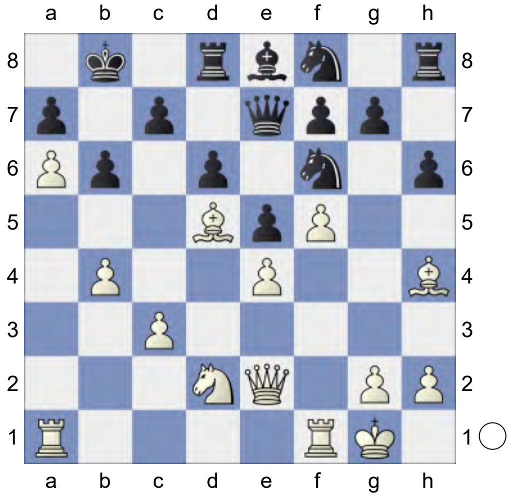
[13...Na4= -0.12/19]

14.a4!± White has strong compensation.

14...Be8 1.90/21

[14...Kb8± 1.20/17]

15.a5 Kb8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.a6 b6 18.Bd5 Nf8

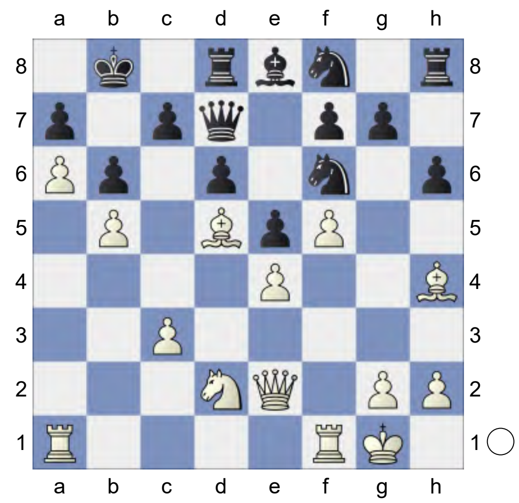


19.b5 1.12/22

[19.Bb7!+- 1.83/20]

19...Qd7 2.38/21

[19...N8d7± 1.12/22]



20.Bxf6!+- gxf6 Black is weak on the light squares **21.c4 Qe7 22.Ra3 Rg8** 2.17/23

[22...c6± 1.56/19]

23.Rh3 Nd7 24.Qe3

[24.Rxh6 Nc5 25.Rh7 Rc8]

24...Nc5 25.Rff3 1.26/21

[25.Qxh6?! Rc8±]

[White should play 25.Rxh6+- 1.81/19 c6 26.bxc6 (*26.Bxc6 Bxc6 27.bxc6 Nxa6±*)]

25...Rg5? 2.98/18

[25...c6± 1.26/21]

26.Rxh6 Qf8 27.Rhh3

[27.Rxf6?! Qg7+-]

27...Qg7 28.Rfg3 Rc8 2.68/21

[28...c6 1.70/19 is a better defense.]

29.Nf3 Rxg3 30.Rxg3

[30.hxg3 c6 31.bxc6 Bxc6=]

30...Qf8 31.Ne1 0.81/21

[31.Rg4+- 2.26/21 is more deadly.]

31...c6± 32.bxc6 Bxc6 33.h4 -0.36/22

[33.Bxc6± 0.85/22 Rxc6 34.Nc2]

33...Bxd5∓ 34.cxd5 Nxa6 0.59/21

[34...Qh8!= -0.27/24 35.Rg4 (*35.Nf3 Nxa6 36.Kh2 Nc5∓*) 35...Qh5 (*35...Nxa6 36.Kh2∓*)]

35.h5± Nd3 is the strong threat. **35...Nc5 36.h6** 0.31/18

[⌓36.Rg4 0.69/20]

36...Nxe4! Deflection **37.Qxe4 Qxh6 38.Rb3** -0.56/20

[38.Qb4= 0.00/22]

38...Qg5 0.00/21

[Black should try 38...Kb7∓ -0.56/20]

39.Qd3 -0.46/21

[39.Qb4= 0.00/21]

39...Qh4 0.35/18

[39...Rc1∓ -0.46/21 40.Rb1 Rxb1 41.Qxb1 Qe3+ 42.Kf1 Qf4+ 43.Ke2 Qg4+ 44.Kf1 Qf4+]

40.Kf1 -0.88/22

[40.Nc2± 0.35/18 stays ahead.]

40...Qf4+ -0.33/20

[40...Rc1∓ -0.88/22 41.Qg3 Qe4]

41.Qf3∓ Qc4+ 42.Qd3 Qh4 43.Qe3 -0.53/18 Dodges Rc1

[43.Rc3= 0.00/19]

43...Qh1+ -0.10/19

[43...Kb7∓ -0.53/18]

44.Kf2 -0.51/19

[44.Ke2= -0.10/19]

44...Kb7 0.28/23

[44...Qh4+!∓ -0.51/19 45.Kg1 Qc4]

45.Nf3 -0.12/22

[⌓45.Rb4 0.28/23]

White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.42

45...Rc2+ Loss on time!?

0-1

522 **C51**

☐ **Ganguly,Surya Shekhar** **2571**

■ **Bharath,Subramaniyam H** **2488**

La Plagne Soleil op (9) 14.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5**

[6...exd4 7.Qb3 Na5 8.Bxf7+ Kf8 9.Qa4 Kxf7 10.Qxa5]

7.Bd3

[7.Nxe5 Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Qxd5 10.Ne3]

[7.Be2 d6 8.Qa4+ c6 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Nxe5 Nf6 11.0-0 Qc7 12.Nf3 0-0 13.Bg5 Re8 14.Nbd2 b5 15.Qc2 h6 16.Bh4 Nh5 17.Bxe7 Rxe7]

7...d6

[7...exd4 8.cxd4]

8.dxe5 '!?' Exploring less charted territory .Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain. **8...dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2!**

[11.Nf3 Bg4 12.h3 Bh5 13.e5 Nd7 14.g4 Nc5 15.Be2 Bg6]

11...Qd6

[11...Nd7 12.Nxd7 Qxd7 13.Bf4 Rd8 14.Be2 b6 15.Rd1 Qc6 16.Rxd8+ Bxd8 17.Bf3 Be6 18.Nd2 Be7 19.e5 Bd5 20.Rd1 Rd8 21.Ne4 h6 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.Ng3 Qe6 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.h3 Nc6 26.Nf5 0-1 Esserman,M (2417)-Avrukh,B (2609) 24th Chicago Open 2015 (7)]

[11...c5 12.Nd2 (*12.f4 c4 13.Be2 Bc5+ 14.Kh1 b5 15.Ba3 Qe7 16.Bxc5 Qxc5 17.Nd2 Bb7*) 12...Qc7 13.f4 (*13.Nec4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7*) 13...b6 14.c4 Nh5 15.g3 f6 16.Nef3 Nc6 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024]

[11...Bd6 12.Nf3 Nc6 13.Nbd2 Re8 14.h3 h6 15.Nc4]

12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2N

[14.e5 Qe4 15.Qxe4 Nxe4 2) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit 4.b4 − 6.d4 Na]

14...Be6 0.59/20

[14...b6= 0.18/10]

[14...b5 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 b4]

15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 'N' **16...Nb4**

[16...Bf5

A) 17.Bd3 Nb4 18.cxb4 Rxd3 19.Qxd3 Bxe4 20.b5 (*20.Qe2 Bxb4*) 20...Bxd3 21.bxc6 Bxf1 22.cxb7 Rb8 23.Kxf1 Rxb7;

B) 17.Nd4 Bxe4 18.Qxe4 Qxc3 (*18...Qc5 19.Bb2 Nxc3 20.Bxc3 Qxc3 21.Nf5 Qb4 22.Qe3 Bf8 23.e6 fxe6 24.Rab1 Qd2 25.Qxe6+ Kh8*) 19.Nf5 (*19.Rb1 Qc5 20.Bb2 Nc3 21.Bxc3 Qxc3 22.Nf5 Bf8 23.Rfc1 Qd2 24.e6 fxe6 25.Qxe6+ Kh8 26.Rxc7 Qd5 27.Qxd5 Rxd5*) 19...Qxa1 20.Nh6+ gxh6 21.Bd3 Nf6 22.exf6 Qxf6 23.Qxh7+ Kf8 24.Bxh6+ Ke8 25.Bf5 Bb4 26.Bg7 Qd6 27.a3 Bd2]

17.Qb1 Bxa2 1.11/17

[17...Nd5!± 0.48/20 18.Nd4 Qb6]

[17...Nxa2 18.Neg5 Bxg5 19.Nxg5]

18.Rxa2±

[18.Qb2? Nc4 (*18...Qxe4? 19.cxb4 Bc4 20.Bg5∓*) 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.cxb4 Bxf1-+ (*20...Qxe4? 21.Nd2-+*)]

18...Nxa2 19.Bg5

[19.Neg5 feels hotter. Bxg5 20.Nxg5 Nxc1 21.Qxh7+ Kf8

A) 22.Rxc1 Qh6 23.Qf5 Qg6 24.Qxg6 (*24.Qf4*) 24...fxg6 25.Ne6+ Ke7 26.Nxd8 Rxd8;

B) 22.Bh5 Ne2+ (*22...Qh6 23.Qf5 Ne2+ 24.Kh1*) 23.Bxe2 (*23.Kh1 Nf4*) 23...Qh6 24.Qf5 Qg6 25.Qf4 Kg8 26.Bf3 Rf8 27.Be4 Qh6 28.Re1 Rad8 29.Bh7+ Kh8 30.Bb1 Kg8 31.Ba2 Qh5 32.h4]

19...Nxc3

[19...Bxg5? 20.Nfxg5 (*20.Nexg5*

Nxc3 21.Qxh7+ Kf8±)

A) 20...Nxc3? 21.Nf6+ Double Attack Kf8 22.Ngxh7+ *(22.Qb4+)* 22...Ke7 23.Qb4++-;

B) 20...h6 21.Nf6+ Kf8 22.Qxa2 hxg5 23.Qa3+;

C) 20...Qg6 21.Qxa2+-]

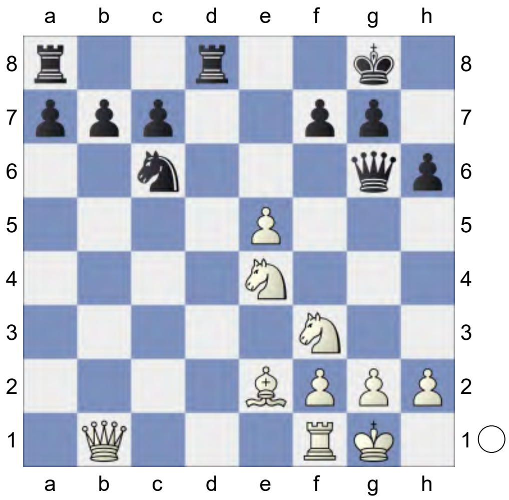
20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 White has strong compensation. A dynamic duo of knights.

[22.Qxg6 hxg6 23.f4 Rd2 *(23...f6 24.Ne6 Rd2 25.Bf3)* 24.f5 Rf8 *(24...gxf5 25.Rxf5 Rf8 26.e6)* 25.fxg6 fxg6 26.Bf3 c6 27.e6]

22...h6 23.Nf3 White has more active pieces.

[23.Bh5 Qxh5 24.Nf6+ gxf6 25.Qh7+ Kf8 26.exf6 *(26.Qh8+ Ke7 27.Qxf6+ Ke8 28.e6 hxg5 29.Re1 Nc6 30.exf7+ Kf8)* 26...Qxg5 27.Qh8+ Qg8 28.Qxh6+ Ke8 29.Re1+ Kd7 30.Qh3+ Kc6 31.Qc3+ Kb6 32.Rb1+ Ka6]

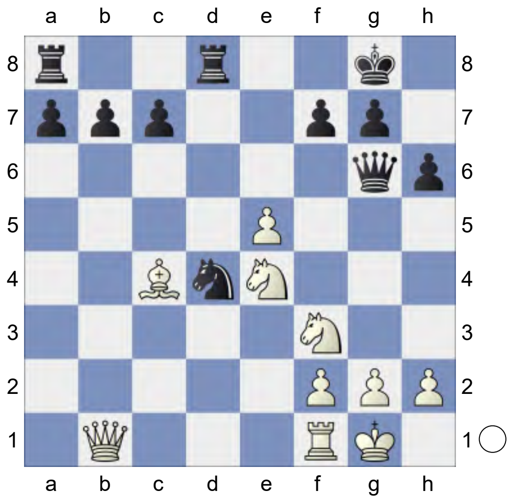
23...Nc6



24.Bc4!

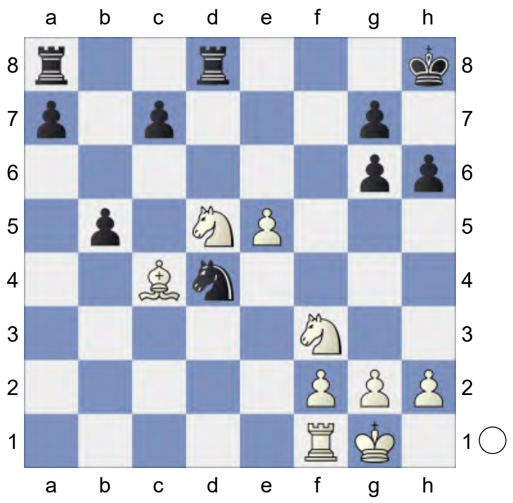
[24.Rc1 Nd4 25.Nxd4 Rxd4 26.Qxb7 Qxe4 27.Qxe4 Rxe4 28.Bf3 f5 29.exf6 Rae8 30.Bxe4 Rxe4 31.f3 Re6 32.fxg7 a5 33.Rxc7 Ra6]

24...Nd4



25.Nf6+! Kh8 26.Qxg6 fxg6 27.Nd5 b5

[27...Nxf3+ 28.gxf3 c6 *(28...b5 29.Ba2 c5 30.e6 c4 31.Nc7 Rab8 32.e7 Re8 33.Re1 Kg8 34.Nxe8 Rxe8 35.Re5 a6 36.Re6 Kf7 37.Rxa6 Rxe7 38.Kf1)* 29.Ne7 g5 30.Rb1 Rd7 31.Ng6+ Kh7 32.e6 Rc7 33.Bd3 Kg8]



28.Nxd4 0.48/4

[White should play 28.Ba2!± 1.02/14 Ne2+ 29.Kh1 c6 *(29...c5 30.e6 c4 31.Nc7 Rab8 32.e7 Rdc8 33.Nxb5 Rxb5 34.Bxc4 Rb4 35.Bxe2 Re4 36.Bd3 Rxe7 37.Nh4)* 30.Ne7 c5 *(30...Nc3 31.Nxg6+ Kh7 32.Bf7*

Rd7 33.Be6 Rc7 34.Bf5) 31.Nxg6+ Kh7 32.Bf7 c4 33.e6 c3 34.Nge5]

28...bxc4⩲ 29.Nxc7 Rac8

[29...Rab8 30.Nce6 *(30.Nc6 c3)* 30...Re8 31.Rc1 c3 32.f4 Rbc8 33.Kf2 a5 34.Ke3 a4 35.Kd3 a3 36.Rc2 *(36.Rxc3 a2 37.Ra3 Ra8)* 36...Kg8 37.g4 Re7 38.Ra2 c2 39.Rxc2 Rxc2 40.Kxc2 Rb7 41.Nb3 Rb8]

30.Ncb5 Rd5! 31.Nxa7

[31.e6!? a6 32.Na7 Re8 33.Nac6 c3 34.Rc1 c2 35.f3 *(35.Rxc2 Rxe6)* 35...Rxe6 36.Rxc2]

31...Rcd8

[31...Rc7]

32.Ndc6 0.21/11

[32.Nc2⩲ 0.60/7 was preferable.]

[32.Ndb5 Rc5 33.Nc3 Rd3 34.Rc1 Rxe5]

32...c3!= 33.Nb4

[33.Nxd8!? c2□ 34.Nac6-+]

33...Rd1

[33...Rc5!? 34.Nac6 c2 35.Nxd8 c1Q⩱ *(35...c1B?* too greedy. *36.e6+-)* 36.Nd3 Qc4 37.Nxc5 Qxc5 38.e6 Kg8 39.Nf7 Kf8 40.Re1]

34.e6 Rxf1+ 35.Kxf1 Rd1+ 36.Ke2 Rd6 37.e7 Re6+ 38.Kd3 Rxe7 The position is equal. **39.Nb5**

[39.Nac6 Re1 40.h4]

39...Re1 40.Nc2⇄ White has counterplay

[40.Nxc3 simplifies Rh1 41.Ke3 Rxh2 42.g3]

40...Rf1 41.Ke2 Rg1 42.g3 g5 43.Ne3 c2 44.Nxc2 Rh1 45.Ne3 Rxh2 46.Nf1 Rh1

[46...Rg2]

47.f3 g4 48.fxg4 and Kf2 should not be overlooked **48...h5 49.g5 h4 50.Nd4 Kh7**

[50...h3 51.Nf3 Kh7 52.Kf2 Kg6 53.g4]

51.Nf3 hxg3 And now ...g2 would win. **52.Nxg3 Ra1 53.Ke3 Kg6 54.Kf4 Ra4+ 55.Ne4** Predecessor: **55...Rb4 56.Ne5+ Kh5 57.g6 Kh6 58.Kf5 Rb5 59.Nd6 Rxe5+** Remove Defender, Deflection **60.Kxe5** Kf5 would kill now. Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) / Black=0.04 (flawless) **60...Kxg6** Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

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523 C50
☐ **Vaishali,Rameshbabu 2476**
■ **Divya,Deshmukh 2490**
Tata Steel Challengers (9.7) 28.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 Be7**

[RR 5...h6 6.Bh4 Be7 7.Bg3 d6 8.a4 0-0 9.a5 *(* RR *9.h3 a5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.c3 Qd7 13.Nbd2 Rf7 14.Nc4 b6 15.Bxe5 dxe5 16.Ncxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qe8 18.Nxf7 Qxf7 19.Qe2 h5 20.g3 c5 21.Kg2 Qg6 22.e5 Nd5 23.Qe4 Kh7)* 9...Be6 10.Bxe6 *(* RR *10.Nbd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Rxa8 Qxa8 14.0-0 Qa2 15.Qc1 Nh5 16.Ne3 Nxg3 17.hxg3)* 10...fxe6 11.0-0 *(* RR *11.c3 b5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.0-0 a6 14.Nbd2 Nh5 15.Rfd1 g5 16.h3 Nf4 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.d4 Raf8 19.d5 Nd8 20.Nf1 h5 21.Ne3 g4 22.hxg4 hxg4 23.Nh2 Rxf2 24.Nexg4 R2f4 25.c4 bxc4)* 11...b5 12.axb6 axb6 13.Nc3 Qd7 14.Qd2 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4 16.Ne2 e5 17.c3 c5 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Qb4 b5 20.Qb3+ Caruana,F (2794)-Carlsen,M (2830) Toronto 2023 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (66)]

[RR 5...h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.Nbd2 Na5 8.Bb5+ *(RR 8.Qe2 Nxc4 9.Nxc4 Be6 10.c3 Bxc4 11.dxc4 a6 12.0-0-0 Qe7 13.Nd2 0-0-0 14.f3 Qe6)* 8...c6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bb3 Nxb3 11.axb3 Qe7 12.c3 Bb6 13.Qe2 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.g4 Bg6 16.Nf1 h5 17.Rg1 Qe6 18.Ne3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 hxg4 20.Bxf6 Bargsten,J (2238)-Ter Stal,L (1815) Verden an der Aller 2025 0-1 (35)]

[RR 5...d6

A) RR 6.Nbd2 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Nf1 Nd4 9.g4 Bg6 10.c3 Ne6 11.Be3 0-0 12.Ng3 Nf4 13.Qd2 Ng2+ 14.Ke2 Nxe3 15.fxe3 c6 16.Bb3 Qe7 17.Raf1 d5 18.exd5 e4 19.dxe4 Bxe4 20.Rhg1 Bxd5;

B) RR 6.Nc3 h6 *(RR 6...0-0 7.Nd5 Na5 8.Nxf6+ gxf6 9.Bh6 Re8 10.Nh4 Nxc4 11.dxc4 Kh8 12.Nf5 Rg8 13.g4 Be6 14.Qe2 c6 15.f3 Qb6 16.0-0-0 Qa6 17.a3 d5 18.h4 d4 19.g5 Bxc4 20.Qh2 Bxa3 21.gxf6)* 7.Bxf6 *(RR 7.Bh4 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.g4 Bg6 10.Nd5 Bh7 11.Qd2 Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qa5 Bb6 14.Qa4+ c6 15.0-0-0 g5 16.Bg3 Nxd5 17.exd5 Qd7 18.dxc6 bxc6 19.h4 Rc8 20.hxg5 Qxg4 21.Bxf7+ Kxf7)* 7...Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 a6 10.a4 Ba7 11.Rg1 Be6 12.g4 Qd7 13.Nh4 Na5 14.Ba2 c6 15.b4 Qd8 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.gxf5 cxd5 18.bxa5 Qxa5 19.Qb3 Rc8 20.Rc1 0-0;

C) 6.c3 h6 7.Bh4 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 Qe7 10.0-0 g5 11.Bg3 0-0 *(RR 11...Bd7)* 12.Re1 Bg4 13.Nf1 Bh5 14.Ne3 Bxe3 15.Rxe3 Kg7 16.Qb3 Nd8 17.h3 Nd7 18.d4 f6 19.Nd2 Nb6 20.Ree1 Vaishali,R (2475)-Muzychuk,A (2520) Toronto CAN 2024 The Week in Chess 1536 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (48)]

[RR 5...h6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.c3 Be7 8.Bg3 d6 9.a4 Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2]

6.a4 h6 7.Bh4 d6N

[7...a5 8.Bg3 d6 9.Nbd2 *(RR 9.0-0 0-0 10.Re1 Nh7 11.h3 Kh8 12.Nbd2 f5 13.exf5 Bxf5 14.c3 Ng5 15.Nxg5 Bxg5 16.Nf3 Bf6 17.Qb3 Qd7 18.Qb5 Ra6 19.Qb3 Raa8 20.Rad1 Rae8 21.Nd2 Ne7 22.Bf7 Rb8 23.Ne4 Ng6)* 9...0-0 10.c3 Nd7 11.Nf1 Nb6 12.Bb3 Bf6 13.Ne3 Re8 14.0-0 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Nd5 Nd7 17.Nd2 Ne7 18.Ne3 Bg5 19.f4 exf4 20.Bxf4 Bxf4 21.Rxf4 Nf6 22.Ng4 So,W (2757)-Carlsen,M (2830) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 14 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (57)]

[RR 7...a5 8.Bg3 d6 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.c3 Nd7 11.Nf1 Nb6 12.Bb3 Bf6 13.Ne3 Re8 14.0-0 Be6 15.Bxe6 Rxe6 16.Nd5 Nd7 17.Nd2 Ne7 18.Ne3 Bg5 19.f4 exf4 20.Bxf4 Bxf4 21.Rxf4 Nf6 22.Ng4 So,W (2757)-Carlsen,M (2830) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 14 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (57)]

8.Nc3 Bg4 9.h3

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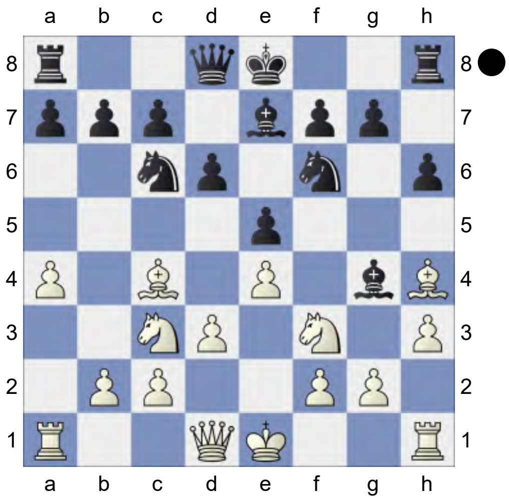


Hoping for Bxf6. **9...Bxf3 10.Qxf3 Nd4 11.Qd1 c6 12.Ba2 Qb6 13.Rb1 a5 14.0-0 g5 15.Bg3 h5 16.Kh1 h4 17.Bh2 Rg8**

[17...Qb4 with more complications. 18.Nd5 cxd5 19.c3 Qb6]

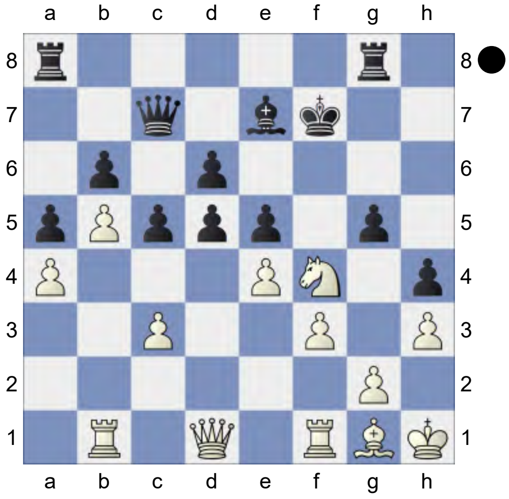
18.Ne2 Ne6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.f3 Against g4 **20...Nh5 21.c3**

[21.d4!?]

21...Nf4 22.b4 Kf7 23.b5 c5 24.Bg1 Qc7 25.d4 b6 26.d5 0.33/20

[26.Qd2 0.69/17 is superior.]

26...exd5 27.Nxf4



Remove Defender **27...gxf4 28.Qxd5+ Kg7 29.Rfd1 Raf8 30.Bf2 Kh7 31.Rb2 Rg6 32.Be1 Rfg8 33.c4 Qc8** And now ...Rxg2! would win. **34.Kh2 R8g7 35.Rdd2** Active counter play! **35...Qg8 36.Qxg8+ Rxg8 37.Rd3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless)

½-½

524 C54

☐ **Kosteniuk,Alexandra 2483**

■ **Harika,Dronavalli 2502**

Olympiad Women-45 (3.1) 13.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 0-0 7.h3 a5 8.0-0 h6N

[8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 *(10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* 1-0 Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)*)* 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)]

9.Re1 White has an edge. **9...Be6 10.Bb5 Qb8 11.Nf1 Qa7 12.Re2** outshines the older 12.Be3.erfolgreicher als das alte 12.Le3. **12...a4 13.Rc2N**

[Vorgänger: 13.Ng3 Qa5 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.d4 Bb6 16.Be3 Rfe8 17.Qc1 Kh7 18.Qc2 Kh8 19.Ree1 Kg8 20.Qc1 Strongly threatening Bxh6!. Kh7! 21.Qc2 Kg8 ½-½ Mamedov,R (2651)-Salgado Lopez,I (2608) FRA-chT Top 16 GpB 2024 (6.11)]

13...Qa5 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Bd2 Qa6 16.c4 Qc8 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.fxe3 c5 19.Ng3 Nh7 20.Kh2 Qd8 21.Rf2 g6 22.Ne2 -0.48/23

[22.Qc2= 0.01/22]

22...c6 -0.01/23

[22...g5∓ -0.48/23]

23.Nc3 -0.41/23

[23.Kh1= -0.01/23]

23...Qa5 -0.01/29

[23...h5∓ -0.41/23]

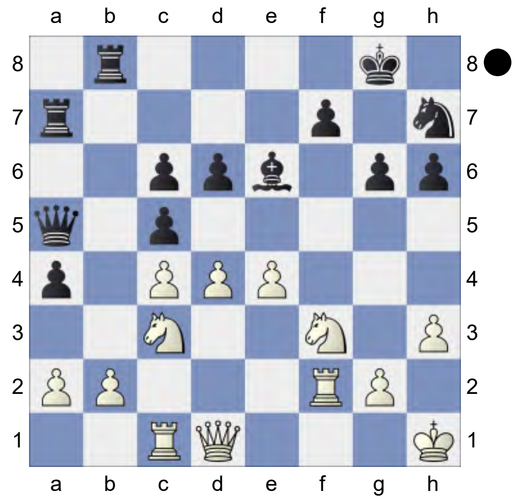
24.Rc1 Ra7 25.Kh1 Rb8 26.d4 exd4 0.50/22

[26...Bxc4?! 27.dxe5 dxe5 28.Nxe5±]

[26...cxd4= 0.04/25 27.exd4 exd4 *(27...Bxc4 28.dxe5 dxe5 29.Qd2=)* 28.Nxd4 Bd7]

27.exd4⩲

(Diagram)

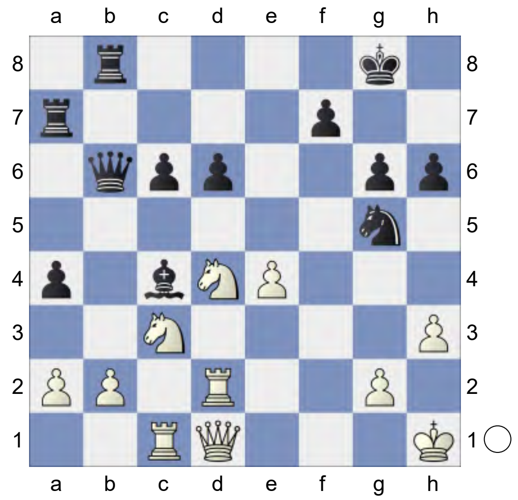


Bxc4 28.dxc5 Qxc5 29.Rd2 -0.01/24

[29.Nd4⩲ 0.60/27]

29...Ng5 30.Nd4 Qb6 0.79/26

[30...Rba8⩲ 0.41/27 was preferable.]



31.Nxa4 0.31/28

[31.h4!± 0.79/26 c5 32.Nxa4 *(32.hxg5 cxd4 33.Nxa4 Qb5=)* 32...Rxa4 33.hxg5 Rxa2 34.Rxc4 cxd4 35.gxh6]

This move loses the game for Black.

31...Qa6? 2.41/24

[31...Rxa4⩲ 0.31/28 32.Qxa4 Nxe4 33.Nxc6 *(33.Rdc2 d5=)* 33...Re8 *(33...Nxd2 34.Nxb8 Qe3 35.Nd7=)*]

32.b3+- c5 3.53/26

[⌓32...Bxb3 2.18/23 33.axb3 c5]

33.Rxc4 cxd4 34.Rdxd4

[34.Rcxd4 Qa5±]

34...Qb7 35.Nc3

[35.Rxd6 Nxe4 36.Rd8+ Kh7±]

35...Rc8 36.a4

[36.Rxd6 Rxc4 37.bxc4 Ne6±]

36...Raa8 37.Nd5

[37.Rxd6 Rxc4 38.bxc4 Qb4+-]

37...Rc5 38.Nf6+ Kg7 and ...Rxc4 would now be decisive **39.Ng4**

[39.Rxd6 Rxc4 40.bxc4 Nxe4±]

39...h5 7.98/24

[⌓39...Rxc4 5.19/25 40.Rxc4 Qe7]

40.Rxc5

[Less strong is 40.Rxd6 Rxc4 41.Qa1+ Kf8⩲]

40...dxc5 41.Rd7 Qc6 42.Qa1+ Kh7 43.Nf6+ Kh6 44.h4 Nxe4 45.Rxf7 Nxf6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.73

46.Qc1+

1-0

525 C54

☐ Kadric,Denis 2601

■ Salinas Herrera,Pablo Patricio

FIDE World Cup (1.2) 31.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.Nc3 Nf3+ 14.gxf3 Bxf3 The Giuoco Pianissimo-Game 1 - Victor Knorre vs. Mi]

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

[6.h3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.Bh2 *(10.Kh2 Nxg3 11.fxg3 0-0 12.c3 Na5 13.Nbd2 Nxc4 14.Nxc4 Be6 15.Ne1 b5 16.Nd2 f5 17.Qh5 Kg7 18.Nc2 Qe8 19.Qe2 Qg6 20.d4 exd4 21.cxd4 Bb6 22.d5 Bd7 23.e5 dxe5 24.Qxe5+ Qf6* 0-1 (50) Castro,T (2000)-Rumph,T (2183) US Amateur Team West 2010 (5.3) *)* 10...Nf4 11.c3 g4 12.hxg4 Bxg4 13.Nbd2 Qf6 14.Qb3 Rg8 15.Bg3 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxb5 Bd7 18.a4 Rxg3 19.d4 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Qg6 0-1 (22) Krisha,T (1023)-Al Qudaimi,B (2401) Sharjah Rapid 2023 (1)]

6...0-0 7.Re1 is currently scoring better than 7.Bb3 .wohl besser als 7.Lb3. **7...Bb6 8.a4 a5 9.h3 h6** The position is equal. **10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Qd7 15.Qb3 b6 16.d4 exd4 17.cxd4N**

[Vorgänger: 17.Nxd4 Rab8 18.Re2 Nxd4 19.cxd4 Rf7 20.Rd1 Rd8 21.Rd3 Qe7 22.Nd2 d5 23.exd5 Nxd5 ½-½ Elyoseph,H (2419)-Bester,B (2422) ICCF GMN/063 email 2018]

17...Nb4 18.Ncd2 Rf7 19.Rc1 Raf8 20.Rec3 Ne8 0.40/19

[20...Qc8= 0.01/19]

21.Nf1⩲ Rf4 22.Re3 Qf7 23.Ng3 Qg6 24.Rf1 Kh8 25.Nd2 Ne2 is the strong threat. **25...Qf7 26.f3 Qd7 27.Ne2 R4f7 28.f4 Nf6 29.Ng3** 0.01/20

[29.Nf3⩲ 0.51/19]

29...Ng8= 30.Ref3 d5 31.e5 c5 0.05/23

[31...Ne7⩱ -0.34/23]

32.Ne2 -1.00/23

[32.dxc5= 0.05/23 keeps the balance. bxc5 33.Qe3]

32...Ne7∓ 33.Qd1 -2.04/21

[33.Qc3!∓ -0.58/21]

33...Nf5-+ 34.dxc5 -2.00/20

[34.Nb1 -1.62/20 is a better defense.]

34...bxc5 35.Nb3 Qxa4 36.Nxc5 Qc6 37.Nb3 -3.43/22

[⌓37.Nd3 -2.35/23]

37...Qb6+! 38.R1f2 Nc6 -0.60/23 Wards off Nbd4

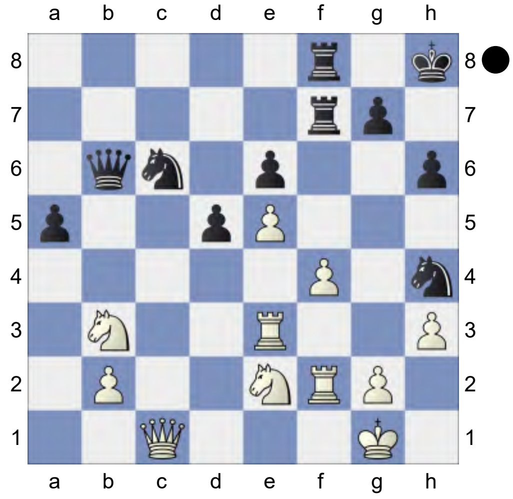
[38...d4!-+ -3.93/25 aiming for ...d3. 39.g4 Nh4 40.Qxd4 Nxf3+ 41.Rxf3 Qb7]

39.Qc1∓ Nh4 -0.39/23 Black is more active.

[Black should try 39...Rc7∓ -0.90/21 40.Qc5 Qxc5 41.Nxc5 Ncd4 *(41...Nxe5 42.fxe5 Rxc5 43.g4±)* 42.Nxd4 Nxd4]

40.Re3? -2.92/23

[40.Rc3∓ -0.39/23 Nxe5 Pin 41.Nbd4]



40...d4!-+ 41.Re4 -4.19/24

[⌓41.Rg3 -2.63/23 Nf5 42.Rgf3]

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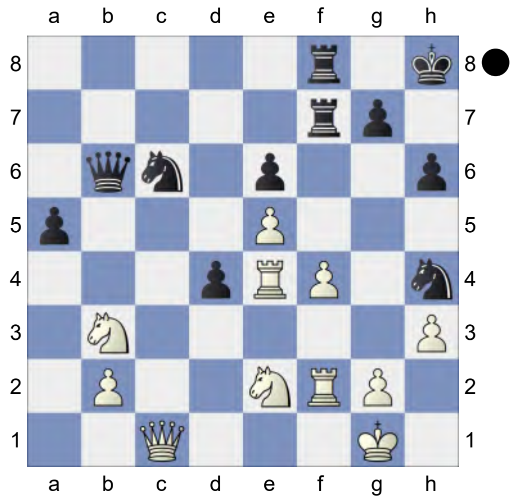


41...d3!

[Not 41...Qxb3 42.Qxc6 Qd1+ *(42...Qxb2 43.Nxd4 Discovered Attack Qb1+ 44.Kh2±)* 43.Rf1∓]

42.Ned4 Nxd4 43.Nxd4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.15 (very precise)

43...Rd8

0-1

526 **C50**

☐ **Sanal,Vahap** **2555**

■ **Pham,Tran Gia Phuc** **2424**

Dubai op-A 25th (3) 29.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 h6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.h3 d6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.a3 is recently more successful than 8. Nxb6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 8. Sxb6. **8...Be6 9.Bxe6 fxe6** The position is equal. **10.b4**

[10.0-0 Qd7 11.c3 g5 12.Nh2 0-0-0 13.b4 Qg7 14.Ng4 h5 15.Nxf6 Qxf6 16.Nxb6+ axb6 17.g3 Rdf8 18.Kg2 g4 19.h4 Qf3+ 20.Qxf3 Rxf3 21.Rd1 d5 22.Be3 d4 23.cxd4 exd4 24.Bf4 e5 0-1 (47) Ronneland,D (2727)-Ernst,H (2732) 72/264 Madrid 1998 (15)]

10...0-0 11.c3N

[11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 1-0 (64) Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana,F (2820) Paris GCT Blitz 2021 (2) 26.Ra3 c5 27.Bd2 Nc2 28.Ra7 Rf7 29.f3 Rd7 30.Kf2 Kf6 31.Ra2 Nd4 32.Bc3 d5 33.Ra8 dxc4 34.dxc4 b6 35.Ra6 Rb7 36.Ke3 g5 37.Kd3 h5 38.Be1 h4 39.Bf2 Kf7 40.Be3 Kf6 1-0 (64) Panov Botvinnik Attack (2792)-Deslandes,P (2820) Biel MTO op 2005 (2)]

11...Qd7 12.0-0 Qf7 13.Ra2N

[13.Nxb6 axb6 14.a4 Nh5 15.Kh2 b5 16.Be3 bxa4 17.Rxa4 b5 18.Rxa8 Rxa8 19.Qb3 ½-½ (29) Riazantsev,A (2659)-Matlakov,M (2714) RUS-chT 24th 2017 (4.4)]

13...Ne7 14.Nh2 Ng6 15.g3 c6 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.Ng4 Kh7 18.Rc2 b5 19.Qe2 Nd7 0.45/24

[19...Qd7= 0.01/21]

20.c4⩲ Rac8 21.Kg2 0.17/21

[21.h4⩲ 0.62/24]

21...bxc4= 22.dxc4 d5 23.Bb2 -0.20/19

[23.a4 0.28/21 might be stronger.]

23...d4 0.61/20

[23...Kg8= -0.20/19]

24.c5⩲ Nf6 25.Bc1 Qd7 0.97/22

[25...Ra8⩲ 0.59/20]

26.Rd2 0.60/21

[26.Ra2± 0.97/22]

26...Rf7 27.Rd3 b6? 2.57/22 **28.cxb6+- Qb7 29.Nxf6+?** 0.21/21

[29.Rf3!+- 2.69/22]

29...Rxf6= 30.Bd2 Qxb6 31.Rc1 c5 32.bxc5 Rxc5 33.Rxc5 Qxc5 34.Rb3 Qc6

[34...Qc2 looks sharper. 35.Qd3 Qd1 36.Rb1 Rf3]

35.Qd3 Rf7 36.Rb1 Ra7 37.Rc1 Qa8 38.Bb4 Ne7! 39.Bd6 Nf5 40.Bb4 Rc5 is the strong threat. **40...Ne7! 41.Kg1 Nc6 42.Bc5** -0.42/26

[42.Bd6= -0.01/27]

42...Rb7

[42...Rc7!? 43.Qb1 Qa4∓]

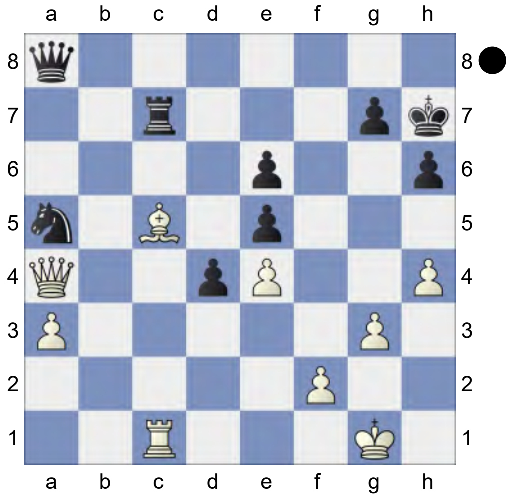
43.Qc4 -1.51/28

[43.Bd6= -0.12/25 Qa4 44.Rd1]

43...Na5!∓ 44.Qa4 -2.00/29

[44.Qxe6∓ -1.36/25 Nb3 45.Rc4 Nxc5 46.Qf5+ (*46.Rxc5* leads to mate. *Rb1+* Discovered Attack *47.Kh2 Qxe4*) 46...g6 47.Qxe5 Rb1+ 48.Kh2]

44...Rc7-+ 45.h4



Qa6! aiming for ...d3. **46.h5?** -5.07/27

[46.Kg2∓ -1.07/24 was the crucial defense.]

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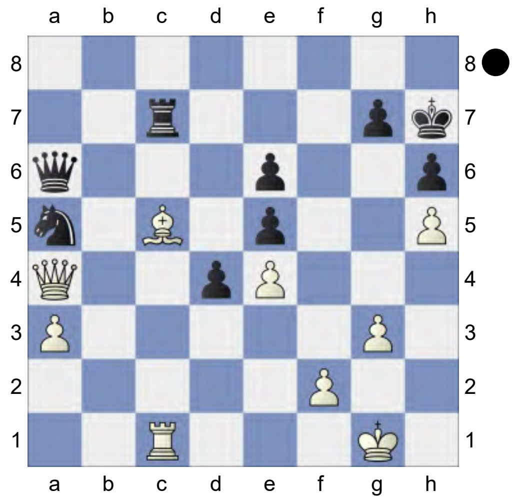


46...d3! 47.Qe8 -6.05/25

[⌓47.Be3 -3.92/26 Rxc1+ 48.Bxc1]

47...Qc8 48.Qg6+ Kg8 49.Rd1 Rxc5 50.Rxd3 Rc7 51.Rd6 Re7 52.Kg2 Nc6 53.a4 Nd4 54.a5 Qf8 55.f4 Rf7 56.Rb6 exf4 57.a6 f3+ 58.Kf2 Qc5 59.Rb8+ Rf8 60.Rxf8+ Kxf8 61.e5 What a bad dream for White.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/ Black=0.16 (very precise)

61...Qc3

0-1

527 **C50**

☐ **Svane,Frederik** **2664**

■ **Bulmaga,Irina** **2386**

Tata Steel Challengers (7.1) 25.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.h3 a6** is currently scoring better than 6...d6. wohl besser als 6...d6.

[6...d6 7.Na4 Bb6 8.a3 Be6 *(8...Ne7 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Ba2 Ng6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Be6 13.Bb1 Re8 14.d4 c6 15.c3 Qc7 16.Be3 Rad8 17.a4 d5 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 dxe4 20.Qc2 Qxe5 21.Bxb6 Qg5 22.Bxd8 Rxd8 23.Qc1* Quist,J (2427)-14.Ne4 Rb8 15.c4 Re8_14 (2165) London 2023 Steinitz/Blackburne [John Watson] 1-0 (38) *)* 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.b4 0-0 11.0-0 Qe8 12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana,F (2820) Paris 2021 CBM 203 Extra [GM Luis Supi] 1-0 (64)]

7.Be3N

[7.a4 d6 8.Be3 *(8.Ne2 Ne7 9.Ng3 Ng6 10.0-0 0-0 11.c3 c6 12.d4 Ba7 13.Bd3* Chapter-B6*)* 8...Bxe3 *(8...0-0 9.0-0 Bxe3 10.fxe3 a5 11.d4 exd4 12.exd4 Nxe4 13.Nxe4 d5 14.Bd3 dxe4 15.Bxe4 Qd6 16.c3 Be6 17.Nh4 Qg3 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.Bxf5 Rae8 20.Rf3 Qg5 21.Qb3 Re3 22.Qd5 Re2 23.Rff1* Larand,M (2620)-3.g3 b5 4.Bg2_26933 (2560) Merida 2022 MAINB (21) [John Watson] 0-1 (38)*)* 9.fxe3 Be6 10.Nd2 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 0-0 12.0-0 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Nxc3 15.bxc3 b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd7 18.Rg3 Qe6 19.Qh5 Kh7 20.Kh2 g6 21.Qg4 Qc6 Alekseenko,K (2708)-Pranav, A (2463) Biel 2022 CBM 209 Extra [GM Luis Supi] 1-0 (37)]

7...Bxe3 8.fxe3 d6 The position is equal. **9.a3 Be6 10.Nd2** '!?' Leaves trodden paths.Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade.

[RR 10.0-0 0-0 11.Qe1 Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 13.Nh4 Nbd7 14.Nf5 g6 15.Qh4 gxf5 16.Qxh6 Nh7 17.Rxf5 f6 18.Raf1 Rf7 19.Qh4 c6 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.R1f3 Rg7 22.Rh5 Qxb2 23.Rg3 Ndf8 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7]

10...0-0

[RR 10...b5 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qe2 d5 14.Nb3 Qd6 15.Rf3 Ne7 16.Raf1 c5 17.exd5 exd5 18.d4 cxd4 19.exd4 e4 20.R3f2 Nd7 21.Nd1 Rxf2 22.Rxf2 Rf8 23.Ne3 Rf6 24.c3 Kh8 25.Rxf6]

11.Qe2 Re8N

[RR 11...Bxc4 12.dxc4 Nb8 (RR *12...Qd7*) 13.g4 Ne8 (RR *13...g6*) 14.h4 g6 15.0-0-0 Nd7 16.h5 g5 17.Nf1 Ng7 18.Ng3 f6 19.Rhf1 Rf7 20.Kd2 (RR *20.Rf2*) 20...Qf8 (RR *20...Nc5*) 21.Ke1 (RR *21.b3*) 21...Rd8 22.Kf2 c6 23.a4 a5 24.Kg2 Nc5 25.Rd2 Rfd7 (RR *25...Qe7*) 26.b3 Kollars,D (2648)-Dominguez Perez,L (2748) Chess.com INT 2024 Mega2024 Update 29 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (68)]

[RR 11...Bd7]

12.Rf1 Nb8 13.0-0-0 Bxc4 14.dxc4 Nbd7 15.g4 Nh7 16.Rf2 Nc5 17.Rh1 c6 18.h4 Ne6 0.60/20 Prevents g5.

[18...f6!= 0.22/18 deserves consideration.]

19.g5±

[19.Qf3 f6=]

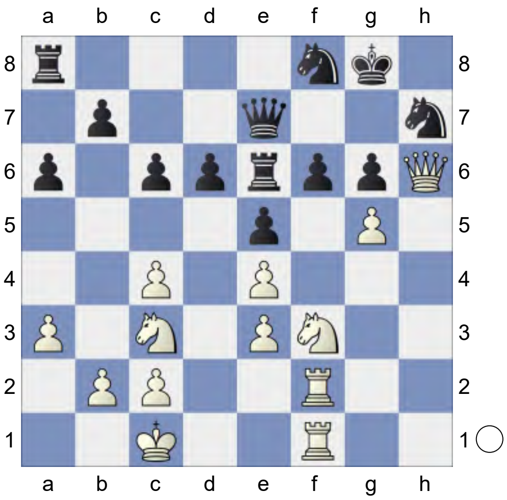
19...hxg5 20.Qh5 g6 21.Qh6 Nef8 22.Rhf1 &Bianco is more active. **22...f6** 1.19/22

[22...Re7!± 0.58/21]

23.hxg5± Re6 24.Nf3 Qe7? 3.06/22

[24...Qc7± 1.19/21]

(Diagram)



25.Nd5!+- Qf7 26.Nh2 cxd5 27.cxd5 Re7 28.Ng4 Rc7

[28...f5? 29.exf5 gxf5 30.Rxf5+-]

29.Qh4

[29.gxf6?! Kh8±]

[29.Nxf6+?! Nxf6 30.gxf6 (*30.Rxf6 Qg7=*) 30...Qh7=]

29...Qe8 1.94/24

[29...Kh8± 1.50/21]

30.gxf6 1.06/25

[White should try 30.Rh1+- 1.94/24 Kh8 31.Nxf6 (*31.gxf6 b5±*)]

30...Kh8 1.54/22

[30...g5? 31.f7+ Rxf7 32.Nh6+ Kh8 33.Nxf7++-]

[⌓30...Rf7 1.06/25]

31.f7± Qd8 32.Qh3 Qg5 33.Nf6 The board is on fire. **33...Rxf7 34.Nxh7** Remove Defender, Deflection **34...Rxh7 35.Rxf8+ Rxf8 36.Rxf8+** Endgame KQR-KQR **36...Kg7 37.Qf3→** White attacks with force. **37...Rh1+ 38.Kd2**

[38.Qxh1?! Qxe3+ 39.Kb1 Kxf8=]

38...Rh2+ 39.Kd3 White wants to mate with Qf7+. **39...Qe7** Against Qf7+ **40.Rc8 Rh8 41.Rxh8 Kxh8** KQ-KQ **42.Qh3+ Kg7 43.Qc8 Kh6** 1.57/22

[⌓43...Qf7 1.25/22]

44.b4 Kg7 2.22/21

[44...Kg5 1.75/21 was called for. 45.Kd2 Kh5]

45.a4+- Qf7 46.Ke2 Prevents Qf1+. **46...Qe7** Against Qd8 **47.a5 Kh7** 2.31/26

[⌓47...Kf6 1.64/26 48.c3 g5]

48.Kd3 Qf7 2.52/24

[48...Kh6 1.87/24 was necessary. 49.c4 Qf7]

49.Ke2? 0.01/19

[49.Kc3+- 2.52/24]

49...Qe7!= 50.c4 Qh4 4.25/26

[⌓50...Kg7 2.75/25 51.c5 Qg5 52.Qd7+ *(52.cxd6 Qg2+ 53.Kd3 Qf1+ 54.Kc2 Qe2+ 55.Kb3 Qd3+ 56.Qc3 Qxe4±)* 52...Kg8]

51.Qc7+? 0.01/25

[51.Qxb7++- 4.25/26 Kh6 52.Qxa6 Qh2+ 53.Kd3]

51...Kh6 52.Qxd6 Qh2+ 53.Kd3 Hoping for Qf8+. **53...Qf2** Inhibits Qf8+. **54.Qxe5 Qf1+ 55.Kd2** aiming for Qf4+. **55...Qf2+ 56.Kd3 Qf1+ 57.Kd2 Qf2+ 58.Kd1**

[58.Kd3?! Qf1+⩲]

58...Qf1+ 59.Kc2

[59.Kd2 Qf2+±]

59...Qe2+! 60.Kb3 Qd1+ 61.Kb2 Qd2+ 62.Kb3 Qd1+ 63.Kb2 Qd2+ 64.Ka3 Qd3+ 65.Ka2 Qc2+ 66.Ka3 Qd3+ 67.Ka2 Threatens to win with Qd4. **67...Qc2+! 68.Qb2 Qa4+! 69.Kb1 Qd1+ 70.Ka2 Qa4+ 71.Kb1 Qd1+ 72.Qc1 Qb3+ 73.Ka1!** Strongly threatening Qd2.

[73.Qb2 Qd1+⩲]

73...Qa4+ 74.Kb2 Qxb4+ 75.Kc2! Qxc4+ 76.Kd2 Qxe4 77.Qc5 Qf5 78.Qd4 Qf2+ 79.Kc3 Qe1+ 80.Qd2 Qa1+ 81.Kb4 Kc5 is the strong threat. **81...Qb1+** 1.49/22

[⌓81...Qe5 0.98/22]

82.Kc5± And now Kd6 would win. **82...b6+ 83.Kd4** 0.29/18

[Much less strong is 83.axb6 Qb5+ 84.Kd6 Qxb6+ 85.Ke7 Qc7+ 86.Ke6 Qc8+ 87.Ke5 Qe8+ 88.Kd6 g5±]

[83.Kd6!± 1.57/21 bxa5 84.Qxa5 *(84.e4+ g5=)*]

83...Qa1+ 1.26/23

[83...bxa5!= 0.29/18 84.d6 *(84.Qxa5 Qb8±)* 84...Qb6+ 85.Ke5 Qd8]

84.Ke4 Black must now prevent Qh2+. **84...Qb1+** 1.92/21

[84...bxa5± 1.03/22 might work better. 85.d6 Qh1+ 86.Kd4 Qc6 87.Qh2+ Kg7]

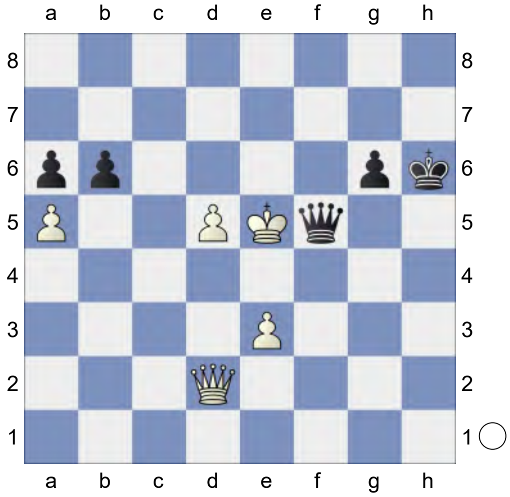
85.Kd4? -0.01/17

[85.Ke5!+- 1.92/21]

85...Qa1+= 86.Ke4 0.01/18

[86.Qc3± 1.01/21 Qa4+ 87.Qc4 Qxa5 88.Ke5]

86...Qb1+! 87.Ke5 Qf5+

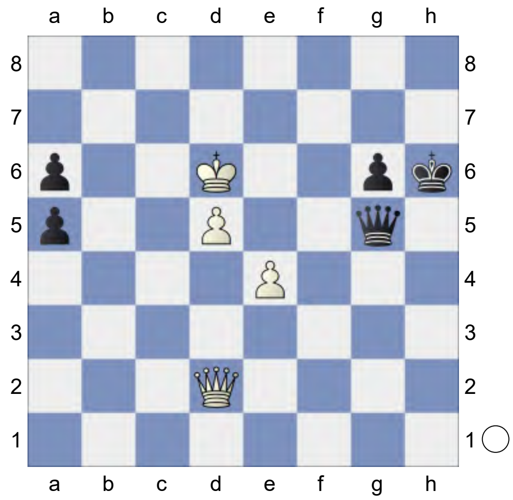


88.Kd6! e4+ would kill now. **88...bxa5?** 13.29/19

[88...Qf6+ 2.19/20 89.Kc7 Qe7+ 90.Kxb6 Qd6+ 91.Kb7 g5]

89.e4+!+- Discovered Attack **89...Qg5**

(Diagram)



90.Qxg5+! Kxg5 91.Kc7 10.32/24 Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise)

[⌓91.Ke5 #15/22 Kg4 92.d6 Kg3 93.d7 a4 94.d8Q Kf3 95.Qd3+ Kg4 96.Qd1+ Kg3 97.Kf6]

1-0

528 **C50**

☐ **Chasin,Nico Werner** **2435**

■ **Makhnev,Denis** **2537**

Menorca op-A 4th (9) 27.04.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 d6

[6...Bxe3 7.fxe3 d6 8.Ng5 0-0 9.0-0 h6 10.Nxf7 Rxf7 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7 12.Nd5 Kg6 13.Rxf6+ gxf6 14.Qf3 Be6 15.Rf1 Bxd5 16.exd5 Ne7 17.Qxf6+ Kh7 18.Qe6 1-0 5.♘g5 e6 6.♗d3 ♘gf6 469 (2621)-Zamlutti Junior,R (2635) ITA-chT4 corr 1987 (8.4)]

7.h3 has lost popularity (7.Bxc5). verliert an Beliebtheit (7.Lxc5). **7...Bxe3 8.fxe3** The position is equal. **8...Na5 9.a4N** -0.52/23

[9.Bb3

A) 9...Nxb3 10.axb3 0-0 11.0-0 Qe7 (*11...d5 12.Nxe5 dxe4 13.d4 Nd5 14.Rxf7 Rxf7 15.Nxf7 Nxc3 16.Nxd8 Nxd1 17.Rxd1 a5 18.Rf1 a4 19.bxa4 Rxa4 20.Rf7 Rc4 21.c3 b5 22.Re7 Kf8 23.Rxe4 b4 24.cxb4 Rxb4 25.Ne6+ Bxe6 26.Rxe6* 1-0 (53) Short,N (2686)-Stefanova,A (2550) 4NCL West Bromwich ENG 2003 (11.2)) 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 f5 14.e4 f4 15.Qd2 g5 16.Rae1 h5 17.h4 g4 18.Ng5 g3 19.d4 Rf6 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Qc3 Bg4 22.Qc4 Kg7 23.Rf3 Bxf3 24.Nxf3 0-1 (37) Deutgen,E (1375)-Buslaev,A (1538) CA.2004.0.00127 (6) Re8 25.b4 Rg6 26.Rd1 Qd6 27.Ng5 Kh6 28.b5 axb5 29.Qxb5 Qb6+ 30.Qxb6 Rxb6 31.d6 Kg6 32.b3 Rd8 33.Re1 Rdxd6 34.Nf3 Kf6 35.Kf1 Rd2 36.c4 Rf2+ 37.Kg1 Rxb3 0-1 Chirino,N (1375)-Arena,C (1538) Mendoza Mendocino-ch sf 2023 (6);

B) 9...0-0 10.0-0 h6 11.Qe1 Nxb3 12.axb3 Be6 13.Nh4 Nd7 0.25/21 (*13...a5* -0.11/20 should be considered.) 14.Nf5 f6 15.Qg3 Bxf5 16.Rxf5 Nc5 17.Raf1 c6 18.Qg4 Qe7 19.Ne2 d5? 1.82/23 (*19...Kh7!=* 0.29/21) 20.Ng3 Threatens to win with Rh5. dxe4 0-1 (70) Kollars,D (2628)-Lobanov,S (2520) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Aug Late blitz 2023 (3)]

[9.Bb3= -0.06/23]

9...Nxc4∓ 10.dxc4 Be6 11.b3 a5 12.Qe2 Nd7 13.0-0-0 Nc5 14.Rhf1 Qe7 15.Ne1 c6 16.Nd3 h5 0.01/23

[16...Na6∓ -0.46/21]

17.Rd2 -0.47/22

[17.Nxc5= 0.01/23 dxc5 18.Rh1]

17...h4 0.05/22

[Black should play 17...Na6∓ -0.47/22]

18.Rfd1 -0.45/23

[18.Nxc5= 0.05/22 dxc5 19.Rg1]

18...Na6 19.Qe1 0-0-0 20.Kb2 Rhg8 21.Rf2 -0.90/22

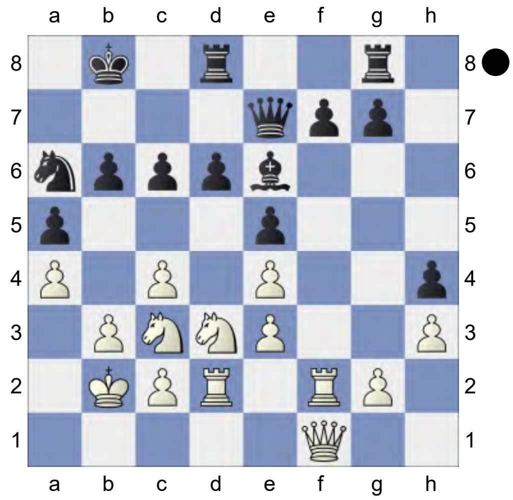
[21.Qe2∓ -0.37/22]

21...b6 -0.29/24

[21...g5∓ -0.90/22 22.Ne2 Qc7]

22.Qf1 Kb8 23.Rdd2 -0.95/22

[23.Rfd2= -0.27/24 remains equal.]



23...g5!∓ 24.Rf3 g4 25.hxg4 Rxg4 26.Rdf2 -1.31/19

[⌓26.g3 -0.80/23]

26...Rg7 27.Rf6 Rh8 28.R6f3 Rhh7 29.Rf6 Nc7 30.Rd2 h3 31.Rf3

[31.gxh3? Bxh3 32.Qf3 Ne8-+]

31...h2↑ Black is in control. **32.Qh1 Qh4** Repels g3 **33.g3 Qh6 34.Nf2** -1.88/23

[34.Rg2∓ -1.00/25]

34...Ne8-+ 35.Rd1 -2.68/19

[35.Nd3 -1.73/21 was worth a try.]

35...Kc7 36.c5? -4.52/20

[36.Nb1 -2.58/20]

36...dxc5 Black is clearly winning.

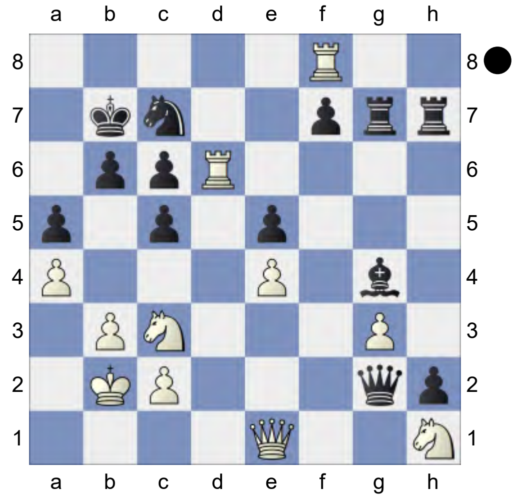
[36...bxc5 37.Nb1-+]

37.Qf1 Kb7 Prevents Qa6+. **38.Rd8 Nc7**

[38...h1B 39.Rxe8 Bd7 *(39...Bxf3? 40.Re7+±)* 40.Rd8±]

[38...h1Q? 39.Nxh1 Rg8 40.Nf2∓]

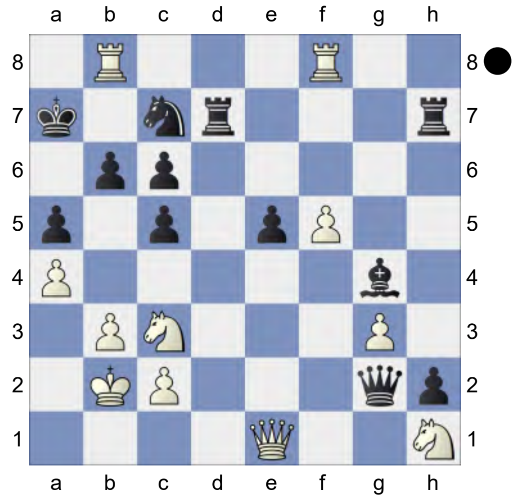
39.Nh1 Bg4 Deflection **40.Rf6 Qxe3 41.Rfd6 Qf3 42.Qe1 Qg2 43.Rf8**



f5! 44.Rdd8

[44.exf5 Bf3]

44...Rd7 ...Rxd8 is the strong threat. **45.Rb8+ Ka7 46.exf5**

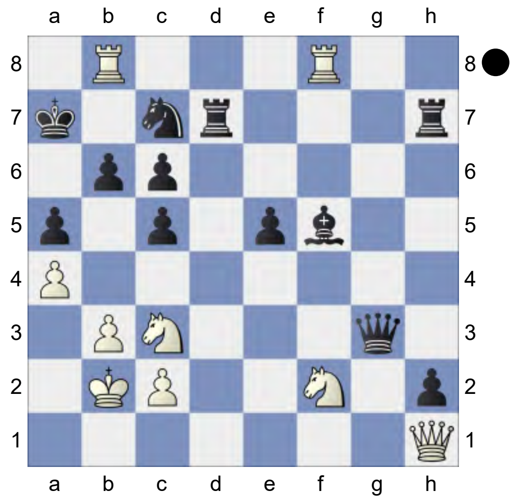


Bxf5! 47.Nf2 Qxg3

[47...h1N 48.Qxe5 Qxg3 *(48...Nxg3 49.Qxc7+* Remove Defender *Rxc7 50.Ra8+ Kb7 51.Rfb8#)* 49.Ra8+ Nxa8 50.Qe8=]

48.Qh1

(Diagram)



e4! 49.Nfxe4

[49.Rxf5 Kxb8]

49...Bxe4 50.Nxe4 Qg1 51.Nxc5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.16 (very precise)

51...Qxc5

[Worse is 51...Qxh1 52.Rb7#]

0-1

529 **C55**
☐ **Sanal,V.** **2563**
■ **Harutyunyan,Tigran K** **2549**
Levitov Christmas Q1 09.12.2020
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.17/18

[7...h6⩱ -0.57/20 8.Bh4 Qe7]

8.f4!= Qe7 0.47/20

[Black should play 8...c6= -0.25/18]

9.Nc3 -0.07/19

[9.f5⩲ 0.47/20 d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 24.Rxg7 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]

[9.Na3 Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)]

9...c6! 10.Kh1N The position is equal.

[10.Qd2 Be6 11.Bd3 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.f5 Bd7 14.Nd1 #5 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5]

10...Be6 11.Bxe6 Nxe6 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Ne2 -0.69/22

[14.Qh5= -0.22/21]

14...Rd8 -0.20/20

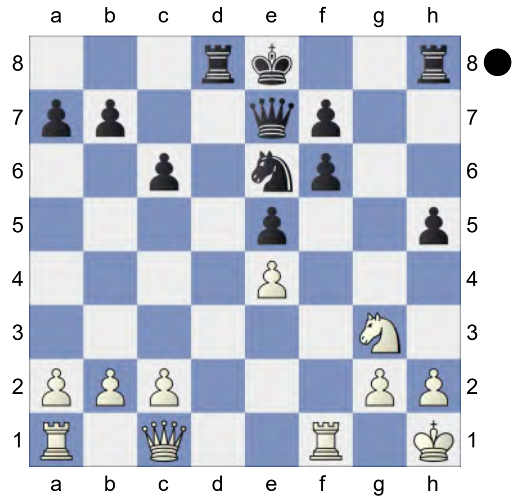
[14...h5⩱ -0.69/22 was preferable.]

15.Qc1 -0.94/19

[15.Qe1= -0.20/20 keeps the balance.]

15...h5∓ 16.Ng3 -1.53/18

[White should try 16.Rf2 -1.00/18]



16...h4! 17.Nf5

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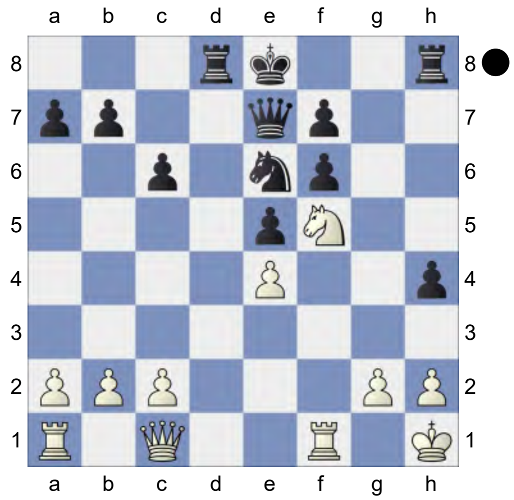


Qc5 -0.60/19

[17...Qb4!∓ -1.43/20 ...h3! is the strong threat. 18.Qe3 h3 (*18...Qxb2 19.Rab1∓*) 19.gxh3 Qxb2]

18.h3∓ Ng5 0.28/19

[18...Nf4!∓ -0.67/20]

19.Ng7+= A mistake that costs the game. **19...Kf8?** 4.18/22

[19...Ke7!± 0.31/19]

20.Rxf6+-

[20.Qxg5 fxg5 21.Ne6+ Ke7 22.Nxc5 b6+-]

20...Rd1+ 5.30/20

[20...Kxg7 3.73/18 is a better defense. 21.Qxg5+ Kf8]

21.Qxd1 Kxg7 22.Rf5 f6 23.Qd7+ Kg6 24.Raf1 White is clearly winning.

[24.Qxb7 Nxe4 25.Rf3 Nf2+ 26.Kh2 e4±]

24...Rf8 25.Qd3

[Weaker is 25.Qxb7 Nxe4 26.R1f3 (*26.Kh2 Ng3±*) 26...Qd6+- (*26...Qxc2?* loses. *27.Kh2+-; 26...Ng3+? 27.Rxg3+* Clearance *hxg3 28.Rf3+-*)]

25...Qb4 26.c4 Qxb2 6.17/18

[⌓26...Rf7 4.36/16 27.g3 Kg7 28.gxh4 Nh7 29.Rg1+ Kh8]

27.Qd6 Nxe4 28.Qxf8 Rxf6+ would kill now. **28...Ng3+ 29.Kh2 Nxf5 30.Qe8+** Deflection **30...Kh6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.56/Black=1.02 **31.Rxf5**

1-0

530 **C54**

☐ **Zambrana,Oswaldo** **2405**

■ **Bjerre,Jonas Buhl** **2648**

Olympiad-45 Budapest (2.30) 12.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is a critical line .7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Be3 Bxe3**

[8...h6 9.Bxa7 Rxa7 10.Nbd2 Nh5 11.d4 Nf4 12.Re1 Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.d5 Ne7 15.a5 g5 16.Qa4+ Kf8 17.Nh2 Qc8 18.Ndf1 Bg6 19.b4 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Ng3 Nh4 22.Bf1 Nxd5 23.Qb3 0-1 (43) Marshall Attack (2400)-Sekula,M (2385) PCA-Wch Candidates m1 1994 (9)]

9.fxe3 The position is equal. **9...Ne7N** An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante.

[9...0-0 10.Nbd2 h6 11.d4 Bg4 12.Qc2 Bh5 13.Rae1 Nd7 14.b4 Qe7 15.g3 a5 16.b5 Nd8 17.Nh4 Ne6 18.Bd5 Ra7 19.Nf5 Qd8 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bc4 c6 22.Bd3 Bg6 23.Nc4 Bxf5 24.Rxf5 0-1 (63) Kostenko,P (2466)-Jones,B (2681) WchT 12th Astana 2019 (1.20) g6 25.Rff1 Qe7 26.Kg2 Nd7 27.Qa2 Raa8 28.Qa3 c5 29.d5 Ng7 30.b6 f5 31.Qc1 Nf6 32.Qc2 Rad8 33.Kh2 h5 34.Nxa5 Ra8 35.Nb3 h4 36.gxh4 c4 37.Bxc4 Nxe4 38.Rg1 Qxh4 39.Ref1 0-1 (63) Kucera,T (2466)-Kauschmann,H (2681) 4NCL West

Bromwich ENG 2004 (1.20)]

10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.a5 0-0 12.Qe1 c6 13.Ba2N

[Vorgänger: 13.b4 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.Ba2 Qc7 16.c4 Bf5 17.e4 dxe4 18.dxe4 Bd7 19.c5 ½-½ Kolarik,J (2351)-Sanner,Z (2331) VW-Cup9 sf08 email 2018]

13...d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.e4 With the idea exd5. **15...Be6 16.exd5 Bxd5 17.Bc4** -0.79/21

[17.Nc4!= 0.01/20]

17...Re8 Black keeps a firm grip on the game. **18.Qd1** -1.38/22

[White should try 18.Ne4∓ -0.47/21]

18...b5 -0.99/22 Black is more active.

[Black should play 18...Rc8 -1.38/22 19.b3 h6]

19.Bxd5 -1.87/21

[19.axb6∓ -0.99/22 might work better. Qxb6+ 20.d4]

19...Qxd5 -1.17/22

[19...Nxd5-+ -1.87/21 20.Qb1 f5]

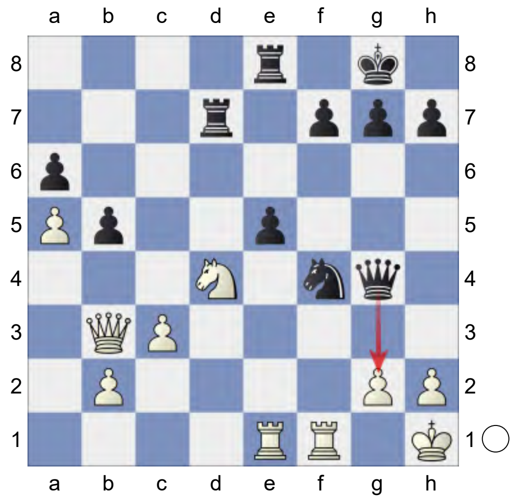
20.Ne4 -2.02/24 **Nxe4-+ 21.dxe4 Qxe4 22.Qb3** -2.47/21

[⌓22.Qd7 -1.68/20]

22...Ra7 23.Rae1 Qg4 24.Kh1 Rd7 25.Nd4 -3.40/22

[⌓25.h3 -2.05/20 Qf4 26.Re2]

25...Nf4



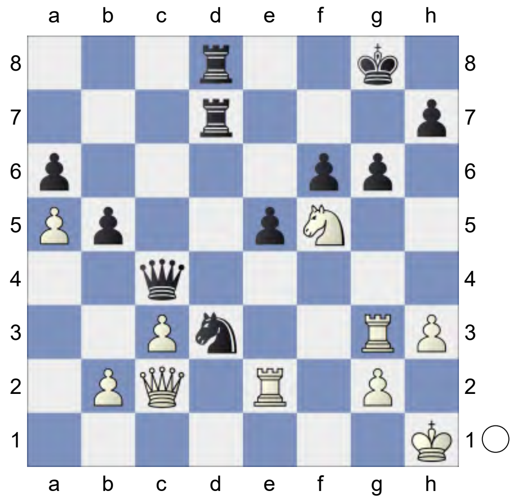
26.Qc2 f6 27.Re3 Red8 28.Rg3 Qh5 29.h3 -7.21/22

[⌓29.Qe4 -4.12/21 Qf7 30.Nf5]

29...Qf7 30.Nf5 Qc4 31.Rf2 Nd3 32.Re2 -8.19/22

[32.Rf1 -3.47/21]

32...g6



Strongly threatening ...Qf4. Black is clearly winning. **33.Rg4** -6.56/21

[⌓33.Kh2 -4.32/21]

33...Nf4 34.Rf2 White is weak on the light squares **34...Kh8 35.Nh6 Qe6 36.Rg3 f5 37.Kh2 Nd3 38.Rf1 e4 39.Qd2 f4 40.Rg5 Qe7 41.h4 Rf8 42.Qe2 Qg7 43.Ng4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/ Black=0.54

43...h6

0-1

531 **C50**

☐ **Paehtz,Elisabeth** **2458**

■ **Koneru,Humpy** **2530**

Shymkent WGP 2024 (7.5) 06.11.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.0-0 a6**

7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 d6 White has an edge. **9.a4 Be6 10.Nd2 0-0** The position is equal. **11.h3 Na5**

[11...Bxc4 12.Nxc4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Nf4 *(14...Nxc3 15.bxc3 b5 16.Ne3 Ne7 17.Rf3 Qd6 18.Rg3 Qe6 19.Kh2 Kh7 20.h4 c6 21.Qf3 Rae8 22.Rf1 f6 23.h5 Rb8 24.axb5 axb5 25.d4 b4 26.d5 Qd7 27.c4 b3 28.dxc6 Qxc6 29.Nf5* 1-0 Alekseenko,K (2686)-Sjugirov,S (2712) Airthings Masters Play In Chess.com INT rapid 2023 (7)*)* 15.Kh2 Ng6 16.a5 Qd7 17.Nd5 Nce7 18.Nde3 f6 19.g3 Rad8 20.h4 Nh8 21.Rf2 Nf7 22.Qh5 Nd6 23.Raf1 Nxc4 24.Nxc4 Qe8 25.Qg4 Nc6 26.Rxf6 1-0 Alekseenko,K (2707)-Le,Q (2728) Chess.com Rapid Wk24 KO Chess.com INT 2022 (1.1)]

12.Bd5N

[12.Ba2 Bxa2 13.Rxa2 Nc6 14.Ra1 d5 15.Qf3 d4 16.Ne2 dxe3 17.Qxe3 16) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - P-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Pract]

12...Nc6 13.Bc4 Na5 14.Bd5 Nc6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.03 (flawless)

½-½

532 C56
☐ **Azarov,Sergei Nikolaevich 2618**
■ **Kamsky,Gata 2672**
43rd Annual World Open (9.3) 05.07.15
[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

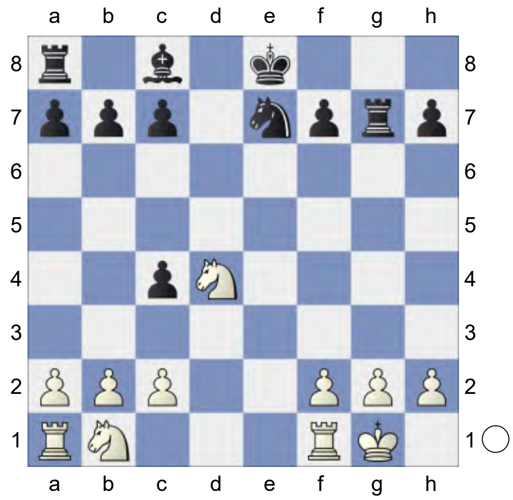
[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)*)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

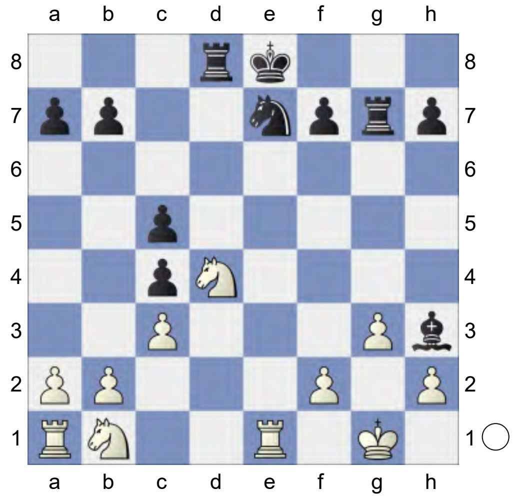
B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Bxe7 White is slightly better. **10...Nxe7 11.Qxd4** White is more active. **11...Qxd4 12.Nxd4 Rxg7**

(Diagram)



13.Re1 Bh3 And now ...0-0-0! would win. **14.g3 Rd8 15.c3** Na3 would now be deadly. **15...c5**



16.Nf3 0.31/24

[16.Ne2!± 0.85/21]

16...Kf8 17.Na3 f6 18.Nxc4 Nd5 19.a4 b6 20.Rad1 Rgd7 21.Rd2

[21.Nh4!?]

21...a6 22.Nh4 b5 23.axb5 axb5 24.Na3 b4 The position is equal. **25.cxb4 Nxb4 26.Rxd7 Rxd7 27.Ng2 Nd3 28.Rb1 Ne5** Repels Nc4 **29.Nf4 Nf3+ 30.Kh1 Bf5 31.Rc1 Rd2 32.Kg2 Ne5 33.Nc4 Be4+ 34.Kf1 Nxc4 35.Rxc4=** Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **35...Bf3 36.Rc1 Rxb2 37.Ne6+ Kf7 38.Nxc5 Rd2 39.Ke1 Re2+ 40.Kf1 Rd2 41.Re1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) / Black=0.04 (flawless) **41...Rd6**

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533 **C54**

☐ **Risteski,Emil** **2359**

■ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2654**

AUT-chT Rapid (9.8) 01.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8

42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.d4 seems to push 11.Bb3 aside.setzt sich inzwischen gegen 11.Lb3 durch. **11...h6 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qb3** White has an edge. **13...Be6 14.Bxe6 Rxe6 15.h3 exd4N**

[15...d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.c4 Ndf4 18.c5 Ba7 19.Bb2 -0.68/22 *(19.g3⩲ 0.52/21)* 19...exd4∓ 20.Qc4 Qe7 21.Nb3? -2.18/23 *(21.Ba3!∓ -0.45/22)* 21...d3? -0.27/20 *(21...Nh4-+ -2.18/23* (-> ...Nxf3+) *22.Nbxd4 Qxc5 23.Qxc5 Nxf3+ 24.Nxf3 Bxc5)* 22.Rxe6= fxe6 -0.01/19 0-1 (46) Grischuk,A (2764)-Martirosyan,H (2633) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Feb Late blitz 2022 (9) *(22...Qxe6∓ -0.57/20 23.Qxe6 Nxe6)*]

[15...Nf4 keeps more tension. 16.Nf1 N6h5 17.Kh2 Nd3]

16.cxd4 Qe8 17.Qc2 d5 18.e5 Nd7! 19.Ba3 Rc8 20.Nb3 0.28/23

[20.Qb3⩲ 0.66/20]

20...c6 0.68/21

[20...c5= 0.28/23]

21.Qd3↑ 0.15/21 White is more active.

[21.Rac1⩲ 0.68/21]

21...Qd8? 1.67/22

[21...c5!= 0.15/21 and Black has nothing to worry. 22.dxc5 Bxc5 23.Nxc5 *(23.Qxd5 Bxa3 24.Rxa3 Ndxe5=; 23.Nxa5? Ngxe5 24.Nxe5 Nxe5-+)* 23...Nxc5 24.Qxd5 Nxa4]

22.Rac1+- Nh4 23.Nxh4 Qxh4 24.Bc5 0.50/25

[24.Re3+- 1.62/21]

24...Bc7 1.84/21

[Black should try 24...Bxc5⩲ 0.50/25 25.Nxc5 Nxc5 26.Rxc5 f6]

25.bxc6 1.45/22

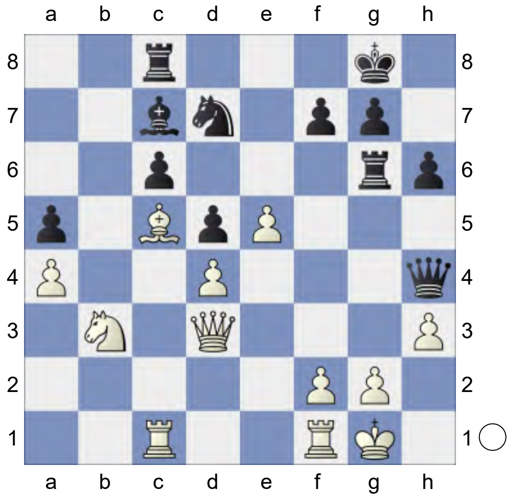
[25.Re3+- 1.84/21]

25...bxc6 26.Rf1 0.80/22

[26.Ba3+- 1.69/20 is more deadly.]

26...Rg6 1.70/22

[26...Qe4± 0.80/22 27.Rc3 Qxd3 28.Rxd3 f6]

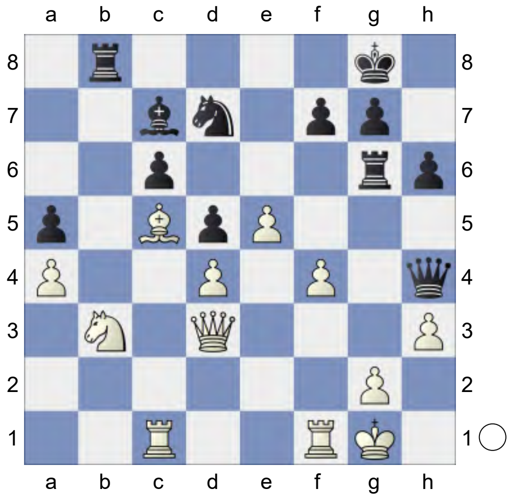


27.f4 1.09/23

[White should try 27.Rc3!+- 1.70/22]

27...Rb8 1.58/24

[⌓27...Qg3 1.09/23 28.Qf3 Rb8]



28.Rf3 0.34/22

[28.Kh2!± 1.58/24]

28...Re6? 3.19/19

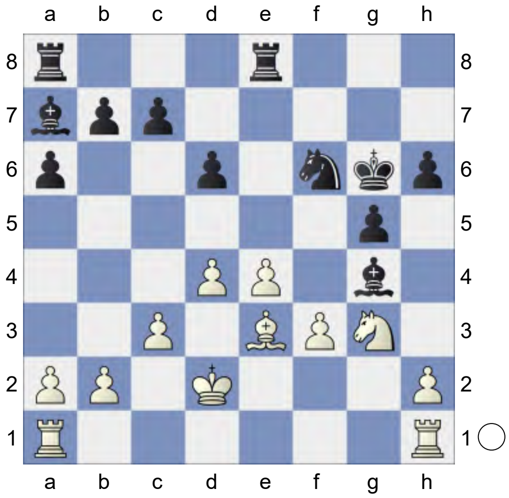
[28...Nxc5⩲ 0.34/22 29.Rxc5 *(29.Nxc5 Rb2=)* 29...Rb4]

29.Rcf1 Ree8 30.Rg3 Bd8? 5.16/22
[30...Rxb3 2.56/20 was worth a try. 31.Qxb3 Nxc5 32.dxc5 Rb8]
31.Rg4 Qh5 4.73/22
[⌓31...Rxb3 3.35/22 32.Qxb3 Nxc5 33.dxc5 Qe7]
32.Bd6 Rb7 33.f5 Bc7 34.Bxc7 Rxc7 35.Qg3
[35.Nxa5 Nf8 36.Nb3 Nh7]
35...Kh8 36.e6 Discovered Attack **36...Nf6 37.Qxc7 Nxg4 38.hxg4 Qxg4 39.Qxf7** 13.63/28
[⌓39.exf7 35.71/28 Rf8 40.Qe7 *(40.Qxa5 Rxf7 41.Qa8+ Kh7+-; 40.Qxc6 Qe2+-)* 40...Rxf7 41.Qxf7]
39...Rg8 40.Qg6 Qe4 41.Rf3 Qe1+ 42.Kh2 White wants to mate with Rh3. **42...Qh4+ 43.Rh3 Qf4+ 44.Qg3 Qxf5 45.Qe5 Qg6 46.Nc5 Re8 47.Rg3 Qh7 48.e7 Qg8 49.Rf3 Kh7 50.Qf5+ Kh8 51.Qf8 Kh7 52.Qf5+?** -0.01/23
[52.Rf7 #27/27 Qxf8 53.exf8Q *(53.exf8R Re3+-; 53.exf8N+ Kg8+-)* 53...Rxf8 54.Rxf8 h5 55.g3 Kg6 56.Nb7 h4 57.Nxa5 *(57.gxh4 Kh5+-)*]
52...Kh8= 53.Qf8 -0.01/25
[53.Qd7 #19/26 mates Rxe7 54.Qxe7 Kh7 55.Rf8 Qxf8 56.Qxf8 h5 57.Qf5+ *(57.Ne6 Kg6 58.Qxg7+ Kf5 59.Qf7+ Kg4 60.Qf4#)* 57...Kh6 58.Ne6 g6 59.Qf8+ Kh7 60.Qg7#]
53...Kh7!
Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=1.52
54.Nd7
1-0

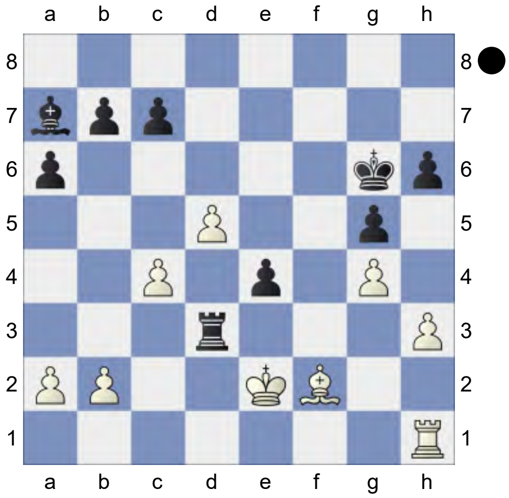
534 **C50**
☐ **chessxxmaster** **2576**
■ **forbiddencheapos** **2488**
Rapid 27.09.2022
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo How to Refute the Jerome Gambit: There are various ways for Black to do well against the Jerome Gambit, as the sacrifice on f7 is simply wrong. If it's a light-hearted game on the Internet you might admire White's bravado, but if you come up against it at tournament level then it is best to be prepared: **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Kf8N**
[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6)]
[6...Ke6 7.f4 *(7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021)* 7...d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Nc3 Nf6 10.Qh4 Rf8 11.d3 Kf7 12.Bg5 Kg8 Jerome Gambit-N,N]
7.Qxe5 d6 8.Qf4+ Black is clearly better. **8...Qf6 9.d3 Qxf4 10.Bxf4 Nf6 11.f3 Kf7 12.Nc3 a6 13.Ne2 Re8 14.Kd2 Bd7 15.d4 Ba7 16.c3 h6 17.g4 g5** -0.69/16
[17...Kg8-+ -1.83/17 ...Re7 is the strong threat. 18.Be3 d5]

18.Be3∓ Kg6 -0.19/20
[18...c5∓ -0.78/20 19.Rae1 cxd4 20.cxd4 d5]
19.Ng3!= Bxg4



Deflection **20.fxg4 Nxe4+ 21.Nxe4 Rxe4 22.h3 Rae8 23.Rae1 d5 24.Bf2 Rf8 25.Rxe4 dxe4** Endgame KRB-KRB **26.Ke2 Rf3** Against Bg3 **27.c4 Rd3 28.d5**



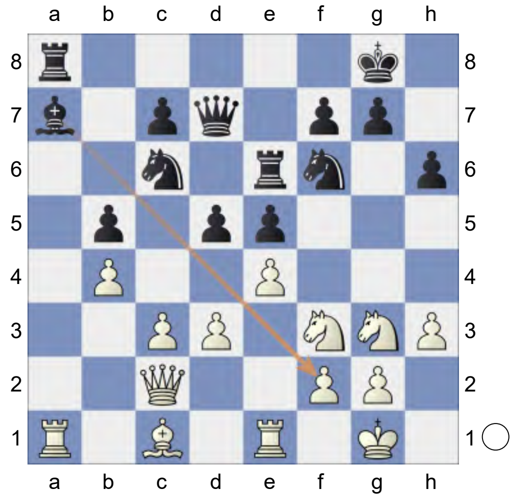
This costs Black the game. **28...b5?** 5.58/23 **29.Bxa7+- bxc4** KRB-KR **30.Rc1 Rxh3 31.Rxc4 Rh2+ 32.Ke3 Rxb2 33.Bd4** White threatens Rc6+ and mate. **33...Rxa2 34.Rxc7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.84 **34...Rg2**
1-0

535 C54
□ Cheparinov,Ivan 2628
■ Amartuvshin,Ganzorig 2402
Olympiad-45 Budapest (6.19) 16.09.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.0-0 Ba7 7.a4** now supersedes 7.Bb3. löst 7.Lb3 inzwischen ab. **7...0-0 8.Re1 d6 9.h3** The position is equal. **9...h6 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.b4**
[11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16) 1/2-1/2]
11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qc2 b5N
[13...Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 28.Nxe7+ Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7) 1-0 Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 43.Rd7 Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) 1-0]
14.Nf1 d5 15.Ng3 Qd7 'N'
[Vorgänger: 15...Bb6 16.Bd2 Rb8 17.Rad1 Qd7 18.c4 dxc4 19.dxc4 Nd4 20.Nxd4 Bxd4 21.axb5 axb5

1-0 Sevian,S (2660)-Narayanan,S (2618) PNWCC Online blitz JP 12th 2020 (2)]

16.axb5 axb5

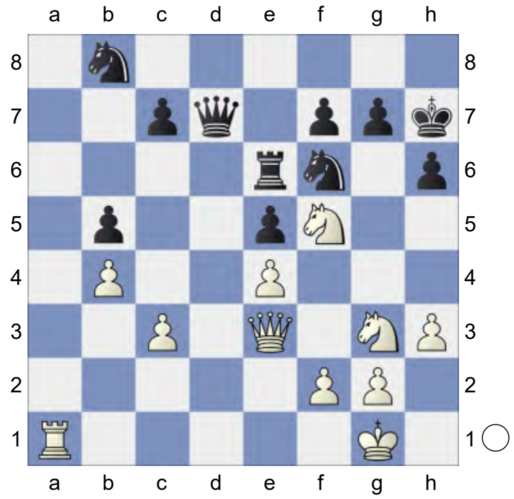


aiming for ...Ba7xf2+! **17.Be3 dxe4 18.dxe4** Black must now prevent Ra1-a3. **18...Ree8 19.Qe2** White is more active. **19...Bxe3 20.Qxe3 Rxa1 21.Rxa1 Nb8** 1.68/19

[21...Qc8± 0.82/20 is a better defense.]

22.Nh4 Strongly threatening Nh4-f5. **22...Kh7 23.Nhf5 Re6?** 5.24/22

[23...Rg8 1.89/21 24.Kh2 Qe6]



24.Nxg7!+- Decoy, Clearance **24...Ng4** 9.37/22

[⌓24...Rc6 5.12/20 25.N7f5 Ne8]

[24...Ra6 25.Rxa6]

25.Nxe6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.40

1-0

536 **C54**

☐ **Noritsyn,Nikolay** **2478**

■ **Quesada Perez,Luis Ernesto** **2544**

Casablanca Mohammed op 4th (4)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3 is cutting edge theory.ist die Avantgarde der Theorie. **7...a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.a4 g5**

[9...Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 2016 (3)]

10.Bg3 The position is equal. **10...Nh5N** 0.53/23

[10...Nh7= 0.13/20 deserves consideration.]

[10...0-0 11.0-0 (*11.Qe2 Kg7 12.h4 g4 13.Nh2 Ne7 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Nxg4 Nxg3 16.fxg3 Ng8 17.Ne3 Qg5 18.Nef1 Ne7 19.Nf3 Qg6 20.0-0-0 f5 21.Bb3 b5* Eljanov,P (2665)-Movsesian,S (2618) 98/(309) Russia 2006) 11...Kg7 12.b4 (*12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4* *cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1 Nd3 26.h4 Nxe1* 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5) *)* 12...g4 13.Bh4 Ne7 14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Kh1 d5 17.Bb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 Ng8 19.g3 Qd3 20.Qe1 Rd8 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Rd1 Qxd1 23.Bxd1 Bxc4 24.Nf5+ Kh7 25.Be2 1-0 (28) Sethuraman,S (2629)-Zhou,J (2619) Liaocheng 131/114 2017 Be6 26.Bxg4 Nf6 27.Qe2 Nxe4 28.Ne7 1-0 13.♗f4 ♗f5 (2629)-Arbakov,V (2619) Deutschland 60/178 1994]

11.Nf1N -0.47/23

[Vorgänger: 11.Nxe5! Nxg3 12.Bxf7+ Kf8 13.Ng6+ Kg7 1.75/26 *(13...Kxf7⩲* 0.35/25 *14.Nxh8+ Qxh8 15.hxg3 Qf6)* 14.fxg3+- Kxf7 15.Nxh8+ ½-½ Fier,A (2604)-Bachmann,A (2604) Caioba op 7th 2023 (7)]

[White has to play 11.Nxe5!⩲ 0.53/23 Nxg3 12.Bxf7+ Kf8 13.Ng6+ Kxf7 14.Nxh8+ Qxh8 15.hxg3]

11...Nf4 0.22/23

[11...Qf6⩱ -0.47/23 12.Ne3 Nxg3 13.hxg3 Bxe3 14.fxe3 h5]

12.Ne3!= Be6

[12...Bxe3!? 13.fxe3 Nxg2+ 14.Kd2 g4=]

13.Qc2 -0.64/24

[13.0-0= -0.12/22]

13...Rg8 0.01/22 Black is more active.

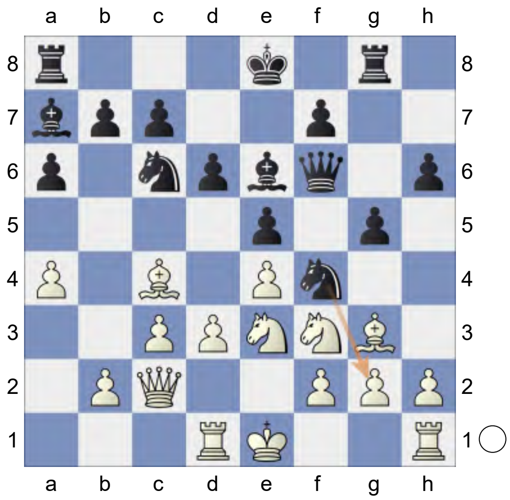
[13...Bxc4⩱ -0.64/24 14.dxc4 Bxe3 15.fxe3 Nh5]

14.Rd1 -0.46/25

[14.Bxe6= 0.01/22 fxe6 15.b4]

14...Qf6

(Diagram)



15.0-0 h5

[15...Nxg2 feels hotter. 16.Kxg2 Bh3+ 17.Kxh3 Qxf3 18.Qb3 Bxe3]

Black converts the advantage convincingly. **16.d4** -1.32/22 **Bxc4⩱**

17.Nxc4 aiming for dxe5. **17...h4 18.Bxf4 gxf4 19.Kh1 0-0-0 20.Qd3** -1.97/23

[20.b4⩱ -0.87/21]

20...exd4 -1.49/23

[Black should play 20...h3-+ -1.97/23 21.gxh3 exd4 22.cxd4 d5 23.exd5 Rxd5]

21.cxd4 -2.40/23

[21.Nxd4⩱ -1.49/23 Ne5 22.Qh3+ Kb8 23.b3]

21...d5→ Black wants a kill. **22.Ncd2 Nxd4**

[22...Bxd4 23.exd5 Rxd5 *(23...Bxb2 24.Rb1⩲)* 24.Nb3]

23.e5 Qg7 24.Rg1 -4.18/21

[⌓24.Nxh4 -2.97/21 Qxe5 25.Ndf3 Nxf3 Discovered Attack 26.Nxf3]

24...Qg6 25.Qxg6 fxg6 26.Rgf1 g5 27.b4 -4.61/22

[27.h3 -3.08/22 keeps fighting.]

27...Ne6 28.Nb3 c6 29.h3 g4 30.hxg4 Rxg4 31.Nc1 Rdg8 32.Nd3 Rxg2 33.Rg1 -6.32/24

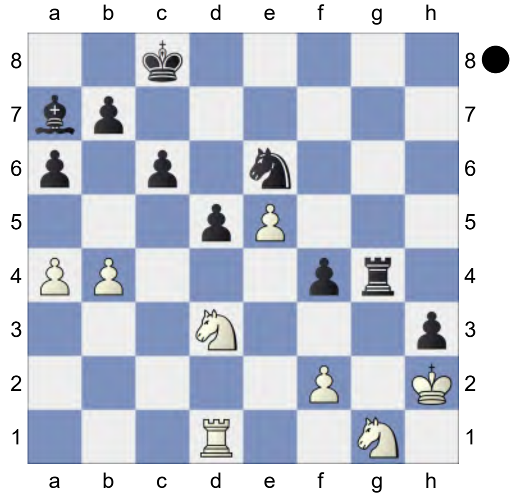
[⌓33.b5 -4.21/20 h3 *(33...cxb5?*

34.axb5 a5 35.b6-+) 34.Rd2]

33...h3 34.Rxg2 Rxg2 35.Ng1 Rg4

[Weaker is 35...Bxf2 36.Nxh3 f3 37.Ndxf2+- *(37.Nhxf2 Rg5±)*]

36.Kh2



Bxf2! Decoy **37.Nxf2 Rg2+ 38.Kxh3 Rxf2** Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is two pawns up. **39.Kg4** Against Ng5 **39...Kd7 40.Kf5?** -6.93/25

[40.Nf3 -3.99/26 Rg2+ 41.Kf5]

40...f3 Black is clearly winning. **41.b5 Ra2**

[Less strong is 41...cxb5 42.axb5 a5 *(42...axb5 43.Rxd5+ Ke7 44.Ke4∓)* 43.Rxd5+ Ke7 44.Rd6∓]

42.bxc6+ bxc6 43.Nxf3 Rxa4 aiming for ...Rf4+. **44.Ne1 Rf4+ 45.Kg6 Rf1 46.Rc1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.62/Black=0.37

46...Nd4

0-1

537 C54

□ Shuvalova,Polina 2472

■ Khademalsharieh,Sarasadat 2478

ESP-chT CECLUB Honor (4.23) 15.10.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 The position is equal. **9...g5** 9...Qe7 is more fashionable.9...De7 ist modischer. **10.Bg3 0-0 11.a4** 11.Bb3 is vanishing. 11.Lb3 scheint zu verschwinden. **11...Nh7N**

[11...Kg7 12.b4 *(12.d4 Re8 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bh5 15.d5 Ne7 16.Be2 Ng6 17.Nh2 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Nf4 19.Qf3 h5 20.Ndf1 Qd7 21.Ne3 Kg6 22.b3 c6 23.c4 cxd5 24.exd5 e4 25.Qd1 Nd3 26.h4 Nxe1* 0-1 (56) Petrosyan,M (2629)-Miranda,R (2324) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early blitz 2023 (5)*)* 12...g4 13.Bh4 Ne7 14.Bxf6+ Kxf6 15.Nh4 Kg7 16.Kh1 d5 17.Bb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 Ng8 19.g3 Qd3 20.Qe1 Rd8 21.Nc4 Be6 22.Rd1 Qxd1 23.Bxd1 Bxc4 24.Nf5+ Kh7 25.Be2 Be6 26.Bxg4 1-0 (28) 13. ♗f4 ♗f5 (2629)-Arbakov,V (2619) Deutschland 60/178 1994 Nf6 27.Qe2 Nxe4 28.Ne7 1-0 Sethuraman,S (2629)-Zhou,J (2619) Liaocheng 131/114 2017]

[11...Ne7 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.cxd4 d5 15.e5 Ne8 16.Bd3 Nf5 17.Bxf5 Bxf5 18.f4 Ng7 19.Rc1 Ne6 20.Nb3 Kh7 21.Rc3 c6 22.Re3 ½-½ Herpai,J (1890)-Gathi,D (2026) HUN-chT U18 Budapest 2022 (3.2)]

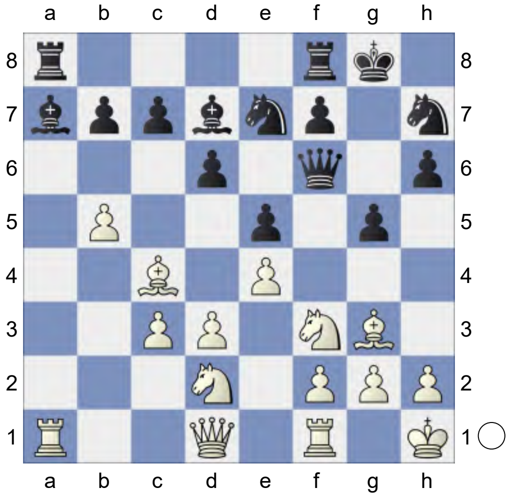
12.Kh1 Qf6 13.b4 Ne7 14.b5N

[14.d4 Ng6 15.Bb3 h5! 16.dxe5

dxe5 17.Nc4 Bg4 And now ...Rad8 would win. 18.h3 -1.41/23 (*18.Bxe5∓ -0.40/24 Bxf3* Remove Defender *19.Qxf3 Nxe5 20.Qxf6* Remove Defender *Nxf6 21.Nxe5 Nxe4 22.Rad1*) 18...Rad8∓ 19.hxg4? -3.30/23 (*19.Qe2∓* -1.26/21 was the only defense. *Be6 20.Bc2*) 19...Rxd1-+ 20.Raxd1 hxg4 21.Nfxe5 Nxe5? 0.08/22 (Black should try *21...Nf4-+* -3.03/21 *22.Nxg4 Qxc3*) 22.Nxe5 ½-½ (32) Valenzuela Gomez, F (2361)-Lazaro Pujol,A (2348) Platja d'Aro 2022 (7)]

14...axb5 15.axb5 Bd7 0.60/21

[15...Be6!= 0.20/21]



16.d4!⩲ Ng6 17.h3 -0.01/20

[17.Bd5!⩲ 0.68/21 g4 18.Ng1]

17...h5 0.45/23

[17...Bb6= -0.01/20]

18.Nb3 0.01/19

[18.Bd5!⩲ 0.45/23]

18...exd4 0.98/23

[18...Qe7!= 0.01/19]

19.cxd4⩲

[19.Nbxd4?! Bb6=]

19...g4 20.e5 Qg7 21.Nh4 0.55/23 White is more active.

[Better is 21.hxg4± 1.25/23 hxg4 22.Nh2]

21...Nxh4 0.94/22

[21...Bb6⩲ 0.55/23]

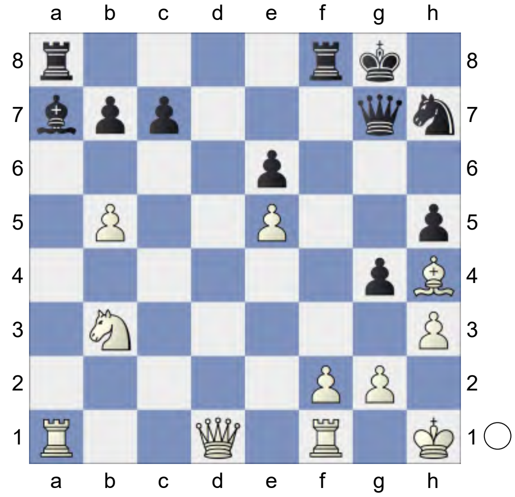
22.Bxh4 dxe5 23.dxe5 0.63/22

[23.f3± 1.02/21]

23...Be6 2.75/24

[23...gxh3!⩲ 0.63/22 24.Rg1 (*24.Qxd7? Qxg2#*) 24...Bg4]

24.Bxe6+- fxe6



25.hxg4! Qxg4 26.Qxg4+ hxg4 27.Ra4 Bb6 28.Rxg4+ Kh8 29.f4 Rf7 30.Rg6 1.86/25

[⌓30.Rd1 4.03/22]

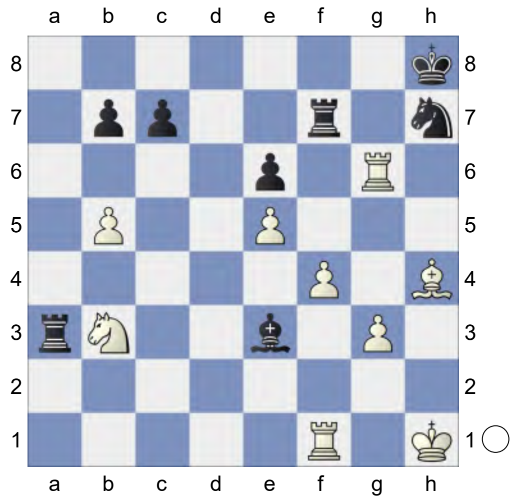
30...Be3 31.g3

[31.Rxe6?! Rxf4 32.Rxf4 Bxf4±]

Loses the game. **31...Ra3?** 5.92/25

[31...Nf8± 1.59/21 is more resistant. 32.Bf6+ Kh7]

(Diagram)



32.Kg2! and Rh1! should not be overlooked. White is clearly winning. **32...Rg7 33.Rxe6 Rxb3 34.Re8+ Rg8 35.Re7 Ra8 36.Rxc7 Kg8 37.Rxb7 Nf8 38.f5** Inhibits Ne6. **38...Ra2+ 39.Kh3 Ra7 40.Rxa7 Bxa7 41.e6 Re3 42.Ra1 Bc5 43.Rc1 Re5 44.Kg4 Kh7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.61

45.Bf6

1-0

538 **C54**
☐ **Gunina,Valentina** **2416**
■ **Lagno,Kateryna** **2515**
Moscow Stars Rapid (8) 28.06.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.a4 **d6!** The main line 6...d6 scores better than 6...Ba7. Die Hauptvariante 6...d6 punktet besser als 6...La7. **7.0-0 0-0 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.h3 h6**

[9...Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 Rg6 24.Kh2 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

10.Re1 The position is equal. **10...Re8 11.Nf1 Qe7N**

[11...Be6 12.Bb3 *(12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5 Rd2 26.Rf1 Rxb2* 1-0 (39) Adly,A (2620)-Alharari,M (2038) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.23) *27.Rxe5 Bb6 28.Re4 Rd2 29.g4 Rd3 30.Rfe1 Rd8 31.h4 Rf6 32.Kg2 Kg8 33.Re8+ Rxe8 34.Rxe8+ Kh7 35.h5 Re6 36.Rf8 f6 37.Rf7+ Kg8 38.Rg7+ Kh8 39.h6* 1-0 Brady,T (2620)-Martin Barcelo,C (2038) Uxbridge 108/(288) 2009 (1.23)) 12...Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Rxe5 ½-½ (62) Pedmanson,A (1939)-Jodorcovsky,A (2053) World ol U16 2023 (5.16)]

12.Be3N

[12.Ng3 Be6 13.Ba2 Bxa2 14.Rxa2 Qe6 15.c4 -0.39/23 *(15.Ra1=* -0.01/21 feels stronger.*)* 15...b5!∓ 16.b3 bxc4 17.bxc4 Rab8 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.fxe3 ½-½ (30) Esplana,C (2245)-Garcia,P PER-chT Peru 2000]

12...Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Be6 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.b4 -0.27/21

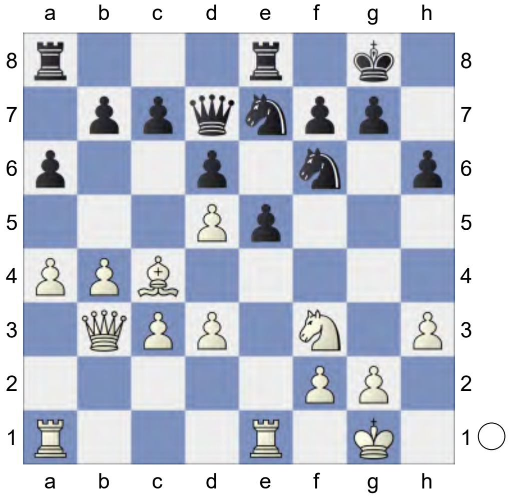
[15.d4± 0.43/21 exd4 16.cxd4 Bxd5 17.exd5]

15...Bxd5= 16.exd5 Ne7 17.Qb3

-0.82/22

[17.d4∓ -0.31/23]

17...Qd7∓



18.d4 -1.29/22

[18.a5∓ -0.68/21]

18...e4 19.Nd2 Nf5 -0.40/23

[19...Qf5∓ -0.91/22]

20.b5 e3↑ White is under pressure. **21.fxe3** -1.06/25

[21.Nf1∓ -0.64/22]

21...Nxe3 Hoping for ...Nh5. **22.Nf1** -1.69/24

[22.Bd3∓ -0.99/23]

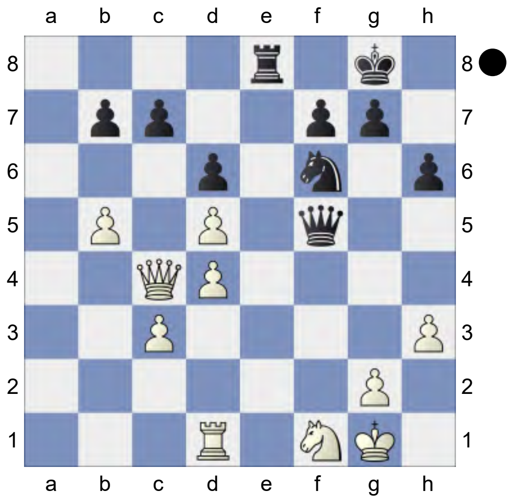
22...Nxc4-+ 23.Qxc4 axb5 24.axb5 -2.70/22

[24.Qxb5∓ -1.56/25 was worth a try. Qxb5 25.axb5]

24...Rxa1 25.Rxa1 Qf5 26.Rd1? -4.24/24

[26.Ra2 -2.46/22]

(Diagram)



26...Nxd5

[26...Qxd5 27.Qxd5 Nxd5 28.c4∓]

27.Ng3 White is weak on the dark squares **27...Qg5 28.Rf1** Against Nf4 **28...Qxg3** -0.86/19

[28...Nf4-+ -4.69/23 and Black stays clearly on top. 29.Rf3 h5 *(29...Re2 30.Rxf4 Qxg3 31.Qxf7+ Kh8 32.Qf8+ Kh7 33.Qf5+ Kh8 34.Qc8+ Kh7 35.Qf5+ Kh8 36.Qc8+ Kh7 37.Qf5+=)*]

29.Qxd5∓ Re7

[29...Qxc3? too greedy. 30.Qxf7+ Kh7 31.Qxe8+-]

30.c4 -3.12/25

[30.Qxb7∓ -0.75/26 Qxc3 31.Qc8+ Kh7 32.Qf5+ g6 33.Qf6 Qe3+ 34.Kh2]

30...b6-+ 31.Rf3? -34.61/30

[31.Qa8+ -2.58/24 Kh7 32.Qd5]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.84/ Black=0.31

31...Re1+

0-1

539 C54
☐ Malakhov,Vladimir 2646
■ Makkar,Rajat 2419
Julius Baer Play In rapid (3.53) 24.07.23
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 0-0 7.h3 a5 outshines the older 7...h6.erfolgreicher als das alte 7...h6. **8.Re1 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Be6N** The position is equal.

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.Ba4 Qd7N 0.52/20

[Predecessor: 13...d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.d4 exd4 16.Nxd4 Qc7 17.Bc2 Rae8 18.Bd2 Ndf4 White should prevent ...Bd5. 19.Be4 Bd5 0-1 Caruana,F (2782)-So,W (2769) Aimchess Rapid Div 1 L 2023 (2.1)]

[13...d5= -0.18/19]

14.d4 exd4 15.Nxd4 Rae8 1.42/19

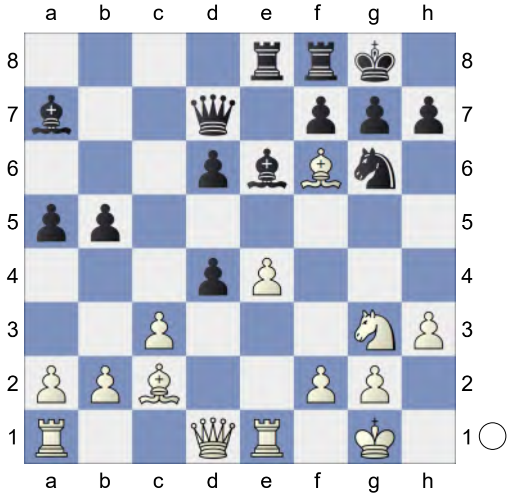
[15...Bxh3 16.gxh3 Qxh3 17.Qf3=]

[15...d5!± 0.33/18]

16.Bg5± And now Bxf6 would win. A mistake that costs the game. **16...b5?** 3.10/20

[16...Kh8± 1.13/17 was worth a try.]

17.Bc2 c5 18.Bxf6 cxd4



19.Nh5 Bxh3 Strongly threatening ...Bg4. **20.Nxg7**

[20.Bxg7 Bg4 21.Bxf8 Bxd1 22.Nf6+ Kh8 23.Nxd7 Bxc2±]

[20.Qd3 Ne5 *(20...Bxg2 21.Bxg7 Qh3 22.Qxh3±)* 21.Qg3 *(21.Qxh3 Qxh3* Remove Defender *22.gxh3 Nf3+ 23.Kf1 Nxe1∓)* 21...Qg4 22.Qxg4 *(22.gxh3 Qxg3+ 23.fxg3 dxc3+ 24.Kh1 cxb2-+; 22.Qxh3 Qxh3 23.gxh3 Nf3+ 24.Kh1 gxf6∓)* 22...Bxg4 23.Nxg7 *(23.Bxg7? Bxh5 24.Bxf8 Kxf8-+)* 23...Ra8∓ *(23...Rc8 24.Bd1∓)*]

20...Bxg2? 13.18/21

[20...Bg4 2.83/21]

21.Nf5+-

[21.Nxe8 Qh3 22.f4 Qg3

(*22...Rxe8? 23.Bxd4 Bf3 24.Qxf3-+; 22...Bf3? 23.Qxf3 dxc3+* Discovered Attack (Check) *24.Bd4-+*) 23.Qe2 Bf3+ (*23...dxc3+* gets mated. *24.Bd4 Bxd4+ 25.Qe3 Bxe4+* Discovered Attack (Check) *26.Kf1 Qg2#*) 24.Kf1 Qh3+ (*24...Bxe2+ 25.Kxe2 d3+* Decoy *26.Bxd3 Nxf4+ 27.Kd2 Qxd3+ 28.Kc1 Be3+ 29.Rxe3 Qxe3+ 30.Kc2 Qxe4+ 31.Kc1 Qe2 32.Nxd6 Nd3+ 33.Kb1 Qxb2#*) 25.Kg1 Qh1+ 26.Kf2 Qg2#]

21...h6

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.93

22.Qh5

1-0

540 **C54**

☐ **Pechac,Jergus** **2604**

■ **Korshunov,Sergey And** **2363**

Teplice op 18th (9) 22.06.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 (*6...a5 7.c3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Re1 Bg4 10.Nbd2 Nb6 11.Bb5 Bd6 12.h3 Bh5 13.Ne4 f5 14.Ng3 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 Ne7 16.Bg5 c6 17.Bc4+ Nxc4 18.dxc4 e4 19.Nxe4 fxe4 20.Qxe4 Rf7 21.Rad1* 1-0 (41) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♗c4 (2804)-C 06/32 (2785) corr 1901 (6)) 7.Bg5 (*7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 d6 9.h3 b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4* □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)) 7...h6 8.Bh4 Be7 9.Bg3 d6 10.c3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Qe8 13.Nbd2 b6 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nd8 17.Rac1 b5 18.axb5 axb5 19.d5 Re8 20.Nd4 Bf8 (23) Italian Game-5.d3 0-0 6.a4 Survey 2018]

[6.Re1 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Nc3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qf3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.h4 gxh4 16.Bh2 Qg5 17.Re3 Kh8 18.Qe2 Rg8 19.g3 hxg3 20.Rxg3 Qh4 0-1 (30) Zeydan, S (2060)-Khamdamova,A (2139) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Nov Early blitz 2022 (9)]

6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Bg4 9.Nbd2 Nb6! 10.h3 Bh5 11.b4 The position is equal. **11...Be7 12.Qe2** 12.b5 is not played anymore.12.b5 wird inzwischen seltener gespielt. **12...a6 13.Bb3 Kh8 14.Ne4! f5 15.Ng3 Bg6 16.Bb2** **Bd6N** 1.11/22

[16...Bf6 17.Be6 Nd5 18.Bxf5 Bxf5 19.Nxf5 Qe4 is the strong threat. Nf4 20.Qe4 Qxd3 21.Ng3 a5 22.a3 Rfd8 ½-½ (52) Cvak,R (2428)-Kolarik, J (2360) CZE Metuje12 email 2018]

[16...Bf6± 0.35/21]

17.a3± Re8 18.Qc2 Nd7 19.c4 Be7 20.Re2 0.05/24

[20.Bxe5?! Ndxe5 21.Nxe5 Nd4 22.Nxg6+ hxg6=]

[20.c5± 0.93/21]

20...Bf6 1.51/20

[20...a5= 0.05/24]

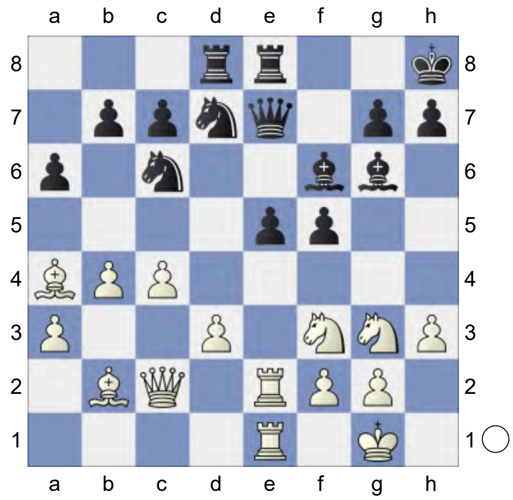
21.Rae1 Qe7 1.86/22

[21...h5± 1.44/20]

22.Ba4 Rad8? 3.15/24

[22...Qf7± 1.50/19 23.Bxc6 bxc6]

(Diagram)



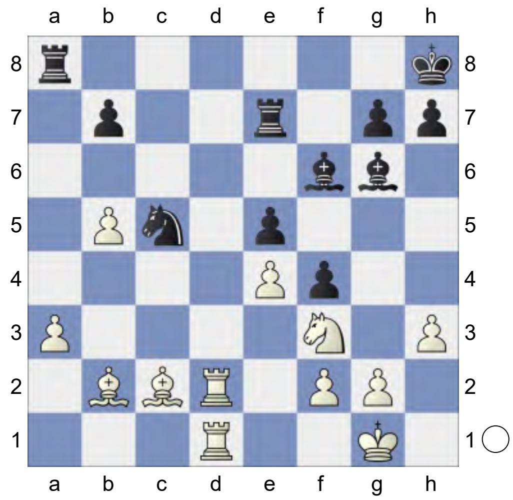
23.b5+-

[23.Bxc6?! bxc6 24.Bxe5 Nxe5 25.Nxe5 Bxe5+-]

23...axb5 24.cxb5 Ncb8 25.Qxc7 Nc5 26.Qxe7 Rxe7 27.Bc2

[Not 27.Bxe5 Nxa4 (*27...Rxe5? 28.Nxe5 Bxe5 29.Rxe5+-*) 28.Bxf6 Rxe2 29.Bxd8 Rxe1+ 30.Nxe1 Nd7+-]

27...f4 28.Ne4 Nxe4 29.dxe4 Nd7 30.Rd2 Ra8 31.Red1 Nc5



32.Nxe5?? -2.74/23

Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/ Black=0.36

32...Bxe5

0-1

541 **C54**

☐ Mareco,Sandro **2624**

■ Vidyarthi,Vyom **2432**

Mexican op 68th (5) 07.04.2023

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Let us see a well played game in the same Be6, fxe6 structure. **1.e4** Kitty Kat Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro John Watson **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 d6 6.a4 a6 7.0-0**

[RR 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2

A) RR 9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 (RR *10...Nh5 11.Nxe5 Nxg3 12.Bxf7+ Ke7 13.Ng6+ Kxf7 14.Nxh8+ Qxh8 15.hxg3*) 11.0-0 Nh7 12.h3 h5;

B) 9...Qe7

B1) RR 10.Qe2 g5 (RR *10...Be6 11.b4 0-0 12.0-0 Rfe8 13.Rfb1 Rab8 14.a5 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 Qe6 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.b5 axb5 18.Rxb5 Nd8 19.Rab1 Ra8 20.g3 Qe6 21.Kg2 c6 22.R5b2 Bb8 23.Ra1 Bc7*) 11.Bg3 h5 (RR *11...g4 12.Bh4;* RR *11...Bg4 12.h3 Bh5*) 12.h4 (RR *12.Nxg5 h4 13.Bxf7+ Kf8 14.0-0-0 Kg7 15.Bb3 hxg3 16.hxg3 Bd7 17.f4*) 12...g4 13.Ng5 Rf8 14.f4 gxf3 15.gxf3;

B2) RR 10.b4 Bd7 11.Rb1 g5 12.Bg3 Nh5;

B3) 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 (RR *12.Nxe5 Nxg3 13.Bxf7+ Kd8 14.Ng6 Qxf7;* RR *12.Bh2 Nf4 13.Bxf4 gxf4 14.b4 Rg8 15.Rg1 Be6 16.a5 Nd8 17.b5 axb5 18.Bxb5+ c6 19.Ba4 f5;* RR *12.Nf1 Nf4*

13.Rg1 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Ne3 0-0-0 16.b4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.b5 e4 19.bxc6 exf3 20.Qxf3 Rhf8) 12...Qf6 13.Bh2 (RR *13.Kd1 Nxg3 14.fxg3 h5 15.Rf1 Qg7)* 13...Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 (RR *16.Kd1 Ng6 17.Kc2 h5 18.gxh5 Rxh5 19.h4 Nxh4 20.Rag1)* 16...Ng6 17.Kd1 h5

B3a) RR 18.gxh5 Rxh5 19.h4 (RR *19.Qf1 Bd7 20.Kc2 Ke7)* 19...Nxh4 20.Kc2 Ke7 21.Rag1 Bd7;

B3b) 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 (RR *19.Kc2)* 19...Kf8 20.bxa6 (RR *20.d4 Kg7 21.Kc2 c6)* 20...bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zürich 2016 CBM 171 [Ramirez Alvarez,Alejandro] 0-1 (36) RR 22.Kc2 exd4 23.cxd4 a5]

7...h6 8.Re1 0-0 9.h3! The main line 9.h3 scores better than 9.Nbd2. Die Hauptvariante 9.h3 punktet besser als 9.Sbd2. **9...Be6N**

[RR 9...Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 (RR *19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7;* RR *19...Nh7 20.Ne3 Nf4 21.b4 Ng5 22.Nxg5 hxg5 23.Rad1 Re7 24.Rxd8+ Qxd8 25.Rd1 Rd7 26.Rxd7 Qxd7)* 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) Moscow 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] ½-½ (88)]

[RR 9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Qc8 22.Ba3 (RR *22.N5g4 Nxg4 23.hxg4 Re8 24.Rb5)* 22...Re8 23.Qd3 (RR *23.Bxe7 Rxe7 24.Qa1)* 23...Nc6 24.Rc1 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

[RR 9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6

[17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa 2023 ½-½ (88)]

10.Bxe6 White has an edge. **10...fxe6 11.b4 Ba7**

[11...Bb6 12.Na3 d5 13.Qb3 Qd7 14.Ra2 Rae8 15.Rae2 g5 16.exd5 exd5 17.b5 Na5 18.Qa2 e4 19.dxe4 g4 20.hxg4 Nxg4 21.Nd4 c6 22.exd5 Rxe2 23.Qxe2 cxd5 24.f3 Nf6 25.Bxh6 Re8 26.Qf2 4.♘c3 ♘d4 5.♗d3_35792 (2486)-Mozsar,L (2238) Heraklion 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] 1-0]

12.Ra2N An interesting side line. Eine interessante Nebenvariante. '!?'

[12.Nbd2 Ne7 *(12...Nh5 13.Nf1 Qf6 14.Ra2 Nf4 15.Kh2 Rf7 16.b5 Ne7 17.bxa6 bxa6 18.Be3 c5 19.Bxf4 Qxf4+ 20.Kh1 Qf6 21.Ne3 Ng6 22.Rb2 Raf8 23.Ng1 Qg5 24.Qg4 Qxg4 25.Nxg4 h5 26.Ne3 Rxf2 27.Rb7* 4.♘f3 g6 5.♘bd2 (2731)-R--- of B,F (2550) Cap d'Agde 2023 CT-2292 [John Watson] 0-1 (51)*)* 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.Ra2 Nh5 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Nhf4 17.d4 Qf6 18.Kh2 exd4 19.cxd4 e5 20.d5 c6 21.g3 cxd5 22.gxf4 d4 23.Rea3 Nxf4 24.Ne1 d5 25.Ng3 Rac8 26.Ng2 Kh8 Model Games-Carlsen,M (37)]

12...Qe8 13.Be3N

[Vorgänger: 13.Na3 Nh5 14.Nc4 Nf4 15.Bxf4 Rxf4 16.b5 Ne7 17.d4 exd4 0.48/21 *(17...Qg6=* 0.13/19 should be considered.*)* 18.b6 Bb8 1.01/21 *(18...Bxb6=* 0.19/22 keeps the balance. *19.Nxb6 cxb6)* 19.Nxd4 1-0 (49) Gascon del Nogal,J (2475)-Plotkin,M (2378) Chess.com INT 2019]

[13.Nbd2 seems wilder. Qg6 14.Nc4 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.Na3]

13...Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Qg6 15.Kh2 Qh5 aiming for ...Nf6-g4+. **16.Kg1 Ne7 17.Qb3 Qf7 18.Nbd2 g5 19.d4 exd4** 0.32/23

[19...g4= 0.01/22 is superior. 20.hxg4 Nxg4]

20.Nxd4 And now Re3-f3 would win. **20...e5 21.Ne6 Nfd5 22.Nxf8** Active counter play! **22...Nxe3 23.Ne6! Nd1 24.Qxd1 Qxe6 25.Rb2 Ng6 26.Qg4** -0.01/24

[26.Nf1± 0.31/22 was preferrable.]

26...Qxg4 27.hxg4= Endgame KRN-KRN **27...c6** 0.71/23

[27...Nf4= 0.01/22]

28.Nc4± d5 29.Nd6 b5 30.exd5 Rd8 31.Nf5

[Don't go for 31.dxc6? Rxd6 32.c4 *(32.axb5? axb5 33.c4 Rxc6-+)* 32...Rxc6 33.cxb5 axb5-+]

31...cxd5 32.axb5 axb5 33.Nxh6+ Kf8 34.Nf5 d4 1.46/25

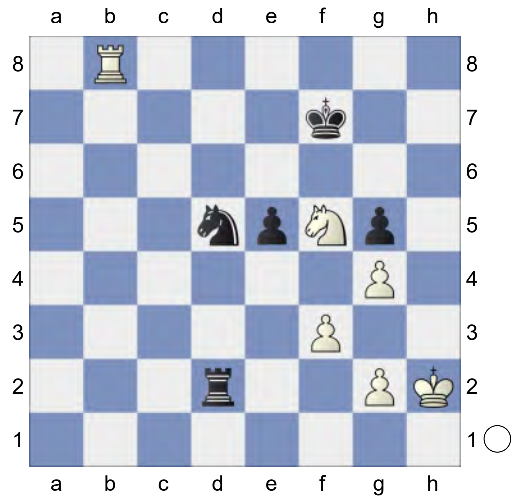
[34...Ne7± 0.70/23]

35.Rd2! Ne7 36.f3 Nc6 37.Rc2 dxc3 38.Rxc3 Nxb4 39.Rb3 Rd1+ 1.54/28

[⌓39...Nd5 1.00/24]

40.Kh2 Nd5 41.Rxb5 Rd2 42.Rb8+ Kf7

(Diagram)



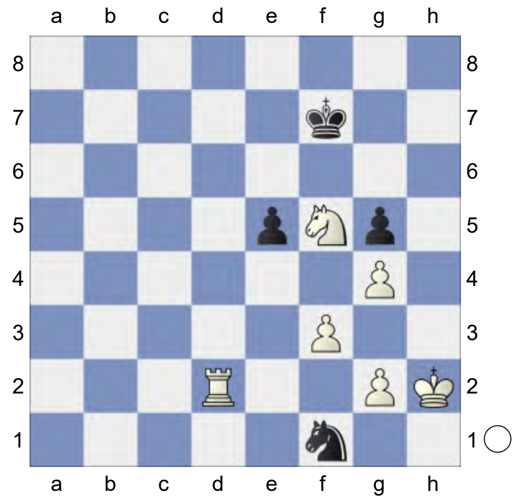
43.Rd8 1.17/24

[White should try 43.Nd6+!+- 1.71/26 Ke6 44.Ne4]

43...Ne3 2.20/29 **44.Rxd2+-**

[Much less strong is 44.Nh6+?! Kf6 45.Rxd2 (*45.Ng8+ Ke6±*) 45...Nf1+ 46.Kg1 Nxd2±]

44...Nf1+



45.Kg1! Nxd2± KN-KN. Black cannot hold the game after this. **46.Ng3** Against e5-e4 **46...Nb3 47.Ne4** Inhibits Nb3-c5. **47...Kg6 48.Kf2 Nd4 49.Nc5** Inhibits Nd4-e6. **49...Kf6?** 5.88/35

[49...Nc2 3.24/36 was worth a try. 50.Nd7 e4 51.fxe4 Kf7 52.Ne5+ Ke7]

50.Ke3+- Nb5 51.Ke4 Nc3+ 52.Kd3 Nd5 53.g3 Against Nd5-f4+ **53...Nb6 54.Ke4 Nc4 55.Kd5 Ne3+ 56.Kc6 Nc2 57.Kd6 Nd4 58.Nd7+ Kg7 59.Nxe5 Ne2 60.Ke7** 3.60/29

[⌓60.Ke6 8.01/33 Strongly threatening Ke6-f5. Nxg3 61.Nc6]

60...Nxg3 61.Ke6 White is clearly winning. **61...Ne2 62.Kf5 Nd4+ 63.Kxg5 Ne6+ 64.Kf5 Nd4+ 65.Ke4 Ne6 66.f4 Kf6 67.Nd3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.21 (precise) /Black=0.23 (precise)

1-0

542	**C52**
☐ **Zidu,Jan**	**2531**
■ **Fischer,Jens**	**2518**
corr RSS7E top-115	11.07.2021

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 exd4 0.05/18

[10...Qe7∓ -0.31/20]

[10...Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 15.Bb4 Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Be6 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Qe4 Qa6 24.a3 h6 25.Na5 0-1 (72) Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Asian Continental op 15th 2016 (8)]

11.cxd4= Ne7

[11...Nxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne7 13.a4 c6 14.e5 dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7

24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.Re4 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova, A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

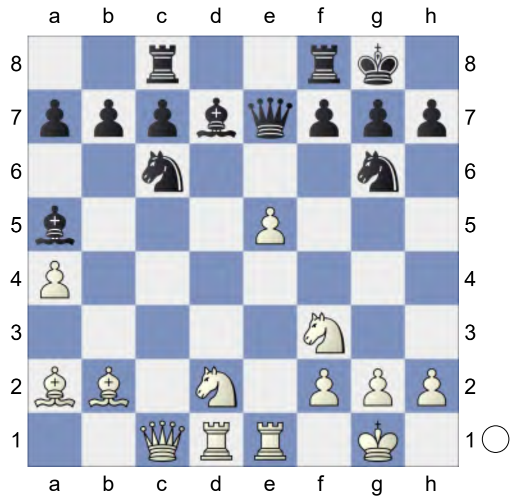
12.Re1N

[12.Bb2 0-0 13.a4 Ng6 14.h3 Nf4 15.Ra3 Qe7 16.Re1 Bd7 17.Ba2 c5 18.d5 Ng6 19.Rae3 c4 20.e5 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 b6 22.Bb1 Rfe8 23.h4 Bg4 24.e6 fxe6 25.dxe6 Rac8 26.Ng5 Rc5 1-0 (57) Firsching,G (2453)-Wittal, W (2248) corr CiF-7er/0174 2023]

12...0-0 13.a4 Ng6 14.Qc3 White has compensation. **14...Qd8 15.Bb2 Bd7 16.Ba2 Rc8 17.e5 dxe5 18.Rad1 Nc6** 0.37/20

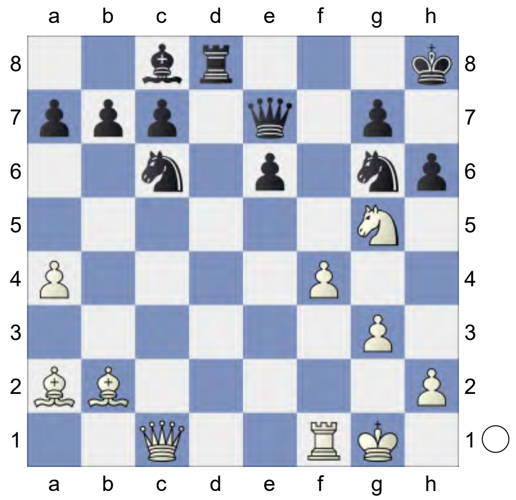
[18...Bxa4= 0.00/19 19.dxe5 Bxd1]

19.dxe5⩲ Ba5 20.Qc1 Qe7



21.e6! fxe6 22.Re4 Rf4 23.g3 Bxd2 24.Nxd2 Rxe4 25.Nxe4 Rd8 26.Ba3 This pair of bishops is nice. **26...Qe8 27.f4 Bc8 28.Rf1 Kh8! 29.Bb2 Qe7 30.Ng5 h6**

(Diagram)



31.f5! Qxg5

[31...exf5? 32.Nf7+ Kh7 33.Re1+-]

32.Qxg5 hxg5 33.fxg6 Rf7 would now be deadly. **33...Kg8 34.h4 Rf8 35.Re1 gxh4 36.gxh4 Rf4 37.Bxe6+ Bxe6** Remove Defender **38.Rxe6=** Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **38...Kf8!**

[Inferior is 38...Rxh4 39.Re8#]

39.h5 a5 0.45/24

[39...Rxa4= 0.00/20 is superior. 40.Re3 Rf4]

40.Ba3+ 0.00/24

[40.Bc1!⩲ 0.45/24 Rc4 (*40...Rxa4 41.h6=*) 41.Re1 (*41.Ba3+ Nb4⩲*)]

40...Nb4 The position is equal. **41.Re5 Rf3! 42.Bxb4+ axb4 43.Rb5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)

43...b3

½-½

543 **C53**
□ **Dominguez Perez,L** **2738**
■ **Serban,Cristian-Stefan** **2275**
Titled Tue 16th Sep 2025 blitz (1)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a5 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 d6 8.h3 White has an edge. **8...Ba7 9.Nbd2 Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 c6 12.Ba4 Ng6 13.Bc2 Nh5 14.Nf1 Nhf4 15.Ng3 f6 16.Ne2 Nxe2+ 17.Rxe2 Qc7 18.Be3 d5 1.20/23

[18...Rfe8= 0.03/20]

19.dxe5± Bxe3 20.Rxe3 Nxe5 21.Nxe5 0.74/22

[⌓21.Nd4 1.20/23 Bf7 22.Qb1]

21...fxe5 22.exd5 0.45/20

[22.Bb3!± 1.15/21]

22...Bxd5 1.27/20

[22...cxd5⩲ 0.45/20 23.Qe2 e4]

23.Qh5 h6 24.Qxe5 0.98/21

[24.Qg6+- 1.63/24 e4 25.Bxe4 Bxe4 26.Rxe4 *(26.Qxe4 Rad8±)*]

24...Qxe5 25.Rxe5 Rfe8 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8 Endgame KRB-KRB. White is a pawn up. **27.Bd3** 0.66/21 Inhibits Re2.

[27.b3± 1.05/21]

27...Rd8 1.73/22

[27...Kf8⩲ 0.66/21]

28.Bf1? -0.01/26

[28.Rd1!+- 1.73/22]

28...Be6= 29.b4 -0.37/26

[29.a4= 0.01/26]

29...a4!⩱ and ...a3 would now be decisive. Black has compensation. **30.a3 Rd2 31.c4 Rc2 32.c5 Bc4** 0.22/25 Prevents Bd3

[32...Rd2⩱ -0.43/23]

33.Bxc4+= Rxc4 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **34.Re1 Rc3** 1.03/27

[34...Kf7= 0.21/26 remains equal.]

35.Re3!± Rc1+ 36.Kh2 Kf7 Inhibits Re8. **37.g4** 0.26/24

[37.Kg3± 0.89/24]

37...g5= 38.Kg3 Kf6 39.Kf3 Ra1 40.Ke2 Ra2+ 41.Kf3 Ra1 42.Rd3 Ra2 43.Ke3 Ke5 44.Kf3 Ra1 45.Kg3 Ra2 46.Re3+ Kd5? 4.26/27

[46...Kd4= -0.01/24 and Black is okay.]

47.Rf3? -0.01/27

[47.f4+- 4.26/27 gxf4+ 48.Kxf4]

47...Kc4 48.h4 Ra1 49.hxg5 -0.01/26

[49.h5± 0.39/26]

49...hxg5 50.Re3 Kd4 51.Rf3 Kc4 52.Kg2 Kb5 53.Re3 Ra2? 6.23/29

[53...Kc4= 0.01/25]

54.Kg3+- Ra1 55.f4! Rg1+ 56.Kh3? 0.01/26

[56.Kf3 Rf1+ 57.Kg3 Rxf4= *(57...gxf4+ 58.Kg2±)*]

[White must play 56.Kf2+- 6.45/27 gxf4 *(56...Rxg4? 57.f5+-)* 57.Kxg1 fxe3 58.Kf1]

56...gxf4= 57.Rf3 Kc4 58.Rxf4+ Kb3? 6.42/27

[58...Kd5= 0.01/24]

59.Rf3++- Kb2 60.Kh4 Rh1+ 61.Kg5? -0.01/23

[61.Kg3+- 7.84/25 Rh8 62.g5]

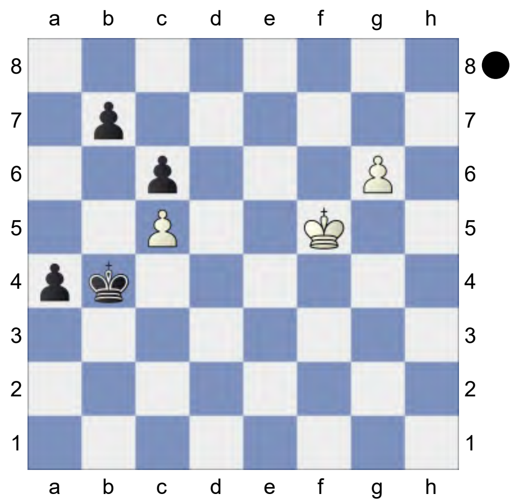
61...Ra1= 62.Kf5? -2.85/22

[62.Rf7= -0.01/22 and White stays safe.]

62...Rxa3-+ 63.Rxa3? -7.17/23

[63.Rf2+ -2.79/21 Kb3 64.Rf1]

63...Kxa3 64.g5 Threatens to win with g6. **64...Kxb4** K3P-KPP. Black is a pawn up. **65.g6**



a3!

[65...Kxc5? 66.g7+-]

66.g7 a2!

[66...Kxc5? 67.g8Q+- *(67.g8R Kb4=)*]

67.g8Q a1Q KQ-KQ. Black is a pawn up.

[67...a1B? 68.Qa8+-]

68.Qb8 Qf1+ 69.Ke5 Qb5 70.Kd6 Qxc5+ 71.Kd7 Qb5 72.Kc7 c5 -7.73/23

[⌓72...Qe5+ -#18/26 73.Kb6 Qa5+ 74.Kxb7 Qb5+ 75.Kc7 Qxb8+ 76.Kxb8 c5 77.Kc7 c4 78.Kd6 c3 79.Ke7 c2 80.Kf6 c1Q *(80...c1R? 81.Ke5-+)* 81.Kf5 Qf1+ 82.Ke5 Qf3 83.Ke6 Qf4 84.Kd5 Kb5 85.Ke6 Kc6 86.Ke7 Qf5 87.Ke8 Kd6 88.Kd8 Qf8#]

73.Qf8 b6 74.Qf4+ Qc4 75.Qd2+ Kb5 76.Kb7? -#18/28

[76.Qb2+-+ -3.77/24 Qb4 77.Qf6]

76...Qe4+ 77.Ka7 Qa4+ -8.38/23

[⌓77...Qe7+ -#19/27 78.Kb8 Qf8+ 79.Kc7 Qg7+ 80.Kd6 Qd4+ 81.Qxd4 cxd4 82.Ke7 d3 83.Kf6 d2 84.Kg5 d1Q *(84...d1R 85.Kh4 Kc4 86.Kh3 b5 87.Kg4 b4 88.Kg3 b3 89.Kg4 b2 90.Kg5 b1Q 91.Kg4 Qg6+ 92.Kf4 Rf1+ 93.Ke5 Qf6+ 94.Ke4 Qf4#)* 85.Kg6 Qg4+ 86.Kf6 Qh5 87.Ke7 Kc6 88.Ke6 Qg5 89.Kf7 Kd7 90.Kf8 Ke6 91.Ke8 Qg8#]

78.Kb7 Qe4+? 0.01/27

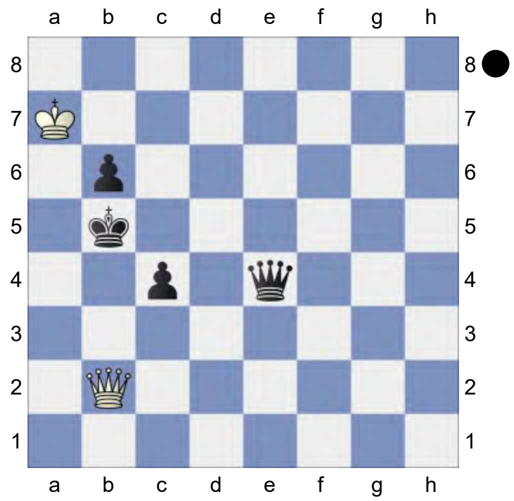
[78...Qd4-+ -8.22/24 79.Qc2 c4 80.Qb1+ Ka5 81.Qa2+ Kb4 82.Qb1+ Ka3 83.Qc1+ Kb3 84.Qb1+ Qb2]

79.Ka7!= c4? -1.15/23

[79...Qe7+ -#17/29 mates 80.Kb8 Qf8+ 81.Kc7 Qg7+ 82.Kd6 Qd4+ 83.Qxd4 cxd4 84.Ke6 d3 *(84...Kc4 is a self mate. 85.Kf5 d3 86.Kg5 d2 87.Kh4 d1Q 88.Kg5 Qf3 89.Kg6 Kd5 90.Kh7 Ke6 91.Kh6 Kf6 92.Kh7 Qb7+ 93.Kh8 Qg7#)* 85.Kf6 d2 86.Kg5 d1Q *(86...d1R 87.Kf6 Kc4 88.Kg5 b5 89.Kf6 b4 90.Kg6 b3 91.Kg5 b2 92.Kg6 b1Q+ 93.Kf6 Rf1+ 94.Ke7 Qh7+ 95.Ke6 Kd4 96.Kd6 Rf6#)* 87.Kg6 Qg4+ 88.Kf6 Kc6 89.Ke5 b5 90.Kf6 Kd6 91.Kf7

Qg5 92.Kf8 Ke6 93.Ke8 Qg8#]

80.Qb2+∓



Ka4 -0.83/27

[Black should try 80...Kc6! -1.19/26 (-> ...Qe7+) 81.Qxb6+ Kd7]

81.Qxb6? -20.67/25

[81.Qa2+∓ -0.83/27 Kb5 82.Qb2+ Kc6 83.Qxb6+ Kd7 84.Qb5+ Kd6 85.Qb8+ Ke7 86.Qc7+ Kf6 87.Kb6]

81...Qe7+ 82.Ka6 Qb4 83.Qb5+

Both players deserved the win here.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.50

83...Qxb5+

0-1

544 **C54**

☐ **Arfan,Aditya Bagus** **2402**

■ **Kuybokarov,Temur** **2550**

Bandung GM (5) 19.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4

Ba7! The position is equal. is more profitable than 8...g5 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 8...g5.

9.Nbd2

[9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 22.Rxg3 Nf4 23.Nxg4 Bxg4 0-1 (34) Abdusattorov,N (2688)-Harikrishna,P (2720) Olympiad-44 Chennai 2022 (6.1)]

9...Bd7N

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.Bc2 *(15.a4 Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 (33) Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020)* 15...Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5 30.Ra1 b4 31.c4 h5 32.gxh5 Nh6 33.g3 e4 34.Rae1 Qe5 35.Qg2 Qxb2 36.dxe4 Ng4 37.c5 Qc3 38.Qe2 Ne5 39.Rc1 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9. ♗e3 00 10. ♖c1_70226 (izt) 22/623 1976]

10.Re1 Qe7 0.56/22

[10...g5= -0.01/19 11.Bg3 g4]

11.Nf1N -0.32/20

[11.d4 g5 12.Bg3! h5 13.h4! g4 14.Ng5 0-0! 15.dxe5 -0.46/21 *(15.Nf1± 0.58/19)* 15...Nxe5∓ 16.Kh2 -1.40/20 *(16.a4= -0.15/18)* 16...b5∓ 17.Bf1 0-1 (62) Yeletsky,I (2502)-Ponkratov,P (2589) RUS-ch Higher League 76th 2023 (2)]

[11.d4!⩲ 0.56/22]

11...0-0-0 12.Ne3 g5 13.Bg3 Rdg8 0.34/18

[13...Qf8= -0.17/19]

14.d4 Nxe4 0.50/24

[14...h5!= 0.12/20 15.dxe5 Nxe5]

15.dxe5

[15.Nd5!? Qd8 16.Rxe4⩲]

15...Nxg3

[15...Nxe5? 16.Nxe5 Nxf2 *(16...dxe5? 17.Nd5+-* Discovered Attack *)* 17.Bxf2+-]

[15...dxe5? 16.Nd5 Qd8 17.Rxe4+-]

16.exd6 Qf6

[16...Qe4 17.Bd5 *(17.hxg3 Bxe3 18.Bxf7 Rf8+-)* 17...Qf4 18.Bxc6 *(18.fxg3 Qxd6 19.Bxc6 bxc6∓)* 18...bxc6 19.hxg3 *(19.fxg3 Bxe3+ 20.Kh1 Qe4∓)* 19...Qxd6 20.Qc2±]

[16...Qxd6 simplifies 17.Qxd6 cxd6 18.hxg3 g4]

17.hxg3

[17.fxg3 Re8 *(17...Qxd6 18.Qxd6 cxd6 19.Kh1∓)* 18.Qd2 Qxd6 *(18...cxd6 19.Kh1±)* 19.Qxd6 cxd6-+]

17...h5 1.29/21

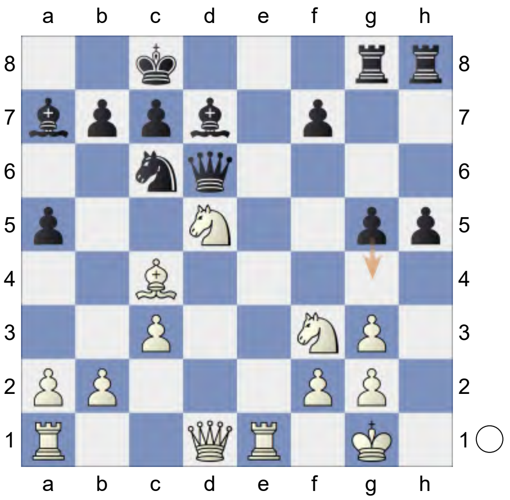
[17...g4!⩲ 0.60/20 18.Nh4 Ne5]

18.Nd5 0.14/19

[18.dxc7± 1.29/21 aiming for Nd5. h4 19.gxh4 *(19.Nd5 Qh6+-)*]

18...Qxd6=

(Diagram)



19.Ne7+! Discovered Attack **19...Nxe7 20.Qxd6** Remove Defender **20...cxd6 21.Rxe7 h4 22.Nd4**

[22.Bxf7 hxg3 23.Nd4 Rg7 24.fxg3 Kd8-+]

22...hxg3 23.fxg3 Re8 24.Rxf7 Bc6 25.Raf1 Re4 26.Rf8+ -1.19/26

[26.Rd1= -0.01/21 remains equal.]

26...Rxf8∓ 27.Rxf8+ Kd7 28.Rf7+ Ke8 29.Rf5 Bxd4+ 30.cxd4 Rxd4 Endgame KRB-KRB **31.Be2** -1.60/24

[White should try 31.b3 -0.91/23]

31...Rd2 32.Rf2 -1.88/25

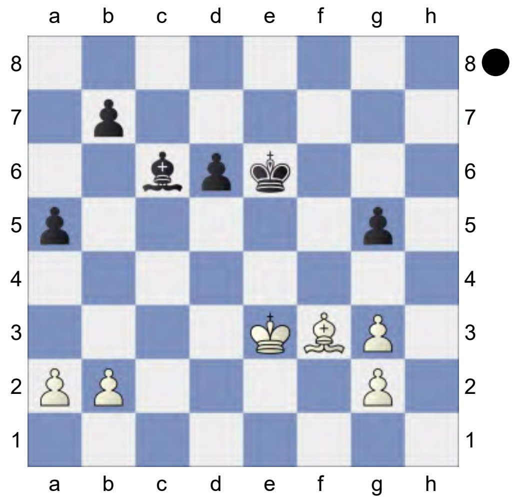
[32.Kf1∓ -1.47/24]

32...Ke7!-+

[32...Rxb2? 33.Bh5+ Kd7 34.Rxb2+-]

33.Bf3 Rxf2 34.Kxf2 KB-KB **34...Ke6 35.Ke3**

(Diagram)



Ke5 36.b3? -4.01/31

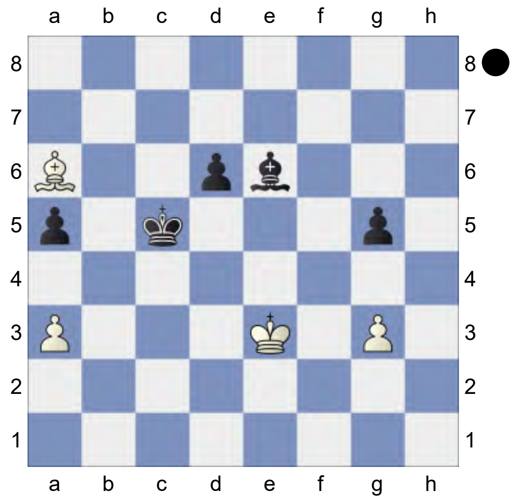
[36.a3 -2.15/33 is a better defense.]

36...Bd5? -1.52/31

[36...d5-+ -4.01/31 37.a3 Bd7]

37.a3∓ Bxb3 38.Bxb7 Bd5 39.Bc8 Bxg2 40.Ba6 Bh3 41.Bb5 Kd5 42.Be2 Bf5 43.Bf1 White is on the road to losing. **43...Kc5 44.Be2 Be6 45.Ba6** -4.25/36

[45.Bd3∓ -0.96/34]



45...Bc4!-+ 46.Bc8 Bb5? -1.18/33

[46...Bf1-+ -4.56/36 has better winning chances. and ...Kb5 should not be overlooked 47.Kf3 d5]

47.Bg4? -6.65/33

[47.Bf5∓ -1.18/33]

47...Bf1 Black is clearly winning. **48.Ke4 d5+ 49.Ke3 Kc4 50.Kf2 Bd3 51.Ke3 Kc3 52.Bd7 d4+ 53.Kf3 Bc2 54.Kg4 d3 55.Kxg5 d2 56.Bg4 Kb2 57.Kf4 Kc1 58.Ke3 Bd1 59.Be6 Bh5 60.Bb3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.77/Black=0.33

60...Bg6

0-1

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■ **Aliyev,Ravan 2352**

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[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 7.Re1N Ba7 8.h3** Recently 8.a4 got a lot of attention. 8.a4 erhält neuerdings viel Aufmerksamkeit.

[8.Bb3 0-0 9.h3 h6 *(9...Qe7 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Nf1 Rad8 12.Ng3 d5 13.Qe2 Kh8 14.exd5 Bxd5 15.d4 Rfe8 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.dxe5 Bxb3 18.Bg5 Rd5 19.axb3 Rxe5* Dzindzichashvili,R-Kortschnoj,V Chicago 34/(386) 1982*)* 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bc2 *(RR 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Bxb3 14.Qxb3 Qd7 15.a4)* 12...d5 13.Qe2 *(13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ng3 Rad8 15.b4 Bc8 16.a4 b5 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qe2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Nh4 Qa2* Nigmatov,O (2447)-Jin,Y (2309) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (41)*)* 13...dxe4 14.dxe4 Qe7 15.Ng3 Rad8 16.Nh4 Qf8 17.Nhf5 Ne7 18.Ne3 Ng6 19.Ngf5 Nf4 20.Qf3 c6 Giri,A (2752)-Carlsen,M (2834) Wijk aan Zee 2018]

8...Na5N

[8...h6 9.a4 0-0 10.Nbd2

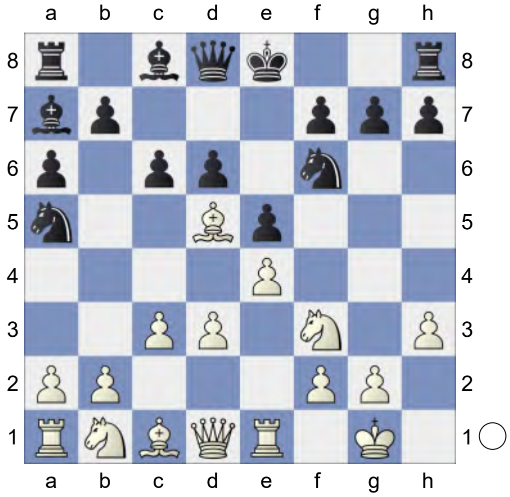
A) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 21.Ne3 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43);

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) RR 10...Re8 11.b4 (*11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5*) 11...Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Qb3 Re8 14.Bb2 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Rad8 17.Rad1 Ne7 18.e5 dxe5 19.dxe5 Nfd5 20.Ne4 c6 21.Nd6 Rf8 22.b5 Nf5 23.Ba3 Penttinen,R (2258)-8. ♘d4 d6 9.0-0 ♕d7 (2102) Hamilton 2023 17 c5, Nf6 and g6: model [John Watson] 1-0 (32)]

9.Bd5 The position is equal. **9...c6**

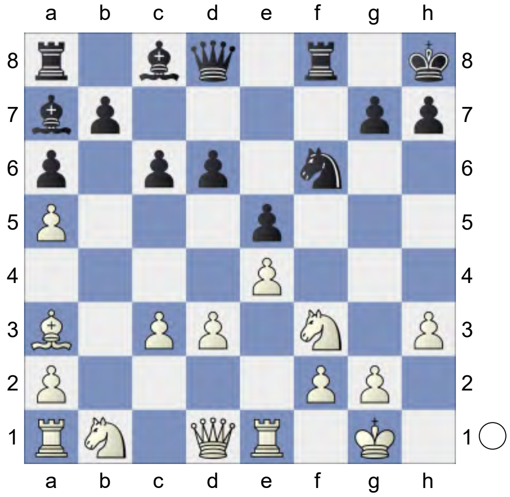


10.Bxf7+ Kxf7 11.b4 Rf8N 0.58/21 **12.bxa5** Qd1-b3+ is the strong threat. **12...Kg8! 13.Ba3** -0.09/20

[13.Be3± 0.32/22 is more appropriate.]

13...Kh8 0.92/21

[13...Nh5= -0.09/20 keeps the balance.]



14.d4!± exd4 15.cxd4 Be6 16.e5 Nd5 17.Bxd6 Rf4 18.Nbd2 Bxd4 19.Nxd4

Rxd4 20.Qc1 Nf4 Strongly threatening ...Qd8-g5. **21.Nf3** Against Qd8-g5 **21...Rc4** 0.99/23

[21...Ra4⩲ 0.61/23 deserves consideration.]

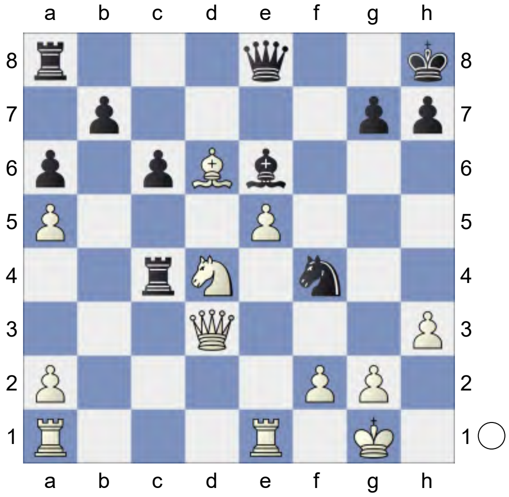
22.Qe3 0.24/23

[22.Qb1± 0.99/23]

22...Qe8 1.52/22

[22...Bd5!= 0.24/23 remains equal.]

23.Nd4 Nd5 24.Qd3 &Bianco is more active. **24...Nf4**



25.Qd2 Qf7 26.Nxe6 Qxe6 27.Re3 h6 1.61/22

[27...Rd8± 1.28/19 28.Rae1 Rd7]

28.Rf3+- Nd5 2.73/21

[28...Rd4 1.62/21 is a better defense. 29.Qe3 Qc4]

29.Re1 Rd8 30.Rb3 1.22/23

[30.Rb1+- 2.60/23 and White stays clearly on top.]

30...Rd7 31.Rf3 -0.01/21

[31.Rc1± 1.22/22 Rxc1+ 32.Qxc1]

31...Rd8!= Black cannot hold the game after this. **32.Rb1+-** 2.60/23 and White stays clearly on top. **32...Qg6** 4.32/23

[32...Qd7 2.70/22 might work better. 33.Qb2 Nf4 34.Qxb7 Qxb7 35.Rxb7 Ra8]

33.Rb2 1.74/21

[⌓33.Rxb7 4.32/23 Rg8 34.Bf8]

33...Re8? 4.20/23

[33...Rd7 1.74/21 34.Kh2 Qe4]

34.Kh2 2.37/23

[⌓34.Rxb7 4.20/23 Rg8 35.Bf8]

34...Re4? 5.09/24

[34...Qe4 2.37/23 keeps fighting. 35.Rf7 Ra8]

35.Rxb7+- h5 36.Rg3 Qf5 37.Rgxg7 Nf4 38.Rh7+ White is clearly winning. **38...Qxh7 39.Rxh7+ Kxh7 40.Qc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.68

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■ **Lyot,Jean Louis** **2636**
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[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3'' **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome Mon Hokmome: 'Kitty Kat Kitty Kat'' **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6**

[RR 5...d6 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome' 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3

17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(RR 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 *(RR 18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 *(RR 19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

6.0-0 Ba7 7.Bb3 d6 8.Re1N Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'N"

[RR 8.Nbd2 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis, S: 'Mon Hokmome' 0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bc2 *(RR 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Bxb3 14.Qxb3 Qd7 15.a4)* 12...d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ng3 Rad8 15.b4 Bc8 16.a4 b5 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qe2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Nh4 Qa2 22.Bb1 Qb3 Nigmatov,O (2447)-Jin,Y (2309) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (41)]

[8.h3 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

8...h6

[8...0-0 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

9.Nbd2 0-0 10.Nf1 Be6 11.Ng3

[11.Bxe6 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S fxe6 12.Qb3 Qd7]

11...Re8

[11...d5 seems wilder. Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'seems wilder." 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nh5 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome' *(13.Nxe5* Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S *Nxe5 14.Rxe5 Bxf2+)* 13...Bg4]

12.Bxe6 Rxe6 The position is equal. Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'The position is equal." **13.h3**

[13.d4!? Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome' Re8 *(13...d5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Bf4 Qd3 18.Qa4 Qb5 19.Qxb5 axb5 20.h4 e3 21.Bxe3 Rxe5 22.Bxa7 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Rxa7 24.Re8+ Kh7 25.a3 c5 26.Re7 Kg6 27.g3 Kf6 28.Rc7* Radjabov,T (2713)-Karjakin,S (2772) Shamkir 120/(111) 2014 CI1-130 [Leitao,Rafael] (48) *)* 14.Be3=]

13...d5 14.Qe2 Qd7 15.Nh4N Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'N"

[15.Be3 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome' Bxe3 16.Qxe3 Rd8 17.Rad1 dxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxe4 19.Qxe4 Qd5 20.Qxd5 Rxd5 21.Rd2 Red6 22.Red1 Rd7 23.d4 exd4 24.Nxd4 Ne5 25.b4 c5 26.Nb3 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Rxd2 28.Nxd2 cxb4 29.cxb4 Nc6 6.c4 ♘f6 7.♘5c3 e6_50395 (1591)-Rudyak,I (1868) Deutschland 84/(121) 2023 The Week in Chess 404 [John Watson] ½-½ (32)]

15...Rd8 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Qd3 18.Kf1 Ree8 0.01/24

[18...h5∓ -0.38/22 Lirindzakis,T;

Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome']

19.Qxd3 Rxd3 20.Ke2 -0.37/23

[20.Be3= 0.01/23 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '='' Red8 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 21.Bxa7 Nxa7 22.Ne3]

20...Red8∓ Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '∓'' **21.f3 a5** 0.01/21

[21...R8d7∓ -0.48/20 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome']

[21...R3d7 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

22.a4= Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '=''

[22.Ne3 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S a4 23.Rd1 *(23.Nd5 Nxe4 24.Kxd3 Nxg3 25.c4 b5)* 23...Rxd1 24.Nxd1]

22...R3d7

[22...Kh7 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 23.Ne3 g6 24.Ngf1]

23.Ne3 Ne8

[23...Bc5 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 24.Nc4]

24.Ngf5 Nd6 0.48/23

[24...h5= -0.01/24 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome']

[24...Bxe3 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 25.Bxe3 *(25.Nxe3 f6)* 25...Nd6]

25.Nxd6± Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: ' ±'' **25...Rxd6 26.Nc4 Rd3 27.Bd2 Bc5**

[27...f6 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

28.Red1 f6 29.Be1 Rxd1 30.Rxd1 Rxd1 31.Kxd1 Endgame KBN-KBN Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'Endgame KBN-KBN'' **31...h5 32.g4 hxg4 33.fxg4 g5!** Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '!'' **34.Ke2 Kf7 35.Kd3 Ke6 36.Nd2 Nb8 37.b4** 0.27/26

[37.Nb3± 0.62/26 is superior. Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: ' ±' Mon Hokmome: 'is superior.'' Bb6 38.c4 Na6 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

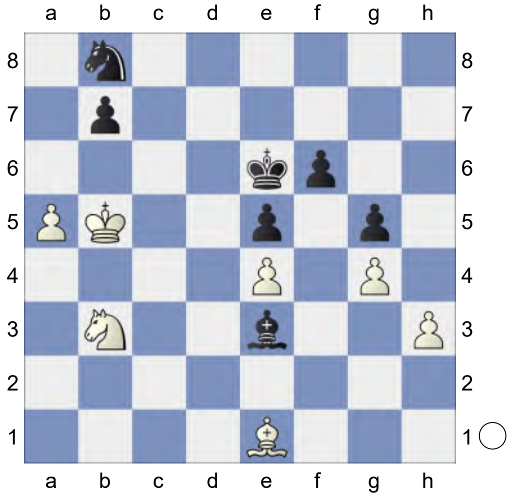
37...axb4= Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '='' **38.Nb3!** Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '!'' **38...Bb6 39.cxb4 c6 40.Kc4 Nd7 41.a5**

[41.b5 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]

41...Be3 42.b5 cxb5+ 43.Kxb5 Nb8? 3.33/32

[Better is 43...Ba7± 0.41/29 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome']

[43...Bg1 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 44.Bb4 Be3 45.Bc5 Bxc5 46.Nxc5+ Nxc5 47.Kxc5 Kd7]



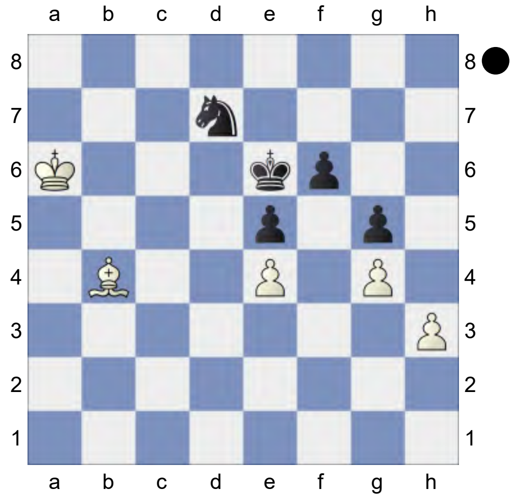
Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '?' Mon Hokmome: '[#]''

44.Nc5+!+- Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '+-!'' **44...Bxc5 45.Kxc5** Strongly threatening Kc5-b6. KB-KN Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'Strongly threatening Kc5-b6. KB-KN'' **45...Nd7+ 46.Kb5 Kd6**

[46...Kf7 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 47.Bb4 Ke8 48.Bd6 Kf7 49.Kc4 Ke6 50.Bb4 Nb8 51.Kb5 Kd7 *(51...Nd7)* 52.Kb6 Nc6 53.Be1 Nd8 54.h4 gxh4 55.Bxh4]

47.Bb4+ Ke6 48.a6 bxa6+ 49.Kxa6? 0.01/26

[49.Kc6+- 8.56/35 Nb8+ 50.Kb7 a5 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 51.Ba3 Nd7 *(51...Kd7 52.Kxb8 Kc6 53.Kc8 Kb5 54.Kd7)* 52.Kc7 a4 53.Bb4]



Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '?' Mon Hokmome: '[#]'' **49...Kf7!=** Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '=!'' **50.Kb7 f5?** 8.73/35 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '?''

[50...Nf8= 0.01/34 51.Bxf8 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S Kxf8 52.Kc6 Ke7 53.Kc7 Ke6 54.Kd8 Kd6 55.Ke8 Kc5 56.Kf7 Kd4 57.Kxf6 Kxe4 58.Kxg5 Kf3 59.h4 *(59.Kh5 e4 60.g5 e3 61.g6 e2 62.g7 e1Q 63.g8Q Qe5+ 64.Qg5 Qh8+ 65.Qh6 Qe5+)* 59...e4 60.h5 e3 61.h6 e2 62.h7 e1Q 63.h8Q Qc1+]

51.exf5+- Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: '+-'' **51...e4 52.Kc6 Ne5+ 53.Kd5 Nd3 54.Bd2 Nf2**

[54...Kf6 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S 55.Be3]

55.Bxg5 Nxh3 56.Be3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.52 Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S: 'Mon Hokmome: 'Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.52''

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547 **C54**

☐ **Zverev,Lev** **2448**

■ **Drygalov,Andrey** **2457**

RUS-ch Blitz (8) 14.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 *(8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) *)* 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 (25) Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934 226900 Zürich (Switzerland)]

6...h6 7.Bb3 0-0 8.h3 Nowadays more popular than 8.Nbd2.Heutzutage beliebter als 8.Sbd2. **8...a5 9.Re1 Re8**

10.Be3 Bxe3 The position is equal.

11.Rxe3 Be6N

[11...Nh5 12.Nh2 -0.55/18 *(12.d4= -0.01/18)* 12...Nf4∓ 13.Rg3 h5 14.Nf3? -2.66/19 *(14.a4∓ -0.89/20)* 14...h4-+ 15.Rg5 a4 16.Bc4 -2.56/17 *(16.Bxa4 -1.95/19 Bxh3 17.Bb3)* 16...Na5 -1.38/19 *(16...g6-+ -2.56/17 aiming for ...Kg7. 17.d4 Kg7)* 17.Qxa4? -3.87/18 *(17.Bb5∓ -1.38/19 c6 18.Bxa4)* 17...Bd7 0-1 (28) Berdasco Revilla,C (1674)-Wu Martin,E (2097) Erandio op 2007 (1)]

12.Bc2 -0.43/18

[12.Ba4= -0.01/18 was preferable.]

12...d5∓ 13.Nbd2 dxe4 -0.01/18

[13...d4∓ -0.44/18 14.cxd4 exd4]

14.Nxe4 -0.41/19

[14.dxe4= -0.01/18 Nh5 15.Nb3]

14...Nxe4 0.15/19

[Black should play 14...Nd5∓ -0.41/19 15.Re1 Bc8]

15.Rxe4= Bd5 16.Re3 Qf6 17.Qe2 a4 18.a3 Bxf3 1.22/23

[18...Re6± 0.32/18]

19.Rxf3±

[Don't play 19.Qxf3?! Qxf3 20.Rxf3 Red8=]

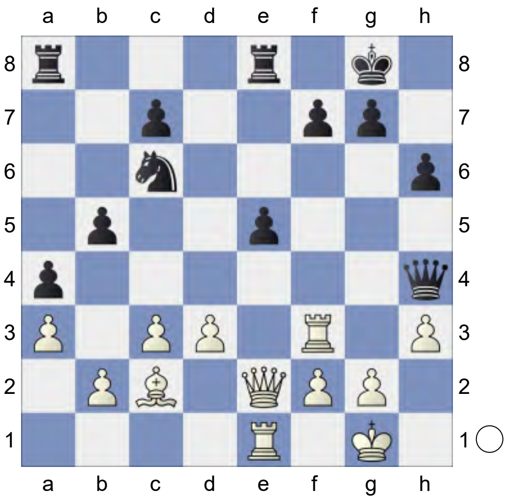
19...Qh4 2.23/20

[19...Qd6± 1.06/19]

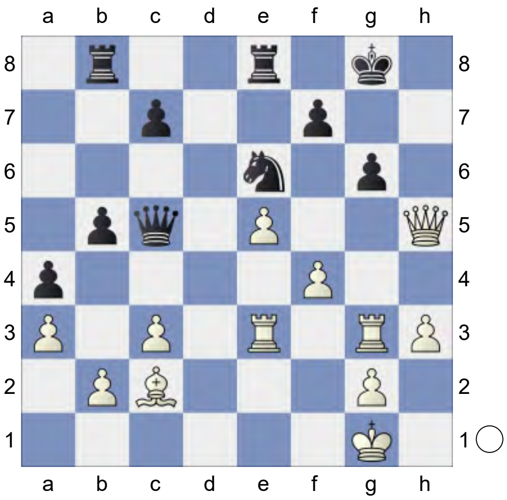
20.Re1 b5? 4.84/18

[20...Rf8 2.00/19 was worth a try. 21.Rg3 f5]

(Diagram)



21.d4!+- Rab8 22.Re3 Qg5 23.dxe5 White is clearly winning. **23...Nd8 24.Rg3 Qe7 25.Qg4 Ne6 26.f4 Qc5+ 27.Ree3 h5 28.Qxh5** and f5 should not be overlooked **28...g6**



29.Bxg6! Kf8 30.Bxf7 Threatening mate with Qh6+. **30...Ng7**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=1.05

31.Qg6

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548 **C54**

□ **Savitha Shri,B** **2329**

■ **Alekseenko,Kirill** **2673**

Sitges Sunway op-A 11th (5) 16.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

7...d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.0-0 0-0 10.a3 **Bxd2** is more profitable than 10...Be7 at the moment.scheint profitabler als 10... Le7. **11.Bxd2** White is slightly better. **11...Nb6 12.Ba2** This pair of bishops is nice. **12...Be6** **13.Bxe6N**

[13.Bg5 Qd7 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Re1 Qd5 16.Bf4 Rac8 17.Rc1 Rfd8 18.Rc5 Qd7 *(18...Qxc5!? 19.dxc5 Rxd1 20.Rxd1 Nc4=)* 19.h3 ½-½ (53) Libiszewski,F (2519)-Velten,P (2486) FRA-chT Top 16 Gp Haute 2022 (4.3)]

13...fxe6 14.Qe2 Qd5 15.Bc3 Rae8 16.Rfe1 Qd6 0.55/20

[16...Qh5= 0.16/22]

17.Ng5 h6 18.Ne4

[18.Nxe6 Nd8 19.d5 Nxd5 *(19...Qxd5 20.Qg4=)* 20.Bxg7 Rf4= *(20...Nxe6 21.Bxf8 Qxf8 22.Qb5±; 20...Qxe6 21.Qd2±)*]

18...Qd8 1.05/20

[18...Qd5⩲ 0.46/20]

19.Nc5± Nd5 20.Qg4 -0.40/22

[White should try 20.Nxb7± 0.99/22 Qh4 21.Nc5]

20...b6 0.24/25

[20...e5!∓ -0.40/22]

21.Nd3 Rf6 0.48/17

[21...Qd6= 0.01/20]

22.Re4 Qe7 23.h3 Qf7 24.f4 0.10/22

[24.Qe2⩲ 0.65/21]

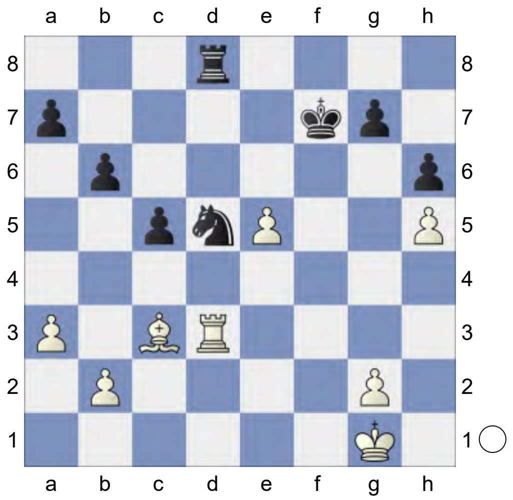
24...Rf5= 25.Qg3 Nf6 26.Re2 Rd5 27.Qf2 Red8 28.Ne5 Nxe5 29.fxe5 Nd7 30.Qxf7+ Kxf7 31.Rf1+ Kg8 32.Rf4 Nb8 33.Ref2 R5d7 34.Rg4 Kh7 35.h4 Nc6 36.Rff4 Ne7 37.h5

[37.Rf7!? Nf5□ 38.Rxd7 Rxd7 39.Re4=]

37...Nd5 38.Rf3 Re8 39.Rg6 Kg8 40.Bd2 Ne7 41.Rxe6 Rxd4 42.Bb4 c5 43.Bc3 0.01/24

[43.Be1!⩲ 0.46/27 was preferable.]

43...Rdd8 44.Rd6 Nd5 45.Rxd8 Rxd8 Endgame KRB-KRN **46.Rd3 Kf7**



47.e6+! Deflection **47...Kxe6 48.Bxg7 Rg8**

[48...c4 49.Rd4⩲]

49.Bxh6 Rh8 50.Bc1 Rxh5 51.g3 Ke5 52.Kg2 Ke4 53.Rd1 Rh7 54.Re1+ Kd3 55.g4 -0.86/26

[55.Bf4= -0.01/25 remains equal.]

55...Kc2!⩱ 56.Kg3 Re7! 57.Rh1 -1.66/22

[57.Rf1⩱ -0.56/24]

57...Re4 -0.28/26

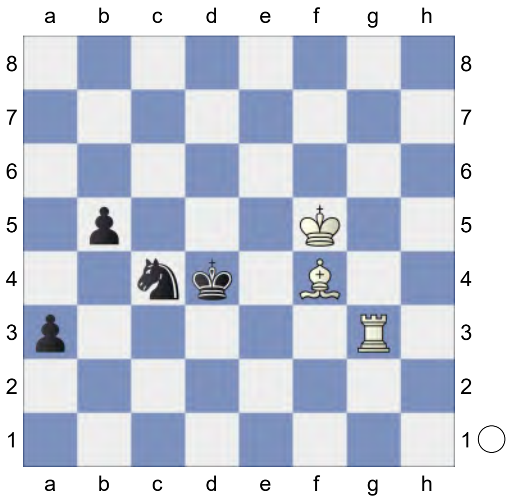
[57...Rf7!-+ -1.66/22]

58.g5= Ne7 59.Kf3 Rc4 -0.01/25

[59...Re6⩱ -0.40/24]

60.b4 cxb4 61.axb4 Rxb4 62.Be3 a5 63.Rh7 Ng6 64.Ra7 Ne5+ 65.Kg3 Nc4 66.Bf4 Rb1 67.Kg2 Re1 White must now prevent ...Re6. **68.g6** g7 would now be deadly. **68...Re6 69.g7 Rg6+ 70.Kf3 b5 71.Ke4 a4 72.Kf5 Rxg7 73.Rxg7 a3 74.Rg2+ Kd3 75.Rg3+ Kd4?** 3.59/24

[Black should try 75...Kc2⩲ 0.43/25]



76.Be5+? 0.26/25

Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.13 (very precise)

76...Nxe5

½-½

549 **C50**

☐ **Arisaaa** **2565**

■ **Belyakov,Bogdan** **2427**

Blitz 17.06.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Kf8N**

[7...Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

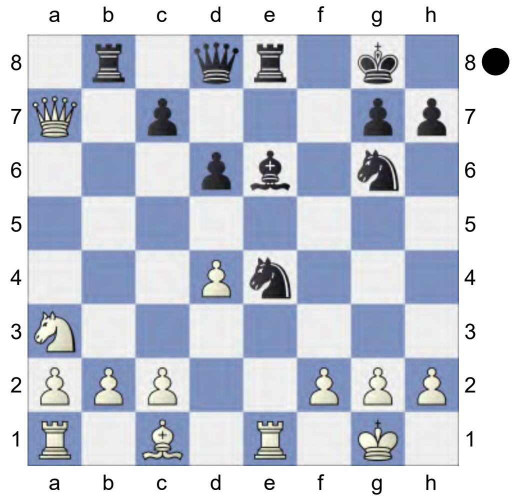
8.Qxc5+ Black is clearly better. **8...d6**

9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 -2.22/19

[⌓10.d3 -1.66/17]

10...Kf7 11.0-0 Re8 12.Qb3+ Be6 13.Qxb7 Rb8 14.Qxa7 Nxe4 15.Na3 Kg8 16.Re1? -5.08/17

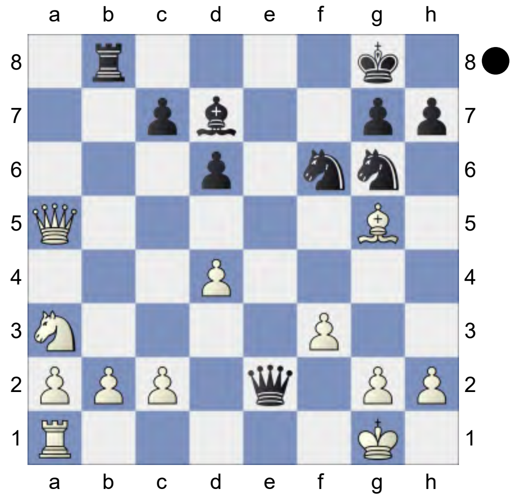
[16.f3 -2.99/15 was called for. Nf6 17.Qa5]



16...Nf6 17.Qa5 Bd7 Prevents Nb5. **18.Rxe8+ Qxe8**

[18...Nxe8 19.Bg5 Qc8 20.Nc4]

19.f3 Qe2 20.Bg5



aiming for Re1. **20...Rc8??** 4.87/21

[20...Rxb2 21.Re1+- (*21.Qxc7?* perishes. *Rxa2 22.Rb1 Rxa3-+*)]

[20...Re8-+ -2.49/20 and life is good for Black. White must now prevent ... h6. 21.Bxf6 gxf6]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/ Black=0.72 **21.Re1**

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550 **C54**

☐ **Sathvik Adiga** **2395**

■ **Siddharth,Jagadeesh** **2515**

15th Chennai Open 2025 (4.2) 04.01.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Be6** White is slightly better. **9.Bb5 Ba7 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Rxe3 Ne7 12.d4 c6 13.Bf1 h6 14.c4N** 0.04/18

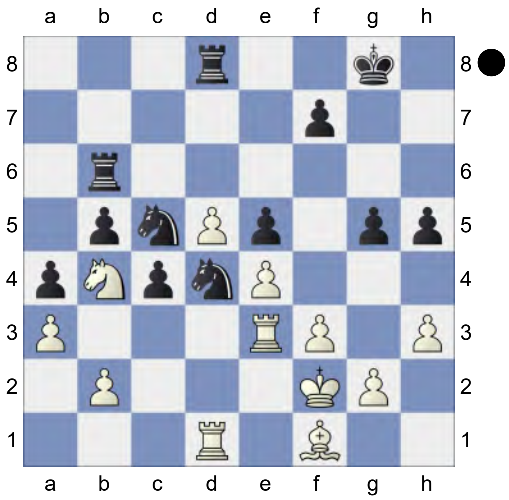
[14.Qc2⩲ 0.42/18 Qc7 15.Nbd2 a4 16.c4 8) Italian 4...Bc5 5.c3 - Anti-Italian 4...Bc5 - Annoying a5]

14...c5!= 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc3 Nc6 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8 18.Nd5 Nd7 19.Nd2 Nd4 20.Rc1 Prevents Nc2. **20...a4 21.a3 Bxd5 22.cxd5 b5 23.f3** -1.36/22

[⌓23.g3 -0.84/20]

23...c4 24.Nb1 Nc5 Excellent horsemanship. **25.Nc3 Rab8 26.Na2 Rb6** Black is much more active. **27.Kf2 g5 28.Nb4 h5 29.Rd1**

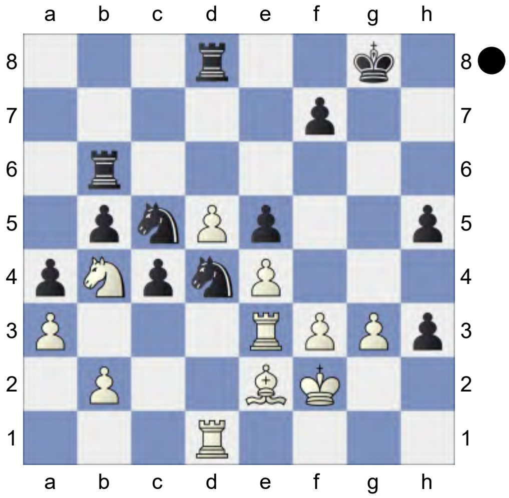
(Diagram)



g4 -0.81/20 **30.Be2** -1.50/20

[⌓30.fxg4 -0.81/20 hxg4 31.hxg4]

30...gxh3∓ 31.g3



Na6 -0.85/19

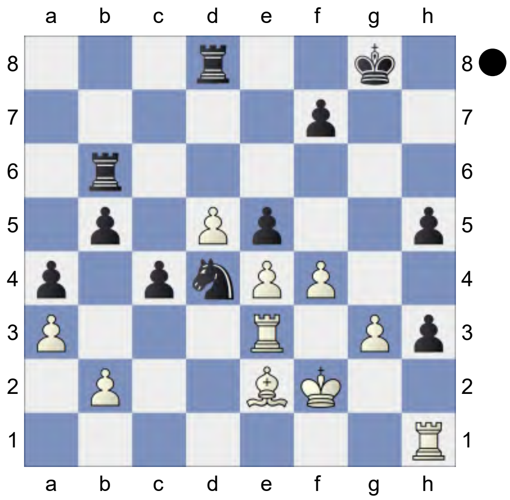
[Better is 31...h4! -1.32/19 32.g4 Rdd6]

32.Nxa6 Rxa6 33.Rh1? -3.13/23 Black converts the advantage convincingly.

[33.f4∓ -0.71/21 was necessary.]

33...Rb6-+ 34.f4

(Diagram)



b4! 35.Rxh3 bxa3 36.bxa3 Rb2 aiming for ...c3! **37.Rh1 f6?** -1.24/17

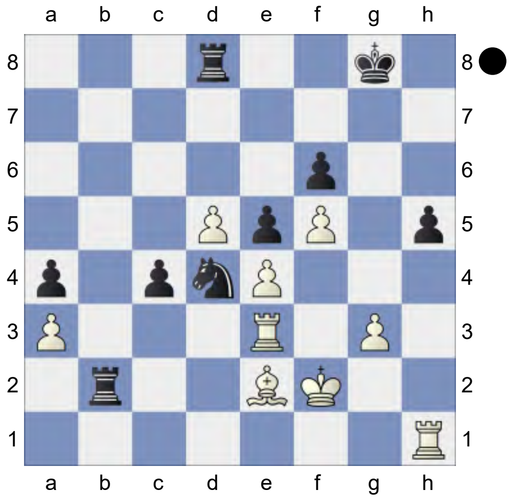
[Much less strong is 37...c3 38.Rc1 Rc8 (*38...c2 39.Rc3∓*) 39.d6-+]

[37...h4-+ -3.17/22 has better winning chances. White must now prevent ...c3! 38.Re1 h3 (*38...Nc2? 39.gxh4 Nxe3 40.Kxe3-+*) 39.fxe5 h2 (*39...Nc2? 40.Rc1-+*)]

38.f5? -4.50/23

[38.fxe5 fxe5 39.Rc1 Rc8∓ (*39...Rf8+? 40.Ke1∓*)]

[38.Rc1∓ -1.24/17 nothing else works.]



38...c3! 39.Rc1 Rc8 40.d6 c2 41.d7 Rd8 42.Rc3 Rxd7 Hoping for ...Rdb7.

43.Bd3 Kg7 ...Rb3 is the strong threat. Black is clearly winning. **44.Rc8 Ra2 45.Rc3 Rb7** Strongly threatening ...Rb1. **46.Ke3 Rb3 47.Rc7+ Kh6 48.Kd2 Raxa3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.11 (very precise)

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551 C52

☐ Badmatsyrenov,Oleg 2416

■ Lazavik,Denis 2560

Speed Chess Q1 Sw blitz (13) 21.08.23

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Bb5 exd4 1.46/22

[9...a6!= -0.21/20 10.Ba4 Ba7 *(10...exd4 11.cxd4 f5 12.Nc3+-)*]

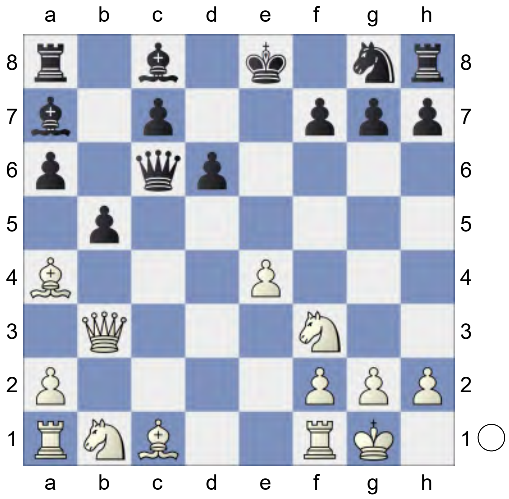
10.cxd4± a6!?N 1.66/21 New and interesting.Theoretisch interessant.

[10...Kf8± 1.22/22]

11.Ba4+- Ba7? 3.00/24

[11...Kf8± 1.43/20 12.d5 Na5]

12.d5 b5 13.dxc6 Qxc6



14.Qb2! Nf6

[14...bxa4? 15.Qxg7 Bb7 16.Qxh8+-]

15.e5N

[15.Bc2 0-0 16.Bf4 Nxe4 17.Nbd2 Nxd2 3.19/21 *(17...Bf5* 1.69/20 is a better defense.*)* 18.Bxd2+- Bb7 19.Rac1 Qd7 20.Qb4 f5 4.43/22 *(△20...Bd5* 2.89/21 *21.Rfe1 h6)* 21.Bb3++- Kh8 22.Ng5 h6 23.Qh4 Bc3 would kill now. d5 24.Bf4? 1.64/22 *(24.Rfe1* 4.43/22 *)* 24...c5+- 25.Be5 c4? #2/6 *(25...Kg8±* 1.46/22 *)*]

15...Ng4 16.Bb3 0-0 17.Bf4 dxe5 18.Nxe5 -0.29/26

[White should play 18.Bxe5+- 1.98/23 Nxe5 19.Qxe5 *(19.Nxe5 Qf6±)*]

18...Nxe5 0.08/23

[18...Qe4 -0.29/26 19.Qd2 Bb7 *(19...Nxe5 20.Bd5=)*]

19.Qxe5=

[19.Bxe5? Bb7]

19...Bb7 20.Qg5

[20.Qxc7? Qxg2#]

20...Bd4 Repels Nc3. The board is on fire. **21.Nd2**

[21.Rc1 h6 22.Qg3 Qf6 23.Rxc7 Rac8 24.Rxb7 Be5∓]

21...h6 0.68/25

[21...Bf6= 0.26/26 might be stronger. 22.Qg3 Bxa1 23.Rxa1 Rac8]

Black is on the road to losing. **22.Qg3± Bxa1 23.Rxa1 Kh8?** 2.58/21

[23...Qf6± 0.74/23 24.Rc1 Rfe8]

24.Nf3!+- Black is weak on the dark squares

[24.Bxc7?! a5±]

24...Rae8 25.Bxc7 Rc8 26.Bf4→ White has strong attack. A strong pair of Bishops. **26...Qc3** 3.82/23 Inhibits Ne5.

[26...a5 1.88/21 27.Nd4 Qc5]

27.Rf1 and Be5 would now be decisive

[27.Be5 leads to mate. Qxa1+ 28.Bxa1 Rc1+]

27...Bxf3? 7.94/22

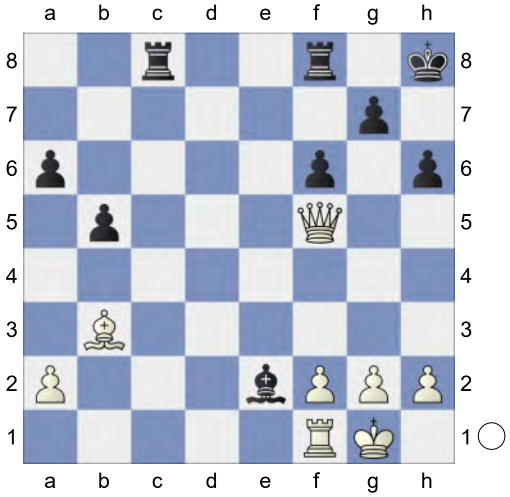
[27...Qf6 3.45/21 28.Be5 Qg6]

28.Be5

[Less strong is 28.Qxf3 Qxf3 29.gxf3 Kg8±]

[28.gxf3 Qf6 29.Kg2 a5±]

28...Qxe5 29.Qxe5 f6 30.Qf5 Be2



31.Bc2! Rxc2 32.Qxc2 Bxf1 33.Kxf1 Endgame KQ-KR **33...Rd8 34.Qc7 Rd1+ 35.Ke2 Ra1 36.Qc8+ Kh7 37.Qxa6 b4 38.Qa4 Kh8 39.Kf3 Kh7 40.h4 Kg6** Vorgänger: **41.Qxb4 Kh7 42.a4 g5 43.Qe7+ Kg6 44.Qe4+** 17.14/25

[⌓44.h5+ #4/10 Kxh5 45.Qe8+ *(45.Qxf6 Ra3+ 46.Ke2 Rxa4+-)* 45...Kh4 46.g3+ Kh3 47.Qh5#]

44...Kh5 45.hxg5 fxg5 46.Qg4+ 34.69/5

[⌓46.Qe8+ #3/8 Kh4 47.g3+ Kh3 48.Qh5#]

46...Kg6 47.g3 11.85/18

[⌓47.Qe6+ #18/22 Kh7 48.Qf7+ Kh8 49.Qf6+ Kg8 50.Qxa1 *(50.Qg6+ Kf8+-)* 50...Kf7 51.a5 *(51.Qa2+ Ke7 52.a5 h5 53.a6 g4+ 54.Ke4 g3 55.a7 gxf2 56.Qxf2 Kd7 57.a8Q Kd6 58.Qff8+ Ke6 59.Qae8#)* 51...h5 52.a6 *(52.Qa2+ Kf6 53.Ke4 g4 54.a6 g3 55.a7 gxf2 56.a8Q f1Q 57.Qd8+ Kg7 58.Qag8+ Kh6 59.Qdg5#)*]

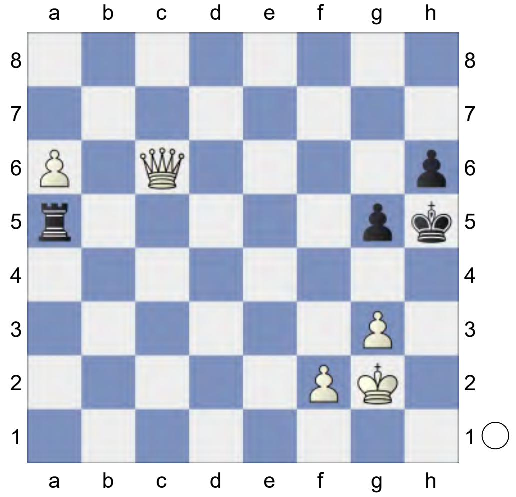
47...Ra3+ ½-½ Zierk,S (2496)-Hess,R (2569) Titled Tuesday intern op1 2nd Febr blitz 2016 (4) **48.Kg2 Ra1 49.Qb4** 34.98/23

[⌓49.Qe6+ #13/26 Kh7 50.Qf7+ Kh8 51.Qf6+ Kg8 52.Qxa1 *(52.Qg6+ Kf8+-)* 52...Kf7 53.a5 *(53.Qa2+ Kf6+-)* 53...h5 54.a6 *(54.Qa2+ Kf6 55.a6 h4 56.a7 g4 57.a8Q h3+ 58.Kh1 Ke7 59.Qb7+ Kf6 60.Qbf7+ Kg5 61.Qd2#)*]

49...Kh5 50.a5 Kg6 51.Qc3 35.44/26

[⌓51.Qd6+ #12/24 Kf7 52.Qd5+ *(52.Qxh6 Rxa5 53.g4 Ke7+-)* 52...Kf8 53.Qf5+ Kg8 54.Qg6+ Kh8 55.Qf6+ *(55.Qxh6+ Kg8 56.Qg6+ Kh8 57.Qf6+ Kg8 58.Qxa1 Kf7 59.a6 g4)* 55...Kg8 56.Qxa1 *(56.Qg6+ Kf8 57.Qf6+ Kg8 58.Qxa1 Kf7 59.a6 h5 60.a7 h4)*]

51...Ra2 52.Qc6+ White mates. **52...Kh5 53.a6 Ra5**



54.g4+! Kxg4

[54...Kh4 55.Qg6]

55.Qf3+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.28 (precise) /Black=0.59

55...Kh4 Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?

0-1

552 **C54**

☐ **Petrosyan,Manuel** **2546**

■ **Khusenkhojaev,Mustafokhuja** **2343**

Barcelona Sant Marti op-A 25th (5)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 0-0 6.Re1 d6

[6...Ng4 7.Re2 Kh8 8.h3 f5 9.Bg5 Nf6 10.Nc3 *(10.exf5 Nd4 11.Nxd4 exd4 12.Bd5 c6 13.Bf3 d5 14.g4 g6 15.fxg6 Rg8 16.Bxf6+ Qxf6 17.gxh7 Kxh7 18.Nd2 Bd6 19.Bg2 Bd7 20.Nf1 Raf8 21.Ng3 Qh4 22.Qd2 Bxg4 23.hxg4 Rxg4 24.Rae1 Rxg3* ½-½ (31) Kadric,D (2584)-Martirosyan,H (2708) European Team Championship 2023 (1) *)* 10...d6 11.Nd5 fxe4 12.dxe4 Be6 13.Nxf6 gxf6 14.Bxe6 fxg5 15.c3 Qf6 16.Bg4 Ne7 17.Qd2 Rg8 18.b4 Bb6 19.a4 a5 20.Qa2 Qg6 21.Qe6 0-1 (57) Carlsen,M (2847)-Nakamura,H (2736) FTX Crypto Cup KO 2021 (1.21)]

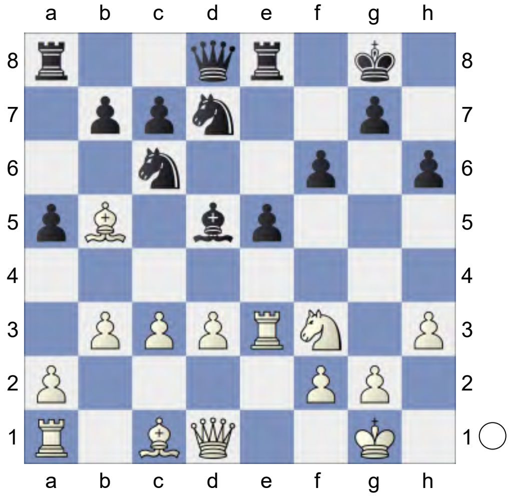
7.c3N

[7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Be6 9.Nc3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Qf3 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Bxc4 13.dxc4 g5 14.Bg3 Nd7 15.h4 gxh4 16.Bh2 Qg5 17.Re3 Kh8 18.Qe2 Rg8 19.g3 hxg3 20.Rxg3 Qh4 21.Rb1 Nc5 0-1 (30) Zeydan,S (2060)-Khamdamova,A (2139) Titled Tuesday intern op 15th Nov Early blitz 2022 (9)]

[7.h3 Na5 8.Bb3 Nxb3 9.axb3 h6 10.Be3 Bxe3 11.Rxe3 Re8 12.Nc3 c6 13.d4 Qc7 14.Qd2 Be6 15.d5 cxd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.exd5 Bf5 18.Rc3 Qb6 19.Nh4 Bd7 20.Rg3 Kh8 21.Rf3 Kg8 ½-½ (25) Mrittika,M (1845)-Alexandri,V (1606) Wch U14 Girls 2022 (2)]

7...a5 7...Bb6 is a critical line. 7...Lb6 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **8.h3 h6 9.Nbd2 Be6** The position is equal. **10.Bb5 Nd7 11.Nf1 d5 12.exd5 Bxd5 13.Ne3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 Re8 15.Bd2N**

[15.b3 f6? 1.80/20 *(15...Ne7= 0.12/20)*



16.d4 0.88/18 *(16.Nh4!+- 1.80/20 is more deadly.)* 16...Bxf3? 2.44/21 *(16...exd4± 0.88/18 was necessary. 17.Nxd4 Nde5)* 17.Qxf3+- exd4 18.cxd4 Nb6 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Qxc6 Threatens to win with Rxe8+. a4 21.Rxe8+ Qxe8 22.Qxc7 ½-½ (30) Volokitin,A (2661)-Martirosyan,H (2683) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11)]

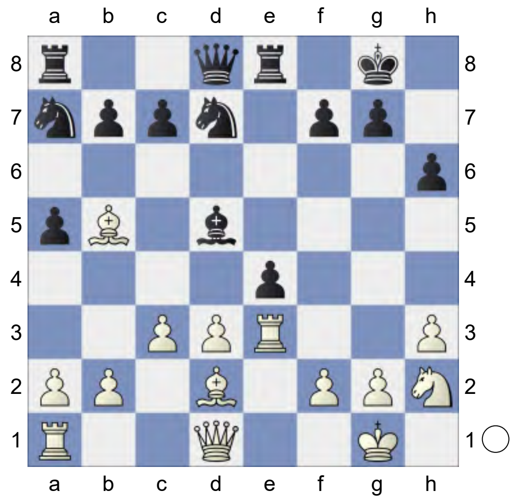
15...e4 0.86/21

[15...f5= -0.01/19 remains equal.]

16.Nh2 Loses the game. **16...Na7?** 3.35/19

[16...exd3± 0.55/20 17.Rg3 Kh8]

(Diagram)



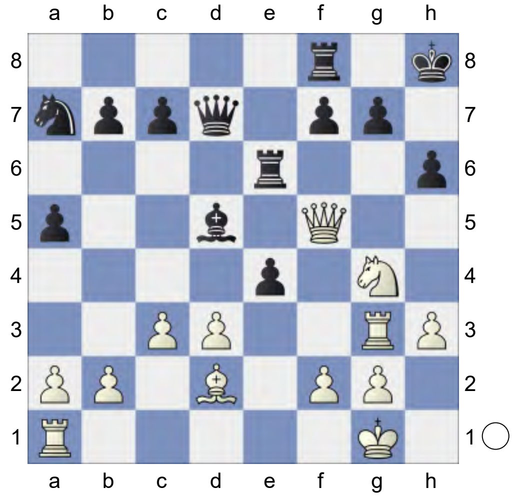
17.Bxd7!+- Qxd7 18.Rg3 Kh7 19.Qh5 Re6 20.Ng4 2.90/19

[⌓20.Qf5+ 4.99/21 Kh8 21.Ng4]

20...Rf8? 9.36/22

[20...Bc6 2.90/19 21.d4 (*21.Qxa5 b5⩲*) 21...Rf8]

21.Qf5+ Kh8



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22.Nf6! Double Attack

1-0

553 C54

☐ Dai,Changren 2529

■ Xu,Minghui 2388

Belt and Road op-A (9) 22.10.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 d6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 White has an edge. **9...Qe7!** is currently scoring better than 9...g5.

wohl besser als 9...g5. **10.a4 g5 11.Bg3 Nd7 12.Re1** -0.90/21

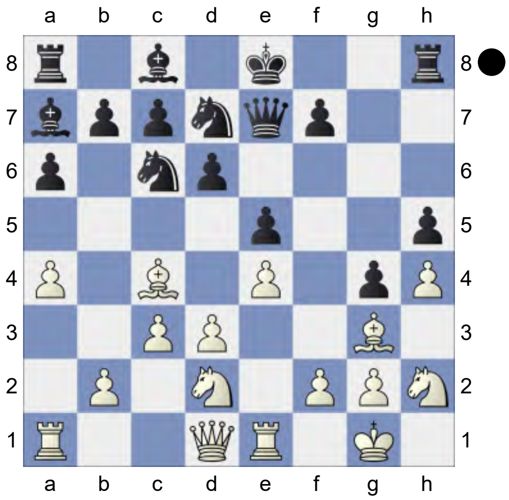
[12.Bd5= -0.11/20 keeps the balance.]

12...h5!∓ 13.h4 -1.64/21

[13.h3∓ -0.92/20]

13...g4-+ 14.Nh2 -1.84/19

[14.Ng5∓ -1.33/20 Nd8 15.d4]



14...Nf8! 15.Ndf1N

[15.Nhf1 Ng6 16.Ne3 Bxe3 17.fxe3 -2.45/21 (*17.Rxe3 -1.88/23 Nxh4 18.d4*) 17...Nxh4-+ 18.Rf1 Threatens to win with Qe1!. Rh7 19.b4 Ng6 20.b5 Na5 21.bxa6 bxa6 0-1 (62) Abrahamyan,T (2352)-Muzychuk,A (2527) FIDE World Cup (Women) 2021 (2.2)]

15...Ng6 16.d4 -2.84/18

[⌓16.Ne3 -1.77/19 Bxe3 (*16...Nxh4 17.Nd5∓*) 17.Rxe3]

16...exd4 -1.58/20

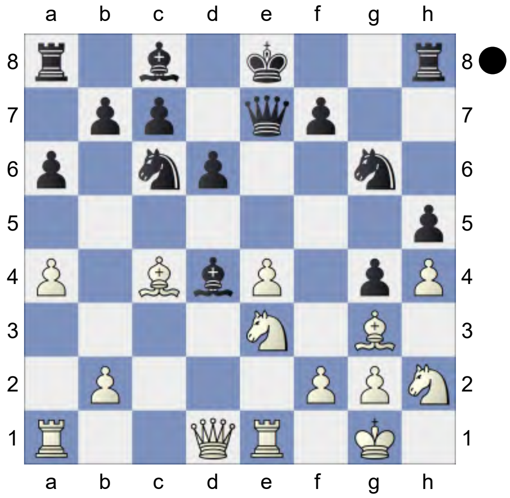
[Black should try 16...Nxh4-+ -2.84/18 17.Ne3 Ng6 (*17...exd4 18.Nf5±*)]

17.cxd4 Bxd4 -0.56/19

[17...Nxd4-+ -1.75/21 ...Be6! is the strong threat. 18.Ne3 Be6 (*18...Nxh4 19.e5=; 18...Qxe4? 19.Nd5+-*)]

18.Ne3 -1.75/20

[Better is 18.Bd5∓ -0.56/19 Be5 (*18...Nxh4? 19.Bxh4 Qe5 20.Rc1+-; 18...Bxb2 19.Rb1∓*) 19.Rc1]



18...Bxe3!-+

[18...Qxe4? 19.Nd5+-]

[18...Bxb2 19.Rb1 Be5 20.Nhf1= (*20.Nd5 Qd8=*)]

[18...Nxh4 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Nxc7+ Qxc7 21.Bxh4=]

19.Rxe3 Nxh4 20.f4? -3.70/19

[20.Bxh4∓ -1.53/21 was necessary. Qxh4 21.Rc1]

20...Nf5 Pin **21.Qd3** -5.03/20

[⌓21.Nf1 -3.53/22 Nxg3 (*21...Nxe3? 22.Nxe3 Qxe4 23.Nd5-+*) 22.Rxg3]

21...Nxe3 22.Qxe3 Be6 23.Bd3 d5 24.e5 h4 25.Be1 Qd7 26.b4 Bf5 27.Rc1 Bxd3 28.Qxd3 Ne7 29.Qe2 g3 30.Ng4 0-0-0

[30...Qxa4 31.Nf6+ Kf8 (*31...Kd8 32.Qg4∓*) 32.e6-+]

31.b5 d4 32.bxa6 d3 33.Qf3 Qd4+

[33...bxa6 34.Qa8#]

34.Kh1 Nd5 35.axb7+ Kb8 36.Bd2 c5 37.e6 f6

[37...Kxb7 38.e7±]

38.f5 c4

[38...Qxa4 39.Rxc5 Qa2 (*39...Qd4 40.Ra5=*) 40.Qd1∓ (*40.Qxd3?*

Nc7-+)]
[38...Kxb7 39.Be3 Qb2 *(39...Qxa4 40.e7⩲)* 40.Rxc5∓]

39.e7 Rd7? -2.75/16
[39...Nxe7 40.Bf4+ Rd6 *(40...Ka7? 41.b8Q+ Rxb8 42.Be3+-* Pin *)* 41.Rxc4 *(41.Bxd6+ Qxd6 42.Ne3 d2-+)* 41...Qxc4 *(41...Qa1+? 42.Rc1+-)* 42.Bxd6+ Ka7 43.Ne3-+ *(43.b8Q+? Rxb8 44.Qe3+ Kb7-+; 43.Qe3+? Kxb7 44.Qxe7+ Kc8-+)*]
[39...Kxb7? 40.exd8N+ *(40.exd8R Rxd8 41.Ne3 Qf4+-; 40.Be3 Qb2±)* 40...Rxd8 41.Ne3+-]
[39...c3 -8.47/20 40.exd8N Rxd8 *(40...cxd2 41.Rc8+ Ka7 42.b8Q+ Ka6 43.Qb7+ Ka5 44.Qb5#)*]

40.Ne3 Nxe3 -0.01/19
[40...Kxb7 41.Rxc4 Qa1+ 42.Rc1+-]
[40...Nxe7-+ -2.80/21 41.Rxc4 Qb2]

41.Qh5? -34.49/23 **Rxh5 42.e8Q+ Rd8**
[Stronger than 42...Kxb7 43.Rb1+ Kc6 44.Qa8+ Kd6 45.Qb8+ Rc7 *(45...Ke7? 46.Bb4++-)* 46.Qd8+ Rd7 47.Qb8+ Rc7 48.Qd8+ Rd7 49.Qf8+ Re7 *(49...Ke5 50.Qe8+ Kf4 51.Qxh5±)* 50.Qd8+ Rd7=]

43.Qxh5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/Black=0.19 (very precise)

43...Ng4
[43...Kxb7 44.Bxe3 Qxe3 45.Qf7+ Kb6 46.a5+ Kc6 *(46...Kxa5 47.Qc7+ Qb6 48.Ra1+* Deflection *Kb4 49.Qxb6+ Kc3 50.Ra3+ Kc2 51.Ra2+ Kd1 52.Qg1#)* 47.Qxc4+ Kd7 48.Qf7+ Qe7 49.Rc7+ Skewer, Deflection Kxc7 50.Qxe7++-]

0-1

554 **C50**
☐ **Hector,Jonny** **2481**
■ **Storme,Isak** **2448**
Copenhagen Obro CXU op (5) 27.07.23
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5** **d6!** 7...d6 scores better than 7...h6. 7...d6 punktet besser als 7...h6. 7...d6 scores better than 7...h6. 7...d6 punktet besser als 7...h6. **8.f4! Ne6** 0.40/18
[8...c6= -0.22/20]
[8...Be6 9.Nd2 h6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c3 Qd6 13.Kh1 Nc6 14.Rxf6 0-0-0 15.Bxe6+ fxe6 16.Rf2 Ne7 17.Qh5 Qb6 18.Raf1 Qxb2 19.Qxe5 Qxa2 20.Nf3 Qc4 21.Nd4 Nc6 22.Qxe6+ Qxe6 23.Nxe6 0-1 8.♗d3 ♗b7 9.e4 b4_77255 (2476)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2548) Paris 1965 (4)]

9.fxe5!⩲ dxe5 10.Qxd8+ White is slightly better. **10...Kxd8N** 0.90/20
[10...Nxd8⩲ 0.49/21 deserves consideration. 11.Bxf6 *(11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 Rf8 21.Rxh7+ Kd6 22.Rh6 Ke7 23.Ne3 Bd7 24.Rh7+ Nf7 25.g4 Be6* 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7) *)* 11...gxf6]

11.Bxf6+⩲ gxf6 12.Nc3! c6 and ...Ke7 should not be overlooked **13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6** **b5N**
[Vorgänger: 15...Nf4 16.Rxh7 Be6 1.71/22 *(16...b5± 0.79/18 17.Bb3 Bg4)* 17.Bxe6+- Kxe6 2.43/20 *(⌓17...Nxe6 1.87/20 18.Nd1 Ng5)* 18.g3+- Ng6 19.Rh5 b5 2.23/19

(*⌓19...Rad8* 1.69/17 *20.h4 Rh8*) 20.Rhf5 1.29/18 (Better is *20.Nd1+-* 2.23/19) 20...Rad8? 3.67/18 (*20...f6±* 1.29/18 is a better defense. *21.h4 Ne7*) 21.Rf6++- Kd7 22.Rxf7+ Rxf7 23.Rxf7+ 0-1 Bouza Brey Teijeiro,G (1993)-Fernandez Salamanca,G (1839) Pontevedra op-B 6th 2018 (6) 0-1 Bouza Brey Teijeiro,G (1993)-Fernandez Salamanca,G (1839) Pontevedra op-B 6th 2018 (6)]

16.Bd3 White has more active pieces. **16...Bd7 17.Rxh7** 0.39/18

[17.Rf5± 0.83/20]

17...Nf4⩲ 18.Ne2 Nxd3 19.cxd3 Be6 20.Nc1 0.12/19

[20.a3⩲ 0.52/19]

20...a5= 21.Rh5 Kd6 22.Kf2 b4 23.Ke3 c5 24.Rh6 a4 25.Rf2 Rac8 26.h3 Ke7 27.Rc2 Rfd8 28.b3 axb3 29.Nxb3 c4 30.dxc4 Bxc4 31.Na5 Bb5 32.Rxc8 Rxc8 Endgame KRB-KRN. White is a pawn up. **33.Rb6 Rc3+ 34.Kf2 Rc2+ 35.Kg1 Bd7 36.Rxb4** Threatening Nc4. **36...Rxa2 37.Nc4 Ra4 38.Rxa4 Bxa4** KB-KN. White is a pawn up. **39.Kf2**

[Don't play 39.Nxe5 Bc2∓]

39...f6 40.g4 Kf7 41.Ne3 Kg6 42.h4 Bb3 43.Nf5 Ba2 44.Kg3 Bb3 45.Ne3 Ba2? 2.17/39

[45...Ba4= 0.00/41]

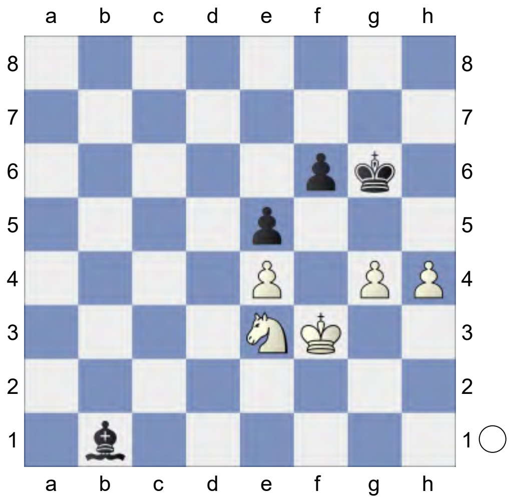
46.Kf3? 0.00/33

[46.Nd1!+- 2.17/39]

46...Bb1 1.27/38

[46...Bb3!= 0.00/33]

(Diagram)

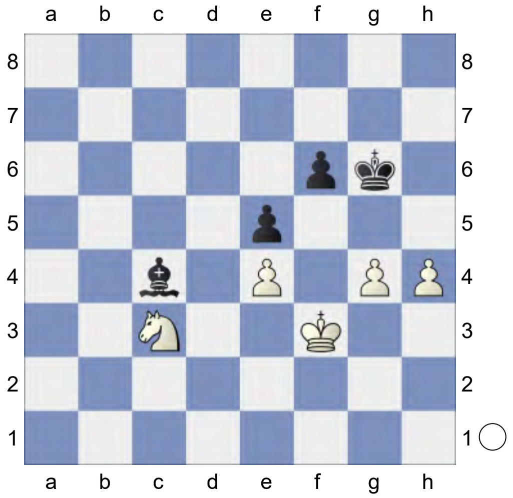


47.Nd5 0.00/43

[47.Nd1!± 1.27/38]

47...Bc2 48.Ne7+ Kf7 49.Nf5 Kg6 50.Nd6 Bd1+ 51.Kg3 and h5+ would now be decisive **51...Bb3 52.Kf2 Be6 53.Kg3 Bb3 54.Nb5 Bc2 55.Nc3 Bb3 56.Kf3 Bc4?** 1.63/33

[56...Kh6= 0.01/35]



57.Ne2? 0.07/33

[White must play 57.Nd1!+- 1.63/33]

57...Bb3 The position is equal. **58.h5+ Kg5 59.Ng1 Bd1+ 60.Kg3 Bc2 61.Nh3+ Kh6 62.Nf2 Kg5 63.Kf3 Bb3 64.Nd3 Be6 65.Kg3 Bb3 66.Ne1 Bd1 67.Nf3+ Kh6! 68.Kf2 Bb3 69.Nd2 Bd1 70.Kg3 Kg5 71.Nc4 Bb3 72.Nd6**

Be6 73.Nb7 Bb3 74.Nc5 Bc4 75.Kf3 Bf7 76.Kg3 Bc4 77.Nd7 Bd3 78.Kf3 Bb1 79.Nf8 Kh6 80.Ne6 Ba2 81.Nc5 Kg5 82.Kg3 Bc4 83.Nd7 Bd3 84.Kf3 Bb1 85.Nf8 Kh6 Prevents Nh7. **86.Ng6 Kg5 87.Ne7 Ba2 88.Nd5 Bb3 89.Ne3 Be6 90.Nf5 Bb3 91.h6** White wants to mate with h7. **91...Kg6 92.Kg3 Bc2 93.Kf3 Bb3 94.Kg3 Bc2 95.Kf3 Bb3 96.Kg3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.25 (precise) **96...Bc2**

½-½

555 C54

☐ **Salimova,Nurgyul 2399**

■ **Badelka,Olga 2426**

Grosslobming FIDE GP (Women) (4)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 21.Rxh6 Rxh6 1-0 (65) 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12. ♕d2 e5 13. ♗h6 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

7...d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.0-0! 0-0 10.a3 Bxd2 now supersedes 10...Be7. löst 10...Le7 inzwischen ab. **11.Bxd2** White is slightly better. **11...Bg4 12.h3! Bh5 13.g4 Bg6 14.Ne5N** -0.37/23

[14.Re1 Nb6 15.Bf1 -0.01/22 *(15.Ba2⩲ 0.44/22)* 15...Nxd4= 16.Nxd4 Qxd4 17.Bc3 Qxd1! 18.Raxd1 Rfe8 Against Re7 19.f3 f6 20.h4 ½-½ (63) Caruana,F (2766)-Carlsen,M (2859) Speed Chess Chess.com INT blitz 2022 (2.24)]

[14.Re1⩲ 0.38/23]

14...Nxd4⩱ 15.Rc1 -0.90/21 Prevents Bc2

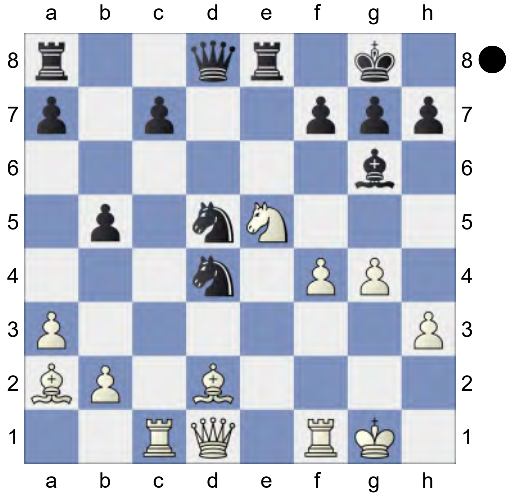
[15.Bc3= -0.28/23 keeps the balance. Nxc3 16.bxc3]

15...b5 -0.03/24

[15...Re8⩱ -0.90/21 16.Re1 Qd6]

16.Ba2 A strong pair of Bishops. **16...Re8 17.f4** -1.94/23

[17.Bh6= 0.04/23 Nb6 *(17...Rxe5 18.Qxd4 Qd6 19.Bd2=; 17...Nb4 18.axb4 gxh6 19.Rc5=)* 18.Be3 Rxe5 19.Qxd4]

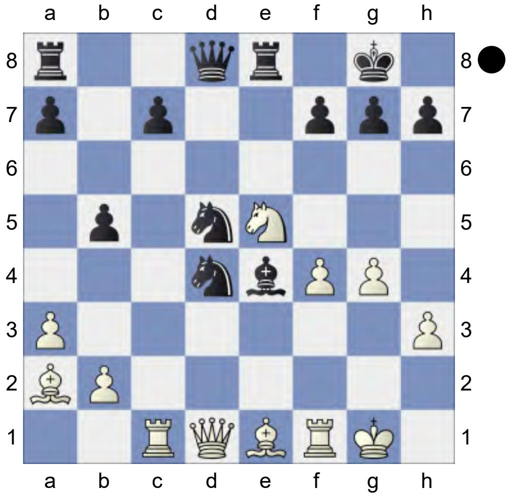


17...Be4? 0.01/22

[Black should play 17...Qd6!-+ -1.94/23 White must now prevent ...c5. 18.Bc3 Nxc3 19.bxc3 Qxa3

20.Bxf7+ Bxf7 21.Qxd4 Be6]

18.Be1



Rxe5! 19.Qxd4 Re8 20.Kh2 -0.49/23

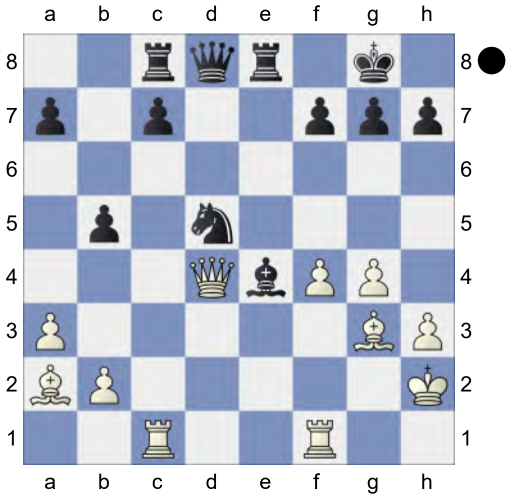
[20.Bg3= -0.08/24]

20...Rc8

[20...c6!?]

21.Bg3 -0.80/19

[21.Ba5= -0.18/24]



21...c5 -0.39/22 **22.Rxc5 Rxc5 23.Qxc5** Strongly threatening Rd1!.

23...Nb6 -0.01/22

[23...Nf6∓ -0.38/26]

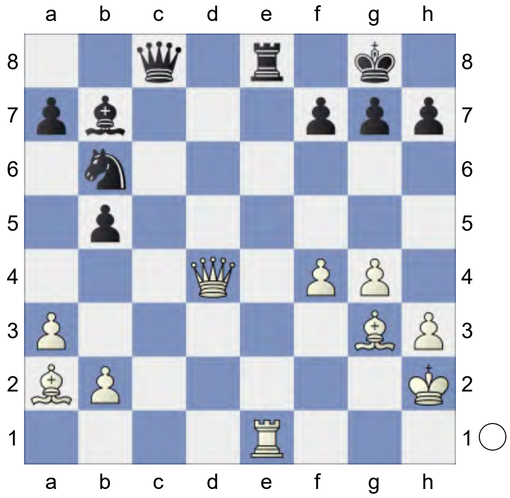
24.Re1=

[24.Qxb5? Bd3 25.Bxf7+ Kxf7 26.Qh5+ Bg6-+ *(26...Kg8? 27.Re1-+)*]

24...Bb7 25.Qd4 Deflection, Back Rank

25...Qc8

[25...Re2+? 26.Rxe2 Qf8 27.f5+-]



26.Qc5! Deflection **26...Bc6**

[26...Qd8 27.Qd6]

27.Bb1

[27.Rxe8+ simplifies Qxe8 28.Qe5 Qxe5 29.fxe5 Nc4 30.Bf2]

27...Nc4 28.Bf5 Qa8 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Bf2 Nd2 -0.08/24

[30...Qe2∓ -0.45/23 31.Qd4 *(31.Qxa7 g6=)* 31...Nd6 *(31...Nxb2 32.Qd8+ Be8 33.Kg3∓)*]

31.h4? -5.19/25

[31.Bd3= -0.08/24 and White is okay.]

31...Qe2-+ 32.Qxa7 -9.06/24

[⌓32.Qxc6 -4.84/28 Qxf2+ 33.Kh3 Qe3+ *(33...Qxf4 34.Qe8#)* 34.Kg2]

32...g6 33.Bd3 Nf3+ Discovered Attack

[Inferior is 33...Qxd3 34.Qb8+ Kg7 35.Qe5+ Kh6 36.Qg5+ Kg7 37.Qe5+ Kg8 38.Qb8+ Kg7 39.Qe5+=]

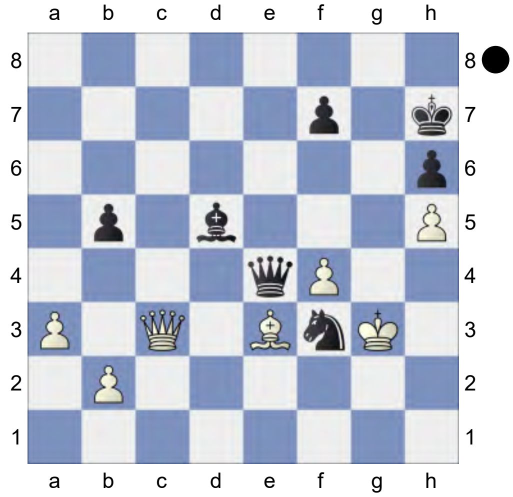
34.Kg3 Qxd3 35.Be3 h6 (-> ...Qe2)

36.Qb8+ Kg7 -11.57/25

[⌓36...Kh7 -32.07/28 37.Qa7 Bd5 *(37...Qd5? 38.Qc5-+)*]

37.Qb6 Qe4 38.Qc5 Prevents Ne5.

38...Bd5 39.Qc3+ Kh7 40.h5 gxh5 (-> ...Nd4!) **41.gxh5**



Weighted Error Value: White=1.40/Black=0.58

41...Nh2! Decoy

0-1

556 **C55**
☐ **Beerdsen,Thomas** **2453**
■ **Tang,Andrew** **2538**
Katara Bullet Final 2021 (1.1) 23.06.2021
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Qe7** 0.45/19

[Better is 8...c6= -0.25/20]

9.Na3 -0.54/20

[9.f5± 0.45/19 d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 24.Rxg7 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]

9...Rg8N 0.67/21

[9...Ne6∓ -0.54/20]

[9...Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.Bxe6 *(11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 24.Ng4 Nd7 25.Be2 Ra5* 1-0 Han,Y (2399)-Drnovsek,G (2397) Titled Tuesday intern op 14th Feb Late blitz 2023 (6) *26.a3 Rc5 27.Ne3 Ne5 28.g4 a5 29.h5 Kf8 30.Rf6 Ke7 31.Rf1 Kf8 32.hxg6 Nxg6 33.Nf5 d5 34.Bd3 dxe4 35.Bxe4 Re5 36.Nd6 Re6 37.Nxe8 Rxe4 38.Nf6 Re2+ 39.Rf2 Nf4+ 40.Kf3 Rxf2+* 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)*)* 11...Qxe6 12.f5 Qe7 13.Nc2 Bc6 14.Qe2 h6 15.Bh4 Qd7 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Rfd1 a5 18.c4 b6 19.Qf3 Ke7 20.Ne3 a4 21.Rac1 Ra5 22.b4 axb3 23.axb3 Rha8 24.b4 0-1 Luther,J (2011)-Husted,P (2108) 68/107 Tilburg 1996 (7)]

10.c3 -0.70/20

[10.f5± 0.67/21]

10...Ne6∓ 11.fxe5 dxe5

[11...Nxg5 simplifies 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd3 Kf8]

12.Bh4 -1.75/19

[12.Be3∓ -0.77/18]

12...Bd7 -0.78/17

[12...g5-+ -1.75/19 has better winning chances. 13.Bf2 Rg6 *(13...Nxe4 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Nb5∓)* 14.Qa4+ c6 15.Bxe6 Bxe6]

13.Nb5? -4.02/17

[13.Qf3∓ -0.78/17 is more resistant.]

13...0-0-0 -1.93/17

[⌓13...Qc5+ -4.02/17 14.Nd4 Qxc4 *(14...exd4? 15.Bxe6* Remove Defender *Bxe6 16.cxd4-+)*

15.Nxe6 Qxe6 16.Bxf6 Qb6+ *(16...gxf6? 17.Qf3-+)* 17.Kh1 gxf6]

14.Qe2 -2.58/18

[14.Nxa7+? Kb8 15.Qe2 Kxa7]

[⌓14.Qb3 -1.93/17]

14...a6-+ 15.Na3 Bc6 16.b4 -3.83/21

[16.Qe3 -2.44/18 was called for.]

16...Nf4

[16...Bxe4? 17.Bxf6 gxf6 18.Qxe4+-]

17.Qe3 Kb8 Against Qa7+

[17...Bxe4 18.Qxe4 Nxe4 19.Bxe7+-]

18.b5 axb5 -2.32/16

[Much less strong is 18...Bxe4 19.Qxe4 Qc5+ *(19...Qxa3? 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.Rxf4-+)* 20.Bf2-+]

[⌓18...Qxa3 -4.12/19 19.bxc6 Ng4]

19.Nxb5 Bxb5 20.Bxb5 g5 21.Bf2 b6? 0.12/19 Active counter play!

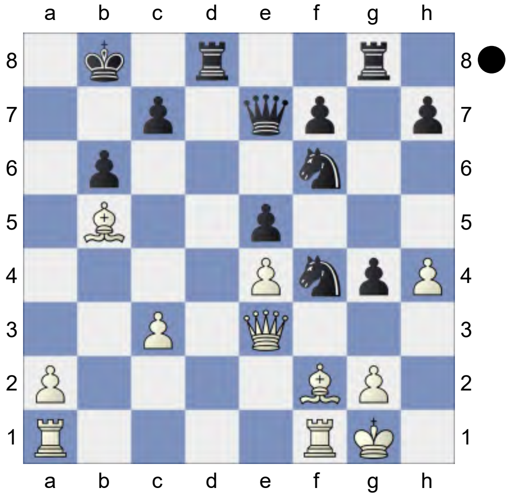
[21...Qa3-+ -1.97/20 ...Ng4 is the strong threat. 22.Rfb1 Ng4]

22.h3? -3.50/19 Repels Ng4

[22.a4= 0.12/19]

22...g4 23.h4 -5.30/18

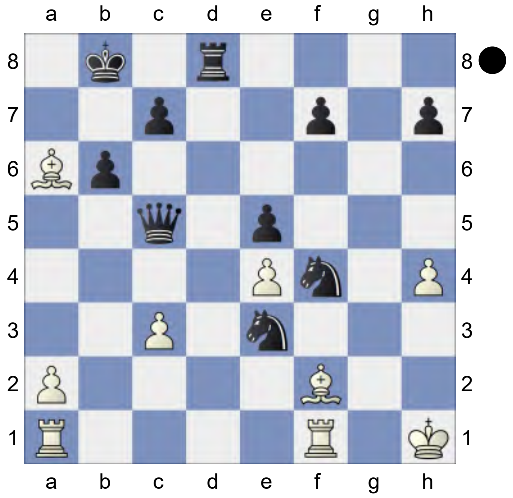
[23.Bh4 -3.27/19]



23...g3! 24.Be1

[24.Bxg3 Rxg3]

24...Ng4 A dynamic duo of knights. **25.Qxg3 Qc5+ 26.Kh1 Ne3** Discovered Attack, Double Attack **27.Qf2 Rxg2 28.Ba6 Rxf2** Black mates. **29.Bxf2**



Qc6! 30.Bxe3

[30.Rg1 Qxe4+]

30...Qxe4+ 31.Kh2 Weighted Error Value: White=1.04/Black=0.47 **31...Qg2#**

0-1

557 C54

□ **Munguntuul,Batkhuyag 2331**

■ **Koneru,Humpy 2523**

FIDE Women GP Monaco 2024-25 (3.4)

[Kitty Kat]

Bullet 1min C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** 30 **e5** 13 **2.Nf3** 0 **Nc6** 11 **3.Bc4** 0 **Bc5** 1:19 **4.c3** 5 **Nf6** 35 **5.d4** 25

[5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 1-0 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang,A (2687) Wch Blitz New York 2024 (7)]

5...exd4 35 **6.e5N** 12

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4... d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

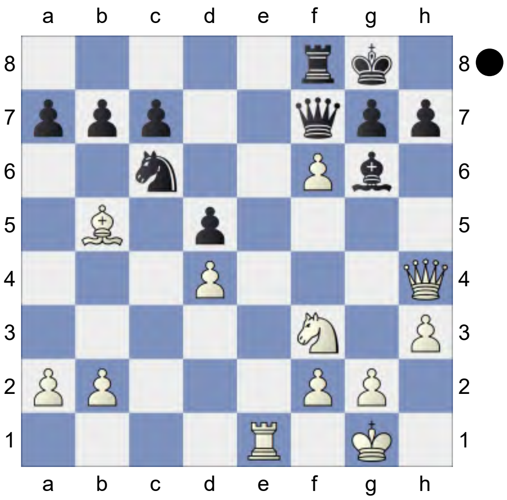
6...d5 43 **7.Bb5** 13 **Ne4** 30 **8.cxd4** 12 **Bb4+** 1:18 **9.Nbd2** 1:18 **0-0** 16:56 **10.0-0** 3:15 **Bd7** 2:51 **11.Bd3** 5:16 **Nxd2** 1:36 **12.Bxd2** 18 **Bxd2** 42 **13.Qxd2** 7 **Bg4** 9:34 **14.Be2** 16:36 **f6** 1:00 **15.Rad1** 8:03 **Qd7** 7:52 **16.h3** 9:20 **Bh5** 4:54 White is slightly better. **17.Rfe1** 12:13 **Qf7** 6:04 **18.Qf4** 7:30 **Rae8** 4:40 **19.Qh4** 3:02 **Bg6** 0.61/22 10:29

[19...Re6= 0.17/23 might be stronger.]

20.Bb5± 8:43 **Re6** 1:01 **21.exf6** 2:21 White is more active. **21...Rxe1+** 1:05 **22.Rxe1** 8

[Much worse is 22.Nxe1?! Qxf6 23.Qxf6 Rxf6=]

(Diagram)



Bxc6 would now be deadly. **22...Qxf6** 21 **23.Bxc6** 2:15 **Qxc6** 30 **24.Ne5** 0.21/22 4:43

[24.Re7± 0.59/21]

24...Qc2= 7:25 The position is equal. **25.Nxg6** 3:54

[25.Nd7 simplifies Re8 26.Rxe8+ Bxe8 27.Kh2]

25...hxg6 1:04 Endgame. KQR-KQR **26.Re7** 1:23 **Qc1+** 1:36 **27.Kh2** 2 **Qxb2** 10 **28.Rxc7** 41 **Qxf2** 47 **29.Qxf2** 52 **Rxf2** 5 **30.Rxb7** 7 **Rxa2** 13 KR-KR **31.Rb5** 9 **Kf7** 3:26 **32.Rxd5** 18 **a5** 8 **33.Rd7+** 1:26 **Kf6** 10 **34.Ra7** 5:21 **a4** 21 **35.d5** 31 **Rd2** 1:38 **36.Rxa4** 5 **Rxd5** 4 **37.Ra6+** 15 **Kg5** 25 **38.Ra7** 5 **Kf6** 5 **39.Ra6+** 6 **Kg5** 4 **40.Ra7** 0 **Kf6** 0 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless)

½-½

558 **C54**

☐ **Do Valle Cardoso,Lucas** **2414**

■ **Matsuura,Everaldo** **2364**

Araguari op (7) 08.06.2025

[Kitty Kat,TA]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Be2 Ne4

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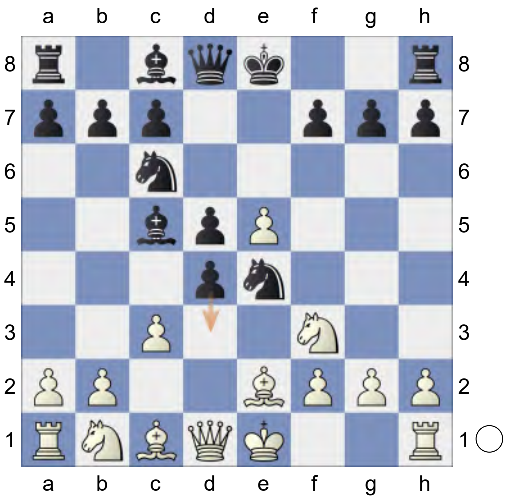


8.cxd4 Bb6 **9.Nc3!** is more profitable than 9.0-0 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 9.0-0. **9...0-0 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Be3 f6 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Na4 Ne7** **14.Nxb6N**

[14.h3 Bxf3 15.Bxf3 Nf5 16.Re1 Ba5 17.Nc3 c6 18.Qd3 Nh4 19.Bd1 Ne4! Against Bg5. ...Qf6 is the strong threat. 20.Rc1 ½-½ (42) Beer,D (2338)-Malyshev,V (2170) W-ch WS/M/693 email 2018]

14...axb6 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Be8 17.Ne5 Ne4 18.f4 Ng6 1.01/20

[18...c5!= 0.25/21]

19.f5± Nxe5 20.dxe5 Ng3 2.27/20

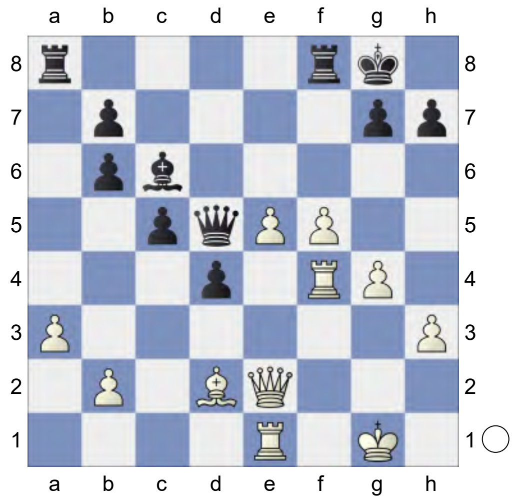
[20...Qh4± 1.07/20 21.Bf4 *(21.Qxd5+ Bf7=)* 21...Bc6]

21.Rf4 Nxe2+ 22.Qxe2 c5 23.a3 d4 24.Bd2 Qd5 2.44/23

[⌓24...d3 1.87/20 25.Qh2 Bc6]

25.Re1+- Bc6

(Diagram)



(-> ...Qh1+) **26.Kh2 b5 27.Kg3?** 0.01/19

[27.e6+- 3.22/19]

27...Qb3+= 28.Kh4 Qxb2 29.f6 -0.63/22

[29.g5= 0.11/23]

29...Qc2? 4.33/24

[29...Qb3!∓ -0.63/22 keeps the upper hand. 30.Qh2 Qe6 (*30...Qxa3 31.g5=; 30...Rxa3 31.e6=*)]

30.g5+- Threatens to win with e6.

30...Qg6 6.38/23

[30...Rxa3 31.e6 h6 32.f7+ Kh7 33.Rg1= (*33.gxh6? g5+* Decoy *34.Kxg5 Qg6+ 35.Kh4 Bg2-+*)]

[⌓30...d3 4.08/23 31.Qf2 Ra4 (*31...Rxa3? 32.e6+-*) 32.Rxa4 (*32.e6 gxf6 33.Kg3 Rxf4=*) 32...Qxa4+ (*32...bxa4? 33.Qf4+-*) 33.Kg3 Qd4]

31.e6 gxf6 32.gxf6 White threatens f7+ and mate. **32...Kh8 33.e7?** -0.01/20

[White has to play 33.f7+- 12.57/21 Qh6+ 34.Qh5 Qxh5+ 35.Kxh5]

33...Qh6+!=

[33...Rxf6? is the wrong capture. 34.Rxf6 Qxf6+ 35.Bg5+-]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.87

34.Qh5 Loss on time!?

1-0

559 **C54**

☐ **Spasov,Vasil** **2423**

■ **Jiang,Haochen** **2374**

Senta Fantastico GM 02 (8) 20.02.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3N

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Re1 (*8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8* 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)) 8...Ng4 9.Re2 Qf6 10.Nbd2 g5 11.Qe1 Rg8 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 Nxe3 15.Rxe3 Bxc4 16.dxc4 Nd8 17.Nd2 h5 18.Nf1 h4 19.Rd3 Qg6 20.c5 dxc5 0-1 (33) Peter Anand,A (2151)-Kalinin,A (2367) Arandjelovac op 2nd 2023 (5.34)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.Nxg5 h4 10.Nxf7 hxg3 11.Nxd8 Bg4 12.Qd2 Nd4 13.h3 Ne2+ 14.Qxe2 Bxe2 15.Ne6 Bb6 16.Nc3 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 gxf2 18.Na4 Kd7 19.Nxb6+ axb6 20.Kxf2 b5 (25) Bruneau,L-Van Tuyl,W 1934 226900 Zürich (Switzerland)]

6...a6 7.Nbd2 7.Re1 is setting a new trend. 7.Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...h6 8.Re1 g5 9.Nf1** White is slightly better. **9...g4! 10.N3d2 Ba7 11.Bb3 h5 12.Nc4 h4 13.Be3** **Nh5N**

[13...g3? 1.85/24 13...Nh5 0.32 14.fxg3 hxg3 15.h3 0.01/21 *(15.Nxg3± 1.17/23 Ng4 16.Bxa7)* 15...Be6? 1.73/23 *(15...Nh5!= 0.01/21)* 16.Bxa7+- Rxa7 2.57/21 *(⌓16...Nxa7 1.91/21 17.Nxg3 Qe7)* 17.Nxg3+- Kd7 3.53/19 *(⌓17...Nh7 2.32/18 18.Ne3 Qg5)* 18.Qf3 2.07/18 *(⌓18.d4 3.53/19)* 18...Nh7+- 19.Ne3 Ng5 20.Bxe6+ fxe6 21.Qg4? 0.01/22 *(21.Qe2+- 1.90/22)* 21...Qe7? 5.80/25 *(21...Rh4!= 0.01/22 and Black stays safe. 22.Qe2 Ra8)* 22.Nd5+- Qd8 23.Rf1 Ra8 24.Nf6+ 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Santos Ruiz,M (2591) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Mar Late blitz 2023 (10)]

14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.d4 Qg5 16.Nce3 Ne7 1.11/19

[16...Nf4= 0.11/19 keeps the balance.]

17.dxe5± dxe5 18.Qd2 0.33/20

[18.g3± 1.15/20]

18...g3? 2.78/24

[18...Nf4⩲ 0.33/20]

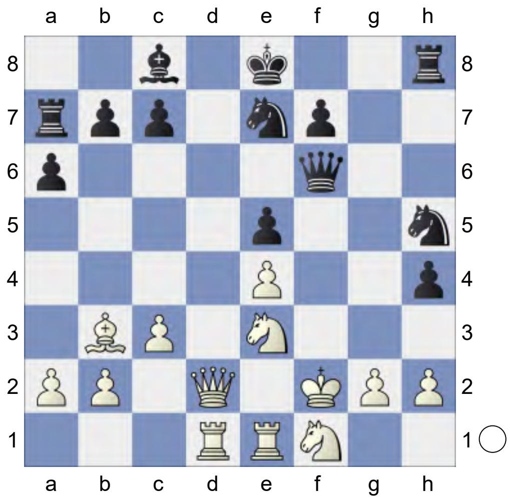
19.Rad1 1.17/22

[19.fxg3+- 2.78/24 has better winning chances. hxg3 20.Nxg3 Nxg3 21.Rad1]

19...gxf2+ 20.Kxf2 Qf6+ 2.02/23

[20...0-0± 0.91/22]

(Diagram)



21.Kg1 1.03/21

[21.Nf5!+- 2.02/23 Nxf5 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Rxe5+ Kf8 *(23...Be6+? 24.Kg1+-)* 24.Qd8+ Kg7 25.Qxf6+ *(25.Qxc7 Bg4+ 26.Kg1 Bxd1∓)* 25...Kxf6 26.Re3]

21...0-0 22.Qf2 0.58/20

[22.h3± 1.26/21]

22...Ra8 23.Qxf6 Nxf6 24.Nd2 Ng6 25.Nf3 h3 1.11/20

[25...a5!⩲ 0.47/21]

26.g3 0.23/20

[White should play 26.gxh3± 1.11/20 Threatens to win with Ng5. a5 27.Ng5]

26...Nxe4= 27.Bc2 Nf6 28.Bxg6 fxg6 29.Nxe5 Kg7 30.c4 -0.49/23

[30.Nd5!= -0.01/21]

30...Be6⩱ 31.b3 Rae8 32.Nd3 -1.01/23

[32.Nd5⩱ -0.47/21 Nxd5 33.cxd5]

32...Ne4⩱ 33.Nf4 Bc8 -0.64/23

[33...Ng5⩱ -1.03/23 34.Kh1 Bc8]

34.Nc2? -2.36/22

[34.Ned5⩱ -0.64/23 g5 35.Nd3]

34...Nc3-+ 35.Rd3 Rxe1+

[35...Nxa2 36.Rde3 Rxe3 37.Nxe3]

36.Nxe1 Nxa2 37.Nf3 Nc1? -0.32/23

[37...Kh6-+ -2.08/24 38.Ne5 g5]

38.Re3!⩱ Kh6 39.Ne5! g5 40.Nd5 -1.40/24

[40.Nfg6= -0.26/23 Rg8 41.Ne7]

40...c5 -0.08/25

[Black should try 40...c6∓ -1.40/24 41.Ne7 Kg7 42.Nxc8 Rxc8]

41.g4= Re8? 7.64/23

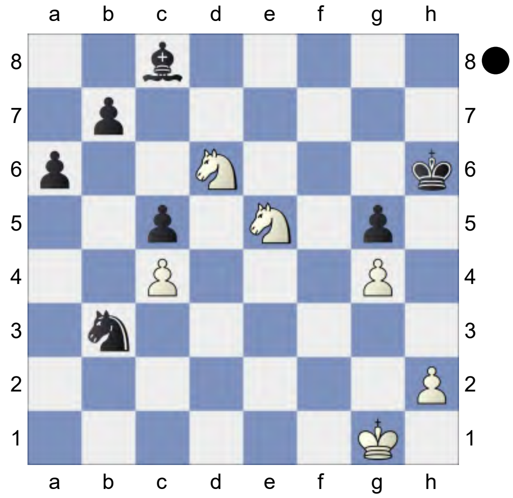
[41...Kg7= -0.16/25]

42.Rxh3+? -0.04/5

[White must play 42.Nf7++- 7.64/23 Kg7 43.Rxe8 Bxg4 44.Nxg5]

42...Kg7 43.Rh7+? -3.72/5 **Kxh7-+ 44.Nf6+ Kh6 45.Nxe8 Nxb3** Endgame KBN-KNN. Black is a pawn up. **46.Nd6?** -6.41/25

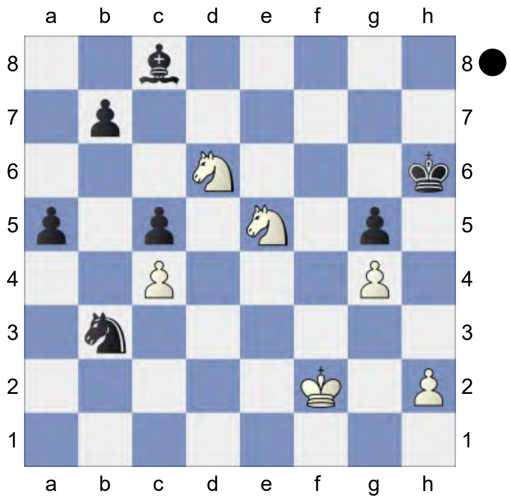
[46.Nf7+ -2.86/26 Kh7 47.Nxg5+ Kg6 48.Ne4]



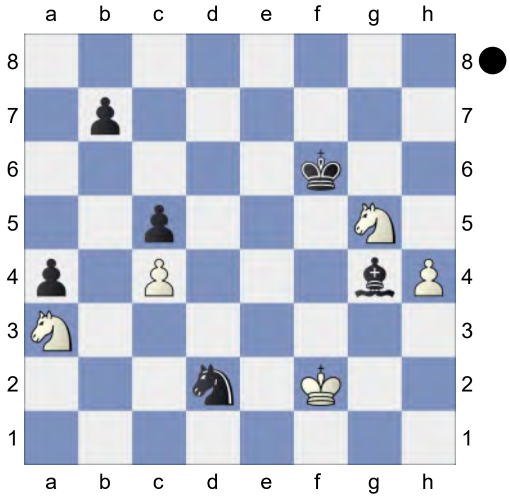
46...a5! 47.Kf2

[47.Nb5 Kg7]

(Diagram)



47...a4! 48.Nb5 Kg7 49.Nf3 Bxg4 50.Nxg5 Nd2 Dodges Ne4 **51.Na3 Kf6 52.h4**



Ke5? -0.16/24

[52...Bf5!-+ -3.75/29 53.Ke3 Nb1 54.Nxb1 Bxb1]

53.Ke3= Nf1+ 54.Kd3 -1.75/25

[54.Kf2!∓ -0.43/28]

54...Bh5-+ 55.Kc3? -3.86/26

[55.Nh3 -2.12/26 was necessary.]

55...Ne3 56.Nb5 Nf5 57.Nh3 Nxh4 Black is clearly winning. **58.Nf2 Be2 59.Na3** -6.93/30

[⌓59.Ne4 -4.41/28 Kxe4 60.Nd6+ Ke3 61.Nxb7]

59...Nf5 60.Kd2 Ng3 61.Ke3 b6 62.Nh3 Bg4 63.Ng5 Nf5+ 64.Kd3

Nd6 ...Kf4 would now be deadly. **65.Ke3** What a bad dream for White. Weighted Error Value: White=0.62/Black=0.47
65...Kf5
0-1

560 **C53**
☐ **Fedorov,Alex** **2409**
■ **Sammed Jaykumar,Shete** **2379**
15th Chennai Open 2025 (7.5) 06.01.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3! Qe7**

[8...Bg4 9.Nbd2 Qd7 10.b4 Bb6 11.a4 a5 12.b5 Nd8 13.h4 Nh5 14.hxg5 hxg5 15.Qb3 f6 16.0-0-0 Ne6 17.Qa2 0-0-0 18.Nh2 Neg7 19.Nxg4 Qxg4 20.Rh3 Nxg3 21.Rxg3 Qd7 22.Rf3 Rh6 23.Nf1 1-0 Balster,S (2172)-4 Bxc6 bxc6 (2483) Capablanca Memorial, Havana 2003 (3)]

9.0-0N

[9.Nbd2 a6 10.a4 Ba7 11.b4 Nh5 12.b5 Na5 13.Ba2 g4 14.Nh4 Qf6 15.0-0 Nf4 16.d4 exd4 17.cxd4 Bxd4 Ding,L (2791)-Vachier Lagrave, M (2789) 138/(198) Stavanger 2018]

9...a6 10.d4 Ba7 The position is equal. **11.Bd5 0-0 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Nbd2 Nh5 14.Re1** Hoping for Nxe5! **14...Nxg3 15.hxg3 f5** 1.10/21

[15...g4= 0.04/20 16.Nh4 Re8]

16.exf5± Bxf5 17.Qa4 0.23/21

[17.dxe5± 1.22/21 Nb3 would now be deadly. Bg6 18.Qa4]

17...Qf7 0.99/23

[17...g4= 0.23/21 18.Nh4 Qf7 19.Nxf5 (*19.Qxc6 Bd3∓; 19.dxe5 Bxf2+ 20.Kh2 Bxe1∓*) 19...Qxf5]

18.dxe5

[18.Qxc6 g4 19.Nh4 Bh7⩲]

18...g4 19.Nd4 Bd3 20.f4 0.22/22

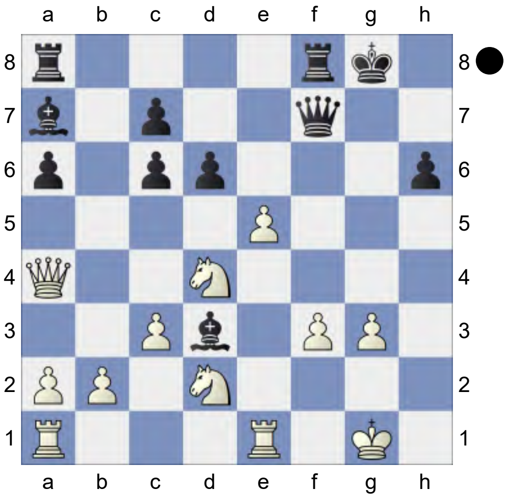
[20.f3!± 1.01/21]

20...gxf3 1.25/23

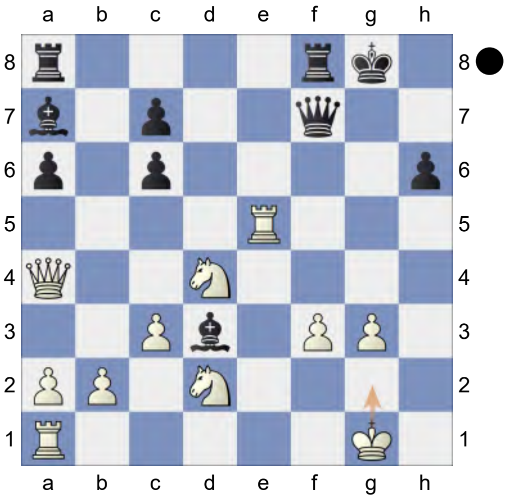
[20...Rae8= 0.22/22 keeps the balance.]

21.gxf3? -1.83/23

[21.N2xf3± 1.25/23 and life is bright. Bb5 22.Qc2]



Now White is beyond hope. **21...dxe5!-+ 22.Rxe5**



Strongly threatening Kg2! **22...Qg7!↑** Keeping White busy. **23.Rh5 Qxg3+**

24.Kh1 Rg1 is the strong threat.
24...Rae8 25.Qd1 Repels Re1+
25...Kh7 26.N2b3 -3.37/24

[26.Qg1 -1.62/25 Qd6 27.Qh2]

26...Re3 (→ ...Rfxf3) **27.Qd2?** -#10/22

[27.Qg1-+ -2.23/24 Rfxf3 28.Qxg3 Rxg3 29.Rg1 Rxg1+ 30.Kxg1]

27...Rfxf3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.59/Black=0.36

0-1

561 **C54**
☐ **Chinguun,Sumiya** **2419**
■ **Jin,Yueheng** **2353**
Asia-ch Al Ain (7) 13.05.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.0-0 d6 7.a4 7.Re1 is the recent fashion.7.Te1 ist aktuell in Mode. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 h6 9.b4** White has an edge. **9...0-0 10.h3 Re8 11.Nbd2 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Bb2N**

[13.Qc2 Re8 14.Nf1 b5 15.Ng3 Ne7 16.d4 Nd7 17.Be3 Ng6 18.Nf5 Ne7 19.Ng3 Ng6 20.Nf5 Ne7 21.dxe5 Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Nxe5 23.Nxe5 dxe5 24.Red1 Qc8 25.c4 bxa4 26.Qxa4 Qb7 27.Nd5 c6 1-0 (74) Harika,D (2526)-Koneru,H (2575) Chengdu FIDE GP (Women) 2016 (7) 28.Nxe7+ Qxe7 29.c5 Qb7 30.Rd6 Rec8 31.Qa5 Rab8 32.Ra4 Qb5 33.Qxb5 Rxb5 34.f3 a5 35.bxa5 Rxc5 36.a6 Kf8 37.Rd7 Ke8 38.Rb7 Rb5 39.h4 g6 40.Kh2 h5 41.Ra2 Kf8 42.Kg3 Kg7 1-0 (74) Kunz,H (2526)-Kravitz,N (2575) 92/(464) Eforie Nord 2004 (7)]

13...Ne7 14.Nf1 Ng6 15.Ne3N -0.46/18

[15.c4 c6 16.a5 Qd7 17.Ng3 Rae8 18.Qd2 d5 19.c5 Bb8 20.Rad1 Rd8 21.Qc2 ½-½ (55) Suleymanli,A (2633)-Kourkoulos Arditis,S (2580) EU-ch 25th Eforie Nord 2025 (10)]

[15.c4= 0.23/20]

15...Qd7 0.16/22

[15...Bxe3∓ -0.46/18 16.Rxe3 d5]

16.c4 c6 17.a5 -0.05/20

[17.Nf5± 0.32/20]

17...Rd8 0.33/20

[17...Bxe3= -0.05/20 18.Rxe3 Rae8]

18.Kh2 -0.19/22

[White should try 18.Nf5± 0.33/20]

18...d5 19.Qc2 Bxe3 20.Rxe3 d4 21.Ree1 Ne8 22.g3 -0.53/21

[22.Rf1= -0.01/20]

22...Nc7 0.27/22

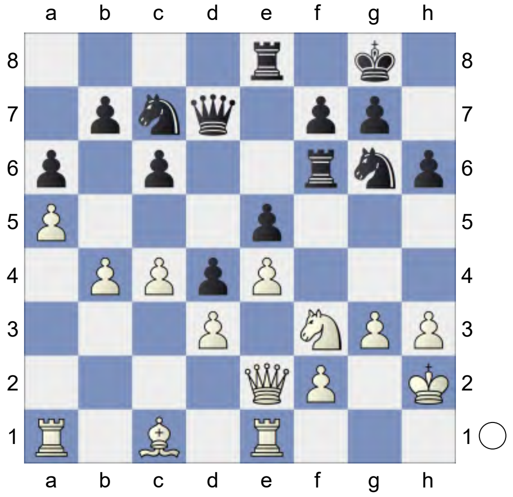
[22...Re7!∓ -0.53/21]

23.Qe2 Rf6 0.62/22

[23...Rf8= -0.01/18]

24.Bc1 Re8 0.80/20

[24...c5± 0.39/21]



25.Ra2 0.17/22

[25.Rb1!± 0.80/20]

25...Qe6 0.72/21

[25...c5!= 0.17/22 keeps the balance.]

26.Kg2 Qc8 27.Nh2 0.25/25

[27.Rb2± 0.64/23 was preferable.]

27...Rd6 0.62/22

[27...c5= 0.25/25]

28.h4 Nf8 29.h5 Nh7 1.42/21

[Better is 29...c5!⩲ 0.39/22]

30.Nf3± Qg4 1.56/23

[⌓30...c5 1.19/20]

31.Rh1 Nf6 32.Rh4 0.82/25

[⌓32.Nh4 1.45/22]

32...Qc8 White is better. **33.Bd2 Nh7 34.Ra1**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.28 (precise)

34...f6

1-0

562 **C54**
☐ **Kravtsiv,Martyn** **2598**
■ **Dubnevych,Maksym** **2280**
UKR-ch Rapid 92nd (5) 23.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.Qc2 Bf5 **12.Qd1!?** White has an edge.Leaves trodden paths. Verlässt die ausgetretenen Pfade. **12...Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.Qc2 Bg6 15.Qb3** 15.Qb3 was played by the boomers. 15.Db3 wurden von den Boomern gerne gespielt. **15...Ne7 16.0-0 c6 17.Bd3 Nxc3 18.Qxc3 f6 19.exf6! Rxf6 20.Ne5 Bxd3 21.Qxd3** **h6N** 0.68/23

[21...Qd6 22.a4 a5 23.f4 Black should prevent f5. Nf5 24.Bf2 and g4 would now be decisive Qb4 25.Rfd1 Re8 Threatens to win with ... Nxd4!. 26.g3 Rff8 27.Qa3 Qe7 Inhibits Nd7. 28.Qxe7 Rxe7 29.h4 Rc8 0.60/22 ½-½ (78) Cheparinov,I (2679)-Xiang,Z (2427) CHN-chT China 2019 (10.4) *(29...g6= -0.10/21)*]

[21...Qd6= 0.17/21]

22.f4 White is more active.

[22.g4 looks sharper. Qd6 23.Kg2 Re6 24.Rae1]

22...Nf5 23.Bf2 Rf8 24.Rae1 Nd6 1.16/22

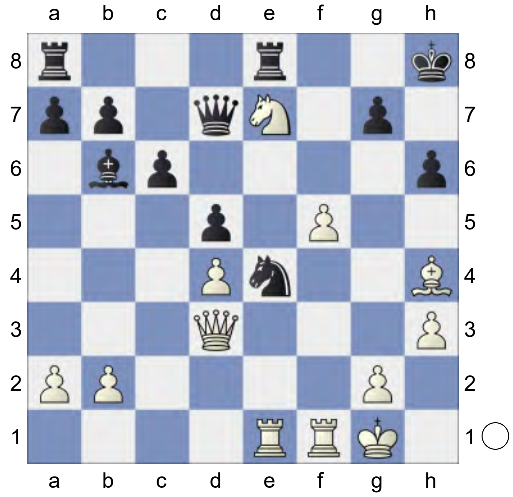
[Better is 24...Qc7⩲ 0.52/22]

25.Ng6± This costs Black the game.

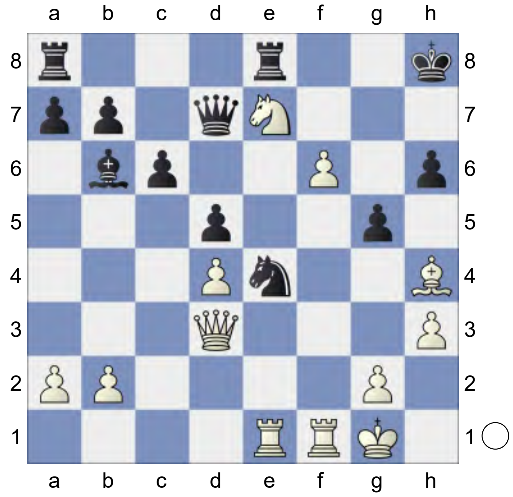
25...Re8 2.61/27

[25...Ne4± 1.18/20 is a better defense.]

26.Bh4!+- Qd7 27.Ne7+! Kh8 28.f5 Ne4



29.f6 g5



30.Bg3 Rxe7 31.fxe7 Qxe7 32.Re3 Rf8 33.Be5+ Kg8 34.Rxf8+ Qxf8 35.Kh2 Qe7 36.Rf3 Bc7 37.Rf5 Bxe5+ 38.Rxe5 Qd6 39.Qf3 White is clearly winning. **39...c5** 7.02/26

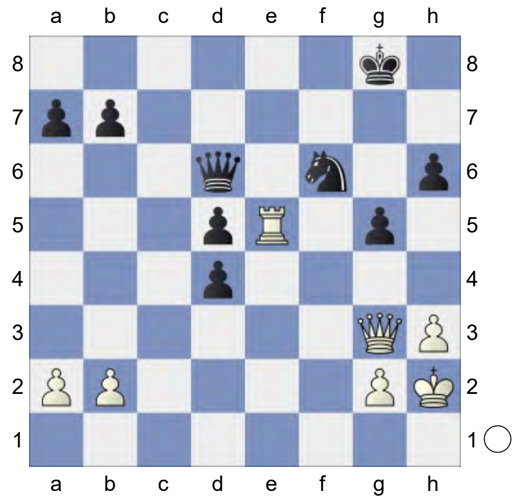
[⌓39...Kg7 4.34/24 40.Qf5 Nf6]

40.Qb3 Nf6 41.Qg3

[41.Qxb7 cxd4 42.Qe7 Qxe7 43.Rxe7 d3+-]

41...cxd4

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.16 (very precise) /Black=0.54

42.Rxg5+!! Discovered Attack

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563 **C51**
☐ **Short,Nigel D** **2645**
■ **L'Ami,Erwin** **2581**
Corus-B Wijk aan Zee (2) 13.01.2008
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Nxe5 Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Qxd5 10.Ne3 Qd7

[10...Qd8]

[10...Qg5]

11.Nd2N

[11.0-0 Nf6 12.Ba3 *(12.c4 0-0 13.Bb2 b5 14.Nc3 bxc4 15.Nxc4 Rb8 16.Re1 Bb7 17.Qc2 Rfe8 18.Rad1 Bb4 19.Rxe8+ Rxe8 20.Ne5 Qe6 21.Ne2 Nd5 22.Ng3 Nf4 23.f3 f6 24.Qxc7 Ba6 25.Ng4 Qe1+* Evans Gambit-5.c3 ♗e7 6.d4 ♘ a5_51790 Survey 2005

Evans Gambit-5.c3 ♗e7 6.d4

♘a5_51790 Survey 2005) 12...0-0 13.Re1 Re8 14.Bxe7 Rxe7 15.Nd2 b6 16.Qc2 Bb7 17.Nf5 Re6 18.Rxe6 Qxe6 19.c4 Re8 20.Ng3 Qc6 21.Nf3 b5 22.Rc1 bxc4 23.Qxc4 Qxc4 24.Rxc4 Nd5 25.h4 Re6 0-1 Wills,M (2482)-Krantz,K (2522) corr Marcussi mem 1998 0-1 (38) Wills,M (2482)-Krantz,K (2522) corr Marcussi mem 1998 26.Rc5 Rc6 27.Ne5 Rxc5 28.dxc5 f6 29.Nd3 Ba6 30.Nb2 Kf7 31.f3 Ke6 32.Kf2 Ke5 33.Ne4 Kd4 34.g4 Nb4 35.g5 f5 36.Nf6 Kc3 37.Ne8 Kxb2 38.Nxg7 f4 0-1 Kraske,N (2500)-Kuzmin,A (2522) Chigorin Memorial blitz 22nd 20140-1 Kraske,N (2500)-Kuzmin,A (2522) Chigorin Memorial blitz 22nd 2014]

[11.c4]

11...Nf6 12.Nf3 0-0 Black has an edge. **13.0-0 b6 14.c4 Ng4 15.Nd5 Bb7 16.Nxe7+ Qxe7 17.h3 Nf6 18.Qb3 Rfe8 19.Bb2 Ne4** 0.48/19

[19...Bxf3!= 0.07/4 20.Qxf3 Qe2 21.Qb3 Rad8 22.d5 Ne4 23.Rae1]

20.Rfe1 f6! 21.d5↑ White fights for an advantage. **21...Qd7 22.Nd4** 0.08/10

[22.Ne5⩲ 0.45/5 Qf5 23.Nd3]

22...c6

[22...Nc5 simplifies 23.Qf3 *(23.Rxe8+ Rxe8 24.Qa3 c6)* 23...Ba6]

23.dxc6 Bxc6 24.c5+ Bd5 25.c6! Qf7 0.81/17

[25...Qd6!⩲ 0.42/20 feels stronger. 26.Qc2 Rac8]

26.Qc2± Nc5

[26...Rac8]

27.Ba3 Qg6

[27...Rxe1+ 28.Rxe1 Re8 29.Rxe8+ Qxe8 30.Bxc5 Qe1+ 31.Kh2 Qe5+ 32.g3 bxc5 33.Qxc5 Qe4 34.f3]

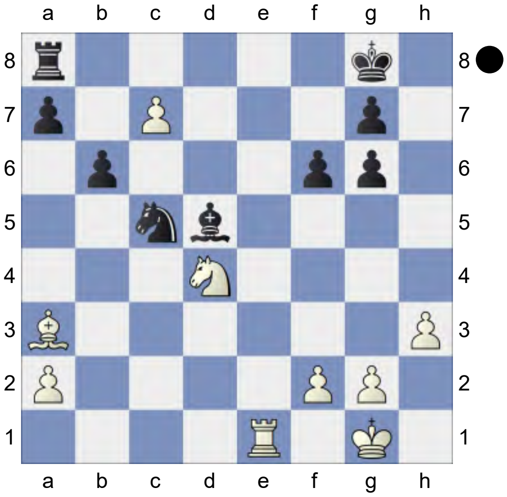
[27...Be4 28.Qc3 Qd5 29.f3 Rad8 30.Rad1 Bg6 31.c7 Rc8 32.Nb5]

[27...Re5 28.Bxc5 bxc5 29.Qxc5 Bxg2 30.Rxe5 fxe5 31.Kxg2 exd4 32.c7 Rc8 33.Rc1 Qg6+ 34.Kh2 d3 35.Rc3]

28.Qxg6 hxg6 29.c7 Rxe1+ 2.47/19

[⌓29...Ne6 1.98/20]

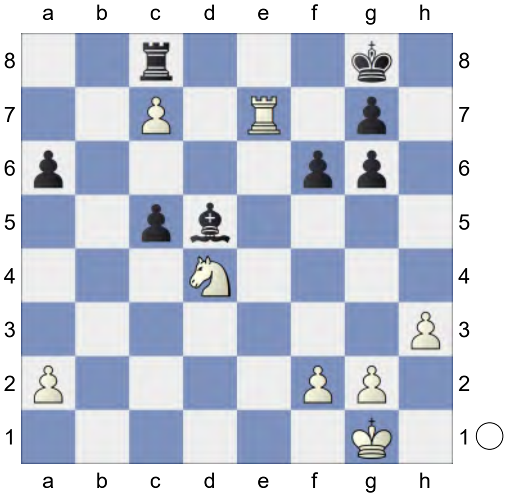
30.Rxe1+-



Rc8 31.Re7 a6

[31...Kf8 32.Rd7 Bb7 33.Bxc5+ bxc5 34.Nb5]

32.Bxc5 bxc5 Endgame



KRB-KRN **33.Rd7! Kh7 34.Rxd5 cxd4 35.Rd7** Kf1! is the strong threat.

[35.Rxd4 Rxc7 36.Rh4+ Kg8⩲]

35...g5? 6.07/22

[35...d3 2.59/4 36.Kf1 *(36.Rxd3 Rxc7 37.g3 Rc6±)* 36...g5]

36.Kf1 White is clearly winning.

[36.Rxd4 Rxc7 37.Ra4 Rc1+ 38.Kh2 Rc2=]

36...Kg6 37.Ke2

[And not 37.Rxd4 Rxc7 38.Ra4 Rc1+ 39.Ke2 Rc2+ 40.Ke1 Kh7=]

37...Kf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.40

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38.Re7!

[Weaker is 38.Rxd4 Rxc7 39.Ra4 Rc6=]

1-0

564 **C54**
☐ **Katz,Alexander Ross** **2355**
■ **Sun,Ryan** **2346**
New York Marshall GM-B 07 (7) 12.07.25
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3

[6.a4 a6 7.c3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]

6...0-0 7.Nbd2 7.Re1 is becoming the main line.7.Te1 wird zur Hauptvariante.

7...a5 8.h3 h6N

[8...Ba7 9.Re1 Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

9.Re1 a4 White has an edge. **10.Bb5 Bd7! 11.Nc4**

[11.Bxa4 Rxa4 12.Qxa4 Nb4±]

11...Na5 12.Bxd7 Qxd7 13.Ne3 Bxe3 14.Bxe3 Qb5N 0.65/20

[14...Nc6 15.Qc2 d5 16.Rad1 Rfe8 17.exd5 Qxd5 18.d4 -0.90/23 *(18.b3=* 0.07/21 *)* 18...e4 0.01/21 *(18...Qxa2∓* -0.90/23 Hoping for ...exd4. *19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.dxe5 Nd5)* 19.Ne5 -0.90/23 *(19.Nd2!=* 0.01/21 *)* 19...Qxa2∓ 20.c4 Qb3 21.Qxb3 axb3 22.Nxc6 bxc6 0-1 (45) Eftovska,L (1653)-Manova,I (1928) FRM-ch (Women) 2023 (8)]

[14...Nc6= 0.10/20]

15.Qc2

[15.Nh4 is more complex. Kh7 16.Nf5 Nc6 17.Rb1]

15...Rfe8 16.Nd2 -0.01/21

[16.c4± 0.42/21 Qd7 17.Nh4]

16...d5= 17.c4 dxc4 18.dxc4 Qd7 19.Red1 Nc6 20.Nf3 Against Nd4

20...Qe6 21.Rac1 b6 22.Qb1 Red8 -0.01/23

[22...Na5∓ -0.47/21]

23.b3

[23.Rd5!?]

23...a3 24.Ne1 -0.74/24

[24.Rd5= -0.01/23 keeps the balance.]

24...Nd4∓ 25.Bxd4 exd4 -0.01/22

[25...Rxd4∓ -0.73/25 26.f3 (*26.Rxd4 exd4 27.f3 Nd7∓*) 26...Rd6]

26.f3= Nh5 27.Nd3 c6 0.53/20

[27...Qf6= 0.01/22]

28.Qc2⩲ Qf6 1.72/24

[28...Re8⩲ 0.37/20]

29.Qd2 0.39/20

[29.g4+- 1.72/24]

29...Re8? 2.40/23

[29...g5!⩲ 0.39/20]

30.Re1? 0.42/22

[30.c5+- 2.40/23]

30...Qg6 31.Qf2 c5 32.g4 Nf6! 33.Qg2 Ra7 0.50/22

[33...Nd7= 0.12/23 was preferable.]

34.Re2 0.12/21

[34.Rcd1⩲ 0.50/22]

34...Rae7!= 35.Rce1 Kh8 0.49/23

[35...b5= -0.01/23]

36.h4 Ng8 1.50/21

[36...Qh7⩲ 0.51/22]

37.g5 Qc6 38.f4 b5? 3.05/21

[38...g6± 1.02/21]

39.e5+- Qxg2+ 40.Kxg2 bxc4 41.bxc4 Rc7 42.e6 f6 43.Rb1? 1.24/21

[43.f5+- 3.14/20 has better winning chances.]

43...Ne7± 44.Rb5 0.60/22 White is much more active.

[44.Kf3± 1.37/22]

44...Rec8⩲ 45.Kh3 0.57/21

[45.Kf3 Nf5=]

[45.Ra5± 1.55/23]

45...hxg5? 2.90/22

[Black should play 45...h5!⩲ 0.57/21]

46.hxg5+-

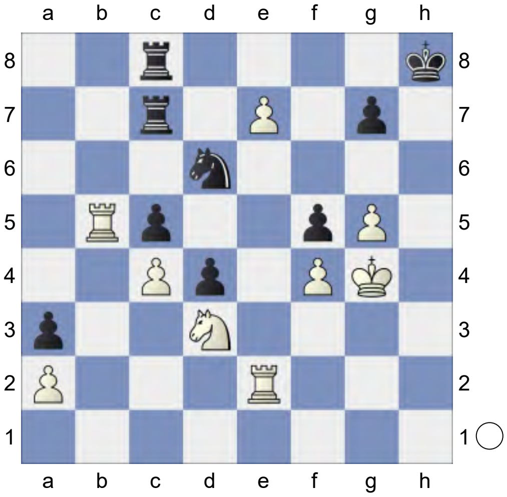
[46.fxg5 fxg5 47.hxg5 Nf5±]

46...Nf5 47.Kg4 Nd6? 6.44/22

[47...Ne3+ 2.18/24 48.Kf3 Kh7]

48.e7 f5+ 5.00/27

[48...Kh7 3.52/26 is a better defense.]



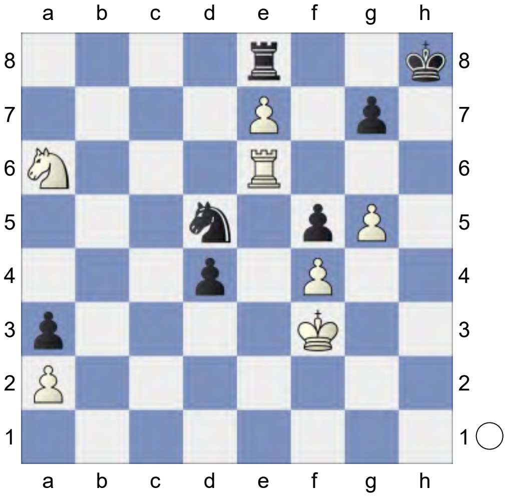
49.Kf3! White is clearly winning.

49...Re8 50.Rxc5 Rxc5 51.Nxc5 Nxc4

Endgame KRN-KRN **52.Re6**

and g6 should not be overlooked

52...Ne3 53.Na6 Nd5



Repels Nc7 **54.Re5! Nxe7 55.Nc7**

Deflection **55...Rd8 56.Rxe7 d3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/

Black=0.78

57.Re8+

1-0

565 **C54**

☐ **Myagmarsuren,Evsuld** **2248**

■ **Wagner,Dennis** **2614**

Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early b..

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Nbd2 d6 7.c3 **a5!** is now more promising than 7...a6. im Vergleich zu 7...a6 vielversprechender. **8.h3 Ba7 9.Re1 Be6N** The position is equal.

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 c6 *(10...Ng6 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 Rad8 25.Rh5* 1-0 Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12) *)* 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/ 295 2000 (10)]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.Ng5 Bd7 12.Bxd7 Qxd7 **13.Nf1N**

[13.a4 -0.38/23 13.Ngf3 -0.01 Ng6 14.Ngf3 Rfe8 15.Qc2 d5 16.Nb3 h6 0.07/20 *(16...Bb6∓ -0.41/21)* 17.Kh2 -0.55/20 *(17.c4!= 0.07/20)* 17...Bb6 18.g3 Qc6 19.Kg2 ½-½ (34) Ponomariov,R (2631)-Kollars,D (2607) Dortmund GER Grand Prix 2021 (5)]

13...Ng6 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 h6 16.Nf3 Rfe8 17.Qd2 a4 18.Nf5 -0.52/19

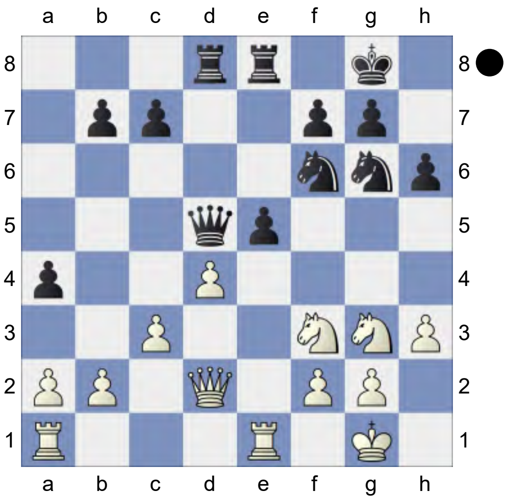
[18.c4= -0.14/19 feels stronger.]

18...d5∓ 19.Ng3 Rad8 20.exd5 -0.84/21

[20.Qc2∓ -0.34/19]

20...Qxd5∓ 21.d4 -1.45/16

[White should try 21.Qc2 -0.85/21]



21...e4! 22.Nh2 c5 -0.68/25

[Better is 22...h5∓ -1.42/17 23.Nhf1 c5]

23.Nhf1 -1.05/22

[23.Ng4∓ -0.68/25 Nxg4 *(23...cxd4 24.Nxf6+ gxf6 25.Qxh6±)* 24.hxg4]

23...cxd4 Black is more active. **24.cxd4 Qxd4 25.Qc2** -1.73/24

[25.Rad1∓ -0.88/22 Qe5 26.Qb4]

25...Rc8↑ Black has strong initiative. **26.Qe2** -2.77/22

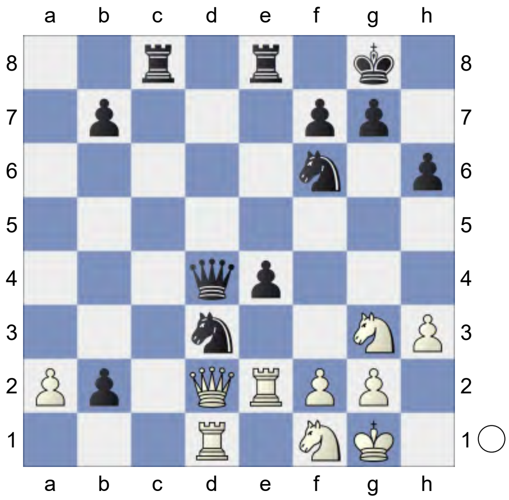
[26.Red1∓ -1.44/22 Rxc2 27.Rxd4]

26...Nf4-+ 27.Qd2 Nd3 28.Re2? -6.02/21

[28.Ne3 -3.10/20]

28...a3 29.Rd1 axb2

[29...Qxb2? 30.Qa5-+]



White must now prevent ...Rc1. **30.Nf5 Qc5 31.N1g3 Qc1 32.Kh2 Qxd2**

[32...b1R 33.Rxc1 Rcxc1 34.Nxh6+ gxh6 35.Qxh6-+]

33.Rexd2 Rc1 34.Nxe4 Nxe4 35.Rxd3 b1Q 36.Rd8 Rxd8 37.Rxd8+ Kh7 38.Ne7

Weighted Error Value: White=1.12/Black=0.33

38...Rh1#

0-1

566 **C50**
☐ **Garcia Blanco,Omar** **2377**
■ **Domalchuk Jonasson,Aleksandr**
Colonia de Sant Jordi IM 3rd (7)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.c3 Bb6 6.0-0 h6! is now more promising than 6...Nf6.im Vergleich zu 6...Sf6 vielversprechender. **7.Bb3N**

[7.Nbd2 Nf6 8.Bb3 (*8.b4 0-0 9.Re1 Ng4 10.Re2 Ne7 11.d4 exd4 12.cxd4 Ng6 13.h3 Nf6 14.a4 a5 15.b5 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Qb3 Ndf4 18.Re4 Be6 19.Bxe6 Nxe6 20.Ba3 Re8 21.Rae1 Qd7 22.Qe3 Red8* ½-½ (65) Mihai,E (2189)-Egger,R (2064) corr MT/Stern/pr pr 10 2019) 8...a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 Re7 36.Rc1 Qf5 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

7...Nge7 8.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **8...a5N**

[8...0-0 9.Nc4 Kh8 10.Nxb6 axb6 11.d4 -0.17/23 (*⌓11.Nh4* 0.27/21) 11...Bg4 12.d5 Na5 ...Bxf3 would now be deadly. 13.Bc2 f5 1.14/22 (*13...c6=* 0.17/22) 14.exf5 -0.23/21 (White should play *14.h3±* 1.14/22 *Bxf3 15.Qxf3*) 14...Nxf5 0.47/22 1-0 (40) Drygalov,A (2455)-Hakobyan,A (2619) Titled Tuesday intern op 30th Apr Early blitz 2024 (7) (*14...b5=* -0.23/21)]

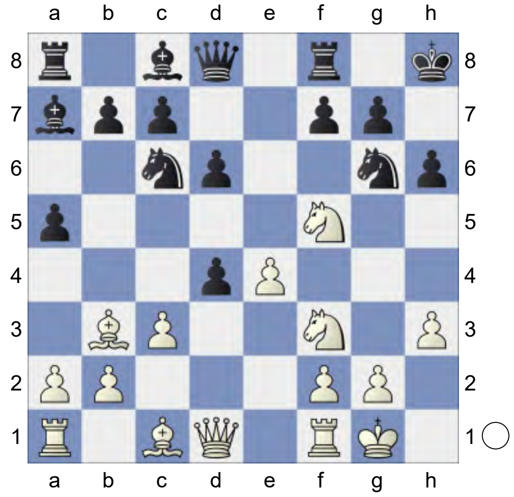
9.Nc4 Ba7 10.Ne3 0-0 11.d4 -0.02/21

[11.Nh4± 0.37/19]

11...Ng6= 12.h3 Kh8 0.47/20

[12...exd4= -0.25/21 13.Nxd4 *(13.cxd4 Nh4∓)* 13...Nxd4 14.cxd4 Qh4]

13.Nf5± exd4



14.Bxh6! Bxf5 15.Bg5! Qd7 16.exf5 Qxf5 17.Bc2

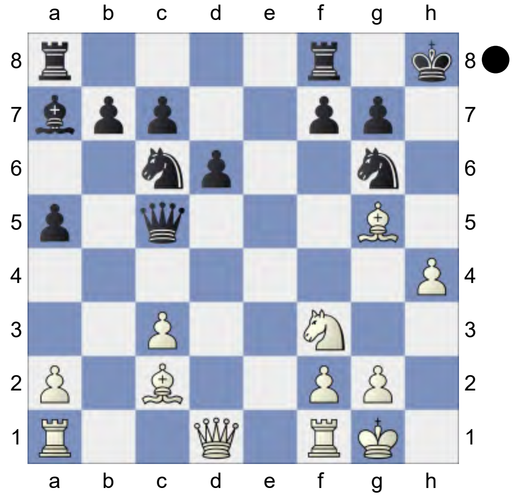
[17.cxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxg5∓]

[17.Bc1 simplifies Qh5 18.Nxd4 Qxd1 19.Rxd1 Nxd4 20.cxd4 Ne7 21.Bc2]

17...Qc5 18.h4 0.31/22

[18.Rc1± 0.76/22]

18...dxc3 19.bxc3



Rae8! 20.Rb1 Qxc3 21.Bd2 This pair of bishops is nice. **21...Qc4 22.Ng5 Qe2 23.Rxb7** Ba4 is the strong threat. **23...Bb6** 0.60/25

[Better is 23...Re7= -0.01/24]

White does not recover from this.

24.Qc1? -2.73/23

[24.Be3± 0.60/25 keeps the upper hand. Qxd1 25.Rxd1 Rxe3 26.fxe3]

24...Nd4-+ 25.Bd1

[Avoid the trap 25.Nxf7+? Rxf7 26.Rxb6 *(26.Bxg6 Rxf2 27.Rxf2 Nf3+* Pin, Deflection, Double Attack *28.Kh1 Qxf2 29.Bf5 Ne1)* 26...cxb6-+]

25...Qd3 26.Be3? -4.12/23

[26.h5 -1.63/23 Nh4 27.Qc3 Qxc3 28.Bxc3 Ne2+ 29.Bxe2 Rxe2 30.h6]

26...Nxh4 27.Rxc7 -5.51/21

[⌓27.Bxd4 -3.81/23 Qxd4 28.Rxc7]

27...Bxc7 28.Qxc7 Ne6 -2.40/23

[28...Rxe3 -6.65/23 29.Nxf7+ Kg8 *(29...Rxf7? 30.Qxf7 Re5 31.g3-+)* 30.fxe3 Qd2 *(30...Qxe3+? 31.Kh2-+)*]

29.Nxf7+? -5.01/22

[29.Qxa5 -2.40/23 Ra8 30.Nxf7+ Kg8 31.Qb4]

29...Kg8 Black is clearly winning. **30.Qxd6 Qe4 31.Nh6+ gxh6 32.Qg3+ Kh7 33.Bg4 Nf5 34.Bxf5+ Qxf5 35.Rd1 Rd8 36.Rc1 Rg8 37.Qh4 Qg6 38.g3 Rgf8 39.Rc6 Rf6 40.Ra6 Ng5** (-> ...Nf3+) **41.Ra7+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/ Black=0.32

41...Rf7

0-1

567 **C52**
☐ **Hoyos Millan,Luis Bernardo** **2560**
■ **Voiculescu,Costel** **2573**
Hristov Memorial 02.06.2010
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Ba3 d6!

[8...Bxc3 9.Nxc3 dxc3 10.Qb3⩲]

9.e5! Ne4

[9...dxe5 10.Qa4 Bd7 *(10...dxc3? 11.Nxe5 Be6 12.Nxc6+-)* 11.cxd4⩲]
[9...d5 10.Bb5 Ne4 11.e6 Bxe6 12.Qa4 Bd7 13.Bxc6 Bxc6 14.Qxa5 b6 15.Qb4 dxc3 16.Nxc3 Qf6 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rad1 Rd8 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.Qxe4+ Qe6 22.Rxd8+ Kxd8 23.Rd1+ 0-1 Conquest,S (2260)-Hodgson,J British CF-71 Championship 1984 (1)]

10.exd6! cxd6 11.Qe2N

[11.Re1 0-0 *(11...d5 12.Bd3 dxc3 13.Bxe4 dxe4 14.Rxe4+ Be6 15.Qc2 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Rxe6 Rf7 19.Nxc3 Rc8 20.Rc1 Nd5 21.Bb2 Rfc7 22.Qb3 Bxc3 23.Bxc3 Rxc3 24.Rxc3 Rxc3 25.Qd1 Qd7 26.Re1* 0-1 (40) 5.e3 0-0 6.b4 (1411)-Hohfeld (1312) Srbija i Crna (ch) 96/405 2006 (4) *Nf6 27.Qe2 Qc6 28.Qd1 Qd5 29.Qe2 Qe4 30.Qd2 Qd3 31.Qf4 Rc8 32.h3 Rf8 33.Qe5 Qd5 34.Qb2 Ne4 35.Rf1 b6 36.Qc2 Nc5 37.Rd1 Qf7 38.a3 Qb3 39.Qd2 Ne6 40.Qd7 Rd8* 0-1 Glotz,K (1411)-Roessling,L (1312) GER-ch U12 Girls 2023 (4)*)* 12.Rxe4 d5 13.Re2 dxc4 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Rd2 Be6 17.Rxd4 Qf6 18.Qc2 Bb6 19.Rd1 Bf5 20.Qb2 Bg4 21.Re1 Rc8 22.Na3 g6 23.h3 Be6 24.Nb5 Qg5 25.Kf1 Bd5 1-0 (54) Estay Torreblanca,O (2116)-Palma Araya,D (2003) Santiago 2.5 2025 (4)]

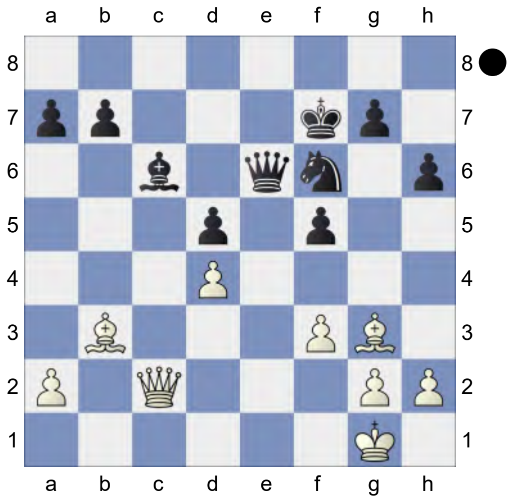
11...d5

[11...Bxc3? 12.Qxe4+ Qe7 13.Nxc3 dxc3 14.Qd3+-]

12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.cxd4 f5 14.Bb3⇄ and f3 would now be decisive. White has counterplay **14...Kf7 15.f3 Nf6 16.Qd3! Re8 17.Nc3 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Bd7 19.Rfe1 Rc8 20.Qd2 Qb6 21.Kh1 Qc7** Prevents Re5.

[21...Qa6 is interesting. 22.Bc5 Ba4 23.Qf4 Bxb3 24.axb3 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Re8]

22.Kg1 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Re8 Wards off Re7+ **24.Rc1 Bc6 25.Bb4 Qd7 26.Qc2 h6 27.Re1 Rxe1+ 28.Bxe1 Qe6 29.Bg3**



f4! 30.Bf2 b6 31.Qc1 Qd6 32.Bc2 Bd7 33.Bd3 Nh5 34.Qe1 g5 35.Qe2 Qc7 36.Qd2 a6 37.Qd1

[37.Bxa6 b5 38.Qb4 Qb6-+]

37...b5 38.Bc2 Ng7 39.g4 -0.72/15

[39.Be1⩱ -0.32/16]

39...fxg3⩱ 40.hxg3 b4 41.g4

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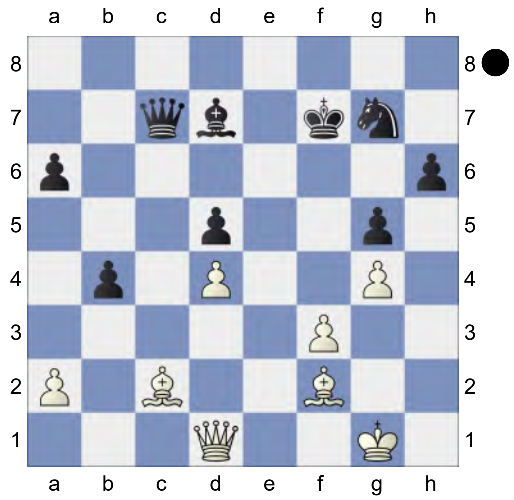


h5 -0.31/19

[41...Bb5!∓ -0.88/18 and ...Ne6 should not be overlooked 42.Qb1 a5]

42.Bb3 Qd6 43.Qd2 Kf6 44.Qd3 Be8 45.f4 Deflection **45...gxf4 46.Bh4+** The position is equal. **46...Kf7 47.gxh5 Nxh5 48.Qf5+ Kg7 49.Kf2 Bg6 50.Qg5 Ng3 51.Qxd5 Qxd5 52.Bxd5 Bf7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) /Black=0.05 (flawless) **53.Bb7**

[53.Bxf7 Kxf7 54.Bd8 Nf5]

½-½

569 C50

☐ **Mayank,Chakraborty 2457**

■ **Manish Anto,Cristiano F 2328**

15th Chennai Open 2025 (4.7) 04.01.25

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 d6 8.Na4 Bb6 9.a3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6** White is slightly better. **11.b4 Qe8 12.c3**

[12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5 1-0 Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana, F (2820) Paris GCT Blitz 2021 (2)]

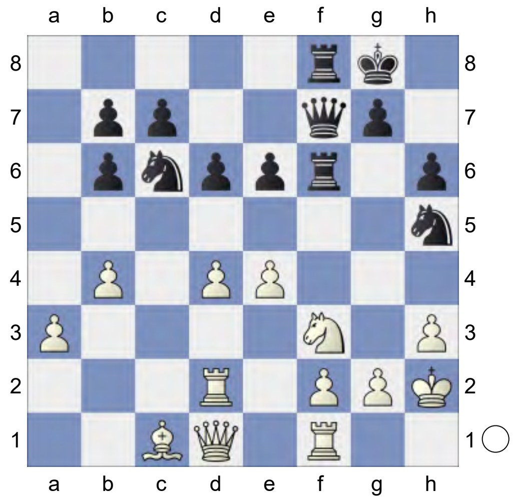
12...Nh5 13.Ra2 Rd8N

[13...Qg6 14.Kh2 Nf4 15.g3 Nh5 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.b5 Ne7 18.a4 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d]

14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 16.Nxb6

[16.d4!?]

16...axb6 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 Rf8



19.Rd3 0.39/22

[19.b5!± 0.91/23 Na5 20.Rc2]

19...Nf4!⩲ 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Qh5 25.Qb3 d5 26.bxc6 0.24/21

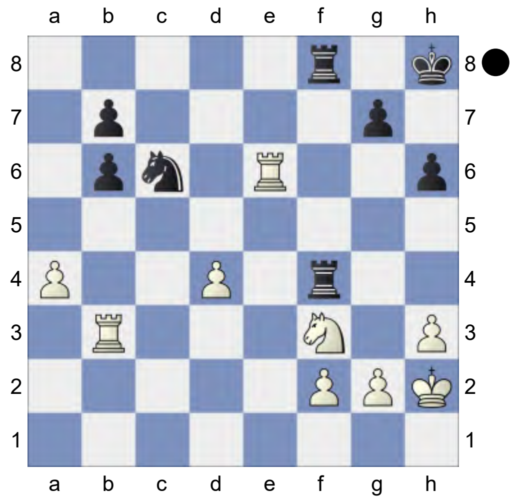
[White should play 26.Rce3± 0.75/20]

26...Nxc6= 27.exd5

[27.Rce3 seems wilder. Rxe4 28.Rxe4 dxe4 29.Rxe4 Qd5 30.Qb1]

27...Qxd5 The position is equal. **28.Rxe6 Qxb3 29.Rxb3**

(Diagram)



Hoping for Rd6. **29...Nxd4 30.Nxd4**

[Much worse is 30.Rexb6 Nxb3 *(30...Nxf3+ 31.Rxf3 Rxf3 32.gxf3=)* 31.Rxb3 Rxa4 32.Rxb7 Ra5∓]

30...Rxd4± Endgame. KRR-KRR **31.f3 Rxa4 32.Rexb6 Rf7 33.g4 Raf4 34.Kg3 R4f6 35.Rxf6 gxf6=** KR-KR **36.Kf4 Kg7 37.Kf5 Rc7 38.Rb6 Rc5+ 39.Ke6 Re5+ 40.Kd6 Re3 41.Rxb7+ Kg6 42.f4 Rxh3 43.f5+ Kg5 44.Rg7+ Kf4 45.Ke6 h5 46.gxh5 Rxh5 47.Rg1 Rh6! 48.Rg6**

[48.Rg2!?]

48...Rh1 49.Rg2 Ra1 50.Rf2+ Kg5 51.Rg2+ Kf4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.06 (flawless)

½-½

568 C50

☐ Mayank,Chakraborty 2457

■ Manish,Anto Cristiano F 2328

Chennai op 15th (4) 04.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 h6 6.0-0 0-0 7.h3 d6 8.Na4 Bb6 9.a3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6

11.b4! is currently scoring better than 11. Nxb6. wohl besser als 11.Sxb6. **11...Qe8 12.c3**

[12.c4 Nd4 13.Nxb6 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 axb6 15.Qe2 Qg6 16.Ra2 Nh5 17.Qg4 Kh7 18.Qxg6+ Kxg6 19.a4 Nf6 20.Be3 Nd7 21.Rfa1 Nb8 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Rxa5 24.Rxa5 Na6 25.b5 Nb4 26.Ra3 c5 1-0 (64) Nepomniachtchi,I (2792)-Caruana,F (2820) Paris GCT Blitz 2021 (2)]

12...Nh5

[12...Ne7 13.c4 Bd4 14.Nxd4 exd4 15.f4 Kh7 16.Bd2 e5 17.c5 b6 18.Nb2 b5 19.a4 a6 20.Qb3 Nc6 21.cxd6 cxd6 22.f5 Qd7 23.Nd1 d5 24.Nf2 Na7 25.axb5 Nxb5 26.exd5 Nxd5 27.Ne4 ½-½ (65) Piccoli,L (2220)-Proudian,A (2431) Niteroi op 3rd 2023 (4)]

13.Ra2 Rd8N

[13...Qg6 14.Nh4 *(14.Kh2 Nf4 15.g3 Nh5 16.Nxb6 axb6 17.b5 Ne7 18.a4* 15) Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - D-Italian 4...Bc5 5.Nc3 - Dry d*)* 14...Qf7 15.Nf3 Qg6! 16.Nh4 Qf7 17.Nf3 Qg6 ½-½ Grigoriants,S (2553)-Kozak,A (2549) HUN-ch 70th Budapest 2022 (9)]

14.Rd2 Rf6 15.Kh2 Qf7 0.93/23

[15...Nf4= 0.17/21]

16.Nxb6 0.23/23

[White should try 16.d4± 0.93/23]

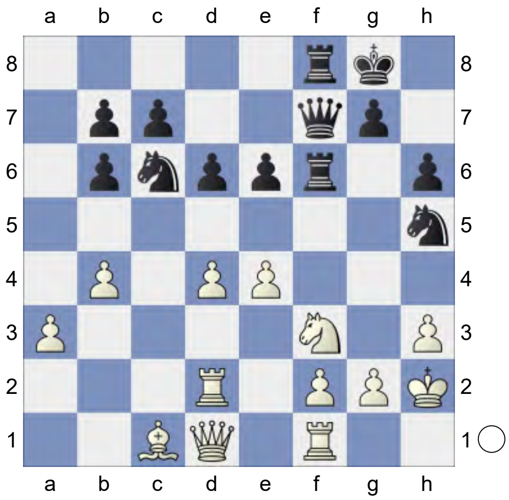
16...axb6= 17.d4 exd4 0.89/19

[17...b5⩲ 0.32/21]

18.cxd4± Rf8 1.14/21

[⌓18...Ne7 0.75/19]

(Diagram)



19.Rd3 0.37/22

[19.b5!± 1.14/21 Na5 20.Rc2]

19...Nf4± 20.Bxf4

[20.Rc3 Nxg2 21.Kxg2 Qg6+ 22.Kh2]

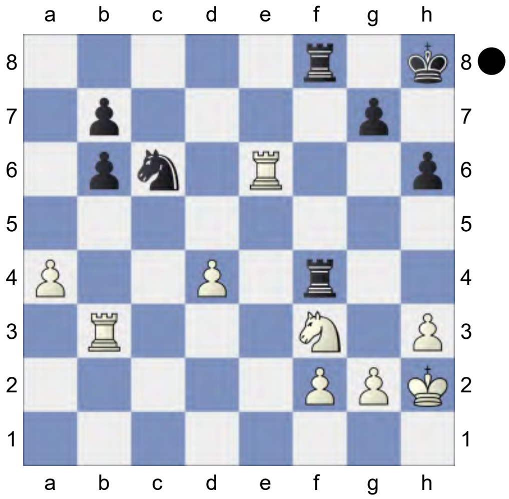
20...Rxf4 21.Re1 Ne7 22.b5 Kh8 23.Rc3 c6 24.a4 Qh5 25.Qb3 d5 26.bxc6

[26.Rce3 Kh7 27.R1e2 dxe4 28.Rxe4 Ng6 29.R4e3]

26...Nxc6 27.exd5

[27.Rce3 is more complex. Kh7 28.Qd1 dxe4 29.Rxe4 Qd5 30.Rxf4 Rxf4 31.Qd2]

27...Qxd5 28.Rxe6 Qxb3 29.Rxb3



Rd6 is the strong threat. **29...Nxd4 30.Nxd4**

[30.Rexb6 Nxb3 *(30...Nxf3+ 31.Rxf3 Rxf3 32.gxf3=)* 31.Rxb3 Rxa4 32.Rxb7 Ra2∓]

30...Rxd4± Endgame KRR-KRR **31.f3 Rxa4 32.Rexb6 Rf7 33.g4 Raf4 34.Kg3 R4f6 35.Rxf6**

[Much less strong is 35.Rxb7 Rxf3+ 36.Rxf3 Rxb7±]

35...gxf6= KR-KR **36.Kf4 Kg7 37.Kf5 Rc7 38.Rb6 Rc5+ 39.Ke6 Re5+ 40.Kd6 Re3 41.Rxb7+ Kg6 42.f4 Rxh3 43.f5+ Kg5 44.Rg7+ Kf4 45.Ke6 h5 46.gxh5 Rxh5 47.Rg1 Rh6! 48.Rg6 Rh1** 0.36/38

[48...Rh8= -0.01/35]

49.Rg2 -0.01/37

[49.Kxf6± 0.36/38 is more appropriate. Rb1 50.Rh6]

49...Ra1 The position is equal. **50.Rf2+ Kg5 51.Rg2+**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.11 (very precise)

51...Kf4

½-½

570 **C51**

☐ **Mercky,Gilles** **2524**

■ **Rattinger,Friedrich** **2688**

FRA-AUT email 01.11.2008

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 6.d4** White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.0-0! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Re1 Nxc4 10.Rxe4+ Be7 11.Rxc4±]

8.Nbd2 h6 The position is equal. **9.Re1 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5

[15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ Pink,J (2712)-Strick,E (2690) 28/526 Praha 1979 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.a4

[11.Bd3 Na5 12.Qc2 b6 13.Rb1 Bb7]

11...Nh7N

[11...Na5 12.Qa2 Nxc4 13.Nxc4 3. Accepted 5... Be7 and 5...-Accepted 5... Bd6 6... Nf6]

12.a5 Nf8 1.03/21

[Black should play 12...Rb8!± 0.49/18]

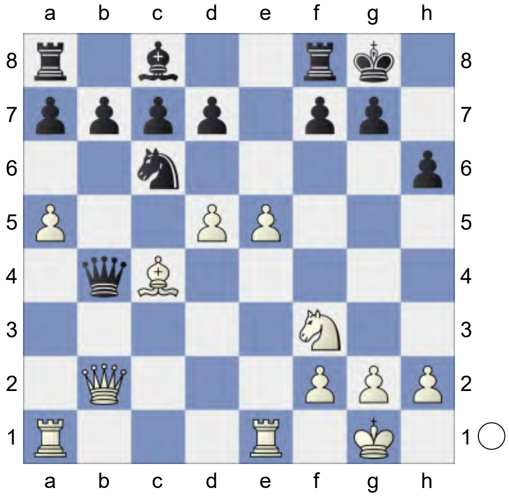
13.Nf1 White has more active pieces. **13...exd4 14.cxd4 Bb4 15.Bd2↑** White fights for an advantage. **15...Bxd2 16.N1xd2 Ne6** 1.16/21

[⌓16...b6 0.72/22]

17.Qb2± Threatens to win with d5. **17...Ng5 18.e5! Nxf3+ 19.Nxf3 Rf8** 2.16/20

[19...Qb4± 1.24/20 20.Qc2 (*20.Qa2 Nd8±*) 20...Nxa5]

20.d5+- Qb4



21.Qc2 White has a decisive advantage. **21...Nxa5**

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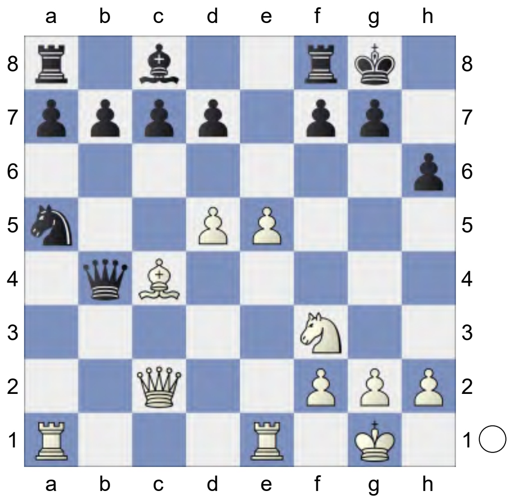

22.Ba2 b6 23.Bb1

[Weaker is 23.Qxc7 Nb3±]

23...g6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.22 (precise)

24.Ra4

[Not 24.Qxc7 Nb3 25.Be4 (*25.Rxa7 Rxa7 26.Qxa7 Nd4∓*) 25...Nxa1∓]

1-0

571 **C50**

☐ **Janik,Igor** **2515**

■ **Avramidou,Anastasia** **2298**

EU-ch Rapid Skopje (3) 07.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4** **7.Bg5!** is now more promising than 7.f4. im Vergleich zu 7.f4 vielversprechender.is now more promising than 7.f4.im Vergleich zu 7.f4 vielversprechender. **7...h6 8.Bh4 g5** 0.57/21

[8...Qe7!∓ -0.70/21]

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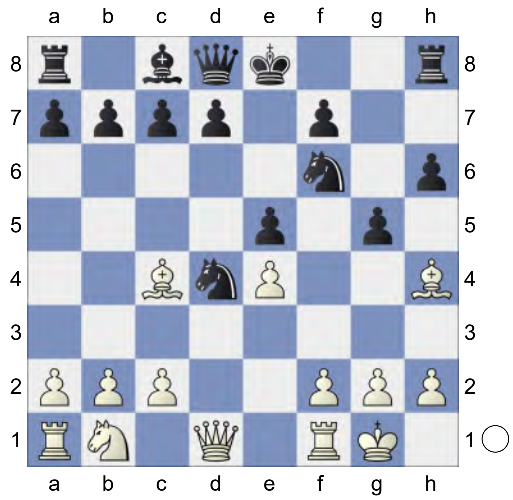


9.f4!⩲ d5

[9...gxf4? 10.Rxf4 d5 11.Bxf6+-]

10.exd5 White is slightly better.

10...gxh4

[10...Nf5 11.fxg5 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Qd6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Qf3 Qh4 15.Bb5+ Kd8 16.Bd3 Qxh2+ 17.Kf2 Rh4 18.Bxf5 Rf4 19.Bxc8 Rxf3+ 20.Kxf3 Qf4+ 21.Ke2 Qe4+ 22.Kd1 Rxc8 23.Nd2 Qxd5 24.c4 Qxg2 25.Rxf7 0-1 Shtavica,A (1984)-Jaiveer,M (2251) Wch U20 62nd 2025 (6)]

11.fxe5 Nxd5 12.Qxd4 Be6 13.Nd2N 0.07/20

[13.Qf2⩲ 0.54/18 should be considered. Qe7 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Nc3 Bc6 16.Rad1 Rg8 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.Rxd5 1-0 Roja (2372)-Wojtaszek,R (2355) Monarch Assurance 07th 1998]

13...Nb6!N

[13...c6 0.86/19 13...Nb6 0.02 14.Ne4 Qb6 15.Nd6+ 0.29/17 *(15.Rad1± 0.89/18)* 15...Ke7= 16.Qxb6 axb6 17.Bb3 Rhg8 18.Rae1 Inhibits Ne3. h3 19.g3! h5 ½-½ Morris Suzuki,S (2043)-Doluhanova,E (2207) Speed Chess (Women) Q4 blitz 2021 (3) ½-½ (45) Morris Suzuki,S (2043)-Doluhanova,E (2207) Speed Chess (Women) Q4 blitz 2021 (3)]

14.Qxd8+

[14.Qe4 is more complex. Nxc4 15.Nxc4 h3 16.Rad1]

14...Rxd8 15.Bd3 h3 16.g3 Nd5 0.16/22 Against Rf4

[⌓16...Nd7 -0.24/22 17.Nf3 0-0]

17.a3 -0.20/21

[⌓17.Nb3 0.16/22]

17...Ne3 18.Rf2 Ng4 19.Re2 h5 20.Nf3 Ke7 21.Rf1 -0.45/20

[21.Ng5= 0.00/19]

21...Rhg8∓ 22.Re4 c6 23.Rf4 Rg7 0.09/19

[23...Rd5∓ -0.51/18]

24.Re1= Rd5 25.Rb4 b5 26.Rf4 h4 0.66/19 **27.Be4** -0.26/21

[27.gxh4 Nxe5+ 28.Kf1 *(28.Ng5? f6-+ Pin)* 28...Nxd3 29.cxd3 Rxd3∓]

[27.Nxh4⩲ 0.66/19 Rxe5 28.Rc1]

27...Rc5 0.50/21

[27...hxg3= -0.26/21 28.hxg3 *(28.Bxd5? gxh2+ 29.Nxh2 Ne3+-+)* 28...Rc5]

28.Nxh4⩲ Nxe5 1.37/20

[28...Kd8⩲ 0.51/22]

29.Nf5+± Bxf5 30.Bxf5 f6 31.Rf2

[31.Bxh3 Rxc2 32.Rf2 Rxf2 33.Kxf2 Kf7⩲]

31...a5 32.Bxh3 b4 2.37/21

[32...Rg8± 1.58/19 33.Bf5 Kf7]

33.axb4+- axb4 34.Re4 Rb5 2.41/21

[34...b3 1.87/20 35.cxb3 Rh7]

35.Ref4 Rg6 36.Rd2 b3 37.c3 Ra5 38.Bf1 1.42/18

[38.Kg2+- 1.78/19]

38...Ra1 39.Kg2 Rc1 2.26/19

[39...c5± 1.60/20 keeps fighting. 40.Rdf2 Re1]

40.h3? 0.67/22

[White should try 40.Rb4+- 2.26/19]

40...Rg8⩲ 41.Bc4 0.19/21

[41.Re2± 0.76/20]

41...Rc2? 2.42/18

[41...Ra8!= 0.19/21]

42.Rdf2? 0.00/24

[42.Bxg8+- 2.42/18 Rxd2+ 43.Rf2]

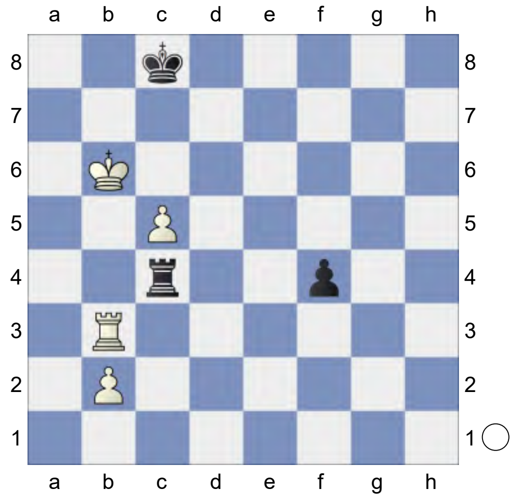
42...Nxc4 43.Rxc4= Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **43...Rd8! 44.Re4+ Kf7 45.Ref4 Rd6 46.g4 Kg7 47.R4f3 c5 48.Kg3 Rxf2 49.Rxf2** KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **49...Rd3+ 50.Rf3 Rd2 51.Rf2 Rd3+ 52.Kf4 Rxh3 53.Ke4 Rg3?** 2.59/25

[53...Rh1!= 0.06/26 and Black stays safe.]

54.Kd5+- Rxg4 55.Kxc5 Kf7 56.c4 Rg3 6.13/21 Dodges Rf3

[56...Ke6 2.01/23 57.Kb5 Rg8]

57.Kb6 Ke7 58.c5 Rg4 59.Re2+ Kd8 60.Rd2+ Kc8 61.Rf2 Rc4 62.Rf3 f5 63.Rxb3 f4



64.Kc6! Re4 65.Rh3 Re6+? 7.60/26

[65...Kb8 2.40/21 66.Rh8+ Ka7]

66.Kd5 3.58/23

[△66.Kb5 7.60/26 Rf6 67.c6]

66...Re3? 8.71/23

[66...Rf6 3.58/23 67.Ke5 Rf7]

67.Rh4? 0.09/20

[67.Rh8++- 8.71/23 Kb7 68.b4]

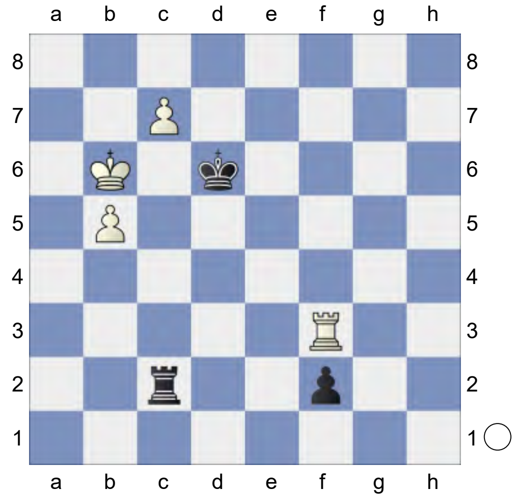
67...Rb3!= 68.Rh2 and Kc4 would now be decisive

[But not 68.Rxf4 Rxb2 69.Kc6 Kb8±]

68...f3 69.Kc4 Re3 70.b4 Re2? 7.15/23

[70...Re4+= 0.00/22 71.Kd3 Rxb4]

71.Rh8+ White is clearly winning. **71...Kc7 72.Rf8 f2 73.Kb5 Rb2 74.Rf7+ Kd8 75.c6 Kc8 76.Kc5 Kd8 77.b5 Ke8 78.Rf3 Ke7 79.Kb6 Rc2 80.Kb7** Intending c7 and mate. **80...Kd6 81.Kb6 Rb2 82.c7 Rc2**



Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.40 **83.Rxf2!!** Promotion

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572 **C50**

☐ **Burke,John M** **2551**

■ **Yip,Carissa** **2422**

SPICE Cup Open 2019 (5.6) 24.10.2019

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 a6 7.a4 d6 8.c3 White is slightly better. **8...Ba7 9.Re1 Kh8N**

[9...h6 10.Nbd2 Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2

Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 1-0 (47) Farionov,A (2645)-Posizione (2458) Koop Tjuchem 1996 (7) Qc7 25.Kg2 Rf7 26.Ne2 Ref8 27.Nxb6 Qc5 28.Qxe6 Kg7 29.d4 Qc6 30.Qd5 Qc7 31.Nxc8 Rxc8 32.Rb5 b6 33.Qb3 Rcf8 34.Rxb6 Qe7 35.Qd5 Qf6 36.Qxd6 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.Qc7+ R6f7 39.Qd6 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1)]

[9...b5 10.Bb3 b4 11.a5 Rb8 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Bc2 h6 14.Nf1 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 b3 17.Bb1 Qd6 18.Qe2 Rbe8 19.Ra3 f5 20.Nxe5 Bd7 21.d4 Nxd4 22.cxd4 Bxd4 23.Rxb3 Rxe5 24.Qc4 □-□ (45) 4.d4 ♘f6 5.♘f3 ♘c6 (2791)-C 06/30 (2809) cr AR ch 1984 (5.1)]

[9...Ne7 10.d4 Ng6 11.Nbd2 Re8 12.Bb3 Bd7 13.Bc2 Bc6 14.b4 d5 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rxe5 17.Nf3 Re8 18.e5 Ne4 19.Be3 7.♖c1 dc4 8.♗c4 71798 (2297)-Muniz Pardino,A (2422) 020 Linz 2014]

10.d4 Ng8 11.Be3 f5 12.exf5 d5! 13.Bb3

[13.Bg5 keeps more tension. Nce7 14.Nxe5 dxc4 15.Qh5]

13...e4 14.Bg5 -0.79/21

[14.Ng5= 0.21/21 keeps the balance.]

14...Qd6∓ 15.Nh4 Bxf5 16.Nxf5 Rxf5 17.Bh4 Raf8 Black is more active. **18.Nd2 Nce7 19.Nf1** -1.45/23

[White should play 19.Bg3 -0.85/19 Qg6 20.Nf1]

19...c6 -0.94/24

[⌓19...Ng6! -1.45/23 20.Bg3 Nf4]

20.Ne3 R5f7! 21.c4 Nf5! Dodges Bg3 **22.Nxf5 Rxf5 23.cxd5** -1.83/24

[23.Qd2∓ -1.07/18 keeps fighting.]

23...cxd5-+ 24.Re2 -2.38/20

[⌓24.Bg3 -1.69/19 Qf6 25.Be5]

24...Ne7 Hoping for ...Nc6. **25.Bg3 Qd8 26.Bh4 Qd6 27.a5** -3.45/19

[27.Bg3 -2.17/20 might work better. Qf6 28.Rd2]

27...Nc6 28.Ra4 Qh6 29.Bg3 Qf6 30.Kh2 Bxd4

[30...Nxd4 31.Rd2 Nxb3 32.Qxb3-+]

31.Rd2 Be5

[31...Bxb2 32.Rxd5 e3 33.Rxf5 *(33.fxe3 Be5=)* 33...Qxf5 34.Rf4= *(34.fxe3 Be5=)*]

[31...Bxf2 32.Rxf2 Rxf2 33.Bxf2 Qxf2 34.Bxd5∓]

32.Rxd5 Bxg3+? 0.04/18

[32...Bxb2 33.Rxe4 Be5 34.Bc2±]

[32...Rxf2 33.Rxe5 Nxe5 34.Bxf2 Qxf2 35.Rxe4=]

[32...e3!-+ -1.68/23 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 *(33...Nxe5 34.fxe3 Rd8 35.Rd4=)* 34.fxe3 Rxe3 *(34...Rxa5 35.Rh4∓)*]

33.fxg3= Rf2

[33...Qxb2 34.Rxf5 *(34.Rxe4 Rf2∓)* 34...Rxf5 35.Rxe4+-]

34.Rd2 e3 35.Rxf2 Remove Defender **35...exf2**

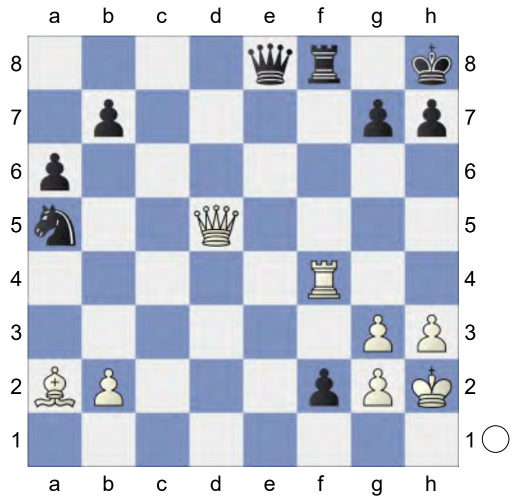
[35...Qxf2?! 36.Re4±]

36.Rf4 Qe7 White must now prevent ...Rxf4.

[36...Qd8 simplifies 37.Qxd8 Rxd8 38.Rxf2 Nxa5 39.Be6 b5]

37.Qd5 Rxf2! is the strong threat. **37...Nxa5** 0.89/28 **38.Ba2!± Qe8**

(Diagram)

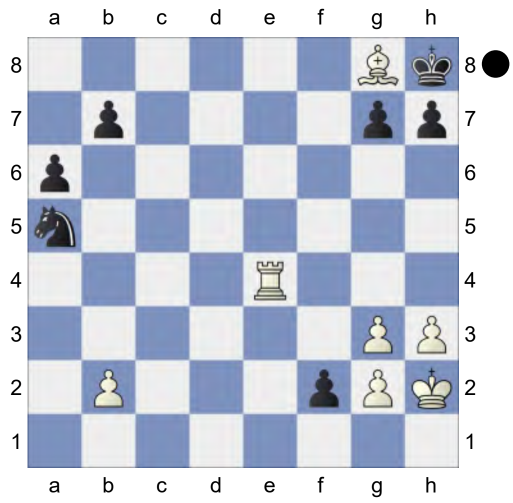


...Rxf4 would now be deadly. **39.Qe4** White threatens Bb1 and mate. **39...Rg8?** 4.75/19 **40.Bxg8??** -2.76/19

[40.Qf3 Qe1 41.Qxf2 Qxf2 42.Rxf2 Rd8=]

[40.Qf5+- 4.75/19 and all is fine. Qb5 41.Qxb5 (*41.Rxf2 Qxf5 42.Rxf5 g6+-*) 41...axb5 42.Bxg8 (*42.Rxf2 Nc4±*) 42...Kxg8 43.Rxf2]

40...Qxe4-+ 41.Rxe4



g5!

[41...f1R? 42.Re8 g5 43.Bc4+ Kg7 44.Bxf1+-]

42.Re8 Kg7 43.b4

[Wrong is 43.Re7+? Kxg8 44.Re5 (*44.Re8+? Kf7-+*) 44...f1Q-+ (*44...f1R 45.Rxg5+ Kf7 46.Rxa5±*)]

43...f1Q

[43...f1R? loses. 44.bxa5 Rf5 45.Bc4+-]

44.bxa5 Endgame. KQ-KRB **44...Qb5** Prevents Bd5. **45.Rb8** -4.52/22

[45.Rd8∓ -1.58/21]

45...Qxa5 Strongly threatening ...Qe5.

[But not 45...Qe5 46.Rd8-+]

46.Be6 Kf6 47.Bg4 b5 48.Be2 Qc7 49.Ra8 Qb7 50.Bf3 Qb6 51.Rc8 Ke5 52.Rc6 Qa7 53.Be2 Kd5 54.Bf3+ Kd4 Black is clearly winning. **55.Be2 Qe7 56.Rc2 Qe6 57.Bg4 Qb6 58.Bf5 h6 59.Rd2+ Ke5 60.Bg4 a5** Threatens to win with ...b4. **61.Be2 a4 62.Bd1 Qa5 63.Ra2 Kd4 64.Ra3 Qb4 65.Rf3 Qd2 66.Rd3+ Qxd3** Black used his chance.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.27 (precise)

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573 **C54**

☐ Juhasz,Agoston Botond **2428**

■ Csontos,Aron **2288**

HUN-ch Rapid (4) 19.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 0-0 6.c3 d6 7.h3 a6 7...a5 is setting a new trend.7...a5 setzt einen neuen Trend. **8.a4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 h6 10.Re1** The position is equal. **10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.d4N**

[14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 Rf7 26.Ne2 Ref8 27.Nxb6 Qc5 28.Qxe6 Kg7 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A

(2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1) 29.d4 Qc6 30.Qd5 Qc7 31.Nxc8 Rxc8 32.Rb5 b6 33.Qb3 Rcf8 34.Rxb6 Qe7 35.Qd5 Qf6 36.Qxd6 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.Qc7+ R6f7 39.Qd6 Rf6 40.Qd7+ R8f7 41.Rxf6 Kxf6 42.Qg4 Qd3 43.dxe5+ Kxe5 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2645)-Pajeken,J (2458) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (7) 44.Nd4 Rf6 45.Rd1 Qxc3 46.Nc6+ Rxc6 47.Qf5# 1-0 Farionov,A (2645)-Posizione (2458) Koop Tjuchem 1996 (7)]

14...Re8N

[14...Qg6 15.Kh2! Rd8 16.Nh4 Qf6 17.Nhf5 Bxf5 18.Nxf5 exd4 19.cxd4 d5 20.exd5 Nxd5 1-0 (37) Mardell,J (2211)-Gomez Aguirre,J (2343) Rilton Cup 52nd 2024 (5)]

15.dxe5 -0.01/20

[15.Nd5± 0.72/19 Qg6 16.Nxf4 *(16.Nxc7? Qxg2#)* 16...exf4 17.Kh2]

15...Nxe5= 16.Nxe5 Qxe5

[16...Rxe5 is more complex. 17.Nd5 Nxh3+ 18.gxh3 Qh4]

17.Qf3 With the idea Bxf7+!. **17...Be6**

[17...Qxe4? 18.Nc2 Nxh3+ 19.Kh1+-]

18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.h4 Dodges Ng5 **19...Nc5 20.Nd5 Rac8**

[20...Nxe4? 21.Nxc7 Nd2 22.Qe3 *(22.Qxb7 Qxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 24.Kh2 Nf1+ 25.Kh3 Rd8+-)* 22...Qxe3 23.fxe3+-]

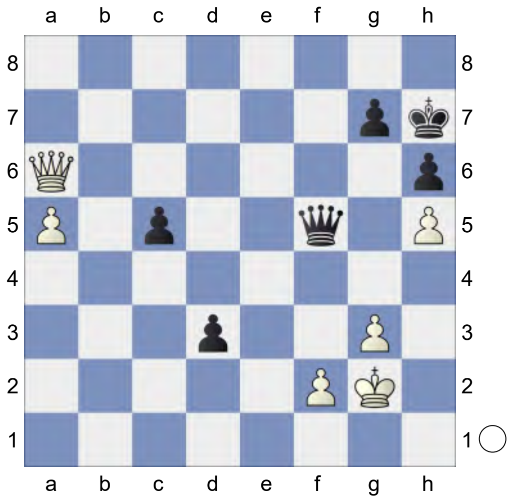
21.Qg4 Nxe4 Remove Defender **22.Rxe4** Remove Defender **22...Qxd5 23.Rae1 Rxe4** -0.20/25

[23...Qc6∓ -0.57/28 is superior.]

24.Qxc8+ Kh7 25.Rxe4 Qxe4 Endgame KQ-KQ. Black is a pawn up. **26.g3 c5 27.Qd7 Qb1+ 28.Kg2 Qxb2 29.Qxf7 Qxc3 30.h5 Qd3 31.Qxb7 d5 32.a5 d4 33.Qc6 Qf5** And now ...d3 would win. **34.Qxa6** Loses the game. **34...d3?** 13.90/29

[34...Qxh5? is the wrong capture. 35.Qd3+ Kh8 36.a6+-]

[34...Qe4+= 0.01/27 35.Kg1 Qe1+ 36.Kg2 Qe4+]



35.Qg6+!+- Deflection. White is clearly winning. **35...Qxg6 36.hxg6+ Kxg6 37.Kf3 c4 38.Ke3 Kf5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.31

39.a6

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574 **C54**

☐ **Onoprijchuk,Boris** **2385**

■ **Smirnov,Mark1** **2336**

Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early b..

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5

12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2 Bg6

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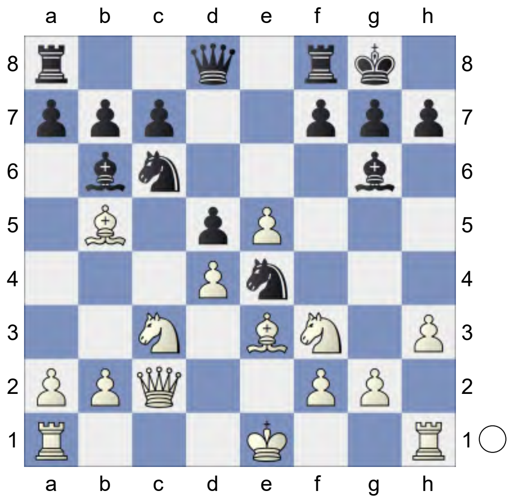


The main line 12...Bg6 scores better than 12...Nxc3.Die Hauptvariante 12...Lg6 punktet besser als 12...Sxc3.

13.Qb3 Ne7 ...c6 is the strong threat.

14.Nh4 c5 15.Nxg6 Nxg6 1.27/29

[15...hxg6= 0.22/25 keeps the balance. 16.dxc5 (*16.Nxe4 cxd4 17.Bg5 dxe4∓*) 16...Nxc5 17.Bxc5 Bxc5]

16.dxc5N 0.26/27

[16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.dxc5 Ba5+ 18.Ke2 and Rad1 should not be overlooked Nxe5 19.Rad1 0.97/27 (*⌓19.Rhd1* 1.56/25 *Qe7 20.Qa4*) 19...Qe7± 20.Rd5 a6 21.Bc4 Rac8 1.18/24 (*⌓21...Rab8* 0.81/24) 22.Rc1 0.20/23 1-0 (44) Perez Candelario,M (2590)-Laznicka,V (2662) Olympiad-43 Batumi 2018 (10.2) (*22.Rhd1±* 1.18/24)]

[16.Qxd5 Nxc3 (*16...cxd4 17.Qxe4 dxe3 18.fxe3∓*) 17.Qxd8 Rfxd8∓]

[16.Nxe4± 1.27/29 dxe4 17.dxc5 Ba5+ 18.Kf1]

16...Nxc5 17.Qxd5 Qxd5 2.81/23

[17...Ne6± 0.35/26]

18.Nxd5+- Nxe5 19.Nxb6 1.49/22

[19.0-0-0+- 2.79/23]

19...axb6± 20.Ke2 Dodges Ned3

20...Rfd8 2.25/24

[20...Ra5± 1.26/25 21.a4 Nxa4 22.Bxa4 Rfa8]

21.a4 1.13/27

[21.Rhd1+- 2.25/24]

21...Kf8 2.37/28

[21...Nb3± 1.13/27]

22.b4+- Ne4 23.Rhc1 Prevents Nc3+.

[23.Bxb6 Nc3+ 24.Ke3 Nd5+ 25.Ke4 Nxb6⩲]

23...Rdc8? 4.53/25

[23...Rd6 2.27/28 24.g4 Nf6]

24.Bd4 Ng6 25.g3 Nd6 4.85/24

[25...Ne7 3.12/23 26.Rxc8+ *(26.Bxb6 Nd5±)* 26...Rxc8]

26.Bd3? 1.05/22

[26.Bxb6+- 4.85/24 Kg8 27.Rxc8+ Rxc8 28.Bd3 *(28.Bd7 Ra8+-)*]

26...Re8+ 3.14/22

[26...Rxc1± 1.05/22 27.Rxc1 Ne7 *(27...Rxa4 28.Bxb6 Ne7 29.Kf1±)*]

27.Kf1 Ne5 28.Be2

[28.Bxh7?! g6⩲]

28...Ne4 29.Kg2

[29.Bxb6?! Nd2+ 30.Kg2 Nb3=]

29...Nc6 30.Bxb6 Nxb4 31.Bb5 1.41/24

[31.Bf3+- 1.96/23]

31...Re6 1.96/22

[31...Rec8± 1.41/24 was necessary. 32.Rc4 Rxc4 33.Bxc4 Rc8]

32.Bd4 Nd5 33.Re1 0.69/23

[White should try 33.Ra3+- 1.66/20]

33...Nd6? 3.38/22

[Black should try 33...Nec3⩲ 0.69/23]

34.Bf1 1.54/22 A strong pair of Bishops.

[34.Bc5+- 3.38/22 has better winning chances. Rd8 35.Bc4 Rxe1 36.Rxe1]

34...Rxe1± 35.Rxe1 b6 Prevents Bc5.

[35...Rxa4? 36.Bc5 g6 37.Re5+- *(37.Bxd6+ Kg7+-)*]

36.Bb5 -0.02/22

[36.Be5± 1.57/22 Nf5 37.Bc4]

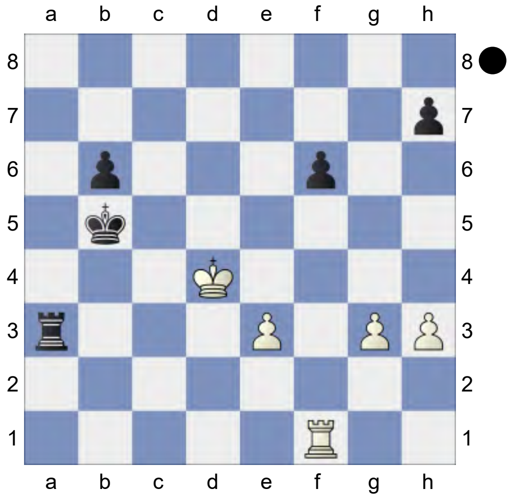
36...Nxb5= 37.axb5 Endgame KRB-KRN **37...Ra5 38.Rb1 Ke7 39.Bxg7 f6 40.Bh6 Kd6** 0.76/22

[40...Kf7= 0.14/24]

41.Be3 0.01/23

[41.h4± 0.76/22]

41...Nxe3+ 42.fxe3 KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **42...Kc5 43.Rf1 Ra2+ 44.Kf3 Kxb5 45.Ke4 Ra4+ 46.Kd3 Ra3+ 47.Kd4 Ra4+ 48.Kd3 Ra3+ 49.Kd4 Ra4+ 50.Kc3** -0.01/26



[50.Kd5⩲ 0.42/28 was preferable.]

50...Re4 The position is equal. **51.Kd3**

[Don't play 51.Rxf6 Rxe3+ 52.Kb2 Rxg3∓]

51...Re6 52.Rf5+ Kc6 53.Rh5 Re7 54.Rh6 Rf7 55.e4 Kd6 56.Kd4 Ke6 57.g4 Rd7+ 58.Kc4 Ke5 59.h4 Rc7+ 60.Kd3 Rb7 61.Rh5+

[61.Ke3!?]

61...Kf4 Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/ Black=0.48

62.Rf5+ Loss on time!?

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575 **C54**

□ Nigmatov,Ortik **2447**

■ Jin,Yueheng **2309**

Masters Open 2024 (6.36) 09.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 ½-½ Sevian,S (2698)-Lazavik,D (2553) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W Chess.com INT 2023 (6.2)]

[6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Nh4 Be6 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Rxa8 Rxa8 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxf6 Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 exf4 ½-½ Causil Pastrana,X (1564)-Martinez Serna,M (1621) Juegos Univers 31st (Women) op Pereira 2024 (4)]

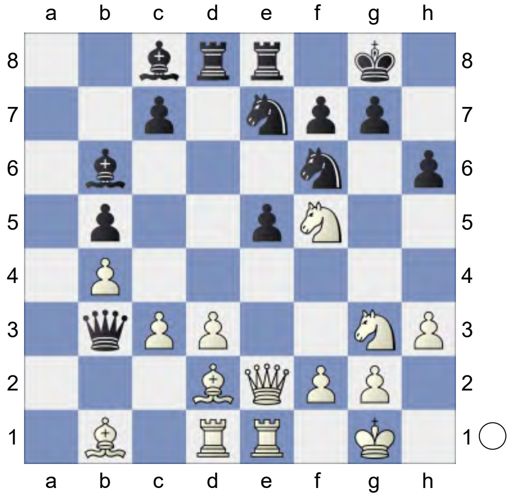
[6.Nc3 a6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.Bxd5 0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Bg5 Qe8 12.c3 Ba7 13.Re1 Bd7 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Qe7 16.Qd2 Bc6 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Qc2 Rfe8 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 e4 0-1 Orfila,A (1890)-Sprott, G (2110) 145/77 Biel 2020 (3)]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 9 Part Chapter-Games Part 5 Chapter 2 Game]

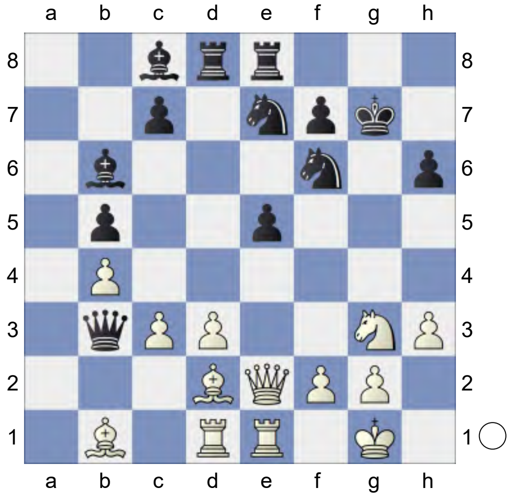
6...a6 7.Bb3 Ba7 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 h6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bc2

[12.Be3 simplifies Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Bxb3 14.Qxb3 Qd7 15.a4]

12...d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ng3 White has an edge. **14...Rad8 15.b4 Bc8 16.a4 b5 17.Bd2 Qd6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qe2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Qe6 21.Nh4 Qa2 22.Bb1 Qb3 23.Nhf5 Ne7**



24.Nxg7 Kxg7



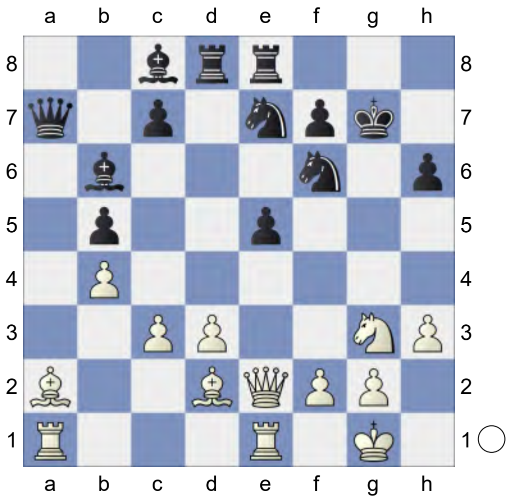
25.Ba2! Qa3 ...Ng6 would now be deadly.

[25...Qxa2 26.Bxh6+]

26.Ra1 And now Nh5+ would win. Some like it hot **26...Qa7?** 3.34/21

[26...Qa8± 0.74/21]

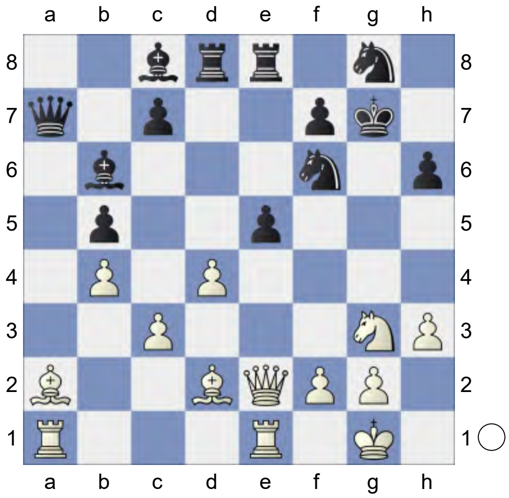
(Diagram)



Black cannot hold the game after this. **27.d4!+-** Discovered Attack **27...Neg8**

[27...exd4 28.Nh5+ Nxh5 29.Qxh5+-]

[27...Bxd4 28.cxd4]



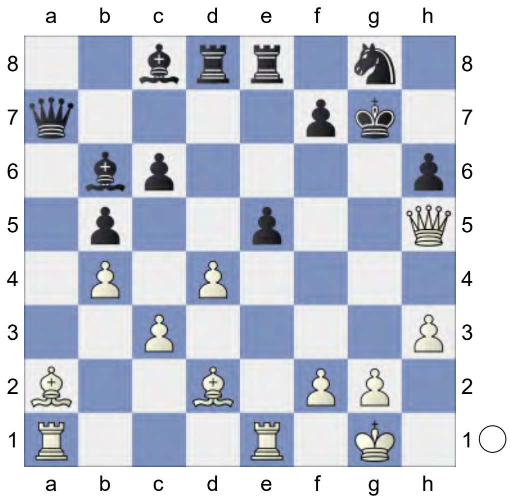
28.Nh5+!

[28.dxe5? Bxf2+ 29.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 30.Kxf2 Rxd2+-+]

[28.Bxf7 Kxf7 29.Rxa7 *(29.dxe5? Bxf2+ 30.Kh2 Qb6-+)* 29...exd4+-]

28...Nxh5 29.Qxh5 c6

(Diagram)



30.Bxh6+! Remove Defender. White is clearly winning. **30...Nxh6 31.Qg5+**

[31.dxe5? too greedy. Bxf2+ 32.Kh1 Qe7-+ *(32...Bxe1 33.Qg5+ Kh8 34.Qxh6+ Kg8 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36.Qh6+ Ke7 37.Qf6+ Kf8 38.Qh6+ Kg8 39.Qg6+ Kf8 40.Qh6+=)*]

31...Kh7 32.Bb1+ Discovered Attack

[32.dxe5? loses. Bf5 *(32...Bxf2+? 33.Kf1-+)* 33.Bb1 Rxe5 *(33...Qxa1? perishes. 34.Bxf5+ Nxf5 35.Qxf5+ Kg7 36.Qg5+ Kf8 37.Rxa1+-; 33...Bxf2+? 34.Kf1-+)* 34.Bxf5+ Rxf5-+]

32...f5 33.Rxa7+ Bxa7 34.Rxe5 Rxe5 35.Qxd8 Re1+ 36.Kh2 Bb8+ 37.g3 Be6 aiming for ...Bd5! **38.Qe7+ Kg6 39.Ba2 Bxa2 40.Qxe1 Kf7 41.Qd2**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.32

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576 **C54**
☐ **Abrahamyan,Tatev** **2327**
■ **Yip,Carissa** **2418**
ch-w 2024 Saint Louis USA (6.4)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6

[4...Qf6 5.0-0 d6 6.b4 Bb6 7.a4 a5 8.b5 Nd8 9.d3 Bg4 10.Be3 Ne7 11.Nbd2 Ne6 12.h3 h5 13.Bxb6 cxb6 14.Re1 Nf4 15.Re3 0-0-0 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.g3 Kb8 18.Nf1 Rh5 19.Ra2 0-1 Rodriguez Vila,A (2496)-Milos,G (2589) Festa da Uva playoff2 Caxias do Sul 2016 (1)]

5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6) 20.bxc4 Rb8 21.h4 Ba5 22.Bd2 Nf6 23.g5 Bxc3 24.gxf6 Bxd2 25.Qxd2 Qxf6 26.Qa5 Rb2 27.Rf2 Rxf2 28.Kxf2 Bxf5 29.exf5 e4 30.Re1 exf3 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.b4N -0.49/22

[White should play 6.e5= 0.15/23 d5! 7.Be2 (*7.Bb5*)]

[6.0-0 -0.32/25 6.e5 0.13 6.e5 0.13 dxc3 0.27/26 (*6...Nxe4∓ -0.32/25 7.cxd4 d5*) 7.Nxc3 -0.09/27 (*⌓7.e5 0.27/26 d5 8.exf6 cxb2 9.Bxb2 dxc4 10.Qe2+ Be6 11.Rd1*) 7...0-0= 8.Bg5 Hoping for e5. d6 9.Re1 -0.81/22 (*9.Nd5=* 0.03/21 keeps the balance.) 9...Re8 0.00/22 (*9...h6∓ -0.81/22 10.Bh4 Bg4*) 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6? 1.48/21 (*11...g5∓ -0.51/23* keeps the upper hand. *12.Bg3 Be6*) 12.Nd5± Re6 2.28/25 (*12...Be6± 1.48/19* was worth a try.) 13.Nxc7?? -2.82/19 (*13.e5!+- 2.28/25 dxe5 14.Nxf6+* Discovered Attack *Rxf6 15.Qxd8+ Nxd8 16.Rxe5*) 13...Qxc7-+ 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4? -1.22/19 (*16...Kh7-+ -3.07/20* is more deadly. *17.a3 Rg8*) 17.Qxh6∓ Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 -2.68/20 (*19.Re3∓ -1.26/20 Qf8 20.Qh5*) 19...Nb4?? 3.37/25 (*19...Kg7-+ -2.68/20* avoids the disaster. *20.Rd1 Bxa2 21.Qg4+ Kf8*) 20.e5? 1.06/22 (*20.Nd4!+- 3.37/25 Nd3 21.Qg3+ Kh8 22.Qxd3*) 20...Nc2? 5.42/21 1-0 4. ♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) Repels Re3 ;1-0 4. ♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) Repels Re3 (*20...Nd5± 1.06/22 21.Qg3+ Kf8 22.exd6 Qd7*) 21.Re2 Rc8? 11.89/28 (*21...Kg7 3.93/21 22.Qg3+ Kf8*) 22.exf6+- Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 Prevents Qh7+ 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ 10.37/21 (*⌓27.Ng5 #8/21 Bf5 28.Re6 Rc7 29.Re8* Pin *Rh7 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8 31.Nxh7+ Bxh7 32.Qxh7 Nd4 33.Qg7+ Ke8 34.Qe7#*) 27...Kxf7+- 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 ...Nf3+! would now be deadly. 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Qd7! would kill now. Bg6? 6.67/20 (*32...Rc7 3.72/19 33.Qxa6 Kxe7*) 33.Qd7+- Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5

35.f4 Bh5 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 1-0 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11)]

[6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 -0.62/23 *(7.Bd2= -0.04/23)* 7...d6 0.81/23 *(7...Nxe4∓ -0.62/23 8.0-0 Bxc3 9.bxc3 d5)*

A) 8.d5± Ne5? 3.39/24 *(8...Bxc3+± 0.87/20 9.bxc3 Ne7)* 9.Qa4++- c6 10.Qxb4 b5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.Be3 a5 14.Qb3 0-0 15.Rd1 Qc8 16.d6 Rd8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.f4 Rxd6 19.Rxd6 Qxd6 20.Rd1 Qc7 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 19921-0 (37) Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992 21.fxe5 Qxe5 22.Bd4 Qg5 23.Bxf6 Qxf6 24.Bf3 Re8 25.Ne2 b4 26.Qc2 g6 27.Qd2 c5 28.Ng3 Ba6 29.Qd6 Qxd6 30.Rxd6 Bb5 31.Kf2 Re5 32.Be2 c4 33.Rd5 Rxd5 34.exd5 a4 35.a3 c3 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992 1-0 (37) Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992;

B) 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5 11.0-0 Nxg3 12.fxg3 Bg4 13.Qb3 Qe7 14.a3 Bxc3 15.bxc3 Na5 16.Bxf7+ Qxf7 17.Qxf7+ Kxf7 18.Ne5+ Ke6 19.Nxg4 Nc4 20.Rf6+ Ke7 1-0 4.♕a4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 e6-12.♕d2 e5 13.♗h6_19893 Wch7 U.S.A. 1907 (8)]

6...Bb6∓ 7.e5 d5 8.exf6 Hoping for Qe2+. Black has an edge. Black is slightly better. Black is slightly better. Black is slightly better. Black is slightly better. Hoping for Qe2+. Black has an edge. **8...dxc4 9.Qe2+! Be6 10.fxg7?** -2.35/18

[White must play White has to play 10.b5!∓ -0.50/22 Na5 *(10...d3 11.Qe4!=)* 11.fxg7]

10...Rg8-+ Black is really pushing. **11.b5** -2.68/22

[⌓11.a4 -1.87/18 Qf6 *(11...Rxg7 12.a5∓; 11...d3? 12.Qe4-+)* 12.a5 dxc3! *(12...d3? 1.10/18 12...dxc3 -2.35 12...dxc3 -2.35 13.Qe4=; 12...Qg6? 13.axb6 d3 14.Qe3±)* 13.Bg5 -3.23/23 *(⌓13.axb6 -2.06/19 c2* Discovered Attack *14.Rxa7 cxb1Q 15.Rxa8+ Ke7 16.0-0 Rxa8 17.Bg5* Pin *)* 13...Qxg7-+ *(13...c2 14.Bxf6 c1Q+ 15.Qd1∓)* 14.axb6]

11...Ne7 12.cxd4 Rxg7

[12...Bxd4 -0.45/23 12...Rxg7 -1.55 12...Rxg7 -1.55 13.Nxd4 Qxd4 14.Bb2∓]

13.Nc3? -3.43/21

[13.0-0∓ -1.48/17 was the only defense.]

13...Ba5

[13...Rxg2 14.Ne4 Rg6 Inhibits Nf6+. *(14...Bxd4?* -0.26/20 14...Rg6 -3.55 14...Rg6 -3.55 *15.Nxd4* Remove Defender Remove Defender *Qxd4 16.Bb2∓)* 15.Bg5-+ Ba5+ *(15...Bxd4? 16.0-0-0+-)* 16.Kd1]

[13...Bxd4? -1.23/20 13...Ba5 -3.34 13...Ba5 -3.34 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Bb2∓]

14.Bd2 Nd5

[14...Rxg2 15.Ne4 Bxd2+ 16.Kxd2-+]

15.Qe5 -3.97/21

[⌓15.Nxd5 -2.47/18 was forced. Bxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Qxd5 17.Qe5 Qxe5 *(17...Rxg2? 18.Qxd5 Bxd5 19.Rhg1-+)* 18.Nxe5 *(18.dxe5)*]

15...f6

[15...Bxc3 16.Qxg7 Bxa1 17.0-0∓]

[15...Rxg2 16.Ne4 *(16.Kf1 Bxc3 17.Kxg2 Bxa1 18.Rxa1-+)* 16...Bxd2+ 17.Kxd2 c3+ 18.Ke2∓ *(18.Kd3∓)*]

16.Qh5+

[16.Qxe6+ Re7-+]

16...Bf7 A strong pair of Bishops. This pair of bishops is nice. A strong pair of Bishops. **17.Qh6 Rg6**

[17...Bxc3 18.Bxc3 Qe7+ *(18...Rxg2? 19.Kf1-+)* 19.Kf1]

[17...Rxg2 -1.72/22 17...Qe7+ -3.81 17...Qe7+ -3.81 18.Kf1 Rg6 *(18...Rg4?* 2.45/22 18...Rg6 -1.59 18...Rg6 -1.59 *19.Re1+ Ne7* And now ...Bxc3 would win. *20.Rg1+-)* 19.Qxh7 *(19.Re1+ Ne7=)* 19...Bxc3 *(19...Nxc3? 20.Re1++-)* 20.Re1+ Ne7 *(20...Kf8 21.Bh6+ Rxh6 22.Qxh6+ Kg8 23.Rg1+)* 21.Bxc3∓]

18.Qxh7 Bxc3

[18...Nxc3 19.Kf1 Threatens to win with Re1+. Qd5 *(19...Qd7 20.Re1+ Kd8 21.Qh8+ Bg8 22.Nh4∓* Against Qf5 *)* 20.Re1+

A) 20...Kd8

A1) 21.Qh8+∓ -1.05/18 Bg8 *(21...Rg8 22.Qxf6+ Kc8 23.Re5±)* 22.Nh4=;

A2) 21.Re3= -2.84/21;

B) 20...Ne4 21.Bxa5∓]

19.Bxc3 Nxc3 20.0-0 Qd5

[20...Nxb5? 0.00/27 20...Kf8 -3.34 20...Kf8 -3.34 21.Nh4 Rg5 0.43/25 *(21...Rxg2+!=* 0.00/27 *22.Nxg2 Nd6)* 22.Rae1+⩲ Kf8 ...Qd5! is the strong threat. 23.Qh8+ Bg8! 24.Qh6+! Kf7 25.f4!±]

21.Rae1+ Kf8 22.Nh4 Rg7 23.Qh8+ Bg8 24.Re3 Ne4

[24...Nxb5

A) 25.Rfe1 Nd6 *(25...Qxd4? 26.Nf5+-; 25...Nxd4? 26.Re7-+)* 26.Rg3 Rxg3 27.hxg3-+;

B) 25.Rf3 Kf7 *(25...Nxd4?* 5.01/17 25...Qg5 -3.85 25...Qg5 -3.85 *26.Rxf6++-; 25...Qxd4 26.Qh6!±; 25...Qg5 26.Rf5-+)* 26.Nf5]

[24...Nxa2? 0.09/18 24...Nxb5 -3.55 24...Nxb5 -3.55 25.Rfe1 Qg5 0.61/27 *(25...Qxd4?* 9.19/21 25...c3 0.00 25...c3 0.00 *26.Nf5+-* Decoy Decoy; *25...c3!=* 0.06/24 *26.Re6 Qg5)*

A) 26.Rg3 0.00/26 26.f4 0.52 26.f4 0.52 Rh7= *(26...Re7=)*;

B) 26.f4!± Qxf4 27.Rf3 Qxd4+ 28.Kh1±]

[24...Qxd4? 2.25/22 24...Ne4 -3.69 24...Ne4 -3.69 25.Nf5 *(25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.Nf5+ Kf8+- 27.Nxd4 Nxa2 28.Ne6+ Bxe6 29.Rxe6+-)* 25...Rh7 26.Qxh7 *(26.Nxd4?* -0.49/20 26.Qxh7 1.74 26.Qxh7 1.74 *Rxh8 27.Rxc3 Rd8∓)* 26...Bxh7 27.Nxd4+-]

25.Qh6 Qg5 Prevents Ng6+. Dodges Ng6+. Inhibits Ng6+. Dodges Ng6+. Inhibits Ng6+. Prevents Ng6+.

[25...Qxd4? 3.30/22 25...Bh7 -3.81 25...Bh7 -3.81 26.Nf5 Qd7 27.Nxg7 *(27.Qxg7+ Qxg7 28.Nxg7 Nc5+-)* 27...Qxg7 28.Qxg7+ Kxg7 29.Rxe4+-]

26.Qxg5 Nxg5 27.f4 Nh7 28.Rfe1 Rg4 29.g3

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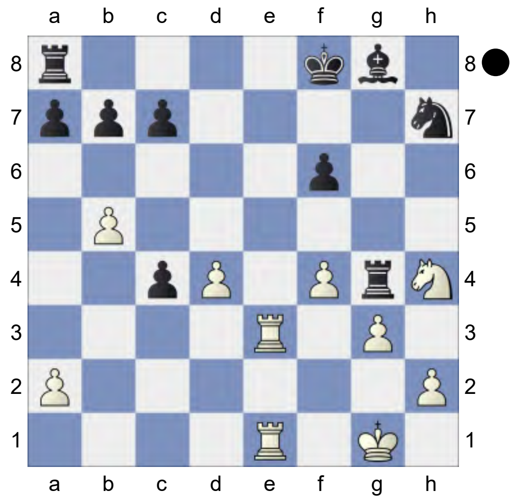

Bf7 -1.48/21
[⌓29...Rg7!-+ -2.51/23 Strongly threatening ...Rd7. White must now prevent ...Rd7. White must now prevent ...Rd7. Strongly threatening ...Rd7. 30.Nf5 (*30.R1e2 Rd7 31.Ng6+ Kg7*) 30...Rd7]

30.Kf2 -1.85/23
[30.Nf5∓ -1.48/21 is a better defense.]

30...Re8 31.Ra3 -2.21/19
[31.h3∓ -1.58/23 was called for. Rg8 (*31...Rxe3 32.Rxe3*) 32.Nf5]
[31.Nf5∓ -1.24/24]

31...Rxe1 32.Kxe1 Bd5 ...Be4 would now be deadly. **33.Nf5** -2.31/23
[33.Rxa7∓ -1.47/22 was necessary. Be4 Inhibits Nf5. Strongly threatening ...c3. 34.Ra3 -2.95/24 (*34.d5∓* -1.47/21 was called for.; *34.Kd2*)]

33...Be4 34.Ne3 Rg7 35.Rxa7 Rd7 36.d5 c3
[36...Bxd5? -0.10/21 36...c3 -1.80 36...c3 -1.80 37.Nxd5 Rxd5 38.Rxb7∓]

37.Rxb7

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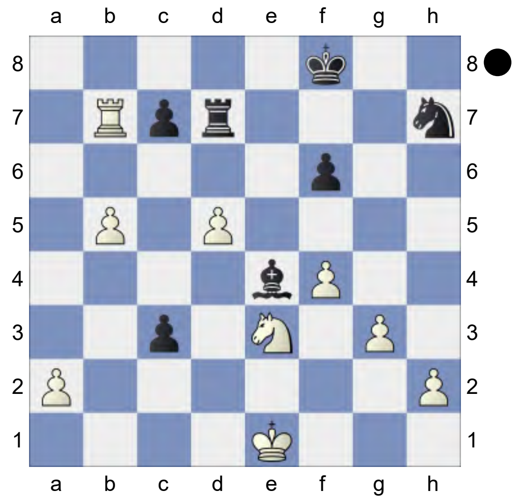

[#] Strongly threatening b6. **37...Re7!** Threatens to win with ...Bd3! Hoping for ...Bd3! Hoping for ...Bd3! Threatens to win with ...Bd3!
[37...Bxd5? 0.00/26 37...Re7 -2.02 37...Re7 -2.02 38.Nxd5 Rxd5 39.Rxc7 aiming for a4. Rxb5 40.Kd1=]

38.b6 -3.45/23
[⌓38.Ke2 -2.08/24]

38...cxb6
[38...Bxd5? -0.66/19 38...cxb6 -2.68 38...cxb6 -2.68 39.Rb8+ Kf7 40.Kf2∓]

39.Rxb6 -3.66/20
[⌓39.Rb8+ -2.48/23 was the only chance. Re8 40.Rxe8+ Kxe8 41.Nc4]

39...Bxd5 40.Kf2

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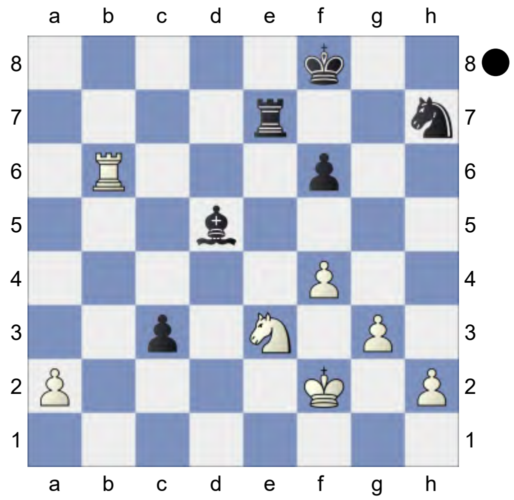

Rc7! 41.Rb1

[41.Nxd5 c2]

[41.g4 c2]

41...Be4 Black is clearly winning.

[Don't do 41...Bxa2 42.Rc1-+ f5 43.Nxf5-+]

42.Rc1 f5 43.h3 Nf6 And now ...Nd5 would win. **44.g4 Nd5 45.Nxd5 Bxd5** Endgame. KRB-KR Endgame. KRB-KR **46.Ke3 Be4 47.gxf5 Bxf5 48.a4 c2 49.a5 Ra7 50.Kd2 Rxa5**

[Weaker is 50...Bxh3? 0.00/28 50...Kf7 -8.00 50...Kf7 -8.00 51.Rxc2 *(51.Kxc2 Rxa5 52.Kc3∓)* 51...Rxa5 *(51...Ra6 52.Ke3∓)* 52.f5∓]

51.Rg1 Rd5+

[Less strong is 51...Bxh3? -0.01/19 51...Rd5+ -13.45 51...Rd5+ -13.45 52.Kxc2 Rh5 53.Ra1∓]

52.Kc1 Rb5 -8.56/22 White did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.15 (very precise)

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[⌓52...Ke7 -20.28/23

A) 53.Rf1 Rb5 *(53...Bxh3? 54.Re1+ Kf7 55.Kxc2-+)* 54.Re1+ Kf7 55.Kd2 Rb1 *(55...Bxh3 56.Kxc2 Bg4 57.Re5∓)* 56.Rc1 Rxc1 *(56...Bxh3 57.Rxc2 Rb5 58.f5∓; 56...Rb2? 57.h4-+)* 57.Kxc1 Kg6 *(57...Bxh3 58.Kxc2 Bf1 59.Kd2=)* 58.Kd2 Kh5 *(58...Bxh3 59.Kxc2 Kf5 60.Kd3=)* 59.Kc1 Kh4 *(59...Bxh3 60.Kxc2 Kg4 61.f5=)* 60.Kd2 Kxh3 *(60...Bxh3 61.Kxc2 Kg4 62.f5=)* 61.Kc1 Kg3 62.Kd2 Kxf4 63.Kc3 c1Q+ *(63...c1B 64.Kd4 Be4 65.Kc4 Ke5 66.Kc5 Bd2 67.Kc4 Be3 68.Kb4 Kd5 69.Kb5 Bd3+ 70.Kb4 Bd2+ 71.Kb3 Kc5 72.Ka3 Kc4 73.Ka4 Bc2+ 74.Ka3 Bc1+ 75.Ka2 Kc3 76.Ka1 Bh7 77.Ka2 Kc2 78.Ka1 Bb2+ 79.Ka2 Bg8#)* 64.Kb4 Bd7 65.Kb3 Ke4 66.Kb4 Ke5 67.Kb3 Kd4 68.Kb4 Qc3#;

B) 53.Rg7+ Kd6 54.Rg1 Ke6 *(54...Bxh3? 0.00/24 54...Kc5 -#20 54...Kc5 -#20 55.Kxc2 Rc5+ 56.Kd3∓)* 55.h4 Rb5 56.Kd2 Rb1 57.Rc1 Rxc1 58.Kxc1 Kf6 59.h5 Kg7 60.Kd2 Kh6 61.Kc1 Kxh5 62.Kb2 Kg4 63.Kc1 Kxf4 64.Kb2 Kf3 65.Kb3 c1Q *(65...c1B* is a self mate. *66.Kb4 Ke4 67.Kc5 Ba3+ 68.Kb5 Kd4 69.Kc6 Be7 70.Kb6 Kd5 71.Kb5 Bd7+ 72.Kb6 Bd6 73.Ka7 Kc6 74.Ka6 Be7 75.Ka5 Kc7 76.Ka6 Bb4 77.Ka7*

Bc8 78.Ka8 Bb7+ 79.Ka7 Bc5#) 66.Kb4 Kf2 67.Kb3 Qc5 68.Kb2 Qb4+ 69.Ka2 Bh7 70.Ka1 Qb1#]

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☐ **Sarakauskas,G.** **2395**

■ **Royal,Shreyas** **2431**

Hull 4NCL GM 2022 (4.1) 14.10.2022

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo openings101.org **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Bd7 11.c3** -1.18/19

[11.Qe1!∓ -0.32/19]

11...Ne6∓ 12.Bxf6 Black is better. **12...gxf6 13.Qf3** -1.47/18

[White should play 13.Bxe6 -1.06/19 Qxe6 *(13...Bxe6 14.Nc2∓)* 14.Qf3]

13...Nf4 14.g3

[14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 Nf4 25.Qb7+ Kd8 26.Qb8+ Ke7 27.Qb4+ 1-0 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022]

14...Nh3+ 15.Kh1 Ng5N

[15...h5 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 h4 18.gxh4 Rxh4 19.Rxf7 Bc6 20.Kg2 Nf4+ 21.Kg3 Rh3+ 22.Kg4 Bd7+ 23.Kg5 0-0-0 24.Rd1 Rh5+ 25.Kf6 Rh6+ 26.Kg7 Rg6+ 27.Kh7 Rgg8 28.Re7 Rh8+ 29.Kg7 Nh5+ 30.Kg6 Chapter-4. 0-0 Nf6 5.d4!?]

16.Qxf6 Qxf6

[16...Nxe4? 17.Bxf7+ *(17.Qxh8+ Qf8+-)* 17...Kd8 18.Qxh8++-]

17.Rxf6 Nxe4 -0.47/18

[17...Rd8-+ -1.69/20 And now ...0-0! would win. 18.Kg1 0-0 *(18...Nxe4 19.Rxf7 b5 20.Bb3∓)*]

18.Rxf7∓ Bc6 0.16/24

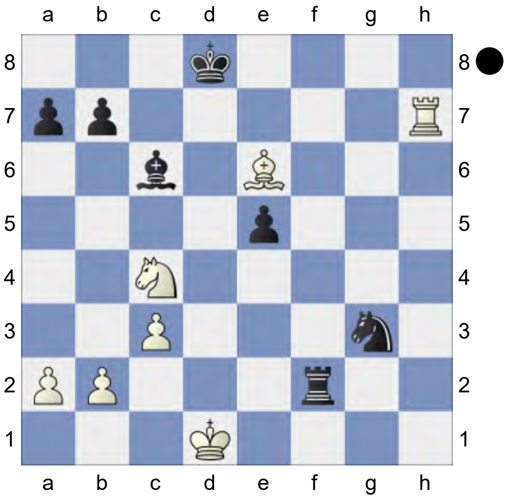
[18...b5∓ -0.47/19 19.Bd5 *(19.Nxb5?* perishes. *Bxb5 20.Bd5 Rd8-+)* 19...c6]

19.Rxc7 Ng5+ 20.Kg1 Rf8 21.h4 Nf3+ 22.Kf2 Nxh4+ 23.Ke2 Nf5 24.Rxh7 Nxg3+ 25.Ke1 0-0-0 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Kxd1 Rf2 28.Be6+ -0.36/18

[28.Rh8+= 0.00/22 should be considered. Kc7 29.Rh7+ Kb6 30.Re7]

28...Kd8 29.Nc4? -2.62/23

[29.Rh8+= -0.24/18 Ke7 30.Bb3]



29...Bf3+!-+ 30.Kc1

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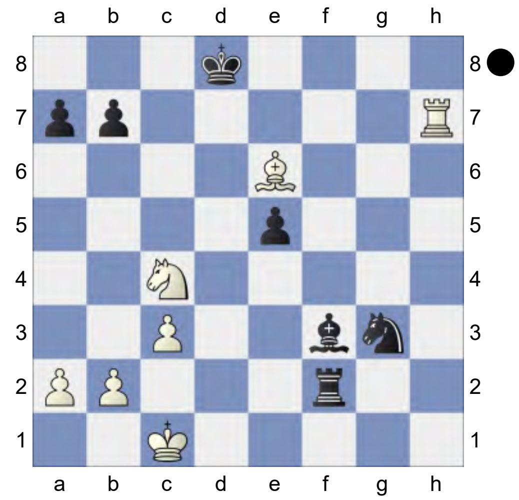

Rd7+ is the strong threat. **30...Ne2+! 31.Kd2 Nd4+ 32.Kd3 Be2+?** 0.00/5

[32...Nxe6-+ -2.55/27 33.Nxe5 Bg2 34.Rh8+ Ke7 35.Rh7+ Kf8 36.Ng6+ Kg8]

33.Ke3= The position is equal. **33...Rf3+ 34.Kd2 Rd3+ 35.Ke1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.27 (precise) /Black=0.25 (precise) **35...Rd1+**

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☐ **Sammed Jaykumar,Shete 2379**

■ **Manish,Anto Cristiano F 2328**

Chennai op 15th (9) 08.01.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...0-0 6.Bb3N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6...d6 7.h3 a5 is more profitable than 7...h6 at the moment.scheint profitabler als 7...h6. **8.0-0 h6 9.Re1** The position is equal. **9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 Be6 11.Bc2 Ne7** 0.48/22

[11...d5= 0.03/21]

12.Nf1 Ng6 13.Ng3 c5 14.Be3N

[14.d4 cxd4 15.cxd4 Qb6 16.Be3 Black must now prevent dxe5. Qxb2 17.Bb3 Bxb3 18.axb3 Qc3 0.64/21 *(18...d5= 0.23/22)* 19.Nf5 Qc7 1.34/20 *(19...Rfd8⩲ 0.49/19)* 20.Bxh6!± gxh6 1-0 (27) Caruana,F (2782)-Robson,R (2689) FIDE World Cup 2023 (4.2)]

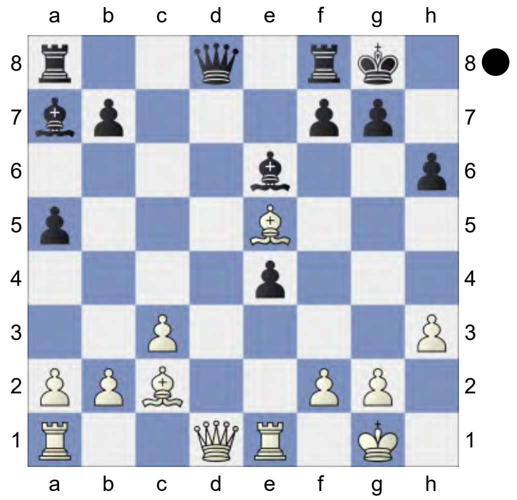
14...d5 15.d4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 dxe4

[16...cxd4 simplifies 17.cxd4 dxe4 18.Nxe5 Nxe5 19.dxe5 Qxd1 20.Raxd1 Bxe3 21.Rxe3 Rfd8]

17.Nxe5 cxd4 18.Bxd4 -0.40/24

[Better is 18.cxd4= 0.13/25 Nxe5 19.dxe5]

18...Nxe5!∓ 19.Bxe5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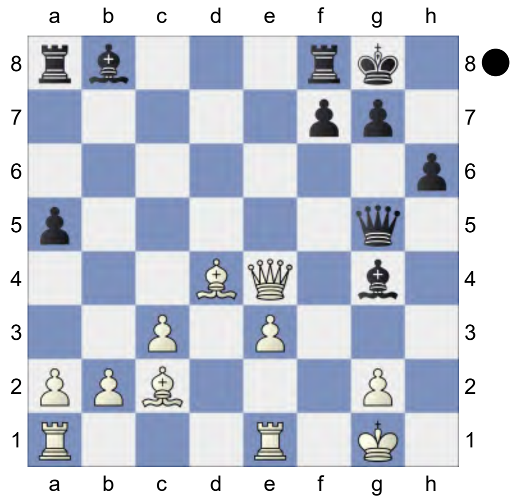
e3 20.fxe3 Qg5 21.Bd4 Bxh3 22.Qf3 Bg4 23.Qxb7 -0.71/26

[23.Qe4= -0.29/24 is superior. g6 24.Bxa7 Rxa7 25.Rf1]

23...Bb8!∓ 24.Qe4 -1.62/25

[24.Rf1∓ -0.81/24 Qh4 25.g3 Bxg3 26.Qh1]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24...g6! 0.83/25

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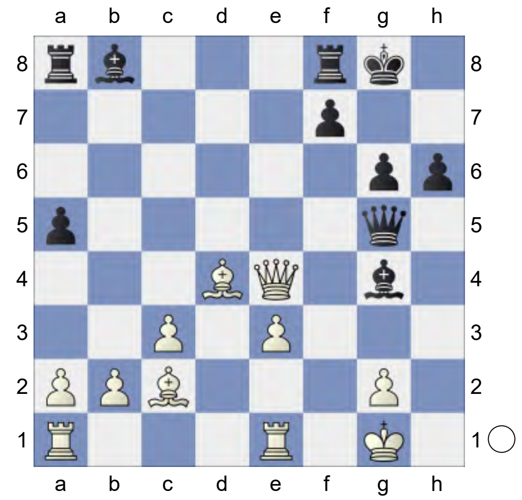
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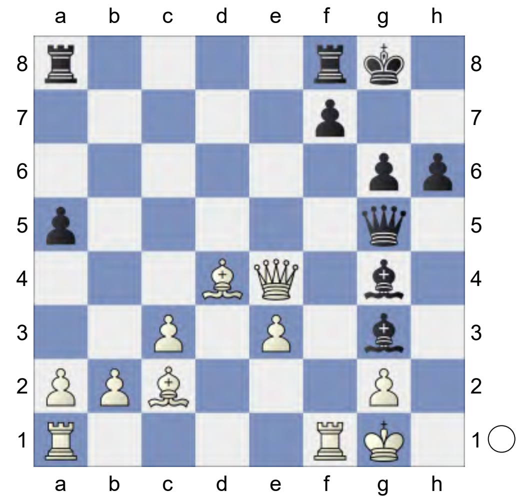
25.Rf1!→ Black is in trouble. White is more active.

[And not 25.Qxa8 Bh2+ 26.Kxh2 Rxa8∓]

25...Bg3? 34.70/26

[25...Be6± 0.71/23 26.Qf3 (*26.Qxa8 Bh2+ 27.Kxh2 Rxa8∓*) 26...Be5]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26.Rxf7!!+- Deflection **26...Rxf7**

[26...Ra7 27.Rxf8+]

27.Qxa8+ Rf8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.75

28.Bb3+

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■ **Locher,Helmut 2325**
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[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6** The position is equal. **10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Nd7** 0.34/21

[11...c5= -0.03/21 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4 Gaujens,A-Perez Assef,A X Open Salou ESP 2008]

[11...Qd6 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 25.Nf6+ Kh8 26.Qxg6 ½-½ Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

12.Nxd7± Bxd7N

[12...Qxd7 13.Bf4 Rd8 14.Be2 b6 15.Rd1 Qe6 *(15...Qc6 16.Rxd8+ Bxd8 17.Bf3 Be6 18.Nd2 Be7 19.e5 Bd5 20.Rd1 Rd8 21.Ne4 h6 22.Rxd5 Rxd5 23.Ng3 Qe6 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.h3 Nc6 26.Nf5 Bf8 27.Qe2 a5 28.c4 Qe6 29.Qe4 a4 30.g4* 0-1 Vasilyev,A (2417)-7.g3 ♗g7 8.♗g2 00 9.00 ♘ (2609) Nova Gorica HIT op 27th 2023 (7)*)* 16.Rxd8+ Bxd8 17.Nd2 Bb7 18.Rd1 Bf6 19.f3 Rd8 20.Nb3 Rxd1+ 21.Qxd1 Nc6 Canal-Shen,S (ol) 34/541 Luzern 1982]

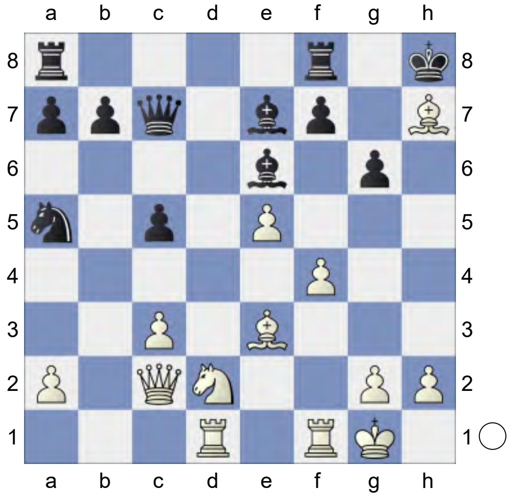
13.Be3 Be6 14.Nd2 Prevents Nc4. **14...Qd7 15.Rad1 c5** 1.12/23

[15...Rad8= 0.26/25 16.Nf3 Qc8]

16.e5± This move loses the game for Black. **16...Qc7** 2.20/21

[16...g6± 0.83/19 was called for.]

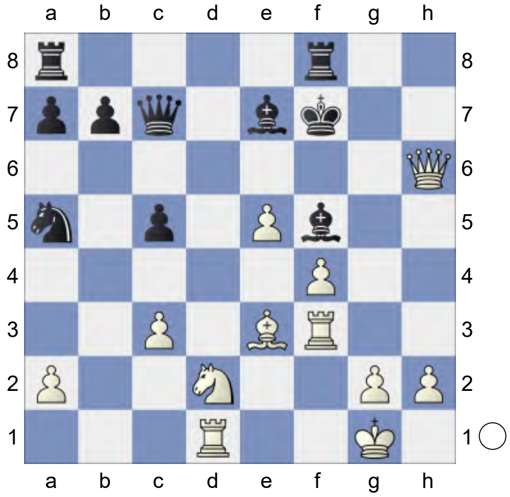
17.Bxh7+ Kh8 18.f4 g6



19.Bxg6 Demolition **19...fxg6 20.Qxg6 Bf5 21.Qh6+** White has strong compensation. **21...Kg8?** 5.25/21

[21...Bh7 1.76/19 is a better chance.]

22.Rf3+- Strongly threatening Rg3+. **22...Kf7**



White must now prevent ...Rh8. **23.e6+! Ke8 24.Ne4** Wards off Qd6. Qh5+ would kill now. **24...Rg8** #13/14

[24...Bxe6+- 5.13/18 25.Qxe6 Rd8 26.Rxd8+ Qxd8 27.Qg6+ *(27.Bxc5*

Qd7+-) 27...Rf7]

25.Rg3 Rxg3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.70 **26.hxg3**

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580 C50

☐ **Manu,David Suthandram R 2360**

■ **Aleksandrov,A. 2574**

Levitov Christmas Q2 blitz 12.12.2020

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7** aiming for ...Qc5. **10.Na3 Rg8**

[10...Bd7 11.Qe1 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

11.Kh1 Bd7 Prevents Nb5 **12.Qe1** Black is slightly better. **12...Ne6N**

[12...0-0-0 13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 a6 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

[12...a6 13.Qf2 Ne6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 b5 16.Bb3 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rg6 Heid,R-N,N URS-ch Soviet Union 1983]

13.Bxf6 -0.96/19

[13.Be3∓ -0.55/22]

13...gxf6∓ 14.Qf2 Ng5 -0.42/21

[14...Rg6∓ -1.14/19 15.Rad1 Kf8]

15.Rae1 -0.79/22

[15.Qxf6∓ -0.42/21 Qxf6 *(15...Nxe4? 16.Bxf7+ Kd8 17.Qxe7+ Kxe7 18.Bxg8+-)* 16.Rxf6]

15...Rg6 16.c3! Dodges Qb4 **16...a6 17.Nc2! Bc6** 0.21/20

[17...c6∓ -0.37/22]

18.Bd5= Bxd5 1.65/16

[18...Qd7= 0.26/20 and Black is okay.]

19.exd5+- h5 20.Ne3 aiming for Nf5. White has strong compensation. **20...Qd7 21.Rd1** 0.88/21

[White should play 21.c4 1.24/20]

21...0-0-0± 22.Nf5 Kb8 Dodges Qa7+ **23.Nh4** -0.52/23

[23.Qe2± 0.92/20]

23...Rh6 0.62/23

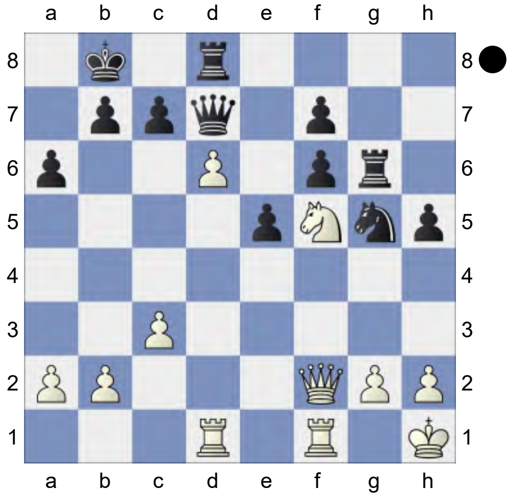
[23...Ne4∓ -0.52/23 24.Qc2 Rg4]

24.Nf5⩲ Rg6 0.98/21

[24...Rhh8⩲ 0.52/21]

25.d6? -0.84/26

[25.Qe2± 0.98/21 stays on course.]



25...Ne4 -0.27/23

[Black should try 25...cxd6!∓ -0.84/26 26.Rd5 Ne6]

26.dxc7+= Qxc7 27.Qe2 Rg4 28.Ne3 -0.78/22

[28.Rxd8+= -0.01/24 keeps the balance. Qxd8 29.h3 Ng3+ 30.Nxg3

Rxg3 31.Qxh5]

28...Rf4 -0.32/27 Black is more active.

[28...Rxd1∓ -0.78/22 29.Nxd1 Qd6]

29.Rde1? -3.75/21

[29.Rxd8+∓ -0.32/27 Qxd8 30.Rxf4 exf4 31.Nc2 Qd1+ Decoy 32.Qxd1 Nf2+ 33.Kg1 Nxd1 34.Nb4]

29...Rd2-+ 30.Qxh5 Qb6 (→ ...Qxe3!)

[30...Rxb2? 31.Rxf4 exf4 32.Nd1-+]

31.Rf3 Ng5?? 3.97/19

[31...Qxb2 32.Rxf4 exf4 33.Nc4 Qxa2 *(33...Qxc3?* perishes. *34.Nxd2 Nf2+ 35.Kg1+-; 33...Nf2+? 34.Kg1+-)* 34.Nxd2 *(34.Rxe4?* gets mated. *Qb1+)* 34...Qxd2 35.Qe2 *(35.Qh8+? Ka7-+)* 35...Qxe2 36.Rxe2 Nxc3 37.Rf2+- *(37.Re7 Nd5+-)*]

[31...Rxb2? 32.Nd1 Rd2 *(32...Rxa2? 33.Rxf4 exf4 34.Rxe4+-; 32...Rxf3? 33.Qxf3 Nf2+ 34.Nxf2∓)* 33.Rxf4 *(33.Qxf7? Ng5-+)* 33...exf4 34.Qf3-+ *(34.Rxe4? Qc6-+)*]

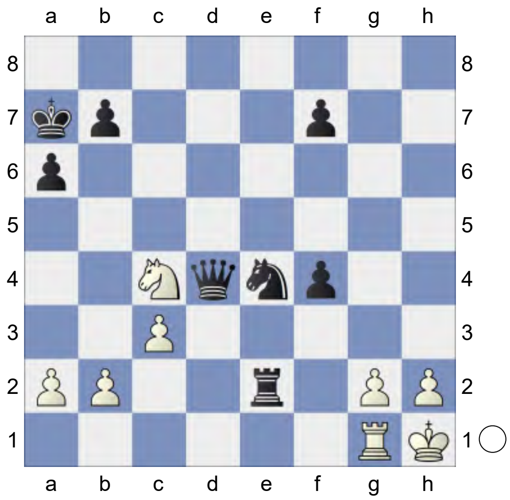
[31...Nf2+-+ -4.78/19 avoids the disaster. 32.Kg1 Nd3 *(32...Rxb2 33.Nd5-+; 32...Qxb2? 33.Rxf4 Nd3 34.Rb4+-)*]

32.Rxf4+- exf4 33.Nc4 Qf2 34.Rg1 -6.66/20

[34.Re8++- 4.15/21 Kc7 35.Nxd2 Qxd2 36.Qe2 Qc1+ 37.Qe1 Qxe1+ 38.Rxe1]

34...Re2-+ 35.Qh8+ Ka7 (→ ...Re1) **36.Qxf6 Ne4** Black mates. **37.Qd4+ Qxd4**

(Diagram)



Remove Defender **38.cxd4** Black used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.65/Black=0.40 **38...Nf2#**

0-1

581 C54

☐ **Shogdzhiev,Roman Sav 2411**

■ **Chen,Zimu 2263**

RUS-CHN Junior rapid (4.2) 12.07.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d6

[6...d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a4 Be6 9.Ng5 Bf5 10.Qf3 Nde7 11.c3 h6 12.Ne4 Bd6 13.b4 a6 14.Nbd2 Kh8 15.Ba3 Bg6 16.Nxd6 cxd6 17.b5 Na5 18.Bb4 axb5 19.axb5 b6 20.Bd5 Rc8 21.c4 1-0 (37) Carlsen,M (2847)-Nakamura,H (2736) FTX Crypto Cup KO 2021 (1.14)]

[6...a6 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bc2 Ba7 11.Nbd2 d5 12.exd5 Qxd5 13.Qe2 Bf5 14.Ne4 Qd8 15.Ng3 Bh7 16.Nh4 Ne4 17.dxe4 Qxh4 18.Be3 Bxe3 19.Qxe3 Rad8 20.b4 Qg5 21.Nf1 ½-½ (62)

Brunello,M (2340)-Terbe,J (2252) Mitropa Cup (Women) 2023 (6.1)]

7.c3N

[7.a3 Bd7 8.b4 Bb6 9.Bb2 h6 10.Nc3 Nd4 11.Nd5 Nxf3+ 12.Qxf3 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Rb8 14.a4 a6 15.a5 Ba7 16.c3 Qe7 17.d4 Be6 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.Rad1 Bxd5 20.Rxd5 c6 21.Rd3 Rbd8 0-1 (28) Radojicic,A (1710)-Mondry,M (1850) 20/467 Montilla 1975 22.Rfd1 Rxd3 23.Qxd3 Qh4 24.Rd2 Qg5 25.c4 c5 26.b5 axb5 27.cxb5 c4 28.Qd5 Bd4 29.Rc2 Bxb2 30.Rxb2 Qc1+ 0-1 Piccinini,I (1710)-Mauro,L (1850) ITA corr Italy 1990]

7...a5! 7...a5 is a critical line.7...a5 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **8.Re1 h6 9.Bb3 Be6** The position is equal. **10.Bc2 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5** 0.54/21

[11...Qxd5= -0.01/22 12.Nbd2 Rfe8]

12.Nbd2± Re8N

[12...Bd6 13.Nc4 f6 14.Nxd6 cxd6 15.d4 Strongly threatening Qd3. Nde7 16.Be3 0.41/18 *(16.b3± 0.82/20)* 16...Bf7 1.43/19 *(16...Bf5± 0.41/18)* 17.Qd2 0.64/20 *(17.Nh4± 1.43/19)* 17...Bg6± 18.Bb3+ Kh7 1.59/20 1-0 (31) Onyshchuk,V (2633)-Bodnar,N (2424) Titled Tuesday intern op 4th Aug 10am blitz 2020 (1) *(18...Kh8± 0.61/21)*]

13.Ne4 0.18/20

[13.Nc4± 0.58/21]

13...Ba7 14.Ba4 Nde7 15.Bb5 -0.23/20

[15.Bxh6± 0.52/21 gxh6 16.Nf6+ Kg7 17.Nxe8+ Qxe8 18.Rxe5]

15...Ng6= 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 f5 18.Bxc6 -0.21/20

[18.Nc5 0.18/21 is more appropriate. Bd5 19.Qa4 *(19.Nxb7 Qb8=)*]

18...bxc6 19.Nc5 -0.83/22

[19.Ned2= -0.14/22 keeps the balance.]

19...Bf7∓ 20.a4 -1.27/21

[Better is 20.a3∓ -0.46/19]

20...Rb8 -0.86/20

[⌓20...Qd6 -1.27/21 21.b4 Nf4]

21.Qd2 Qd6 22.b4 Nf4 -0.45/20

[Black should play 22...Bd5∓ -1.07/22]

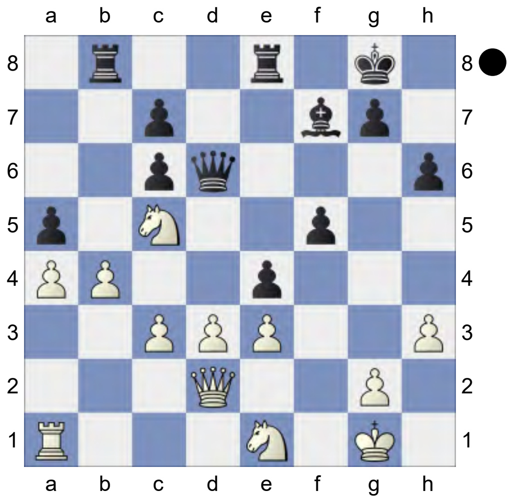
Loses the game. **23.Kh2?** -3.99/23

[23.Rae1∓ -0.45/20 Qg6 Overworked Piece 24.g3 *(24.Nh4 Qg5∓)* 24...Nxh3+ 25.Kg2]

23...Nd5-+ 24.Ne1 -5.73/24

[24.Kg1 -3.72/23 was necessary. axb4 25.cxb4]

24...Nxe3 25.fxe3 e4+ 26.Kg1

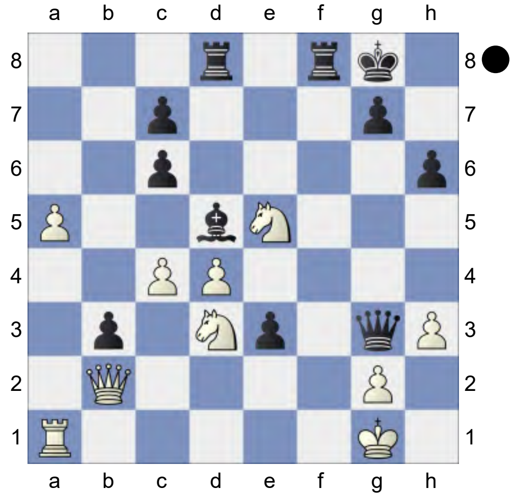


f4! 27.exf4

[27.d4 axb4]

27...axb4 28.d4 e3 29.Qc2 b3 30.Qb2 Qxf4 31.Ned3 Qg3 ...e2 is the strong threat. **32.Nd7 Rbd8 33.N7e5 Bd5 34.a5 Rf8** (-> ...Rf2!) **35.c4**

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=1.24/ Black=0.35

35...Rf2! Deflection, Double Attack

0-1

582 **C51**

☐ **Priyanka,Nutakki** **2293**

■ **Koneru,Humpy** **2553**

FIDE World Cup (Women) (2.2) 03.08.23

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 exd4** 7...exd4 has lost popularity.7...exd4 hat an Beliebtheit verloren. **8.Qxd4 d6!** was the old line (8...Nf6).war die alte Variante (8...Sf6). **9.Qxg7 Bf6 10.Qg3 Ne7 11.Bg5 Ng6 12.h4**

[12.0-0 Be6 13.Nbd2 h6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.Nd4 Nf4 16.Qe3 Qg5 17.g3 Nh3+ 18.Kh1 Qxe3 19.fxe3 Ke7 20.Rab1 b6 21.e5 Bxa2 22.exd6+ cxd6 23.Rb5 Be6 24.Rh5 Ng5 25.h4 Nh7 26.Rxh6 Rag8 □-□ (52) Pink,J (2677)-4. ♘f3 ♗g7 5. ♗c4 c6_3932 (2627) corr AUT-NED 2018 (4)]

[12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.Qg5 Qxg5 14.Nxg5 h6 15.Nf3 Nf4 16.g3 Nxe2 17.Kxe2 Bd7 18.Nbd2 0-0-0 19.Nd4 c5 20.N4b3 Bb5+ 21.Ke3 Nc4+ 22.Nxc4 Bxc4 23.g4 Rhe8 24.Kf4 d5 25.Nd2 Bd3 26.f3 dxe4 ½-½ (32) Heredia Serrano,C (2091)-Gomez Barrera,J (2140) American Continental (Women) 2022 (8)]

12...h6 13.Be3 Qe7! 14.h5N

[Vorgänger: 14.Nbd2 Bd7 15.h5! Ne5! 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 0.43/22 (*16...Bxe5=* -0.01/22 *17.f4 Bxc3*) 17.Qxe5+± Bxe5 0.93/23 (*17...dxe5=* 0.24/21 *18.Nc4 Nc6*) 18.Rc1 b6 19.f4 Bg7 20.g4 1-0 Abergel,T (2426)-Parmentier,X (2299) FRA-chT Top 16 GpA 2006 (1) Bc6 21.Bd4 Rg8 22.Bf3 0-0-0 23.Kf2 Nb7 24.Nb3 Nc5 25.Nxc5 bxc5 26.Bxg7 Rxg7 27.g5 Re8 28.Rce1 Kd8 29.g6 Ke7 30.f5 Bd7 31.e5 dxe5 32.Rxe5+ Kf6 33.Rxe8 Bxe8 34.Be4 Bd7 35.Ke3 ½-½ (71) Abergel,T (2443)-Cappon,J (2186) FRA-chT Top 16 GpB 2005 (7.6)]

14...Ne5 15.Nfd2 -1.22/22

[15.Nxe5= -0.01/22 remains equal. Qxe5 16.Qxe5+ dxe5 17.0-0]

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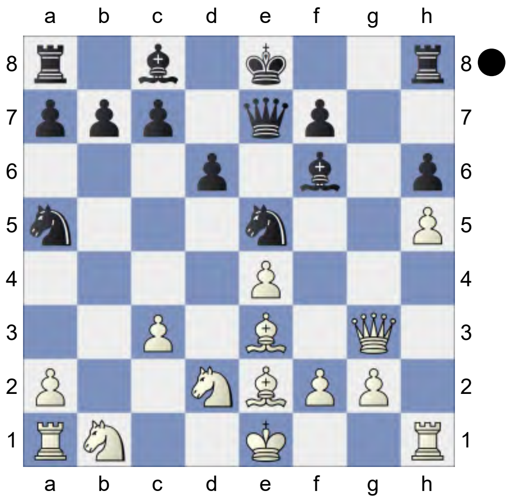


15...Be6 -0.64/21

[15...Bd7!∓ -1.22/22 16.f4 Nec6]

16.f4∓ Nec4 17.Bf2 -1.25/21

[17.Bd4∓ -0.50/23]

17...0-0-0↑ Black is on the roll. **18.0-0?** -3.24/23

[18.Qd3∓ -1.21/20 might work better.]

18...Rhg8-+ 19.Qd3 Bh4 -1.59/22

[19...Rg7-+ -3.32/21 20.g3 d5 21.Nxc4 *(21.e5 Nxe5 22.fxe5 Bxe5∓)* 21...dxe4 *(21...dxc4 22.Qe3=; 21...Nxc4 22.e5∓)* 22.Nd6+ Qxd6 *(22...Rxd6 23.Qxe4 Rd5 24.Bf3∓)* 23.Qxe4 Bd5 24.Qf5+ Kb8]

20.Nb3? -4.96/22

[20.Nxc4∓ -1.59/22 Nxc4 *(20...Bxf2+ 21.Rxf2 Bxc4 22.Qh3+ Kb8 23.Nd2∓)* 21.Nd2 Nxd2 22.Qxd2]

20...Nb2 21.Qf3 and f5 would now be decisive **21...Nac4**

[21...Nxb3 22.axb3 Bxf2+ 23.Rxf2=]

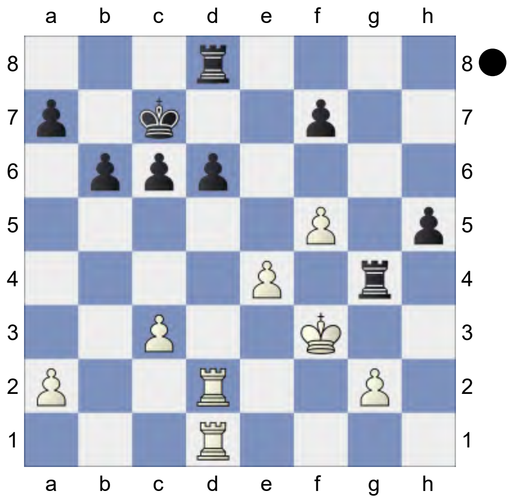
22.f5 Ne5 23.Qh3 Bxf2+ 24.Rxf2 Bc4 25.Bxc4 Nbxc4 26.N1d2 Nxd2 27.Nxd2 Qg5 28.Nf1 Qg4 29.Qe3 -4.77/22

[⌓29.Qxg4 -3.21/23 Rxg4 30.Re2]

29...Qxh5 30.Rb1 Qg5 31.Rfb2 Qxe3+ 32.Nxe3 b6 33.Nd5 Rg4 34.Re2 c6 35.Nf6 Rg5 36.Rd1 -3.55/23

[⌓36.Kh2 -2.35/22]

36...Kc7 37.Kf2 h5 38.Red2 Ng4+ 39.Nxg4 Rxg4 Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **40.Kf3**



f6 -1.37/22

[40...b5!-+ -3.26/22 Strongly threatening ...a5. 41.g3 a5 *(41...Rdg8 42.Rxd6 Rxg3+ 43.Kf4∓)*]

41.c4 -2.70/28

[41.Rh1∓ -1.37/22]

41...Rdg8 42.Rxd6 Rg3+

[42...Rxg2 43.Rxf6 R8g4 44.Rf7+ Kc8 45.Rd6 *(45.Rxa7 R2g3+ 46.Kf2 Rc3=)* 45...R2g3+ 46.Kf2=]

43.Kf2 Rxg2+ 44.Kf3 R8g3+

[44...Rxa2 45.Rxf6 Ra3+ 46.Kf4 Rg4+ 47.Ke5 Ra5+ 48.Kd4=]

45.Kf4 Rg4+ 46.Kf3? -5.40/26

[46.Ke3 -1.97/27 nothing else works.]

46...R4g3+? 0.01/5

[46...Rxa2 47.Rd7+ Kc8 48.Rd8+ Kb7 49.R1d7+ Ka6 50.Ra8 Ra3+ 51.Kf2 Ra2+ *(51...Rxe4 52.Rdxa7#)* 52.Kf3 Ra3+ 53.Kf2 Ra2+ 54.Kf1 Ra1+ *(54...Rxe4 55.Rdxa7#)* 55.Ke2 Ra2+ *(55...Rxe4+? 56.Kf3+-)* 56.Kf3=]

[46...h4-+ -5.40/26 47.Rxf6 R2g3+

Deflection 48.Ke2 Rxe4+ 49.Kf1 c5 *(49...Rxc4? 50.Rf7+ Kc8 51.Rd6∓)* 50.Rf7+ Kc6 51.Rxa7 Rf4+ *(51...Rxc4? 52.Rh7-+)* 52.Ke1 Rg1+ *(52...Rxc4? 53.Rh7-+; 52...Rxf5 53.Rdd7=)* 53.Ke2 Rxd1 54.Kxd1 Rxf5 *(54...Rxc4? 55.f6-+)*]

47.Kf4= Rg4+ 48.Kf3 R4g3+? -0.01/5

[And not 48...Rxa2 49.Rd7+ Kc8 50.Rd8+ Kb7 51.R1d7+ Ka6 52.Ra8 Ra3+ Deflection 53.Ke2 Ra2+ *(53...Rxe4+? loses. 54.Kd2+-)* 54.Ke3 Rg3+ 55.Kf4 Rg4+ 56.Kf3 Ra3+ 57.Kf2 Ra2+ *(57...Rxe4 58.Rdxa7#)* 58.Kf1 Ra1+ *(58...Rxe4 59.Rdxa7#)* 59.Ke2 Ra2+ *(59...Rxe4+? 60.Kf3+-)* 60.Kf1 Ra1+ 61.Kf2 Ra2+ *(61...Rxe4 62.Rdxa7#)* 62.Kf1=]

[Black should play 48...h4-+ -5.21/28 (-> ...R4g3+) 49.Rxf6 R2g3+ Deflection 50.Ke2 Rxe4+ 51.Kf2 c5 *(51...Rxc4 52.Rf7+ Kc8 53.Rxa7∓; 51...Rf4+? 52.Ke2-+)* 52.Rf7+ Kc6 53.Rf6+ Kb7 54.Rd7+ Ka6]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.69/Black=0.70

49.Kf4

½-½

583 **C54**

☐ **Arun,Kataria** **2370**

■ **Sriansh Das** **2315**

Masters Open 2024 (9.57) 12.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4... d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

[6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 d6 8.d5 Ne5 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 b5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.Be3 a5 14.Qb3 0-0 15.Rd1 Qc8 16.d6 Rd8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.f4 Rxd6 19.Rxd6 Qxd6 20.Rd1 Qc7 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.0-0! Be7 11.h3 Bf5 12.Re1 The position is equal. **12...a6 13.Ba4 Nb4 14.Nf1 c5 15.a3 Nc6 16.Be3** -0.63/23

[16.Bxc6= 0.21/22 bxc6 17.dxc5]

16...Rc8 0.25/24

[16...c4!∓ -0.63/23]

17.Rc1 -0.46/24

[17.dxc5= 0.25/24 Nxc5 18.Ng3]

17...b5 18.Bc2 cxd4 0.54/22

[18...c4= -0.18/24]

19.Nxd4⩲ Nxd4 20.Bxd4

[20.Qxd4 Bc5 21.Qd3 Bg6 22.Bxc5

Nxc5∓]

20...Bg5 **21.Ne3**↑ White fights for an advantage. **21...Bg6** 0.99/20 Black is now going downhill.

[21...g6⩲ 0.52/21]

22.Bb3⩲ **Rxc1** 1.48/22

[⌓22...Rc4 0.97/22]

23.Qxc1 **Qd7** 1.86/20

[23...Bf5⩲ 1.24/21 is a better defense.]

24.Qd1!+-

[24.Bxd5? is the wrong capture. Bxe3 25.Bxf7+ Rxf7-+ *(25...Qxf7 26.Qxe3 Qe6 27.f3-+)*]

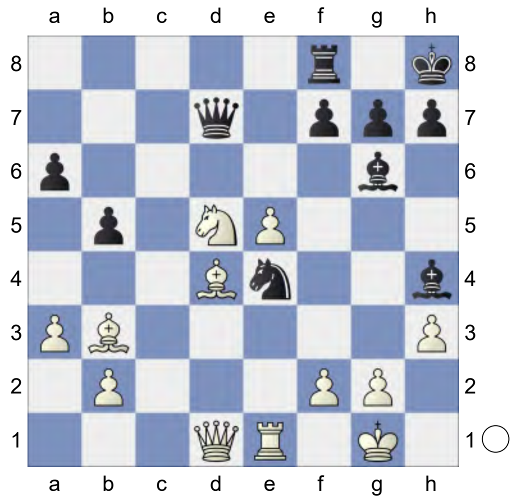
24...Bh4 2.73/18

[⌓24...Bxe3 1.99/21 25.Bxe3 d4]

25.Nxd5 Black must now prevent Nf4.

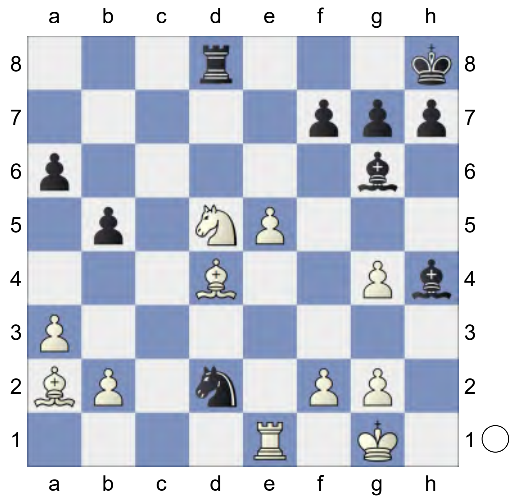
25...Kh8? 3.93/25

[25...Re8 2.37/18 26.Qg4 Qxg4 27.hxg4 Nd2]



26.Qg4 **Qxg4** **27.hxg4** **Nd2** **28.Ba2** **Rd8**

(Diagram)



aiming for ...Nc4. **29.Bc3** **Nc4** **30.Nb4** **Bg5** **31.Bxc4** **bxc4** **32.Nxa6** **h6** **33.Nb4** **Kg8** **34.g3** **Be7** **35.Nc6** **Rd7** 4.96/21

[35...Re8 3.46/19 was called for. 36.Nxe7+ Rxe7]

36.e6 **Rc7** **37.exf7+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.40

1-0

584 **C50**

☐ **Priansh,Das** **2311**

■ **Wafa,Hamed** **2359**

Qatar Masters Open 2024 (4.63) 6.12.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** **e5** **2.Nf3** **Nc6** **3.Bc4** **Bc5** **4.d3** **Nf6** **5.c3**

[5.Nc3 d6 6.a3 a6 7.0-0 Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.Be3 h6 10.b4 Ba7 11.Nd5 g5 12.g4 Bg6 13.Kg2 Nh7 14.Bxa7 Rxa7 15.Nd2 Nf8 16.Ne3 Nd4 17.c3 Nde6 18.Rh1 Nf4+ 19.Kg1 c6 0-1 Sadhwani,R (2603)-Lazavik,D (2553) Chess.com U20 Speed Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (2.21)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7

8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 Brest 2018 (3)]

6.0-0

[6.b4!? Bb6□ 7.Nbd2=]

6...a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 White has an edge. **9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4** 0.63/20

[14...Qd7= -0.01/19]

15.cxd4± exd4 16.Qa4 0.00/22 White is more active.

[White should play 16.e5± 0.84/20 Nd5 17.Re4 (*17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4=; 17.Nfxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4=*)]

16...Nh5 17.Nbxd4

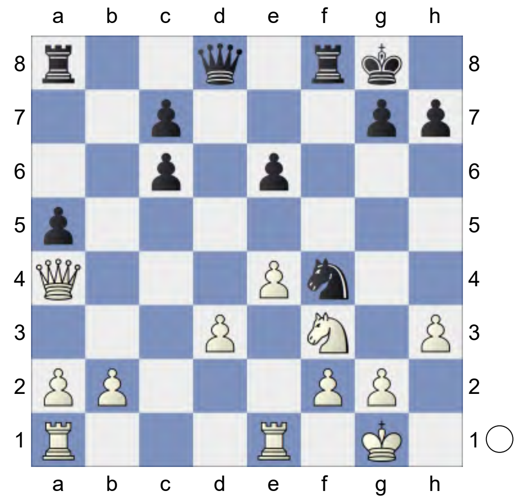
[17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (*18.Nxe6? Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5-+*) 18...Nb4∓]

17...Nf4 2.02/21 Black cannot hold the game after this.

[17...Nxd4= 0.11/18 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4]

18.Nxc6+- bxc6

(Diagram)



19.Re3!

[19.Qxc6?! Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (*20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6=*) 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8±]

19...Qf6 20.Qc2

[20.Qxc6 Rab8±]

20...Rab8 21.d4 1.32/18

[21.Qxc6 Qg6 22.Ne1 (*22.Qxc7? Qxg2#*) 22...Rxb2∓]

[White should try 21.Rb1+- 1.68/19]

21...Rb5 2.47/19

[21...c5± 1.32/18]

22.Ne5 Threatens to win with Nd7!

[22.Qxc6 Rxb2 23.Qa6 (*23.Qxc7 Qg6∓*) 23...c5∓]

22...Qh4 3.55/17

[⌓22...c5 2.26/16]

23.g3

[23.Nxc6? Rg5 24.Ne7+ Kh8-+]

23...Qg5 24.h4

[24.Nxc6? Nxh3+ 25.Kf1 Rxf2+ (*25...Qxe3? 26.Ne7+ Kh8 27.Nf5-+*) 26.Qxf2 Nxf2 27.Kxf2 Rxb2+ 28.Re2 Rxe2+ 29.Kxe2 Qb5+ (*29...Qxg3? 30.d5-+*) 30.Kf3 Qxc6-+]

24...Qh6 25.gxf4 White is clearly winning. **25...Rxf4 26.Qxc6**

[26.Nxc6? perishes. Rxh4 27.Ne7+ Kf8-+]

26...Rb8 27.d5 Rf6 28.Rg3 Qf4

29.Ng4

[And not 29.Qxc7 Qxf2+ 30.Kh1 Qxg3 31.Qxb8+ Rf8=]

29...Rg6 30.h5 Rg5 31.Qxe6+ Kh8 32.h6 Rg8 33.Kg2 Rg6 34.Qf5 Qd2 35.hxg7+ R8xg7 36.Rh1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.07 (flawless) / Black=0.46

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585 C54

☐ **Karacsonyi,Gellert 2391**

■ **Beukema,Jasper 2356**

Budapest One Week GM-A (8) 26.08.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

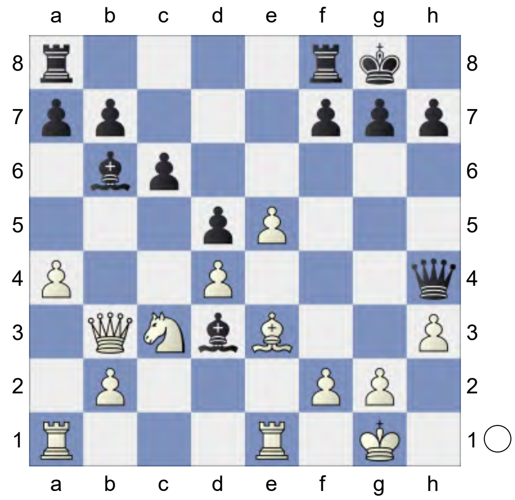
6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 8...Bb6 scores better than 8...Bb4+. 8...Lb6 punktet besser als 8...Lb4+. **9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2** The position is equal. **12...Bg6** Hoping for ...Nxc3. **13.Qb3 Ne7 14.0-0 c6 15.Bd3 Nf5 16.Rfe1** **Nh4N** 1.07/25

[Vorgänger: 16...Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxe4! dxe4 19.Bxe4 Bxe4 20.Rxe4 Bb6 21.e6 fxe6 22.Rxe6 Kh8 0.65/21 1-0 So,W (2770)-Le,Q (2709) Chess24 Banter Blitz Cup Final 2020 (3.3) (*22...Qd5=* 0.29/24 feels stronger. *)*]

[16...Nxe3= 0.25/23 keeps the balance. 17.Rxe3 Ng5]

17.Nxh4 Qxh4 18.Bxe4 Bxe4 19.a4 Bd3 1.85/22

[19...Rab8± 0.86/22]



20.Nxd5! 1.33/22 **Ba5± 21.Nc3 Qe7**

2.81/21

[21...Rab8± 1.48/22 22.Rad1 Bf5]

22.Rad1 Bf5 23.d5 cxd5 3.62/23

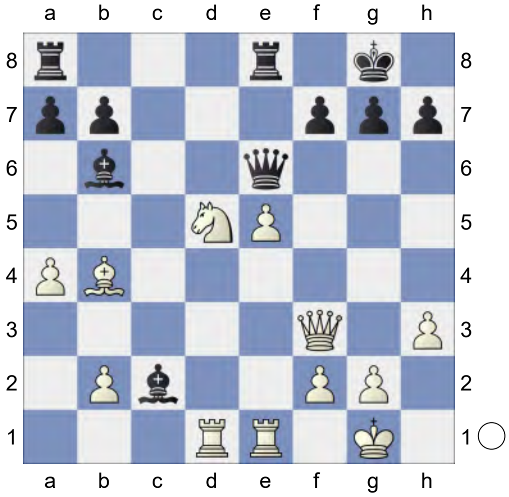
[23...Qb4 2.45/20 was necessary. 24.Qxb4 Bxb4]

24.Nxd5+-

[24.Qxd5 Bxc3 25.bxc3 Rfc8±]

[24.Rxd5 Be6 25.Red1 Bxc3 *(25...Bxd5 26.Nxd5 Qxe5 27.Qxb7∓)* 26.bxc3 b6∓ *(26...Bxd5 27.Rxd5 Rfd8 28.Rb5∓)*]

24...Qe6 Black is weak on the dark squares **25.Bd2 Bb6 26.Bb4 Rfe8 27.Qf3** a5 would now be deadly. **27...Bc2**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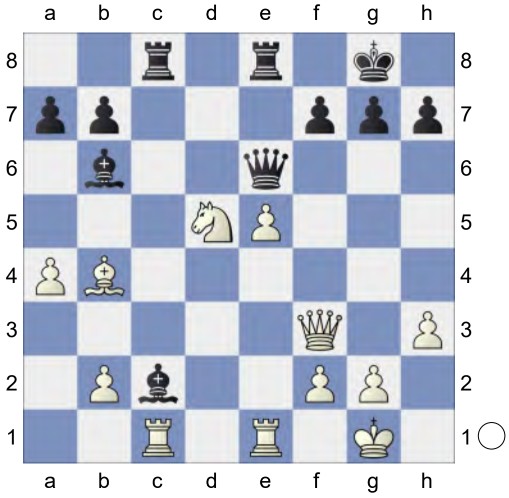
28.Rc1 Rac8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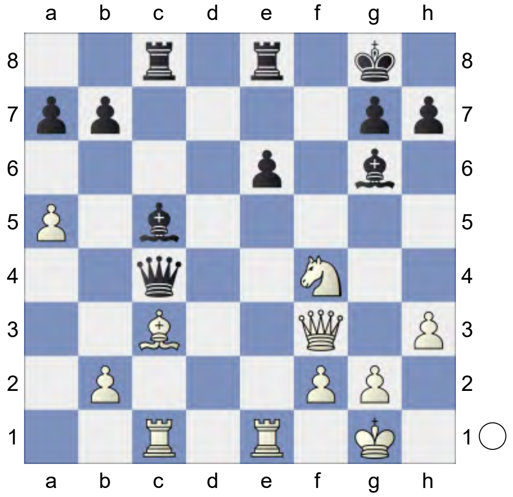
29.Bc3! Bg6 30.Nf4 1.73/22

[⌓30.a5 2.93/21 Bd8 31.Nf6+ Bxf6 *(31...gxf6?* loses. *32.exf6 Bxa5 33.Rxe6+-)* 32.exf6]

30...Qc4? 5.28/24

[30...Qc6 1.73/22 is more resistant.]

31.a5 Bc5 32.e6 fxe6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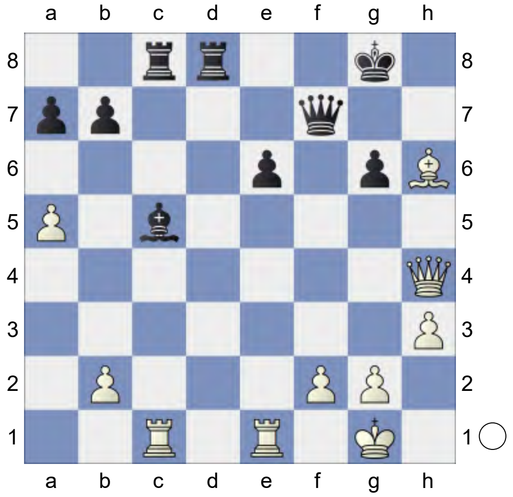
33.Bxg7! Discovered Attack **33...Qb5 34.Nxg6 hxg6 35.Qf6 Qd7 36.Bh6 Qf7 37.Qh4 Red8** 11.41/23

[⌓37...e5 4.16/22 38.Rc3 Rc6]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Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.69

38.Rxc5! Deflection

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586 **C54**
☐ **Larrea,Manuel** **2265**
■ **Villca,Julian** **2413**
Montevideo op 8th (4) 03.02.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...a5

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

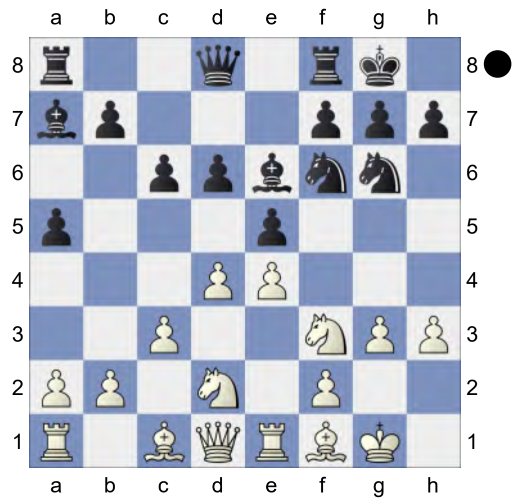
6.0-0 d6N

[6...Ba7 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6 9.Nbd2 g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.Bc2 *(15.a4 Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5* (33) Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982) 15...Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9.♗e3 00 10.♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5 30.Ra1 b4 31.c4 h5 32.gxh5 Nh6 33.g3 e4 34.Rae1 Qe5 35.Qg2 Qxb2 36.dxe4 0-1 (53) Keuter,K-Glatthaar,M corr 150/107 2020]

7.Re1 0-0 8.Nbd2 The position is equal. **8...Ng4 9.Rf1 Ba7 10.h3 Nf6 11.Re1 Be6 12.Bb5 Ne7 13.d4** 13.d4 was played by the boomers. 13.d4 wurden von den Boomern gerne gespielt. **13...c6 14.Bf1 Ng6 15.g3N** -0.52/19

[15.a4 h6 16.Qc2 -0.37/20 *(16.Bd3= -0.01/20)* 16...Re8 0.01/22 *(16...Nh5∓ -0.37/20)* 17.b3= Qc7 18.Bb2 d5 19.exd5 Bxd5 20.Nxe5 Nxe5 21.dxe5 Rxe5 22.c4 Rxe1 23.Rxe1 0-1 (64) Ter Sahakyan,S (2640)-Bok,B (2620) Chessable Masters Div 2 Win rapid 2024 (2.3)]

[15.b3= 0.07/19]



15...a4! 16.Bg2 Re8 17.Nf1 Qa5 0.01/19

[17...Qd7∓ -0.44/18 18.Kh2 h6]

18.Bg5= Nd7 19.Be3 d5 20.Ng5 dxe4 21.Nxe6 Rxe6 22.Bxe4 exd4 23.Bxd4 This pair of bishops is nice. **23...Rd6** 0.21/22

[23...c5 -0.17/23 deserves consideration. 24.Bxg7 Discovered Attack *(24.Bxb7? Rxe1 25.Qxe1 Rb8-+)* 24...Rae8]

24.b4 Qd8 25.Ne3!

[25.Qxa4? loses. Bxd4 26.Qb3 Ba7-+]

25...Bxd4 26.cxd4 Nf6 27.Nf5 Rd7 28.Bg2 Ne7 0.21/27

[⌓28...Nf8 -0.26/23]

29.Nxe7+ Rxe7 30.Rxe7 Qxe7 31.a3 Qd7 32.Rc1 g6 33.Rc3 Nd5 34.Rd3 Nb6 35.Qc2 Qf5 36.Qe2 Qb5 0.33/24

[36...Rd8= -0.11/24]

37.Bf1± Nd5 38.Qe5 Qb6 39.h4 Rd8 40.h5 Qc7 41.h6 f6 42.Qe1 0.43/22

[42.Qe2± 0.85/22]

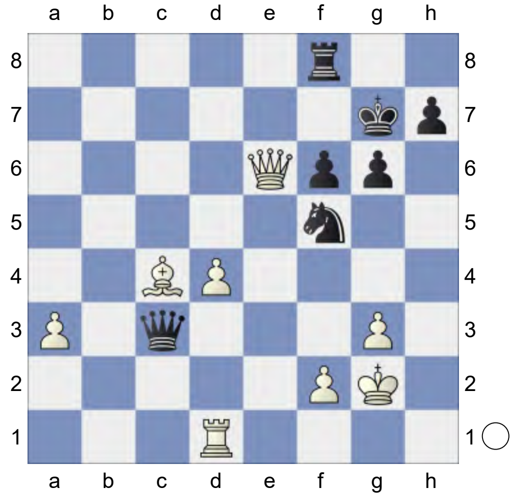
42...Qe7 43.Qd1 Qf8 44.Qxa4 Strongly threatening b5. **44...Qxh6 45.b5 Qc1 46.bxc6 bxc6 47.Rd1 Qc3 48.Bc4 Kg7?** 4.88/26

[48...Rc8 2.47/25 49.Kg2 *(49.Qa6 Rc7±)* 49...Rc7]

49.Qxc6+- Ne7 9.30/25

[⌓49...Qf3 5.03/25]

50.Qe6 Nf5 51.Kg2 Rf8



Inhibits Qf7+. **52.d5??** -6.32/22

Black used his chance.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.33

52...Qxc4

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587 C54

☐ **Preotu,Razvan 2481**

■ **Dehtiarov,Roman 2308**

Julius Baer Play In rapid (9.63) 24.07.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 a6 **7.a4!** is now more promising than 7.Bb3. im Vergleich zu 7.Lb3 vielversprechender. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2** White has an edge. **9...0-0 10.h3** Wards off Ng4 **10...Be6N**

[10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bb3 Qd7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Nxe3 d5 15.Qc2 dxe4 16.Bxe6 Qxe6 17.dxe4 Rad8 18.Rad1 Ne7 19.Rd3 Ng6 20.c4 Rxd3 21.Qxd3 Nf4 22.Qb3 Nxe4 23.Nd5 Nc5 24.Qa3 Ncd3 25.Nxf4 □-□ (62) 6.e3 0-0 7. ♗d2 a6 (1939)-Kasapchuk,A (2053) 65/353 Groningen 1995 (5.16)]

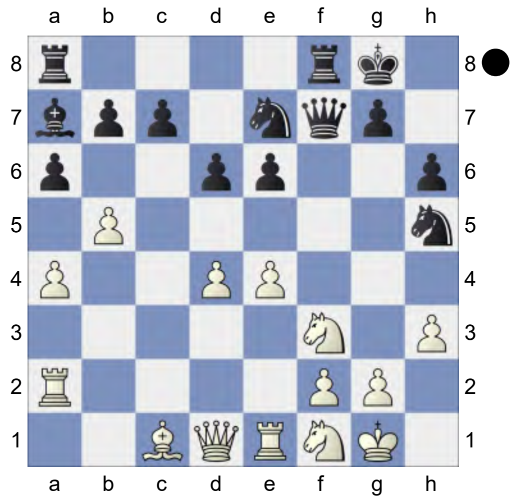
[10...Nh5 11.Nf1 Qf6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Nf4 14.Kh2 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rf1 g5 17.Ng1 Rae8 18.b4 Ne7 19.b5 a5 20.b6 cxb6 21.Rb1 Nc8 22.Nc4 Qd8 23.g3 Ng6 24.Qb3 Qc7 25.Kg2 1-0 (47) Donchenko,A (2676)-Heimann,A (2552) EU-Cup 38th Durres 2023 (5.1) Rf7 26.Ne2 Ref8 27.Nxb6 Qc5 28.Qxe6 Kg7 29.d4 Qc6 30.Qd5 Qc7 31.Nxc8 Rxc8 32.Rb5 b6 33.Qb3 Rcf8 34.Rxb6 Qe7 35.Qd5 Qf6 36.Qxd6 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Rf6 38.Qc7+ R6f7 39.Qd6 Rf6 40.Qd7+ 1-0 (47) Farionov,A (2645)-Posizione (2458)

Koop Tjuchem 1996 (7)]

11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Qe7 13.Nf1 Qf7 14.Ra2 Nh5 15.b5N

[Predecessor: 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Rxe3 Ne7 0.46/21 (*16...Nf4= -0.01/22*) 17.g3 a5 18.b5 Nf6 19.N1h2 Rad8 20.d4 0.01/23 (*20.Kg2⩲ 0.38/21*) 20...exd4!= 21.cxd4 0-1 Vachier Lagrave,M (2779)-Nakamura,H (2777) chess.com Speed 5m+1spm 2018 blitz (2.10)]

15...Ne7 16.d4 exd4 17.cxd4



e5 0.47/22 **18.Rc2⩲ Ng6 19.Be3** -0.01/25

[19.bxa6⩲ 0.67/24 bxa6 20.Be3]

19...axb5=

[19...Nhf4 20.dxe5 axb5 21.axb5 dxe5 22.N1h2 Rfd8]

20.axb5 exd4 0.36/25

[20...Nhf4= -0.01/25]

21.Nxd4 Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Nhf4

[22...b6 with more complications. 23.Qc3 Qe6 24.e5 dxe5 25.Qxc7 Rac8]

23.Qc4 Qxc4 24.Rxc4 Ne6

[24...Ne5!? 25.Rc2 (*25.Rxc7 Nxh3+ 26.Kh2 Nxf2=*) 25...Nxh3+ 26.Kh2 Ng5 (*26...Nd3 27.Ree2=*) 27.Bxg5 hxg5±]

25.Rd1 b6 26.g3 -0.67/23

[26.Ng3= -0.30/23]

26...Ne5∓ 27.Rc3 g5 -0.01/22

[27...Nd7∓ -0.68/21]

28.Kg2 -0.57/23

[28.f4!= -0.01/22 gxf4 29.gxf4 Nxf4 30.Rxc7]

28...Ra4 29.Nd2 Nc5 30.Bxc5 -1.03/25

[30.f4∓ -0.56/20 deserves consideration. gxf4 31.Bxf4]

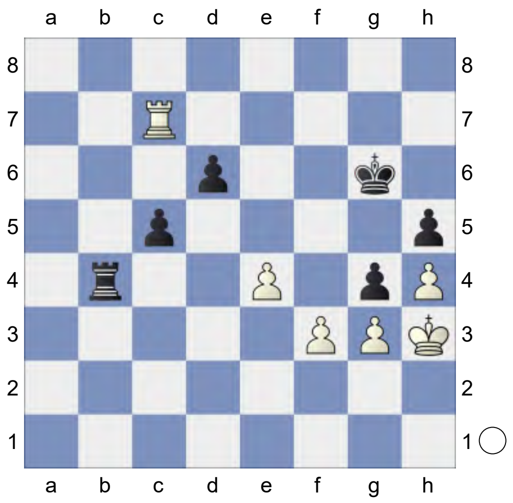
30...bxc5 -0.49/20

[30...dxc5∓ -1.03/25 31.Nf1 Rxe4]

31.Nf3! Nxf3 32.Rxf3 Rxf3 -0.01/21

[32...Rxe4∓ -0.53/26 33.b6 cxb6 34.Rxd6 (*34.Rxf8+ Kxf8 35.Rxd6 b5∓*) 34...b5]

33.Kxf3 Endgame KR-KR **33...Rb4 34.Ra1 Rxb5 35.Ra7 Kf7 36.Rxc7+ Kf6** ...h5 is the strong threat. **37.Kg4 Rb4 38.f3 Kg6 39.h4 h5+ 40.Kh3 g4+**



Decoy **41.fxg4 hxg4+ 42.Kxg4 Rxe4+ 43.Kf3 Rd4 44.g4 c4 45.Rc6 Kf6 46.Kg3 Rd3+ 47.Kf4 Rd4+ 48.Kf3 Rd3+ 49.Ke4 Rd1 50.Kf4**

[50.Rxc4? d5+ 51.Kf3 dxc4-+]

50...Rd4+ 51.Kf3 Ke5 52.h5 Rd3+ 53.Kg2 Rd4 0.63/26

[Black should try 53...c3= 0.10/23]

54.Kg3!⩲ A mistake that costs the game.

54...Rd3+? 6.03/25

[54...d5⩲ 0.53/24]

55.Kh4+- Kd5 8.22/22

[⌓55...c3 4.64/22 56.Rc7 Kf6]

56.Rc8 Rd1 57.Kg5 Rh1 58.Kh6 Kd4 59.g5 c3 60.g6 and g7 should not be overlooked **60...Rg1 61.g7 Kd3 62.g8Q Rxg8** White mates. **63.Rxg8** KR-KPP **63...c2 64.Rc8 Kd2 65.Kg5 d5 66.h6 d4 67.h7 d3 68.h8Q**

[Not 68.h8R c1Q=]

68...c1Q 69.Rxc1 Kxc1

Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.48

70.Qc3+

1-0

588 **C50**
☐ **Hector,Jonny** **2466**
■ **Ustianovich,Nazar** **2314**
Gothenburg Manhem (2) 06.08.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5** **d6!** The main line 7...d6 scores better than 7...h6. Die Hauptvariante 7...d6 punktet besser als 7...h6. The main line 7...d6 scores better than 7...h6 .Die Hauptvariante 7...d6 punktet besser als 7...h6. **8.f4 Bg4 9.Bxf6! Bxd1 10.Bxd8** The position is equal. **10...Rxd8 11.c3**

[11.Rxd1!? Nxc2 12.Nc3 (*12.Bb5+ c6∓*) 12...Nxa1 13.Rxa1=]

11...Be2 12.cxd4 Bxc4 13.Rc1 Ba6 14.Rxc7 exd4 15.Na3!= 0.00/25 **Rd7N** Black has some pressure.

[Vorgänger: 15...0-0 ...Rde8 would now be deadly. 16.Rd1 f5 17.b4 b6 0.66/21 (*17...Be2= 0.12/24 18.Rxd4 Rc8 19.Rxc8 Rxc8*) 18.exf5!⩲ Rf7 19.Rxf7 Kxf7 20.Rxd4 and b5 would now be decisive Kf6 21.b5! Bb7 ½-½ Langheld,W (2038)-Profitlich,W (2129) GER-ch50 V7 email 2008 ½-½ Langheld,W (2038)-Profitlich,W (2129) GER-ch50 V7 email 2008]

16.Rc8+ Rd8 17.Rxd8+ -0.66/18 **Kxd8=** Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **18.Rd1 d3 19.b4 b6!**

[19...Re8 20.b5+-]

20.b5 Bb7 21.Rxd3 Kc7

[21...Bxe4 22.Rxd6+ Kc7 23.Rd4∓]

22.e5 -1.99/22

[22.Nc4∓ -0.72/21 Bxe4 23.Rc3]

22...dxe5-+ 23.fxe5 Rd8! 24.Rc3+ Kb8 25.Rc2 -2.38/18

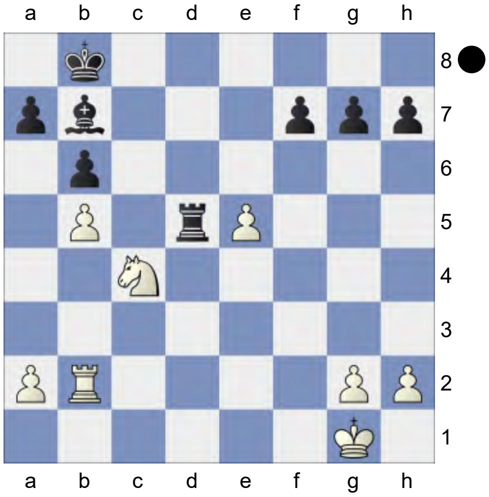
[25.Rh3∓ -1.41/18]

25...Rd3 -1.27/21

[25...Rd5-+ -2.38/18 26.Nc4 Rc5 (*26...Rxb5? 27.Nd6-+*)]

26.Nc4∓ Rd5 27.Rb2 -1.43/19

[⌓27.Nd6 -0.94/21]



27...Bc8! 28.Nd6 Be6 29.Re2 Rd1+ 30.Kf2 Ra1 31.Ke3 Rxa2 32.Rxa2 Bxa2 KB-KN. Black is a pawn up. **33.Kd4** -1.67/24

[33.g4∓ -0.80/21 was called for.]

33...Be6-+ 34.h4 -2.31/27

[34.Ne8∓ -1.54/22]

34...g6 35.g3 -2.91/25

[⌓35.g4 -1.75/24]

35...Kc7 -1.74/21

[⌓35...h5 -2.91/25 36.Ne4 a5]

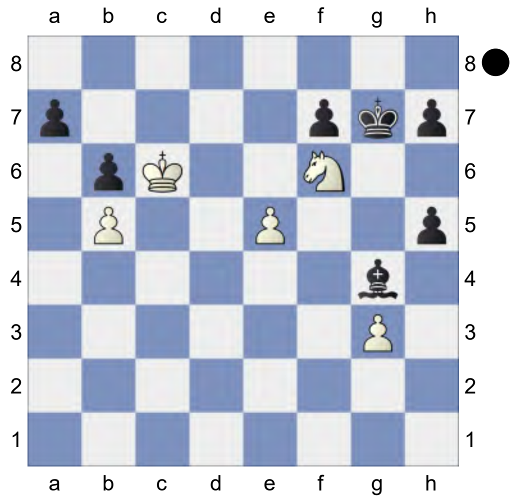
36.h5? -4.39/27

[36.Ne4 -1.74/21]

36...gxh5 37.Ne8+ Kd8 38.Nf6 Bg4 39.Kd5 Kc7 40.Ne8+ Kd7 -4.95/24 **41.Nf6+ Kc7 42.Ne8+** -5.28/26

[⌓42.Nxh7 -3.71/21 Be2 43.Ng5]

42...Kd8 43.Nf6 Ke7 44.Ng8+ Kf8 45.Nf6 Kg7 46.Kc6



Bf3+! 47.Kc7 Kg6 48.Kb8 Black is clearly winning. **48...Kf5 49.Kxa7 Kxe5 50.Nxh7 Kf5**

[50...Be4 51.Ng5 Bd5 52.Kxb6=]

51.Kxb6 Kg4 52.Kc5 Kxg3 53.Nf6 -9.27/31

[⌓53.Ng5 -4.87/23 Bg2 54.Kd4]

53...h4 54.b6 h3 55.Nh5+ Kh4

[Not 55...Bxh5 56.b7 f5 57.b8Q+= *(57.b8B+?* is the wrong capture. *f4-+)*]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=0.22 (precise) **56.Kd4N**

0-1

589 **C50**

□ **Begmuratov,Khumoyun** **2416**

■ **Jaiveer,Mahendru** **2271**

Masters Open 2024 (1.64) 03.12.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Of course, if everything is balanced, then you have no advantages, and you want to create imbalances, so you can take advantage of your strengths and your opponent's weaknesses. That is quite different from the previous examples, where you already had an advantage and wanted to avoid further imbalance in your opponent's favor. --- Take the following common position after **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.Be3 Bxe3 6.fxe3 Be6 7.Bb3 Nf6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.0-0 Bxb3 10.axb3 d5N**

[10...Qe7 11.Qe1 a6 12.Qg3 Rfe8 13.Rf2 Rad8 14.Raf1 b5 15.Nh4 Principle Of Symmetry]

11.Qe2 a6 12.Rad1 -0.22/19

[⌓12.exd5 0.19/21 Nxd5 13.Ne4]

12...d4= 13.exd4 exd4 14.Nb1 Ng4 15.Rfe1 Qd7 16.h3 Ne3 17.Rc1 f5 18.c3

[18.Nxd4? Nxg2 *(18...Nxd4 19.Qxe3 f4 20.Qf2∓)* 19.Qxg2 Nxd4-+ *(19...Qxd4+ 20.Kh1∓)*]

18...f4!

[18...fxe4 19.dxe4 Rxf3 20.Qxf3+-]

19.Nbd2 Rad8 20.Nc4 b5 21.Nxe3 dxe3 22.d4 Rde8 23.Qc2 Kh8

[23...Ne7 simplifies 24.c4 Ng6 25.cxb5 axb5 26.Qxc7 Qxc7 27.Rxc7 Rxe4 28.Ra1 Re7]

24.Ra1

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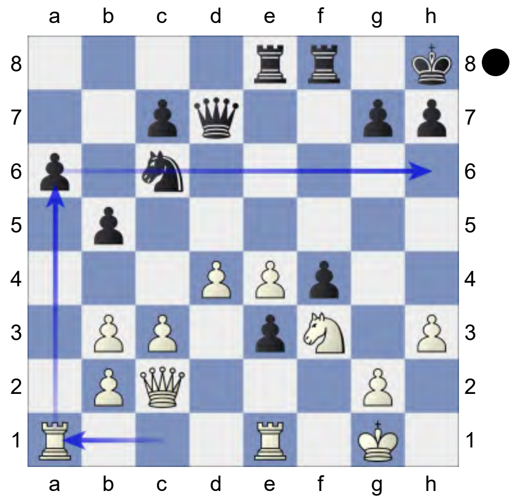
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g5! White must now prevent ...g4. **25.Rxa6**

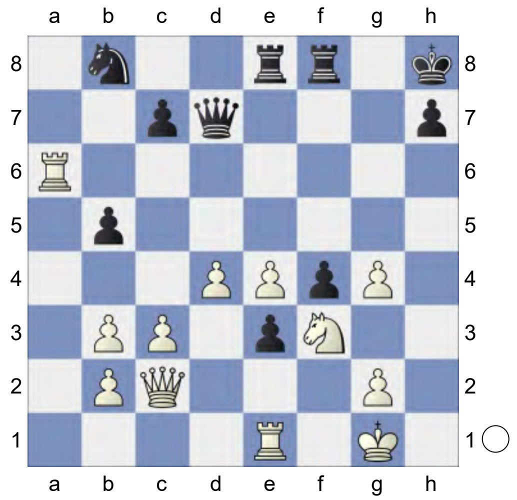
[25.Nxg5? Rg8 26.h4 h6-+]

25...g4 0.43/18

[25...Nb8!= -0.04/21 26.Ra7 Nc6]

26.hxg4⩲ Nb8 1.68/21

[26...Nd8!⩲ 0.70/19]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27.Rh6!+- aiming for e5. **27...Qxg4 28.e5 Re7**

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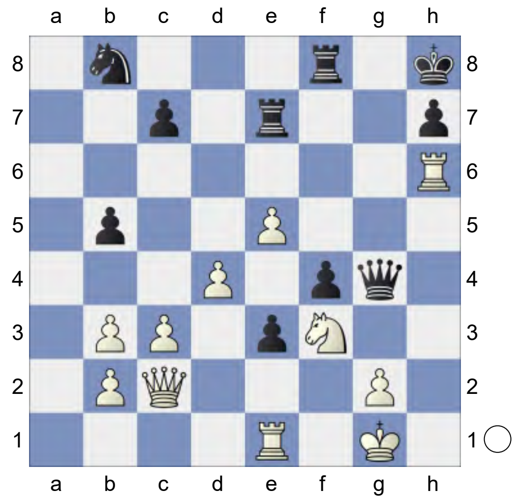
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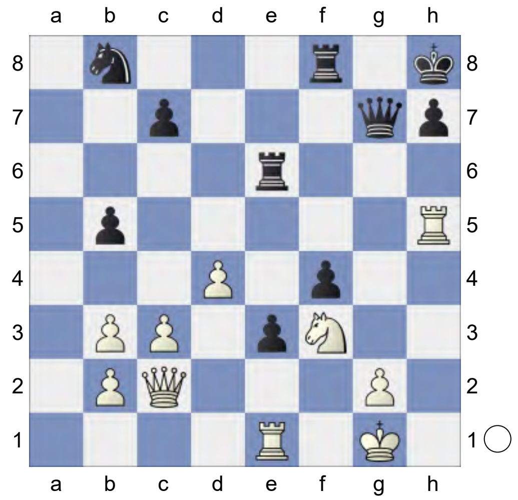
29.e6? 0.31/23 **Qg7 30.Rh5** Chess con chili. **30...Rxe6**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31.Rxh7+! Decoy **31...Qxh7 32.Qxh7+ Kxh7 33.Ng5+ Kg6 34.Nxe6⩲** Endgame. KRN-KRN **34...Rf6 35.Nxc7 Kf5 36.Nd5**

[36.Nxb5 Rg6±]

36...Rd6 37.c4

[37.Nxe3+ simplifies fxe3 38.Rxe3 Nd7 39.Kf2]

37...bxc4

[37...Nc6 38.Rf1 (*38.cxb5 Nxd4 39.Nxe3+ fxe3=*) 38...Nxd4 39.Rxf4+ (*39.Nxe3+ Ke5=*) 39...Ke5 40.Rf8±]

38.bxc4 Nc6 39.Rf1! Nxd4 (→ ... Ne2+) **40.Nxe3+**

[Don't play 40.Nxf4 Ke4=]

40...Ke4 The position is equal. **41.Nd5 f3 42.Re1+ Kd3 43.g4 Kxc4 44.Nf4 Rf6 45.Re4** And now g5 would win. **45...Rb6 46.g5** g6 is the strong threat. **46...Rxb2 47.g6** Hoping for g7. **47...Rb1+ 48.Kf2** g7 would now be deadly. **48...Rb2+ 49.Kg3**

[49.Ke3!? Rb3+□ 50.Kf2 Rb2+ 51.Kg3⩲]

49...Rb1 50.Re5 Ra1 51.Rh5 Rg1+ 52.Kf2 Rg4 53.Rh1 Rxf4 54.g7 Rg4 55.Rg1 Rxg7 56.Rxg7 Kd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.07 (flawless)

½-½

590 **C50**
☐ **Juan_Farel** **2604**
■ **joecima** **2312**
Rapid 24.12.2020
[Kitty Kat]

Blitz 10min C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5** Black is clearly better. **8...d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.f4N**

[10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 Rxa2 53.Nc7 b4 54.Nxd5 b3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

10...Qe7 11.0-0 Kd8 -0.71/18

[11...Qxe4 12.Qxe4+ Nxe4 13.Re1=]

[⌓11...c5 -1.32/20 12.d3 Bd7]

12.f5 -1.34/20

[⌓12.d3 -0.71/18]

12...Ne5∓

[12...Ng4 13.Qe2 Qh4 14.h3⩲]

13.h3 Prevents Neg4 **13...c6?** -0.13/20

[13...Bd7-+ -1.67/18 14.Nc3 Re8]

14.d3 -0.73/17

[14.d4= -0.13/20 Nf7 15.Nc3]

14...Qc7 0.35/18

[Better is 14...Bd7∓ -0.73/17 15.Qf2 Kc7]

15.d4⩲ Nf7 16.Nd2 -0.97/20

[16.Qd3= 0.29/21 remains equal.]

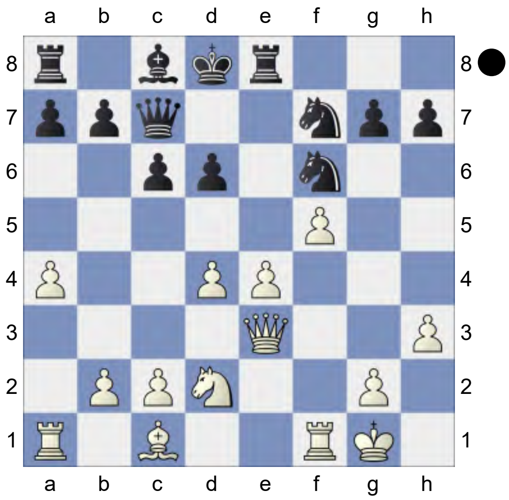
16...Re8 -0.34/19

[16...c5!∓ -0.97/20 17.d5 Qe7]

17.a4 -1.24/19

[17.Qg3∓ -0.34/19]

(Diagram)



17...Nxe4? 0.43/17 **18.Nxe4 d5 19.Qg3! Rxe4** 1.19/20

[19...dxe4± 0.52/19 20.Qxg7 e3]

White does not recover from this.

20.Qxc7+?? -2.68/19

[20.Qxg7± 1.19/20 is forced if you want to stay better. Hoping for Qg8+. Qe7 21.Qxh7]

20...Kxc7-+ 21.b3 Bd7

[21...Rxd4 22.Bf4+ Kd8 23.Rae1-+]

22.Bf4+ Kb6 23.c4 dxc4

[23...Rxd4 24.Be3 c5 *(24...Kc5? 25.Rad1+-* Pin *)* 25.Bxd4 cxd4 26.Rad1∓]

24.bxc4 Rae8

[Less strong is 24...Rxd4 25.Be3 c5 26.a5+ Ka6 27.Bxd4 cxd4 28.Rad1-+]

25.Bg3 Ka6

[Don't take 25...Rxd4 26.Bf2 c5 27.a5+ Kc7 28.Bxd4 cxd4 29.a6-+]

26.Rad1 Re2 27.Rf2 Rxf2 28.Bxf2 Bxf5 29.d5 Rd8 30.Rd4 cxd5 31.cxd5 Nd6 32.g4 Bg6 33.Bg3 Rd7 34.Be5 Bf7 35.Bxg7 Ne8 36.Be5 Rxd5 37.Rxd5 Bxd5 38.h4 Ka5 39.Bd4 a6 40.h5 Bf3 41.Kf2 Bxg4 42.Ke3 Bxh5 43.Ke4 Kxa4 44.Bb6 Kb5 45.Bd4 a5 46.Kd3 Nd6 47.Bc3 Nc4 48.Bd4 a4 49.Kc3 Nd6 50.Bh8 Bg6 51.Bg7 h5 52.Kd2 h4 53.Ke2 h3 54.Kf2 Ne4+ 55.Kf3 a3 (→ ...a2) **56.Be5 a2** Black mates. **57.Bg7 Kc4 58.Be5 Nc3 59.Bxc3 Kxc3 60.Kg4 h2 61.Kf4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.55/Black=0.34 **61...h1Q**

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592 C54

☐ **Omonova,Umida 2235**

■ **Girya,Olga 2400**

Asia-ch (Women) (3) 09.05.2025

[Kitty Kat,TA]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 The position is equal. **9.Re1 Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8

23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nf1 exd4! 12...exd4 scores better than 12...c6. 12...exd4 punktet besser als 12...c6. **13.Nxd4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Ng3 c6 16.Bf1 Qc7 17.Ne4N** -0.54/20

[17.Qf3 -0.49/19 17.Bd2 0.05 Bxd4 18.cxd4 Nb4 Hoping for ...Nc2!. 19.Nh5 Bd5 20.Qf5 And now a3 would win. Qc8 21.Qb1! Be6 22.Ng3 Inhibits Bf5. Re8 23.Bd2 ½-½ (60) Gharibyan,M (2473)-Piliposyan,R (2409) Titled Tuesday intern op 01st Apr Early blitz 2025 (8)]

[17.Bd2= -0.01/20]

17...Rae8∓ 18.Bd2 Bc8 19.Qf3 f5 20.Ng5 Bb8↑ Black has the initiative. **21.g3 Ne5 22.Qg2 f4 23.g4** -0.46/23

[23.Qe4 Nf6 24.Qxf4 h6∓]

[23.Bxf4= -0.01/24 Nxf4 24.gxf4 Rxf4 25.Re3]

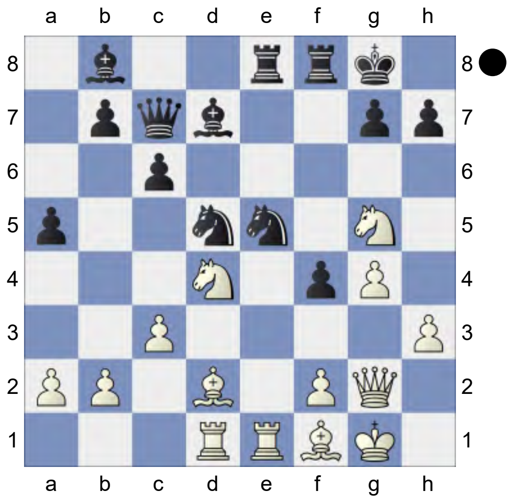
23...Bd7 0.11/23

[23...f3∓ -0.46/23 24.Ngxf3 Nxf3+ 25.Nxf3 Rxe1 26.Nxe1 *(26.Rxe1? Rxf3 27.c4 Nf6-+)* 26...Nf4]

24.Rad1? -1.73/24

[24.Ndf3= 0.11/23 and White has nothing to worry.]

(Diagram)



24...f3!-+ This costs White the game. **25.Qh1** -3.19/21

[25.Ndxf3∓ -1.40/26 Nxf3+ 26.Nxf3 Rxf3 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.c4]

25...h6 26.Ne4

[26.Ngxf3 Nxf3+ 27.Nxf3 Rxf3-+]

26...Qc8 -1.59/20

[Better is 26...c5-+ -3.12/21 27.Nf5 Bxf5 28.gxf5 Rxf5]

27.c4 -2.56/22

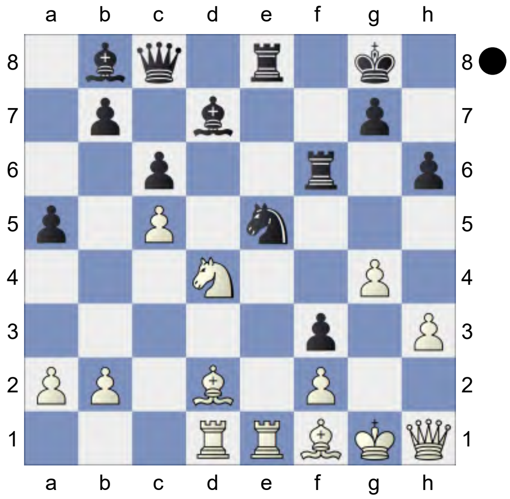
[27.Ng3∓ -1.59/20 was necessary.]

27...Nf6 28.Nxf6+ -4.55/23

[28.c5∓ -1.60/24]

28...Rxf6 29.c5? -8.45/22

[29.g5 -3.95/24 hxg5 30.Bxg5]



29...Bxg4! Black is clearly winning.

30.hxg4

[30.h4 Qd7]

30...Qxg4+ 31.Bg2 fxg2

[Weaker is 31...Qxg2+ 32.Qxg2 fxg2 33.f4=]

32.Qxg2 Qxd4 33.Bc3 Qf4 34.Bxe5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.37

34...Rxe5

0-1

591 **C54**

☐ **Omonova,Umida** **2235**

■ **Girya,Olga** **2400**

Asia-ch (Women) (3) 09.05.2025

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 The position is equal. **9.Re1 Be6N**

[9...Ne7 10.Nf1 Ng6 *(10...c6 11.Ng3 b5 12.Bb3 a4 13.Bc2 Ng6 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Be6 16.Qd2 Re8 17.a3 Qe7 18.Rad1 Qf8 19.Qc1 Rad8 20.Qb1 Bb8 21.Qc1 d5 22.dxe5 Nxe4 23.Bxe4 dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rxd1 25.Rxd1* 0-1 (54) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Caruana,F (2766) Titled Tuesday intern op 21st Feb Late blitz 2023 (10) *Rd8 26.Bc5 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qe8 28.Nd6 Qd7 29.Qd4 Bd5 30.Nh2 f6 31.f4 fxe5 32.fxe5 Qe6 33.Ng4 h5 34.Ne3 Nxe5 35.Ndf5 Kh7 36.Nxd5 Qxf5 37.Ne3 Qg6 38.Qd1 Nd3 39.Bd4 Nxb2 40.Qe2* 0-1 (54) Yugoslav Qa5 (2572)-Deslandes,P (2766) (m/1) 78/295 2000 (10)*)* 11.Ng3 c6 12.d4 h6 13.Bd3 Re8 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.Be3 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Nf5 Be6 18.Qc1 c4 19.Bxh6 Nh5 20.Bxg7 Nxg7 21.Qh6 Bxf5 22.exf5 Nf8 23.f6 Nge6 24.Rxe5 1-0 (25) Krause,B (2478)-Walter,A (2241) GER-ch blitz 2022 (12)]

10.Bb5 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nf1 exd4! 12...exd4 scores better than 12...c6. 12...exd4 punktet besser als 12...c6. **13.Nxd4 d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Ng3 c6 16.Bf1 Qc7 17.Ne4N** -0.44/19

[17.Qf3 -0.36/20 17.Bd2 0.01 Bxd4 18.cxd4 Nb4 ...Nc2! would now be deadly. 19.Nh5 Bd5 20.Qf5 a3 would now be deadly. Qc8 21.Qb1 Be6 22.Ng3 Prevents Bf5. Re8 23.Bd2 ½-½ (60) Gharibyan,M (2473)-Piliposyan,R (2409) Titled Tuesday intern op 01st Apr Early blitz 2025 (8)]

[17.Bd2= -0.01/20 was preferable.]

17...Rae8 18.Bd2 Bc8 19.Qf3 f5 -0.08/20

[19...Ndf4∓ -0.51/22]

20.Ng5= Bb8↑ Black has the initiative.

21.g3 Ne5 22.Qg2 f4 23.g4

[23.Bxf4 with more complications. Nxf4 24.gxf4 Rxf4 25.Qg3]

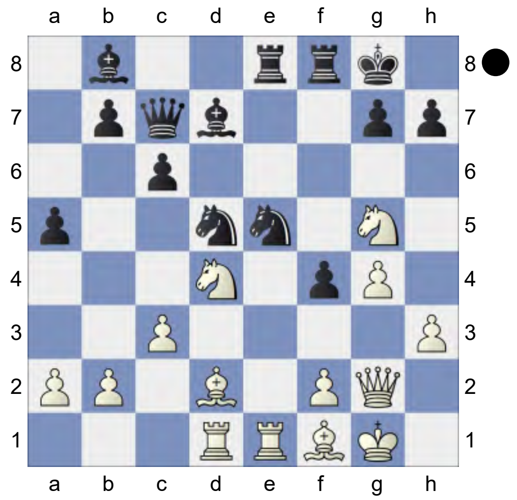
23...Bd7 0.22/22

[23...f3∓ -0.42/24 24.Ngxf3 Nxf3+ 25.Nxf3 Rxe1 26.Nxe1 *(26.Rxe1?* loses. *Rxf3 27.c4 Nf6-+)* 26...Nf4 27.Bc4+ Kh8]

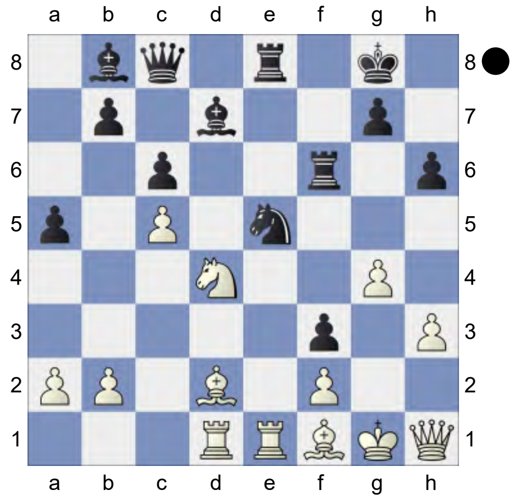
24.Rad1? -1.49/25

[24.Ngf3= 0.22/22]

(Diagram)



24...f3!∓ This costs White the game.
25.Qh1 -3.33/20
[25.Ndxf3∓ -1.26/25 Nxf3+ 26.Nxf3 Rxf3 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.c4]
25...h6-+ 26.Ne4 Qc8 -1.63/20
[⌓26...c5 -2.90/20 27.Nb5 Bxb5 28.Bxb5 Rd8]
27.c4 -2.72/22
[⌓27.Ng3 -1.63/20]
27...Nf6 28.Nxf6+ -3.36/24
[⌓28.c5 -1.99/24 Bxg4 29.Nd6 Bxd6 30.cxd6]
28...Rxf6 29.c5? -8.70/21
[29.g5 -2.91/25 hxg5 30.Bxg5]



29...Bxg4! Black is clearly winning.
30.hxg4
[30.h4 Qd7]
30...Qxg4+ 31.Bg2 fxg2
[Not 31...Qxg2+ 32.Qxg2 fxg2 33.f4=]
32.Qxg2 Qxd4 33.Bc3 Qf4 34.Bxe5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/ Black=0.28 (precise)
34...Rxe5
0-1

593 C54
☐ **Cherniaiev,Tykhon 2306**
■ **Hovakimyan,Vache 2299**
Titled Tuesday intern op 07th Jan Early b..
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 h6 6.c3 d6 7.Re1
[7.b4!? Bb6□ 8.a4=]
7...a5 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Nf1N
[9.a4 Be6 10.Bb3 Re8 11.Bc2 Nd7 12.Nf1 d5 13.Ng3 d4 14.Qe2 f6 15.Nd2 Rf8 16.Qf3 Qe7 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.Qxf5 Nd8 19.Bb3+ Kh8 20.Nf3 Nf7 21.Nh4 Qe8 22.Ng6+ Kg8 23.Qg4 Nb6 1-0 (44) Chmielowski,A-Klementys,J POL corr Poland 1993]
9...Be6 White is slightly better. **10.Bb5 Ne7** 10...Ba7 is the modern continuation. 10...La7 ist die moderne Fortsetzung.
11.Ng3 Bb6 0.40/22
[11...c6= 0.01/22 12.Ba4 Ng6]
12.Ba4N
[12.d4 c6 13.Bd3 Ng6 14.h3 Inhibits Bg4. Re8 15.Be3 a4 16.Qd2 -0.05/19 (*White should try 16.b4± 0.46/19*) 16...Kh7 0.49/17 (*16...exd4= -0.05/19 17.Nxd4 Bd7*) 17.Bc2 Qc7 18.Nf5 Bxf5! 19.exf5

1-0 (44) Aronian,L (2742)-Le,T (2557) Julius Baer Play In Match rapid 2023 (1.3)]

12...Ng4 0.71/22

[12...Ng6= 0.18/20 keeps the balance.]

13.d4± f5 1.84/23

[13...Ng6± 0.72/21]

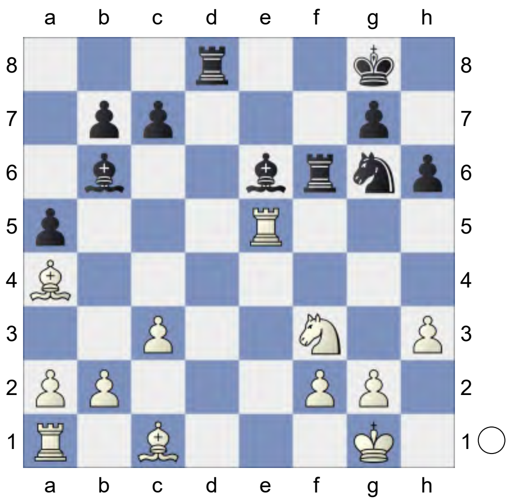
14.h3 1.10/21

[14.exf5+- 1.84/23 Nxf5 15.h3 *(15.dxe5? Bxf2+ 16.Kh1 Nxg3+ 17.hxg3 Bxg3-+)*]

14...fxe4 15.Nxe4 Nf6 16.Nxf6+ Rxf6 17.dxe5 dxe5 18.Qxd8+ Rxd8 19.Rxe5

[19.Nxe5? Bxf2+ 20.Kh2 Bxe1-+]

19...Ng6



20.Rxe6 Rxe6 21.Bb3 Pin **21...Rdd6** 1.93/22 **22.Bd2+-**

[Much less strong is 22.Bxe6+ Rxe6 23.Kf1 a4±]

22...a4 23.Bc4 Pin

[Worse is 23.Bxa4 Re2 24.Be1 *(24.Bb3+ Kh7∓)* 24...Rxb2 25.Bb3+ Kf8-+]

23...Kf8 24.Bxe6 Rxe6 25.Kf1 Wards off Re2 **25...c6 26.b3 Rd6?** 3.32/21

[26...axb3 1.80/22 27.axb3 Kf7]

27.bxa4 Ba5 28.Rb1 b6 29.Be3 c5 30.Nd2 Ne5 31.Nb3 Bxc3 32.Nxc5 bxc5 7.16/25

[32...Nc4 3.91/21]

33.Bxc5 Pin. White is clearly winning. **33...Nf7 34.Rb3 Be5 35.a5 Ke8 36.Bxd6 Nxd6 37.a6** Hoping for a7. **37...Nc8 38.Rb7 Bd4 39.Ke2 Kd8 40.f3 g5 41.Kd3 Bf2 42.Rh7 Na7 43.Rxh6 Kc8 44.Rg6 Bh4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.66

45.Rg7

1-0

594 **C54**
☐ **Wafa,Hamed** **2359**
■ **Garv,Rai** **2277**
Masters Open 2024 (3.66) 05.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3 0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 d6 9.a4**

[9.h3 Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ne3 Bg6 14.0-0 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Be4 17.Bd5 Bxd5 18.Nxd5 Bg5 19.Qb3 Qf7 20.h4 Bf6 21.Rac1 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Qxd5 23.Rxc6 Bxb2 1-0 Dc5 (2626)-Predein,V (2578) Cap d'Agde-A rapid 2003 (6)]

9...Be6N 0.54/23

[9...Nh5= 0.16/21 is superior.]

[9...Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4 1-0 4.e5 ♘g8 5.♘f3_38158 (2623)-4. ♘c3 ♘d4 5.♗d3_39215 (2498) cor 1980 (6) Bf6

25.axb5 b6 26.f4 Rae8 27.Rf1 Bg7 28.Ree1 Qf5 29.fxe5 Qxd3 30.Rxf8+ Rxf8 31.Bxd3 Bxe5 32.Bxe5+ dxe5 33.Rxe5 Kg7 34.Be4 Kf6 35.Rd5 Nc4 36.Rd7 Nd6 37.Bd3 Rf7 38.Rd8 Rg7 39.Kf2 1-0 Demchenko, A (2623)-Ravi,T (2453) Titled Tuesday intern op 18th Apr Early Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (8) Ke5 40.g3 Kd5 41.g4 Kc5 42.Rh8 Nf7 43.Re8 Nd6 44.Re5# 1-0 Demchenko,A (2623)-Salinas Herrera,P (2498) ChessKid Cup Play In Chess.com INT blitz 2023 (6)]

10.Bxe6⩲ fxe6 11.a5 Qe8 12.Nbd2 Nh5 13.0-0 Bf6 14.Qb3 Rb8 15.Qc4 g5 16.h3! Nf4 0.96/21

[16...Bg7⩲ 0.47/22]

17.d4 h5 1.28/20

[⌓17...Kh8 0.73/20]

18.d5± exd5 19.exd5 aiming for Bxf4! **19...Ne7 20.Qxc7** 0.27/20

[20.Bxf4± 1.23/19 exf4 21.Rae1 *(21.Qxc7 g4±)*]

20...g4 21.hxg4 -0.79/21

[21.Bxf4⩲ 0.51/22 was forced to keep a grip. gxf3 22.Be3]

21...Ne2+∓ 22.Kh1 hxg4 23.Nh2 Hoping for Qc4. **23...Nf5 24.Rfe1** -1.77/25

[24.Nxg4? Nfxg3+ *(24...Nexg3+? 25.fxg3 Nxg3+ 26.Kg1-+)* 25.fxg3 Qh5+ 26.Nh2 Nxg3+ 27.Kg1 Bg5-+]

[24.Qc4!∓ -0.53/18 Nfxg3+ *(24...Nexg3+ 25.fxg3 Nxg3+ 26.Kg1∓)* 25.fxg3 Nxg3+ 26.Kg1]

24...Nexg3+

[24...Nfxg3+ 25.fxg3 Nxg3+ 26.Kg1=]

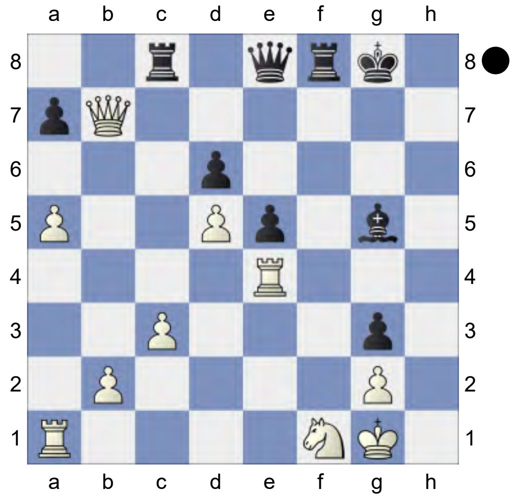
25.fxg3 Rc8!↑ Black is on the roll.

[25...Nxg3+ 26.Kg1=]

26.Qxb7 Nxg3+ 27.Kg1 Bg5 28.Ne4 -1.34/23

[28.Ndf1-+ -1.72/20 Nxf1 *(28...Rf7 29.Qb4±)* 29.Nxf1]

28...Nxe4! 29.Rxe4 g3 ...Qh5 is the strong threat. **30.Nf1**



Bf4! Black has strong compensation. **31.Rae1 Rf7** -0.62/19

[31...Qh5∓ -1.36/22 White must now prevent ...Be3+! 32.Qe7 Qf5 33.Qe6+ *(33.Qxd6 Be3+* Decoy, Back Rank *34.Nxe3 Qf2+ 35.Kh1 Qxe1+)* 33...Kh7 34.Qxf5+ *(34.Qxd6 Be3+* Decoy, Back Rank *35.Nxe3 Qf2+ 36.Kh1 Qxe1+)* 34...Rxf5]

32.Qa6∓ Qd7 33.Ne3? -3.58/19

[33.R1e3!∓ -0.40/22]

33...Rcf8-+ 34.Qe2 Rg7 -1.46/18 Repels Qg4

[34...Kh8-+ -3.61/21 ...Rh7 would now be deadly. 35.Qh5+ Kg7 *(35...Rh7 36.Qg6-+)*]

35.Qh5∓ Qc8 -0.58/23

[Black should play 35...Qc7∓ -1.45/21 And now ...Rh7! would win. 36.b4 *(36.Nf5? Rg5-+)* 36...Qxc3]

36.Qe2? -4.10/20

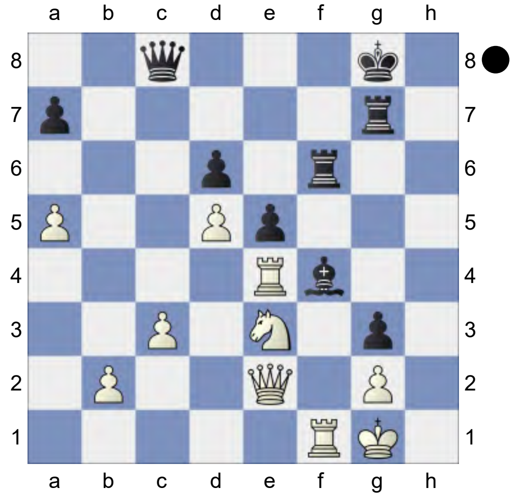
[36.Rf1∓ -0.58/23]

36...Rf6? -1.54/19

[36...Qe8-+ -4.10/20 is more deadly. Threatens to win with ...Qg6. 37.Rxf4

Rxf4 *(37...exf4? 38.Nc2-+)*]

37.Rf1



Qe8?? 5.10/22

[37...Rh7!-+ -1.90/19 (→ ...Rfh6) 38.Qg4+ Qxg4 39.Nxg4 Rg6 40.Rfxf4 *(40.Ne3? Rgh6 41.Ng4 Rh1#)* 40...exf4 41.Rxf4 Rb7]

38.Ng4+- Prevents Rh6. **38...Qg6 39.Nxf6+ Qxf6 40.Qh5 Rf7** 9.15/22

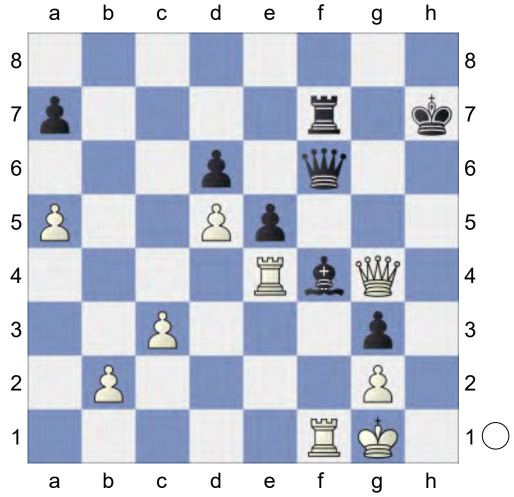
[⌓40...Qf7 4.33/20 41.Qxf7+ Rxf7]

41.Qg4+ 4.06/19

[⌓41.Rfxf4 9.15/22 exf4 42.Re8+ Rf8 43.Re6]

41...Kh7 7.96/23

[⌓41...Kf8 4.06/19 42.Rfxf4 exf4]



42.Rfxf4! exf4 Endgame. KQR-KQR **43.Qh5+ Kg7 44.Re6 Re7 45.Qg4+ Kh7 46.a6**

[46.Rxf6? Re1#]

46...Rxe6 47.Qxe6 KQ-KQ

[47.dxe6 Qe5 48.Kf1 Qa5+-]

47...Qg5 48.Qxd6? 0.00/32

[48.Kf1+- 4.17/20]

48...Qh5 The position is equal. **49.Qe7+ Kg8 50.Qd8+**

[50.Qxa7? Qd1#]

50...Kg7 51.Qd7+ Kg8 52.Qc8+

[52.Qxa7? Qd1#]

52...Kg7 53.Qc7+ Kg6 54.Qd6+

[54.Qxf4? Qd1+ 55.Qf1 Qd2-+]

54...Kg7 55.Qe7+

[55.Qxf4 Qd1+ 56.Qf1 Qd2 57.Qa1 Qe3+ 58.Kh1 Qh6+ 59.Kg1 Qh2+ 60.Kf1 Qh1+ 61.Ke2 Qxa1 62.Kf3 Qxb2 *(62...Qxa6? 63.Kxg3 Qd3+ 64.Kf4-+)* 63.Kxg3 Qxc3+ 64.Kg4 Qd4+ 65.Kg5 Qf6+ *(65...Qxd5+ 66.Kf4 Kf6 67.Ke3 Kf5 68.Ke2 Kf4 69.g4 Kxg4 70.Ke3 Kg3 71.Ke2 Qd4 72.Ke1 Kf3 73.Kf1 Qf2#)* 66.Kg4 Kg6 *(66...Qxa6 67.Kf5 Qc8+ 68.Ke5 a5 69.g3 a4 70.Ke4 a3 71.d6 a2 72.Kd5 a1Q 73.d7 Qxd7+ 74.Ke4 Qg4+ 75.Kd5 Qad4+ 76.Kc6 Qgd7#)* 67.d6 Qf5+ *(67...Qxd6 68.Kf3 Qd4 69.Kg3 Qe3+ 70.Kg4 Kf6 71.Kh4 Kf5 72.g4+ Kg6 73.g5 Kf5 74.g6 Qf3 75.g7 Qg4#)* 68.Kg3 Kg5 69.Kh2 Kg4 70.d7 Qf4+ *(70...Qxd7 71.g3 Qd2+ 72.Kh1 Kh3 73.Kg1 Qg2#)* 71.g3 Qd2+ *(71...Qxg3+? 72.Kh1 Kh3 73.d8Q Qh2#)* 72.Kg1 Kxg3 73.Kh1 Qh2#]

55...Kg8 56.Qd8+

[56.Qxa7? Qd1#]

56...Kg7 57.Qc7+ Kg6 58.Qd6+

[58.Qxf4 Qd1+ 59.Qf1 Qd2-+]

58...Kg7 59.Qe7+

[59.Qxf4 Qd1+ 60.Qf1 Qd2 61.Qa1 Qe3+ 62.Kh1 Qh6+ 63.Kg1 Qh2+ 64.Kf1 Qh1+ 65.Ke2 Qxa1 66.Kf3 Qxb2 *(66...Qxa6? 67.Kxg3 Qd6+ 68.Kg4-+)* 67.Kxg3 Qxc3+ 68.Kg4 Qd4+ 69.Kg5 Qxd5+ 70.Kf4 Kf6 *(70...Qxg2 71.Ke3 Qd5 72.Kf2 Qd3 73.Kg2 Kf6 74.Kf2 Kf5 75.Ke1 Qc2 76.Kf1 Ke4 77.Kg1 Kf3 78.Kh1 Qg2#)* 71.Ke3 Kf5 *(71...Qxg2 72.Kd3 Ke5 73.Kc3 Qe2 74.Kb4 Kd5 75.Kc3 Kc5 76.Kb3 Qd2 77.Ka3 Kc4 78.Ka4 Qb4#)* 72.Ke2 Kf4 *(72...Qxg2+ 73.Kd3 Qf2 74.Kc4 Ke4 75.Kc3 Qd4+ 76.Kb3 Kd3 77.Ka2 Qb6 78.Ka3 Kc3 79.Ka4 Qxa6#)* 73.g4 Kxg4 74.Ke3 Kg3 75.Ke2 Qd4 76.Ke1 Kf3 77.Kf1 Qf2#]

59...Kg8 60.Qe6+

[60.Qxa7? Qd1#]

60...Kg7 61.Qd7+ Kg8 62.Qc8+

[62.Qxa7? Qd1#]

62...Kg7 63.Qc7+ Kg6 64.Qd6+

[64.Qxf4 Qd1+ 65.Qf1 Qd2 66.Qb1+ Kg7-+]

64...Kg7 65.Qd7+

[65.Qxf4 Qd1+ 66.Qf1 Qd2 67.Qa1 Qe3+ 68.Kh1 Qh6+ 69.Kg1 Qh2+ 70.Kf1 Qh1+ 71.Ke2 Qxa1 72.Kf3 Qxb2 *(72...Qxa6? 73.Kxg3 Qd6+ 74.Kf2-+)* 73.Kxg3 Qxc3+ 74.Kg4 Qc4+ 75.Kg5 Qxd5+ 76.Kf4 Kf6 *(76...Qxg2 77.Ke3 Qd5 78.Ke2 Kf6 79.Kf2 Qd2+ 80.Kg3 Qe2 81.Kf4 Kg6 82.Kg3 Kf5 83.Kh3 Kf4 84.Kh4 Qh2#)* 77.Ke3 Kf5 *(77...Qxg2 78.Kd4 Qd2+ 79.Kc5 Ke6 80.Kc4 Kd6 81.Kb5 Kd5 82.Ka4 Kc4 83.Ka3 Qe2 84.Ka4 Qa2#)* 78.Ke2 Kf4 *(78...Qxg2+ 79.Kd3 Ke5 80.Kc3 Qe4 81.Kb3 Kd4 82.Kb2 Kc4 83.Kc1 Qg2 84.Kb1 Kc3 85.Kc1 Qh1#)* 79.g4 Kxg4 80.Ke3 Kg3 81.Ke2 Qd4 82.Ke1 Kf3 83.Kf1 Qf2#]

65...Kg8 66.Qc8+

[66.Qxa7? Qd1#]

66...Kg7 67.Qc7+ Kg6 68.Qd6+

[68.Qxf4 Qd1+ 69.Qf1 Qd2 70.Qb1+ Kf6 71.Qf1+ Ke5 72.Qa1 Qe3+ 73.Kh1 Qh6+ *(73...Kxd5 74.Qd1+ Ke6 75.Qg4+ Ke7 76.Qg7+ Ke6 77.Qg6+ Ke7 78.Qg7+ Ke8 79.Qg8+ Ke7 80.Qh7+ Kd6 81.Qg6+ Kc5 82.Qf5+ Kb6 83.Qf6+ Kb5 84.Qf1+ Ka5 85.Qa1+ Kb5 86.Qf1+ Ka5 87.Qa1+ Kb5 88.Qf1+=* Decoy *)* 74.Kg1 Qh2+ *(74...Kxd5 75.Qd1+ Kc4 76.Qg4+ Kb3 77.Qxg3±)* 75.Kf1 Qh1+ Skewer *(75...Kxd5? 76.Qd1+ Kc4 77.Qf3±)* 76.Ke2 Qxa1 77.Kd3 Qf1+ Skewer *(77...Kxd5 78.c4+ Ke5 79.Kc2 Qf1 80.Kc3 Qxg2 81.b3 Qf3+ 82.Kb2 g2 83.Ka3 g1Q 84.c5 Qxc5+ 85.Kb2 Qg2+ 86.Kb1 Qcg1#)* 78.Kc2 Kxd5 *(78...Qxg2+ 79.Kb3 Qxd5+ 80.Kb4 g2 81.c4 Qd2+ 82.Kb5 g1Q 83.c5 Qe2+* Skewer *84.Kc6 Qg7 85.b4 Qxa6#)* 79.Kb3 Qc1 *(79...Qxa6 80.Kc2 Qf1 81.Kb3 Qc1 82.c4+ Kc5 83.Ka3 Kxc4 84.Ka2 Qd2 85.Ka1 Kb3 86.Kb1 Qxb2#)* 80.c4+ Kc5 *(80...Qxc4+ 81.Ka3 Kc5 82.b4+ Qxb4+ 83.Ka2 Kd4 84.Ka1 Kc3 85.Ka2 Qb2#)* 81.Ka3 Kxc4 82.Ka2 Qd2 83.Kb1 Kb3 84.Ka1 Qxb2#]

68...Kg7 69.Qe7+

[69.Qxf4 Qd1+ 70.Qf1 Qd2-+]

69...Kg8 70.Qe6+

[70.Qxa7? Qd1#]

70...Kg7 71.Qe7+ Kg8 Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value:

White=0.44/Black=0.31
½-½

595 **C54**
□ **Yip,Carissa** **2418**
■ **Lee,Megan** **2253**
ch-w 2024 Saint Louis USA (9.3)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Be6N**

[9...Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 20.bxa6 bxa6 21.d4 Kg7 22.d5 Bd7 23.Kc2 Rhb8 24.Bxa6 0-1 Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th_19495 Zürich 2016 (3) Bxf2 25.Bb5 Be3 26.h4 Ra5 27.c4 Rba8 28.Kb3 Nf8 29.Rhc1 Bg4 30.Kc2 Bxd2 31.Kxd2 Nd7 32.Ra3 Nc5 33.Bc6 Rb8 34.Ke1 Qd8 35.Qc2 Bxf3 36.Rxf3 Qc8 0-1 Buchicchio,G (2767)-Hantel,T (2787) 102/57 Russia 2008 (7)]

[9...Ne7 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nf1 Be6 13.Qb3 Bxc4 14.Qxc4 exd4 15.cxd4 Qd7 16.Ne3 Qc6 17.Rc1 Qxc4 18.Rxc4 c6 19.Kd2 h5 20.Rhc1 Kd7 21.g3 Ne7 22.a5 Rab8 23.R1c2 Ke6 24.Nh4 1-0 Wei,Y (2762)-Demchenko,A (2597) Olympiad-45 Budapest 2024 (3.4)]

[9...g5 10.Bg3 0-0 11.Qe2 Kg7 12.h4 g4 13.Nh2 Ne7 14.h5 Nxh5 15.Nxg4 Nxg3 16.fxg3 Ng8 17.Ne3 Qg5 18.Nef1 Ne7 19.Nf3 Qg6 20.0-0-0 f5 21.Bb3 b5 ½-½ Ornolfsson,M (2702)-Louvrier Saint Mary,J (2651) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (10)]

10.b4 White is slightly better. **10...Qe7 11.0-0 g5 12.Bg3 0-0 13.b5 Nb8 14.Re1 axb5 15.axb5** And now Ra4 would win. **15...Nbd7 16.d4 exd4 17.Nxd4 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rfe8 19.f3** 0.19/19

[19.Nd2± 0.60/21]

19...Ne5 1.69/22

[19...d5!= 0.19/19 and Black has nothing to worry. 20.exd5 Discovered Attack Qc5]

20.Ne3 0.81/21

[20.b6!+- 1.69/22 is more deadly.]

20...Kh7 21.h4 Qd7 1.18/22

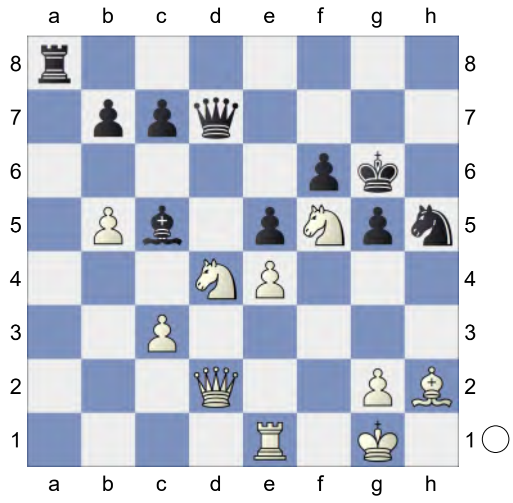
[Black should play 21...Nh5± 0.66/20]

22.hxg5 hxg5 23.Nef5 Kg6 24.Qd2 0.19/21

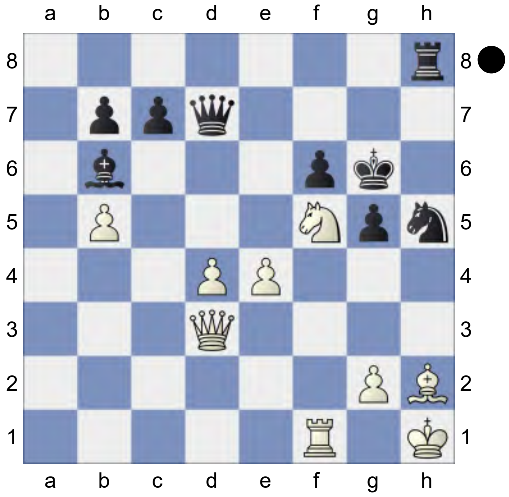
[24.Rf1± 1.12/19]

24...Nh5= 25.Bh2 Hoping for Rxa7! **25...Bc5 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.f4** Against f6 **27...f6 28.fxe5 dxe5** 1.32/21

[Better is 28...fxe5± 0.60/18 29.Ne3 (*29.g4 Nf6+-*) 29...Nf4 (*29...exd4? 30.cxd4 Bb6 31.e5±*)]

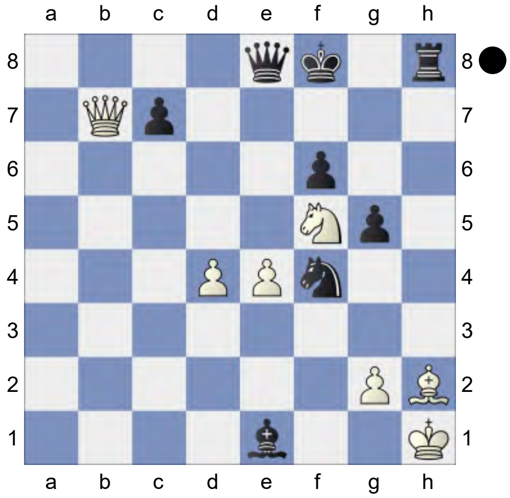


29.Kh1 -0.01/21 **exd4 30.cxd4 Bb6 31.Qd3 Rh8! 32.Rf1** -1.43/22
[32.Kg1= -0.01/22 keeps the balance.]

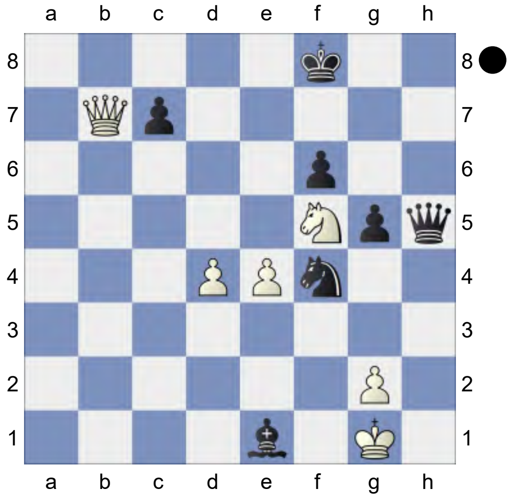


32...Nf4!∓ Deflection **33.Qd2** -2.41/21
[⌓33.Qc2 -1.61/20]
33...Qxb5 34.Re1 -5.58/21
[34.Qf2 -1.81/20 is a better chance.]
34...Ba5-+ Skewer, Deflection **35.Qa2** -#15/15
[35.Ne7+-+ -5.16/19 Kf7 36.Qa2+ Kxe7 37.Ra1]
35...Bxe1 36.Ne7+ Kg7 -14.35/21
[⌓36...Kh5 -#14/21 37.Kg1 Ne2+ 38.Kf1 Nc3+ (*38...Nxd4+? 39.Kxe1 Re8 40.Qd2-+*) 39.Kxe1 Nxa2 40.Ng8 Rxg8 (*40...Qb4+* gets mated. *41.Ke2 Qb2+ 42.Kf3 Nc3 43.Kg3 Qe2 44.Nxf6+ Kg6 45.Bg1 Qd3+ 46.Kf2 Qd2+ 47.Kg3 Qf4#*) 41.Bxc7 Qb2 (*41...Qb4+* is a self mate. *42.Ke2 Rc8 43.g3 Rxc7 44.e5 Qb2+ 45.Ke3 Qb3+ 46.Kf2 Rc2+ 47.Kg1 Qb1#*) 42.Bg3 Kg4 (*42...Qxd4 43.Bf2 Qxe4+ 44.Kf1 Re8 45.Kg1 Qb1+ 46.Kh2 Kg4 47.Bh4 gxh4 48.g3 Re2#*) 43.Bf2 Rh8 44.Kf1 Rh1+ 45.Bg1 Nc3 46.e5 Qe2#]

37.Nf5+ Kf8 38.Qa8+ Qe8 39.Qxb7



Rxh2+! Black mates. **40.Kxh2**
[40.Kg1 Rxg2+]
40...Qh5+ 41.Kg1



Bf2+! Weighted Error Value: White=0.86/Black=0.46
0-1

596 **C55**
☐ **Dolzhykova,Kateryna** **2345**
■ **Klek,H.** **2291**
DFSEM 2024 Bielefeld GER (3.1)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4**

Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 7...d6 is better than 7...h6. 7...d6 ist besser als 7...h6. The main line 7...d6 scores better than 7...h6. Die Hauptvariante 7...d6 punktet besser als 7...h6. **8.f4 Rg8N** 0.61/18

[Black should play 8...c6= -0.23/18]

[8...Bg4 9.Bxf6 Bxd1 10.Bxd8 Rxd8 11.c3 Be2 12.cxd4 Bxc4 13.Rc1 Ba6 14.Rxc7 0-0 15.fxe5 dxe5 16.d5 Rc8 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. Bg5]

[8...Be6 9.Nd2 h6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c3 Qd6 13.Kh1 Nc6 14.Rxf6 0-0-0 15.Bxe6+ fxe6 16.Rf2 Ne7 17.Qh5 Qb6 18.Raf1 Qxb2 19.Qxe5 Qxa2 20.Nf3 Qc4 21.Nd4 Nc6 22.Qxe6+ Qxe6 23.Nxe6 0-1 8.♗d3 ♗b7 9.e4 b4_77255 (2476)-San Segundo Carrillo,P (2548) Paris 1965 (4)]

[8...Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Kxd8 11.Bxf6+ gxf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 b5 16.Bd3 Bd7 17.Rxh7 Nf4 18.Ne2 Nxd3 19.cxd3 Be6 20.Nc1 a5 21.Rh5 Kd6 22.Kf2 b4 23.Ke3 ½-½ Holzmann,M (2481)-Mouradian,K (2448) 2nd President's Cup 2007 (5)]

9.fxe5 -0.13/17

[9.f5⩲ 0.61/18]

9...dxe5= 10.Bxf6 The position is equal.

10...gxf6 11.Qh5 Rg6N

[11...Be6 12.Qxh7 Bxc4 13.Qxg8+ Ke7 14.Qxd8+ Rxd8 15.Rf2 Black must now prevent Nc3. Nb3 0.12/22 (*15...Ne2+!∓ -0.61/23 16.Rxe2 Bxe2*) 16.Na3!= Nxa1 17.Nxc4 Rd1+ 0-1 Scharrer,P (2274)-Wunnink,M (2265) Budapest FS09 IM 2012 (1)]

[11...Nxc2 12.Qxf7#]

12.Qxh7 Be6 0.43/23

[12...Ne6∓ -0.48/20 13.Kh1 Qd4]

13.Na3 -0.10/20

[13.Bxe6⩲ 0.43/23 Nxe6 14.Nc3]

13...Bxc4 0.36/21

[13...Ke7= -0.10/20 14.c3 Qf8 15.Bxe6 (*15.cxd4? Rh6-+*) 15...Nxe6]

14.Nxc4⩲ Ne2+ 15.Kh1 -1.01/18

[15.Kf2!⩲ 0.37/23 stays ahead. Nf4 16.Rad1]

15...Qd4!∓ 16.Rad1

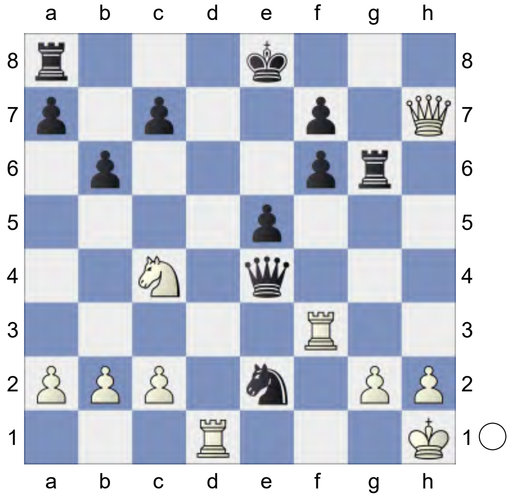
[16.Qh8+ Ke7 17.Qh4 (*17.Qxa8? Ng3+ 18.hxg3 Rh6#*) 17...Qxc4-+]

16...Qxe4 17.Rf3! The board is on fire.

17...b6? 4.45/20

[17...Qxc4? 18.Qh8+ Ke7 19.Qxa8+-]

[17...Ke7!∓ -1.01/18 keeps the pressure on. 18.Ne3 Nd4]



18.c3? -0.13/25 **Nf4**

[18...Qxc4? 19.Qh8+ Ke7 20.Qxa8+-]

19.Ne3→ White is up to no good.

19...Ke7 And now ...Rag8 would win.

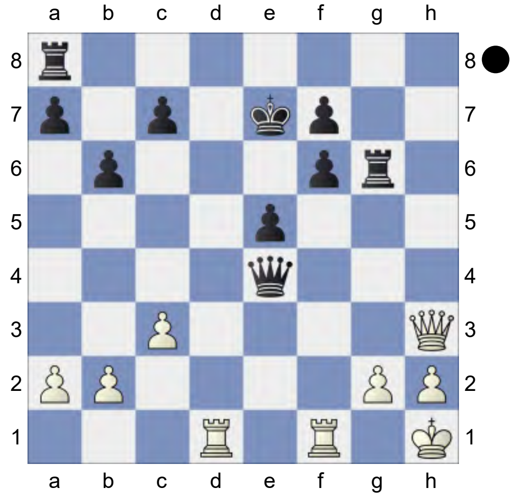
20.Rxf4?? -3.09/23 **Qxe3-+**

[And not 20...exf4 21.Nd5+ Ke6 22.Nxc7+ Ke7 23.Nd5+ Ke6 24.Qh3+ f5 25.Nc7+ Kf6 26.Nxa8 Qxa8 27.Rd4⩲]

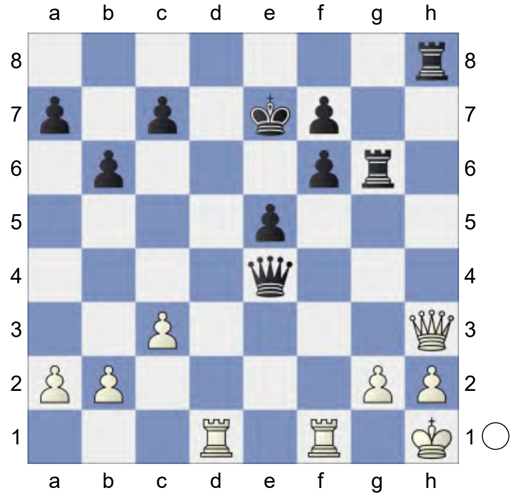
21.Rff1 Qe4 -1.95/19

[⌓21...Qe2 -3.30/21 22.Qh3 Rd8 *(22...Qxb2? too greedy. 23.Rd7+ Ke8 24.Rxc7+-)*]

22.Qh3



Rh8?? 11.05/19



23.Rd7+!+- Ke8 24.Qxh8+ Kxd7 25.Rd1+ Ke6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=1.04 **26.Qc8+**

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597 **C52**

□ **Zidu,Jan** **2526**

■ **Svrsek Jr,Radomir** **2309**

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[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

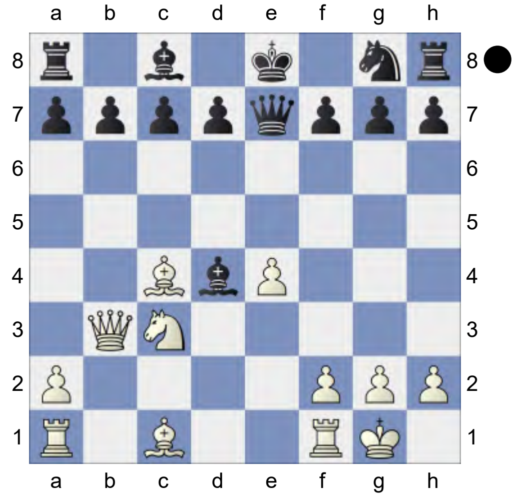
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qe7 8.0-0 Bb6

[8...Qxe4? 9.Bxf7+ *(9.Re1 Qxe1+ 10.Nxe1 Nge7+-)* 9...Kd8 10.Ng5+- *(10.Bxg8 h6+-; 10.Re1 Qxe1+ 11.Nxe1 Nge7+-)*]

9.cxd4! White has an edge. **9...Nxd4**

[9...Qxe4? 10.Re1+- *(10.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)*]

10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.Nc3!



Nf6 12.Rd1N White has compensation.

[12.Nb5 d5 13.exd5 Bxa1 14.Ba3 Qe5 15.f4 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Nxd4 Qxb3 18.Re1+ Kd8 19.Be7+ Kd7 20.Nxb3 c6 21.d6 b6 22.Bxf7 c5 23.Nd2 Kc6 24.Nc4 Bf5 25.Ne5+ Kb7 26.a4 h5 (31) Gaujens, A-Azmaiparshvili,Z X Open Salou ESP 2008 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Ka6 29.Bc4+ Kb7 30.Bd5+ Ka6 31.Bc4+ Kb7 ½-½ Pink,J (2701)-Payet,A (2626) San Bernardino op

1989 (8)]

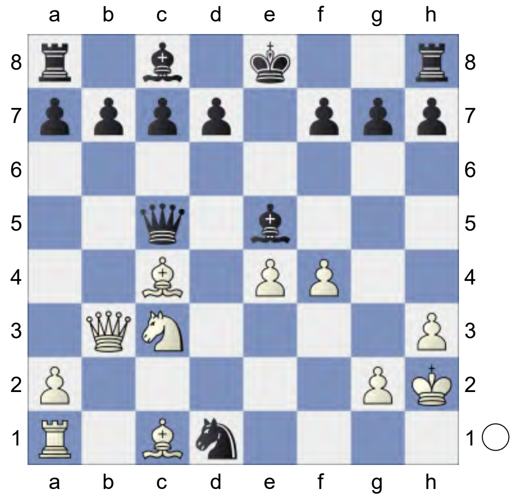
[12.Ba3 d6 13.Rad1 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qe5 15.Qc1 *(15.Qxe5+ dxe5 16.f4 Be6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.fxe5 Nd7 19.Rc1 Rc8 20.Bd6 Kd8 21.Ba3 Ke8 22.Bd6 Kd8 23.Ba3 Ke8 24.Bd6* ½-½ Kovalevskaya,E (2486)-Stefanova,A (2497) EU-Cup (Women) 07th 2002 (4.2)*)* 15...0-0 16.Bb2 Qe7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Rfe1 Be6 19.exd6 Nxd6 20.Bb3 Rfe8 21.Rd3 Nf5 22.Rf3 Nh4 23.Rfe3 Nf5 24.Rf3 ½-½ Jirk,J (2383)-Advance Caro-Kann: Short Vari,6 (2451) 154/(201) Istanbul 2022]

12...Be5 13.f4! Ng4 (-> ...Qc5+) **14.h3!**

[14.fxe5 is a self mate. Qc5+]

[14.Ba3 Qh4 15.fxe5 *(15.Bxf7+? Kd8-+)* 15...Qxh2+ 16.Kf1 Qh1+ *(16...Qxe5 17.Bxf7+ Kd8 18.Nd5+-)* 17.Ke2 Qxg2+ 18.Kd3 Nxe5+ 19.Ke3 Qg5+ 20.Kf2 Qf4+ 21.Kg2 Qf3+ 22.Kg1 Qg3+ 23.Kf1 d6-+]

14...Qc5+ 15.Kh1 Active counter play! **15...Nf2+ 16.Kh2 Nxd1**



Pin **17.Bxf7+ Kd8! 18.Nd5 Bxa1** 2.04/19

[18...Bd6!= 0.00/21 19.Qxd1 c6]

19.Ba3+-

[19.Qxd1? loses. Rf8 20.Be3 Qc6-+]

19...Qxd5 20.Qxd5 Ne3 21.Qd3→ White goes for the king. **21...Nf5 22.exf5 Bf6 23.g4** Strongly threatening g5. **23...h6 24.Kg3 b6 25.h4 c5?** 4.86/19

[25...Bb7 2.87/18 26.g5 *(26.Be6 Bc6+-)* 26...hxg5]

26.Qd5 White is clearly winning. **26...Rb8 27.g5 hxg5 28.fxg5 Bc3** Strongly threatening ...Be1+. **29.Qd6 Ra8 30.h5 Ba6 31.Bc1 Rc8** Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=0.34

32.Bf4

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598 **C54**

☐ **Prraneeth,Vuppala** **2486**

■ **Slagboom,Leandro** **2270**

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[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

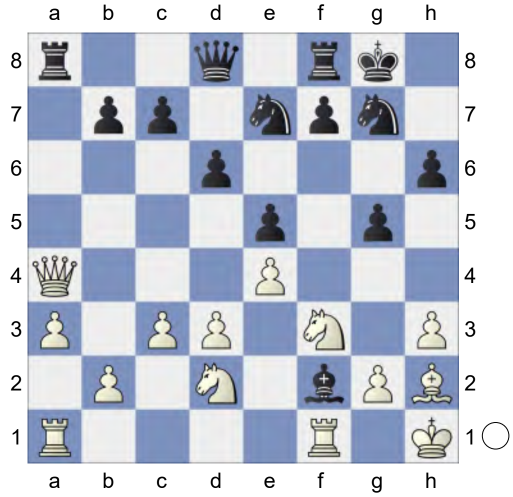
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3 a5 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.0-0 g5 The position is equal. **10.Bg3 0-0 11.a3N** 11.Re1 is a critical line.11.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung.

[11.Bb3 Nh7 12.Kh1 Qf6 13.Nc4 Qg7 14.Ne3 Nf6 15.a4 *(15.Bc2 Kh8 16.Rc1 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 Rad8 19.Nd2 Nxg3+ 20.fxg3 f6 21.g4 d5 22.Qf3 Qf7 23.Ba4 Ne7 24.Bd1 c6 25.Qh3 Ng8 26.Bc2 Qc7 27.a4 Rd7 28.Nb3 Re7 29.Rce1 b5* 0-1 (53) Weber,S-9.♗e3 00 10. ♖c1 70226 (izt) 22/623 1976 *)* 15...Kh8 16.Qe2 Bd7 17.Rae1 Rae8 18.Qd1 Bc8 19.Nd2 h5 20.h4 Ng4

21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Nf3 Nxe3 23.Nxg5 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Kg7 25.Nh3 Rh8 (33) Schulze,U-Karlsson,S (ol) 34/51 Luzern 1982 26.f4 h4 27.Bf2 Bxf2 28.Rxf2 f5 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.fxe5 Rhf8 31.d4 dxe5 32.d5 Nb8 33.Kg1 Nd7 Mcdermott,F-Schakel,C corr 150/(107) 2020]

11...a4 **12.Re1N**

[Vorgänger: 12.Kh1 Bd7 13.h3 Nh5 14.Bh2 -0.35/22 (White should play *14.d4=* 0.20/20) 14...Ng7 0.23/21 (*14...g4⩱* -0.35/22 *15.hxg4 Bxg4*) 15.Bb5= Ne7 0.61/21 (*15...f5=* 0.00/19) 16.Bxa4⩲ Bxa4 17.Qxa4 Bxf2 1.39/21 (Black should try *17...Ng6⩲* 0.57/21)



18.Qb3! ½-½ Mareco,S (2657)-Arjun,K (2513) Abu Dhabi Masters 28th 2022 (6)]

12...Nh7 13.Nf1 h5 14.h3 h4 15.Bh2 g4 16.hxg4 Bxg4 ...Ng5 would now be deadly. **17.Ne3! Qc8** 1.04/21

[17...Bxe3= -0.28/21 18.fxe3 Na5]

18.Kh1 0.11/22 White is more active.

[18.Qxa4? Bxf3 19.Qc2 Kh8-+]

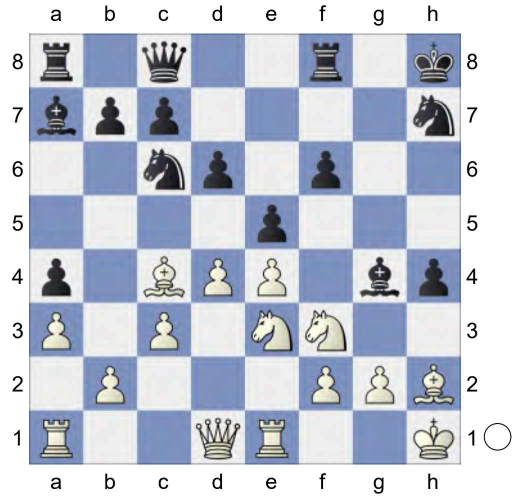
[18.d4± 1.04/21]

18...Kh8= 19.d4

[19.Qxa4 Bxe3 20.Qc2 Bf4∓]

Loses the game. **19...f6** 2.74/21

[19...exd4!⩲ 0.37/20 20.Nxg4 (*20.cxd4 Bxf3 21.Qxf3 Nxd4±*) 20...Qxg4]



20.Nf5!+- and N3xh4! would now be decisive

[20.Qxa4 Bxf3 (*20...Bxd4 21.Qc2⩲*) 21.gxf3 Qh3=]

20...Bxf5 3.83/22

[20...Ng5 2.39/20 was necessary.]

21.exf5 Qxf5 22.Bd3

[22.Nxh4 Qg5 23.g3 f5±]

22...Qg4 23.Re4 Deflection. White is clearly winning.

[23.Qxa4? Rg8 (*23...exd4? 24.Re4+-* Skewer, Double Attack) 24.Rg1 e4-+ (*24...exd4 25.Qc2⩱*)]

23...Qg7 6.78/21

[⌓23...Qd7 4.69/21 24.Rxh4 Rf7 25.Qxa4 Kg8]

24.Rxh4

[Not 24.Nxh4 Rg8 (*24...f5 25.Re3+-*) 25.Re3 (*25.Qxa4 f5=* Deflection) 25...Qg4+-]

24...f5 25.Rh5

[Worse is 25.Qxa4 e4 26.Qd1 Rg8= (*26...exd3 27.Bf4±; 26...exf3 27.Qxf3 Rf6 28.Bf4±*)]

25...Rg8 26.Ng5

[26.Qxa4? Qxg2#]

26...Qxg5 27.Rxg5

[27.Bxf5? Qxg2#]

27...Rxg5 28.f4 exf4 29.Bxf4 Rg4 30.g3 Ne7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.71

31.Qf3

1-0

599 **C54**
☐ **Abdulla,Murad** **2321**
■ **Jaiveer,Mahendru** **2271**
Masters Open 2024 (9.64) 12.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6) 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nbd2N

[7.Nc3 d6 8.d5 Ne5 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 b5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.Be3 a5 14.Qb3 0-0 15.Rd1 Qc8 16.d6 Rd8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.f4 Rxd6 19.Rxd6 Qxd6 20.Rd1 Qc7 21.fxe5 Qxe5 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992 1-0 (37) Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992]

7...Bxd2+ 7...d5 is setting a new trend. 7...d5 setzt einen neuen Trend. **8.Bxd2** Black must now prevent d5. **8...Nxe4** **9.d5** The position is equal. **9...Ne7** **10.Bb4** With the idea Bxe7. **10...0-0** **11.0-0** aiming for Bxe7. **11...d6 12.Re1 a5 13.Rxe4 axb4 14.Qe1 Ng6 15.Qxb4 c5 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Re3 Ra5** 0.52/22 'N'

[17...Qf6= 0.01/22]

[17...c5 18.Qd2 Bb7 19.Rd1 d5 20.Bxd5 ½-½ Nenneman,D (2172)-Piccoli,F (2122) WZ-ch MC/18/02 email 2018]

18.Qd2± Rh5 1.41/22

[18...Ra8⩲ 0.55/21]

19.b4 0.55/21 White is more active.

[19.a4± 1.41/22]

19...Bg4 1.00/24

[19...c5⩲ 0.55/21]

20.Bf1± f5 2.15/24 This move loses the game for Black.

[20...Qf6± 0.78/21 21.Qc3 Rb8]

21.Rc1 f4 22.Rd3 Bxf3 2.32/17

[⌓22...Qa8 1.90/20 23.h3 *(23.Rxd6 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Ne5=)* 23...Bxf3]

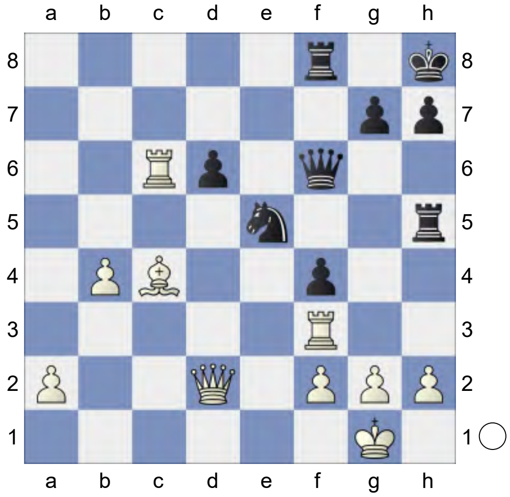
23.Rxf3+- Qf6 3.55/21

[⌓23...d5 2.31/21 24.a4 *(24.Rxc6 Ne5⩲)* 24...Rg5]

24.Rxc6 Ne5 25.Bc4+

[25.Rxd6 Nxf3+ 26.gxf3 Rg5+ 27.Kh1 Qa1∓]

25...Kh8



26.Rxf4 Rf5
[26...Qxf4? 27.Qxf4 *(27.Rxd6 Qxh2+ 28.Kf1 Nxc4* Discovered Attack *29.Qc3 Qh1+ 30.Ke2 Re8+)* 27...Re8 28.Qe4+- *(28.Rxd6 Nxc4+-)*]

27.Rxf5 Qxf5 28.Rc7
[28.Rxd6? Nxc4 29.Qe1 Nxd6-+]

28...h5 29.Bd5
[29.Qxd6? leads to mate. Qxf2+ 30.Kh1 Qe1+]

29...Nd3 30.Bf3 Re8 ...Re1+ is the strong threat. **31.h3 Re1+ 32.Kh2 Rf1** 5.96/24
[⌓32...h4 3.82/19 33.Qc3 Qe5+ 34.Qxe5 dxe5 35.Rc8+ Kh7]

33.Qe2 Re1 34.Qd2 Rf1 5.84/23
[⌓34...h4 3.72/18 35.Rc4 Qe5+ 36.g3 hxg3+ 37.fxg3 Qe3 38.Qxe3 Rxe3]

35.Qe3 Qe8+ would kill now. White is clearly winning. **35...Re1 36.Qd4 Ne5 37.Rc3**
[37.Qxd6? gets mated. Qf4+ *(37...Nxf3+ 38.gxf3 Qxf3 39.Qd8+ Kh7 40.Rxg7+* Decoy *Kxg7 41.Qd7+ Kg6 42.Qd6+ Qf6 43.Qd3+ Kg7 44.Qg3+ Kh6 45.h4-+)* 38.g3 Nxf3+ 39.Kg2 Rg1#]

37...Qb1 38.Bxh5
[38.Qxd6 Rh1+ 39.Kg3 Qf5 40.Qd8+ Kh7±]

38...Rh1+ 39.Kg3 Threatening mate with Qh4. **39...Qf5 40.Bg4 Qg6 41.Qf4 Ra1 42.a3 Kg8 43.Qf5 Qxf5 44.Bxf5 Kf7 45.f4**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.55

1-0

600 C54
☐ Jaiveer,Mahendru 2271
■ Moosavifar,Seyed Abolfazl 2308
Masters Open 2024 (8.60) 11.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4**
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

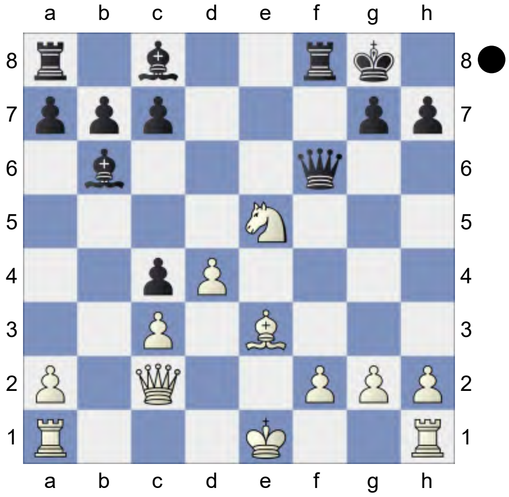
5...exd4 6.e5N
[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4... d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]
[6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 d6 8.d5 Ne5 9.Qa4+ c6 10.Qxb4 b5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Be2 Bb7 13.Be3 a5 14.Qb3 0-0 15.Rd1 Qc8 16.d6 Rd8 17.0-0 Qb8 18.f4 Rxd6 19.Rxd6 Qxd6 20.Rd1 Qc7 1-0 Hijl,V-Vereschildt,S NED-ch U18 Nijmegen 1992]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 f6 11.Qb3 Nxc3 12.bxc3

-0.10/24

[12.Bxc6!± 0.73/27 a5 13.Qxc3 bxc6 14.exf6]

12...Na5= 13.Qc2 Nc4 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.exf6 Qxf6 16.Ne5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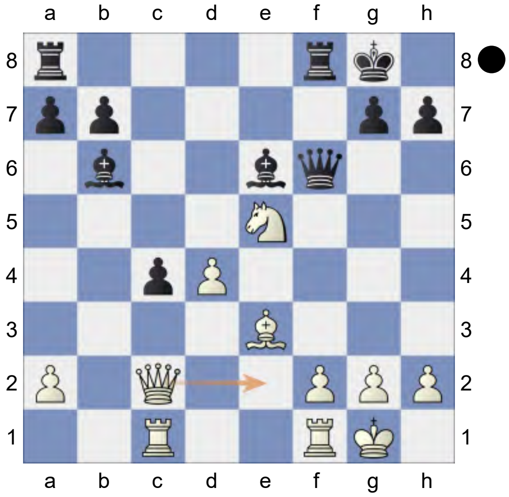
Prevents Qc6 **16...c5!** Hoping for ... cxd4. **17.0-0 cxd4 18.cxd4** -0.62/21

[18.Bxd4= -0.16/23 was preferrable. Bxd4 19.cxd4]

18...Be6∓ 19.Rac1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Rfd8 -0.13/23

[Better is 19...Rac8!∓ -0.73/21 20.Qa4 a6]

20.Nxc4=

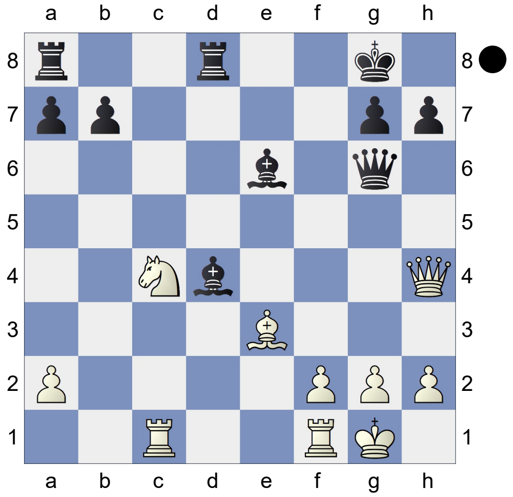
[20.Qe2 simplifies Bxd4 21.Nxc4 Qg6 22.Bxd4 Rxd4 23.Ne3]

20...Bxd4 21.Qe4

[21.Qe2 simplifies Bxe3 22.Nxe3 Qe5 23.a4]

21...Qg6 22.Qh4 -1.44/24

[22.Qxg6!= -0.22/21 remains equal. hxg6 23.Bxd4 Rxd4 24.Ne5]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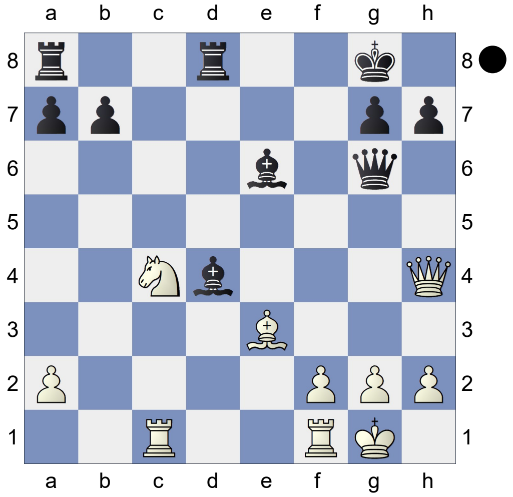
22...Bd5!∓ White is weak on the light squares **23.Qh3**

[23.Qg5 b5]

23...Be6 Black is much more active. A strong pair of Bishops. **24.Qh4**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Bd5!→ -0.79/25 Black goes for the king. **25.Qh3** -1.39/21

[⌓25.Qg5 -0.79/25]

[25.Qg3 Qxg3]

25...Bf6 26.a3 -1.73/24

[26.f4∓ -1.27/23]

26...Qf7 -1.20/23

[26...b5-+ -1.73/24 27.Nd2 a5]

27.Nd2 Bb2 28.Rce1 Be6

[28...Bxa3 29.Bg5 Bb4 30.Bxd8 Rxd8 31.Qh4=]

29.Qg3 -2.08/22

[29.Qh4∓ -1.02/23]

29...Bxa3-+ 30.Ra1 Bd6 31.Qh4 -2.37/21

[31.f4 -1.79/20 is a better defense.]

31...Be7 32.Qg3 Bf6 33.Ra3 Bf5 Wards off Ne4 **34.h3** -2.54/23

[⌓34.Qf3 -1.87/20 Qd5 35.Rxa7 Rxa7 36.Bxa7]

34...b5 ...a5 is the strong threat. **35.Nf3 b4 36.Ra5 Rd5 37.Ra6** -3.94/21

[⌓37.Ng5 -2.44/19 Qd7 *(37...Bxg5? 38.Rxd5 Qxd5 39.Qxg5∓)* 38.Qf3 Rxa5 39.Qxa8+ Qc8 *(39...Qd8? 40.Qc6-+)* 40.Qxc8+ Bxc8 41.Ne4]

37...Bd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.17 (very precise)

0-1

601 **C52**

☐ **Hoehne,Ernst** **2458**

■ **Feldmann,Christoph** **2226**

corr 2. TT enginefrei/Endrunde 01.03.24

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.Qb3 Qd7 0.75/20

[8...Be6= 0.24/19]

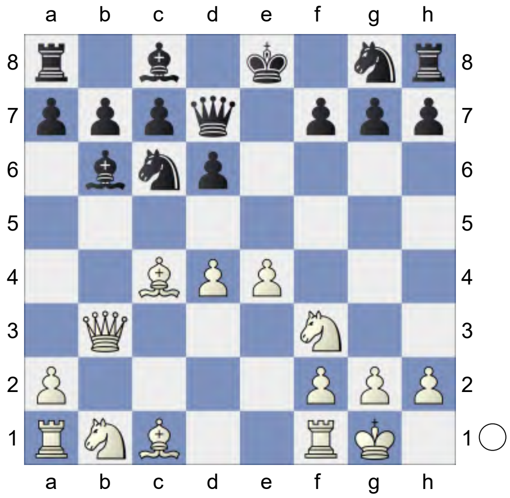
9.cxd4± White has more active pieces.

[9.e5 Nh6 10.Bxh6 gxh6 11.e6 fxe6 12.Bxe6 Qxe6 13.Re1 Ne5 14.Nxe5 Qxb3 15.axb3 0-0 16.Rxa5 b6 17.Ra4 dxe5 18.cxd4 exd4 19.Rxd4 Bf5 20.Nc3 Rae8 21.Rc1 c5 22.Ra4 Rf7 23.f3 Rd7 0-1 Locher,H (2325)-Feldmann,C (2226) corr 2. TT enginefrei/Endrunde 2024]

9...Bb6 1.32/19

[⌓9...Nf6 0.75/19]

[9...Nd8 10.e5 Ne7 11.exd6 Ng6 12.dxc7 Qxc7 13.Ba3 Nc6 14.Rc1 Bg4 15.d5 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Nd4 17.Bb5+ Kd8 18.Rxc7 Nxb3 19.Rd7+ Kc8 20.axb3 a6 21.Rxf7 axb5 22.Bb4 b6 23.Bd6 b4 24.Nd2 1-0 Flom,G (2413)-Klek,H (2149) EU-ch 12th Aix les Bains 2011 (10)]



10.Bb5! and d5 would now be decisive. White has strong compensation.

10...Kf8N White is clearly better.

[10...a6 11.Ba4 Ba7 12.d5 b5 13.dxc6 Qxc6 14.Qb2 Nf6 15.Bc2 0-0 16.Nc3 Re8 17.Bg5 Ng4 18.Nd5 Qd7 19.h3 Ne5 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Kh2 c6 22.Nc3 Bb8 23.Bb3 Bb7 24.Rad1 Qc7 25.f4 1-0 Steinitz, W-Lenhof Wien Vienna 1859]

11.Rd1 Na5 12.Qb2 c6 13.Bd3 Qg4 2.77/18

[13...Ne7± 1.40/20 14.h3 Qd8]

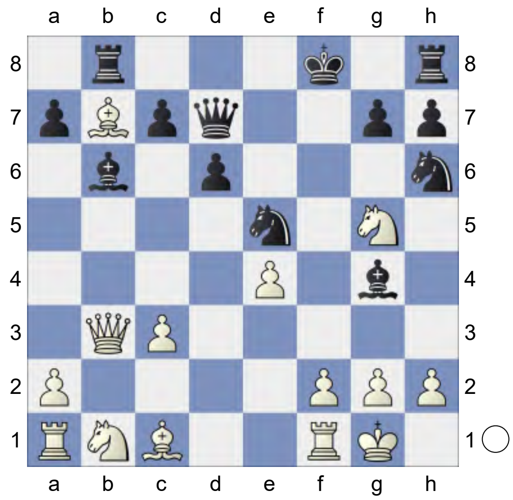
14.Qa3 c5 15.Nc3 Bd7 16.dxc5 dxc5 17.Be3 Rc8 18.Ne5 White is clearly winning. **18...Qe6 19.Nxd7+ Qxd7 20.Bb5 Qe7 21.Bf4 Rd8 22.Rxd8+**

Qxd8 23.Rd1 Qa8 Black is weak on the light squares **24.Bd6+** A strong pair of Bishops. **24...Ne7 25.Nd5 Bd8** Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.85 **26.Qxc5**
1-0

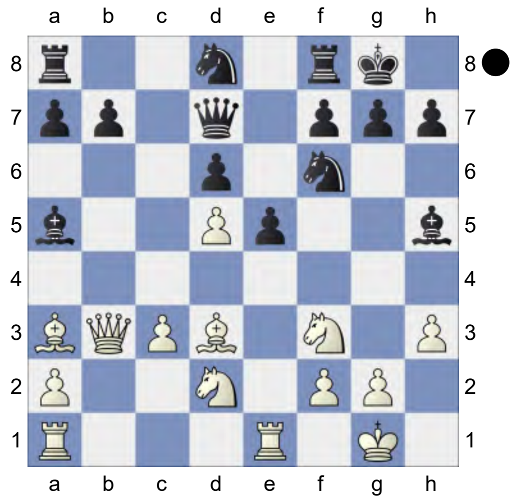
602 **C52**
☐ **Mammadova,Gulnar Marfat Qizi**
■ **Mamedjarova,Turkan** **2206**
Baku Pashayeva Memorial Blitz (1)
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Dublin Evening Mail 17 Mar 1898; all notes by TH **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6** is now more promising than 6...exd4. im Vergleich zu 6...exd4 vielversprechender. **7.0-0 Bg4** ...exd4 is in the air **8.Qb3** -0.48/20
[8.Qa4= -0.09/20]
8...Qd7 0.30/21
[8...Bxf3∓ -0.48/20 9.Bxf7+ Kf8 10.gxf3 exd4]
9.d5N -0.85/21
[9.Bxf7+ 0.00/19 9.Ng5 0.40 Kf8? 1.72/19 (*9...Qxf7=* 0.00/19 and Black has nothing to worry. *10.Qxb7 Kd7 11.Qxa8 Bxf3*) 10.Ng5+- Nh6? 2.81/18 (*10...Nf6±* 1.15/18 is a better defense.) 11.Bd5 And now f3 would win. Bb6 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Bxb7 0.85/20 (*13.a4+-* 1.90/19 has better winning chances.) 13...Rb8

(Diagram)



14.Bd5 -0.01/19 (*14.Ba6!±* 1.06/20) 14...Be2!= aiming for ...Ke7!. 15.Ne6+ -0.46/19 (*15.Na3!=* -0.07/18) 15...Ke8! 0-1 (60) Moldovan,A (1758)-Michener,M (1502) BCF-chT4 2223 (4NCL) 2022 (10.85)]
[9.Ng5= 0.30/21 keeps the balance. Nh6 (*9...Nd8 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Ba3 Nh6 12.f3 Bb6+ 13.Kh1 Bh5 14.Rd1 Qc8 15.Rxd8+ Qxd8 16.Nxf7 Qh4 17.Qb5+ c6 18.Qxe5+ Kd7 19.Qe6+ Kc7 20.Bd6#* 1-0 Seiger,V-Alonso,S corr Wch9 1981) 10.d5 (*10.Qxb7? Rb8-+; 10.Nxf7 Nxf7 11.Bxf7+ Qxf7 12.Qxb7 0-0 13.Qxc6 Be2 14.Be3 Bxf1 15.Kxf1 Rab8 16.Qa4 Bb6 17.Nd2 c5 18.dxe5 dxe5 19.c4 Rbd8 20.Nf3 Qh5 21.Qc2 Rf7 22.a4 a6 23.a5 Ba7 24.h3 Rdf8* 1-0 (30) Nolan,D-Jones,B Dublin Evening Mail tourney-5 1896-8)]
9...Nd8 -0.36/19
[9...Bxf3∓ -0.85/21 10.gxf3 (*10.dxc6* leads to mate. *Qg4 11.Bxf7+ Kf8 12.g3 Qh3 13.Bxg8 Qg2#*) 10...Nd8]
10.Nbd2 Black is slightly better. **10...Nf6 11.Re1 0-0 12.h3 Bh5 13.Bd3 c6 14.Ba3 cxd5 15.exd5**

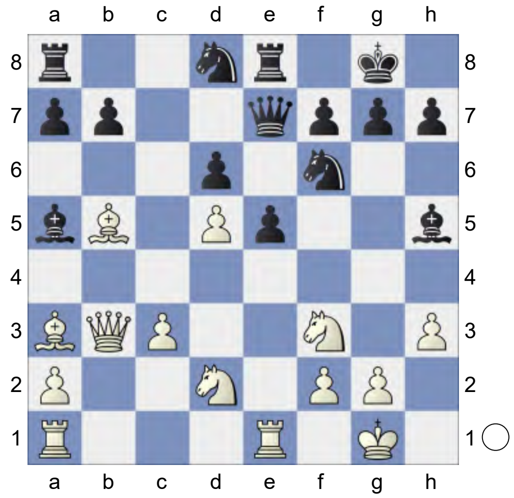


Re8? 1.70/20

[15...Bxf3!∓ -0.89/20 16.Nxf3 b6]

16.Bb5+- This costs Black the game. **16...Qe7** 3.76/18

[16...Nc6± 1.47/19 17.dxc6 bxc6]



17.Rxe5!! Pin **17...Qf8**

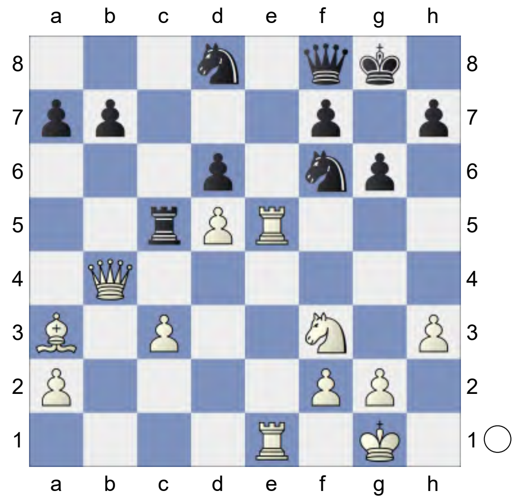
[17...Qxe5 18.Nxe5]

18.Bxe8 Bxf3 19.Nxf3 Nxe8 6.70/20

[⌓19...Kh8 4.55/18 20.Rae1 Rc8]

20.Qa4 Nf6 21.Qxa5 Rc8 22.Rae1 g6 23.Qb4 Rc5

(Diagram)



24.Qf4! Nxd5 25.Qd4 Nc6 26.Re8 Nxd4 27.Rxf8+ Kxf8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.70/ Black=0.80

28.cxd4

1-0

603 **C53**

☐ **Van Foreest,Machteld** **2224**

■ **Yip,Carissa** **2386**

Olympiad Women 2024 (4.5) 14.09.2024

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3**

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6) 20.bxc4 Rb8 21.h4 Ba5 22.Bd2 Nf6 23.g5 Bxc3 24.gxf6 Bxd2 25.Qxd2 Qxf6 26.Qa5 Rb2 27.Rf2 Rxf2 28.Kxf2 Bxf5 29.exf5 e4 30.Re1 exf3 0-1 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte

CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 0-1 Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 1-0 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh, C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.Nbd2 a6 7.Bb3 Ba7 8.h3 Qe7 9.Nf1 Bd7 10.Be3 0-0-0 The position is equal. The position is equal. **11.Bxa7 Nxa7 12.Ne3 Kb8 13.c4** -0.47/19

[White should try 13.Qd2= 0.12/21]

[Better is 13.Qd2= 0.14/21]

13...c6 -0.03/19

[13...Nh5∓ -0.41/20 is superior.]

[13...Nh5∓ -0.47/19]

14.Qd2= Be6 15.Qc3 g6 16.Bc2 Bc8 17.b4 Rhe8! 18.Bb3 g5 0.91/20 **19.Nxg5** -0.24/19

[19.a4!± 0.85/20]

[19.a4!± 0.91/20]

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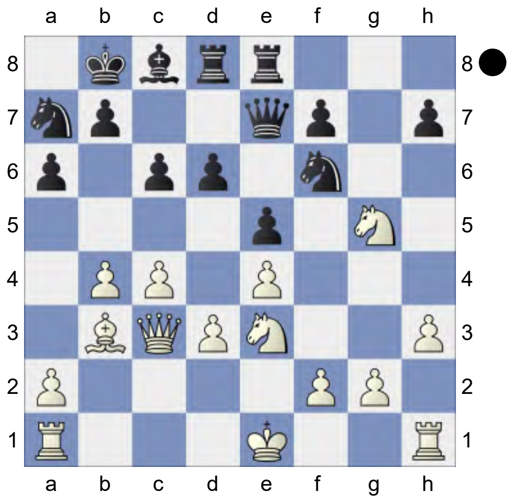
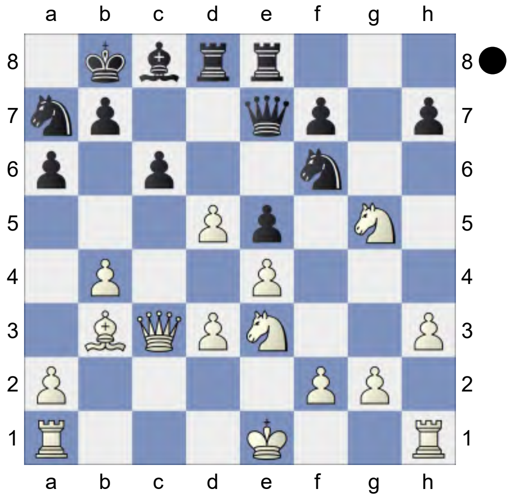


19...d5! 20.cxd5

[20.exd5 Nxd5]



20...Nxd5! Discovered Attack **21.exd5**

[21.Nxd5 -1.18/22 21.exd5 -0.44 Qxg5 22.Ne3 Nb5∓]

[21.Nxd5 Qxg5 22.Ne3 Nb5]

21...Qxg5 22.Rc1? -1.95/20 White does not recover from this.

[22.Qc5= -0.08/18]

[22.Qc5= -0.25/20]

22...f5!-+

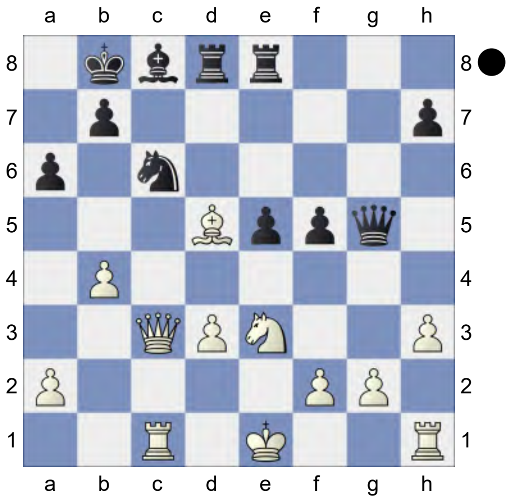
[22...Nb5? -0.21/20 22...f5 -1.87 23.Qc5! cxd5 aiming for ...d4. 24.a4!±]

[22...Nb5 23.Qc5 cxd5 24.a4=]

23.dxc6 Nxc6 ...f4 would now be

deadly. **24.Bd5?** -3.62/20

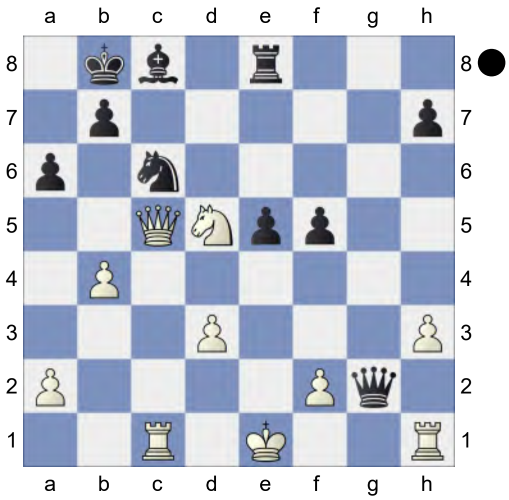
[24.h4 -2.04/18 Qg7 25.Kf1]



24...Rxd5 Remove Defender, Decoy **25.Nxd5** aiming for Qc5. Threatens to win with b5!

[25.h4 Qg8]

25...Qxg2 26.Qc5



Rd8 Dodges Qd6+. Repels Qd6+

[26...Qxh1+? 0.00/33 26...Rd8 -3.82 27.Kd2 Qh2 (*27...Qxh3* 1.43/16 27...Qh2 0.00 *28.Qd6+ Ka8* And now ...Rd8 would win. *29.Rxc6±*) 28.Qd6+ Ka8 29.Nc7+ Ka7 30.Nxe8 Hoping for Qc5+. Qxf2+ 31.Kc3 Black must now prevent Qc5+. Qxa2 (*31...Nd4!? 32.Qc5+□ b6 33.Qxc8 Nb5+ 34.Kb3 Nd4+ 35.Kc3 Nb5+ 36.Kb3 Nd4+ 37.Ka3 Nb5+ 38.Kb3=*) 32.Qc5+ Kb8! 33.Qd6+ Ka7 34.Qc5+ Kb8 35.Qd6+ Ka7=]

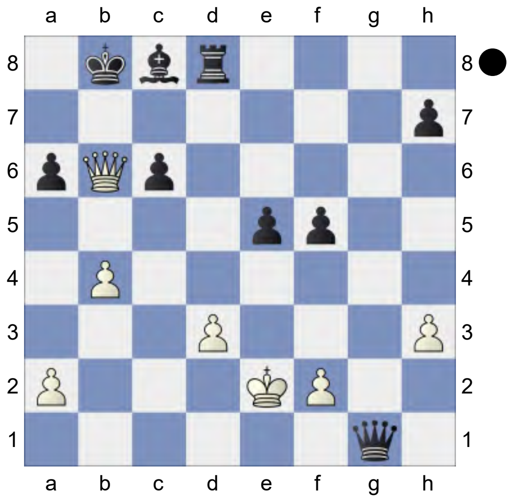
[And not 26...Qxh1+ 27.Kd2 Qg2 (*27...Qxh3 28.Qd6+ Ka7 29.Rxc6+-*) 28.Qd6+ Ka8 29.Nc7+ Ka7 30.Nxe8 Qxf2+ 31.Kc3=]

27.Ne7 Qxh1+ 28.Ke2 Qg2 ...Nd4+ is the strong threat. Strongly threatening ...Nd4+.

[28...Qxh3? 3.97/17 28...Nd4+ -4.30 loses. 29.Nxc6+ bxc6 30.Qb6+ Bb7 31.Qxd8+ Ka7 32.Qe7 Qg4+ 33.Kf1+-]

[28...Qxh3 29.Nxc6+ bxc6 30.Qb6+ Ka8 31.Qxd8 Qg4+ 32.Kd2 Qxb4+ 33.Kc2+-]

29.Rg1 Qxg1 Black is clearly winning. **30.Nxc6+ bxc6 31.Qb6+**



Bb7!

[Stronger than 31...Ka8? 0.00/45 31...Bb7 -5.36 32.Qxd8 Kb7 33.Qe7+! Kb8 (*33...Ka8 34.Qe8=*) 34.Qxe5+ Ka8 (*34...Kb7!? 35.Qe7+□ Kb8 36.Qe5+ Kb7 37.Qe7+ Kb8 38.Qd6+ Kb7 39.Qe7+=*) 35.Qe8!=]

[Inferior is 31...Ka8 32.Qxd8 Kb8 33.Qd6+ Ka7 34.Qc5+ Kb7 35.Qe7+

Ka8 36.Qd8=]

32.Qxd8+ Ka7 33.Qe7 Qg8 34.Qc5+ Ka8 35.Qxe5 Qxa2+ 36.Ke3 Qf7 And now ...f4+! would win. **37.Qh8+ Ka7 38.Qd4+ Kb8 39.Qe5+ Kc8** Threatens to win with ...f4+! **40.Kf4?** -8.28/18

[40.Kd2 -3.94/16]

[⌓40.Ke2 -4.39/19]

40...Qc7 Black is clearly winning. **41.Kxf5 Qxe5+ 42.Kxe5** KB-KP **42...Kd7 43.f4 Ke7 44.h4 Bc8 45.d4 Be6 46.h5 h6** Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.13 (very precise) . Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/ Black=0.09 (flawless)

0-1

604 C52

☐ Ziegert,Andreas 2446

■ Feldmann,Christoph 2226

corr 2. TT enginefrei/Endrunde 01.03.24

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.0-0 d6

[6...Nf6 7.Qb3 0-0 8.d4 exd4 9.e5 d5 10.exd6 cxd6 11.Ba3 Bc7 12.Nxd4 Na5 13.Qb4 Nxc4 14.Qxc4 Re8 15.Nd2 Bd7 16.N2f3 Rc8 17.Ng5 Qe7 18.Qb3 Bb6 19.Ndf3 h6 20.Rfe1 Qd8 21.Nxf7 0-1 Axelrod, A (2275)-Mikhalevski,A (2410) Ashdod ISR, Open 2004 (7.10) Qc7 22.Bxd6 Qc4 23.Qxc4 Rxc4 24.N7e5 Rxc3 25.Nxd7 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Nxd7 27.Bb4 Rc2 28.Kf1 Rxf2+ 29.Kg1 Rxf3+ 30.Kh1 Rf2 31.a3 Ne5 32.h3 Nd3 33.Re8+ Kh7 34.Bc3 Rc2 35.Bb4 Rc1+ 36.Kh2 0-1 Awad,G-Diab,M (1282) Dekweneh op 2023 (2)]

7.Qb3 Qd7N

[7...Nh6 8.d4 0-0 9.Bg5 Qe8 10.Nbd2 Kh8 21.Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit 6.0-0 d6 7.Qb3]

8.d4 exd4 0.66/23

[8...Bb6!∓ -0.43/19]

9.cxd4± Nh6 1.67/21

[9...Nd8± 0.66/21]

10.Bb5 0.57/18

[10.Qa3+- 1.67/21]

10...a6 White is slightly better. **11.Bxc6 Qxc6 12.Bxh6 gxh6 13.Nfd2** 0.09/21 White is more active.

[13.Qe3± 0.66/19]

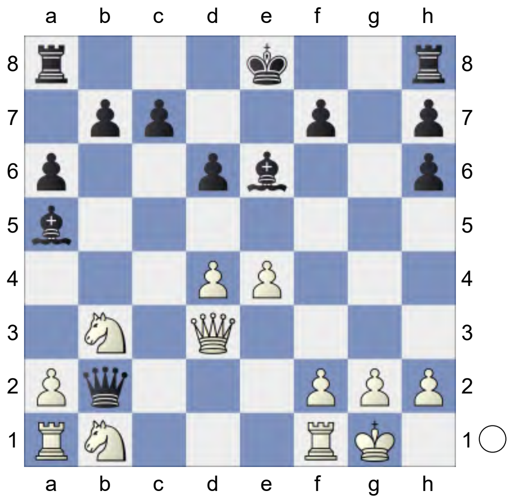
13...Qb6 0.87/23

[13...Rg8= 0.09/21]

14.Qd3± Qb2 1.02/20 Prevents Nc3.

[Black should play 14...Qb5!± 0.51/25 15.Qa3 Bd7]

15.Nb3 Be6



Hoping for ...Bxb3. **16.N1d2 Bxd2** 1.66/24

[16...Qc3± 0.86/22 17.Qe2 Rg8]

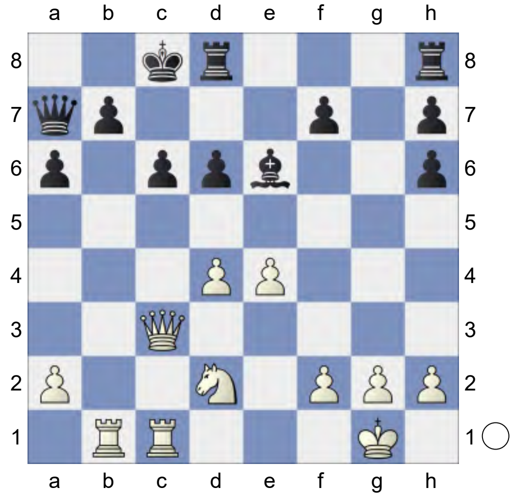
17.Nxd2+- Qb5 2.14/21

[17...c5 1.66/22 was worth a try.]

18.Qc3 Hoping for d5!. White has strong compensation. **18...Qc6 19.Qe3 Qb6 20.Rfc1**

[20.Qxh6 Qxd4 21.Rfe1 Rg8∓]

20...0-0-0 21.Rab1
[21.Qxh6? perishes. Qxd4 22.Qf4 f5-+]
21...Qa7 22.Qc3 Against d5
[22.Qxh6 Qxd4 23.Rc2 Rhg8=]
22...c6 4.96/21
[22...b6 2.70/21 23.d5 Bg4]



23.d5 Bd7 24.Nc4 Bg4 25.Nb6+ Kc7 26.dxc6 Qxb6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=1.07
27.Rxb6
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605 **C54**
☐ **Lintchevski,Daniil** **2561**
■ **Somkin,Kirill** **2198**
Moscow op-A 19th (4) 20.07.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a6 6.a4 Ba7 7.0-0 d6 8.Be3 The position is equal.
[8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11)]
8...Bxe3! now scores much better than the old 8...0-0.punktet besser als das ältere 8...0-0.
[8...h6 9.Bxa7 Rxa7 10.Nbd2 Nh5 11.d4 Nf4 12.Re1 Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.d5 Ne7 15.a5 g5 16.Qa4+ Kf8 17.Nh2 Qc8 18.Ndf1 Bg6 19.b4 f5 20.exf5 Nxf5 21.Ng3 Nh4 22.Bf1 Nxd5 23.Qb3 0-1 (43) Marshall Attack (2400)-Sekula,M (2385) PCA-Wch Candidates m1 1994 (9)]
9.fxe3 0-0 10.Nbd2 Ne7N
[10...h6 11.d4 Bg4 12.Qc2 Bh5 13.Rae1 Nd7 14.b4 Qe7 15.g3 a5 16.b5 Nd8 17.Nh4 Ne6 18.Bd5 Ra7 19.Nf5 Qd8 20.h3 Nf6 21.Bc4 c6 22.Bd3 Bg6 23.Nc4 Bxf5 24.Rxf5 g6 25.Rff1 0-1 (63) Kostenko,P (2466)-Jones,B (2681) WchT 12th Astana 2019 (1.20) Qe7 26.Kg2 Nd7 27.Qa2 Raa8 28.Qa3 c5 29.d5 Ng7 30.b6 f5 31.Qc1 Nf6 32.Qc2 Rad8 33.Kh2 h5 34.Nxa5 Ra8 35.Nb3 h4 36.gxh4 c4 37.Bxc4 Nxe4 38.Rg1 Qxh4 39.Ref1 Ng5 40.Qg2 0-1 (63) Kucera,T (2466)-Kauschmann,H (2681) 4NCL West Bromwich ENG 2004 (1.20)]
11.a5 Ng6 12.h3 b5N
[Predecessor: 12...c6 13.Bb3 d5 14.exd5 cxd5 15.d4 e4 16.Ne5 Be6 17.c4 b5? 3.38/23 *(17...Qe7= -0.01/21 and Black stays safe.)* 18.axb6+- Qxb6 0-1 Graf,L (2048)-Heinrichs,P (1938) GER-ch Net Amateur Gr-A Final blitz 2020 (9)]
13.Ba2 c5 14.Qe1 Be6 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Qg3 Qc7 17.Ng5 Rae8 18.h4 Qe7 19.b4 -0.71/22

[19.c4= 0.01/21 remains equal.]

19...d5 0.01/23

[Better is 19...Qa7∓ -0.71/22 and ...cxb4 would now be decisive 20.Kh1 h6]

20.bxc5 -0.68/20

[White should play 20.Nb3= 0.01/23 cxb4 21.cxb4 Qxb4 22.Rab1]

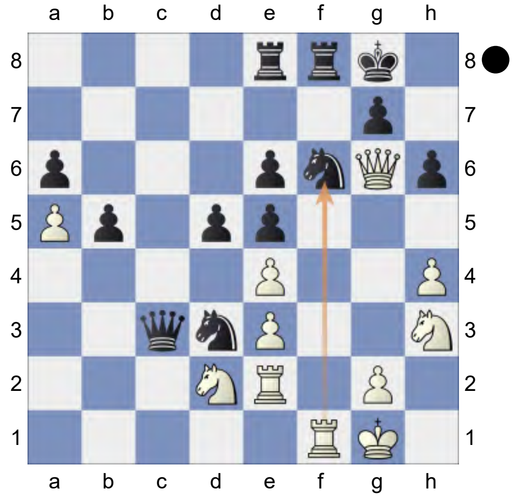
20...Qxc5∓ Now White is beyond hope.

21.Rac1 -5.02/22

[21.Rae1∓ -0.77/20 is a better chance.]

21...Nf4-+ Black is clearly winning.

22.Rce1 Wards off Ne2+ **22...Nxd3 23.Re2 h6 24.Nh3 Qxc3 25.Qg6**



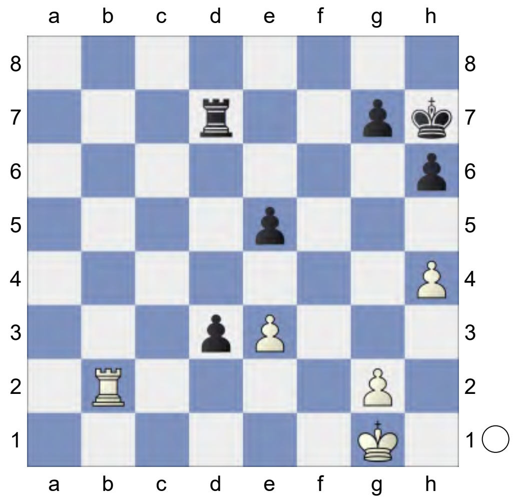
and Rxf6! should not be overlooked

25...Nxe4

[25...Qxa5 26.Rxf6 Qa1+ 27.Rf1 Rxf1+ 28.Nxf1±]

26.Rxf8+ Rxf8 27.Qxe6+ Kh8 28.Nxe4 dxe4 29.Qxa6 b4 30.Qd6 Qc5 31.Qxc5 Nxc5 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **32.Rc2 Nd3 33.Rc6 b3 34.Rb6** Inhibits Rb8. **34...b2 35.a6 Kh7 36.a7 Ra8 37.Nf2 Rxa7 38.Nxd3 exd3 39.Rxb2** KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **39...Rd7**

(Diagram)



40.Rd2 Kg6 41.Kf2 Kf5 42.Kf3 e4+ 43.Kg3 h5 44.Rf2+ Ke5 45.Rd2 Rd6 46.Kh2 Kd5 47.Kg3 Kc4 48.Kf2 Kc3 49.Ke1 Ra6 50.Rd1 Inhibits Ra1. **50...Ra2 51.Rc1+ Rc2 52.Ra1 Re2+ 53.Kd1 Rxe3**

[53...Rxg2? 54.Ra3+ Kb4 *(54...Kb2 55.Ra7-+)* 55.Ra7-+]

54.Ra3+ Kd4 55.Ra4+ Ke5 56.Ra5+ Kf4 57.Rxh5 Rg3 58.Kd2 Rxg2+ 59.Kc3 Rc2+ 60.Kb3

Weighted Error Value: White=0.41/Black=0.23 (precise)

60...Rc7

0-1

606 **C54**

☐ **Dinesh,Rajan M** **2189**

■ **Sathvik Adiga** **2395**

15th Chennai Open 2025 (3.8) 03.01.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.b4** -0.64/22

[6.e5= 0.18/21 d5 7.Bb5]

6...Be7 -0.25/21

[6...Bb6!∓ -0.64/22 is superior. 7.a4

a6 *(7...Nxe4 8.a5±)*]

7.e5 Ne4 8.b5! Black is slightly better. **8...Na5 9.Bd3**

[9.Qxd4 Nxc4 10.Qxe4 d5∓]

9...Nxc3 10.Nxc3 dxc3 11.Qa4 Inhibits d5. **11...c5 12.0-0 a6! 13.bxa6**

[13.Rd1 feels hotter. 0-0 14.Qe4 g6 15.bxa6 Re8 16.Re1]

13...c4 14.Bxc4 Nxc4 15.Qxc4 Rxa6 16.Qxc3 0-0 17.Rd1N d6 18.Ba3 Bg4 19.h3 Bh5 0.98/18

[19...Bf5= 0.17/18]

20.Rab1 0.12/18

[20.Rd5± 0.98/18]

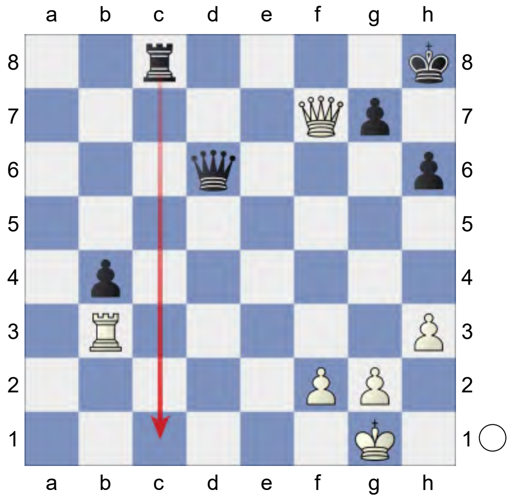
20...d5= 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.Rxd5 Rxa2 23.Rdb5 Ra3 24.R1b3 Rxb3 25.Qxb3 Bxf3 26.Qxf3 Endgame. KQR-KQR **26...Rb8 27.Qd5 h6 28.Rb6 Qc7 29.Rd6 b5 30.Rd7 Qc1+ 31.Kh2 Qf4+**

[31...Qc4 simplifies 32.Qxc4 bxc4 33.Rc7 Rb4]

32.Kg1 b4 33.e6 fxe6 34.Qxe6+ Kh8 35.Rd3 Qc1+ 36.Kh2 Qc7+ 37.Kg1 Rd8 38.Rg3 Rb8

[38...Qd7 simplifies 39.Qxd7 Rxd7 40.Rb3 Rb7]

39.Rb3 Qc2 40.Qf7 Qd1+ 41.Kh2 Qd6+ 42.Kg1 Rc8



43.g3 Rb8

[43...Rf8 is interesting. 44.Qc4 Qd2 45.Qc5 Qd1+]

44.Qc4 Qb6 45.Qe4 Qc5 46.Kg2 Rf8 47.Rb2 Qb6 48.Qe7 Rb8 49.Rb3 Qc6+ 50.Kh2 Qc2 51.Qf7 Qc5 52.Rf3 Rd8 53.Qb3 Rf8 54.Rxf8+ Qxf8 KQ-KQ **55.Kg1 Qe7 56.Kf1** Prevents Qe1+ **56...Qe4 57.h4 Kh7 58.f3 Qd4 59.Ke2** Qd3+ would now be deadly. **59...Qe5+ 60.Kf2 Qd6 61.Ke2 Kh8**

[61...Qxg3 62.Qxb4 Kg6 63.Qe4+ Kf6 64.Ke3=]

62.Ke3 Qe5+

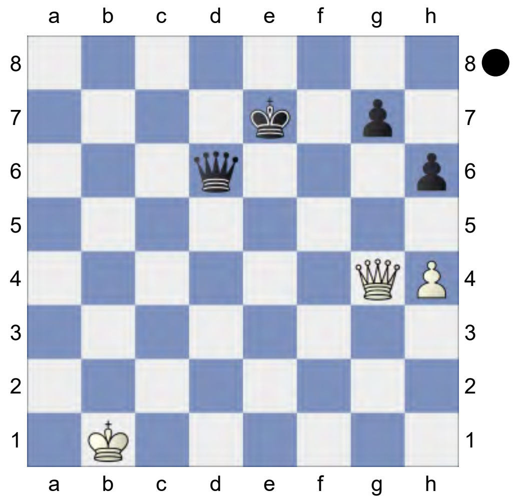
[62...Qxg3 63.Qxb4 Qe5+ 64.Qe4]

63.Kd3 Qxg3 64.Qxb4 Qxf3+ 65.Kd2 Kh7 Strongly threatening ...Kg6. **66.Qb1+ Kg8 67.Qa2+ Kf8 68.Qc4 Qf2+ 69.Kd1 Qe3 70.Qg4 Kf7 71.Qf5+ Ke7 72.Qg6** Inhibits Qg1+. **72...Qe5** Hoping for ...Qd6+. **73.Kc2 Qd4 74.Kb1 Qf6 75.Qe4+ Qe6 76.Qf4 Qd6** -0.30/33

[76...Qg6+∓ -0.66/23 77.Kc1 Qg2]

77.Qg4? -1.98/26

[77.Qe4+= -0.30/33 Kf7 *(77...Qe6 78.Qd4∓)* 78.Kc1]



77...Kf7? -0.30/32

[Black should play 77...Qd3+!-+ -1.98/26 78.Kc1 g6]

78.Qf5+ Qf6 79.Qd7+ Kg8 80.Qg4 g6 81.Kc1 Qd6 82.Qe4 Kf7 83.Qf3+ Kg7 84.Qe4 g5 ...Qf4+ is the strong threat. **85.hxg5 hxg5** And now ...Kh6 would win. **86.Qf5 Kh6 87.Qh3+! Kg6 88.Qg4?** -3.14/24

[88.Kc2= -0.13/27]

88...Qd3-+ 89.Qe6+ Kh5 90.Qe8+ Kh4 91.Qe1+ Kg4 92.Qg1+ Kf5 93.Qf2+ Kg6 94.Qg2 Qd4? -0.33/25 Dodges Qg4

[94...Kf5-+ -4.33/30 95.Qf2+ Ke4 96.Qg2+ Kf4 97.Qf2+ Qf3 98.Qh2+ Qg3]

95.Qc6+ -1.11/23

[95.Qc2+∓ -0.33/25 Kf6 96.Qc8 Qg1+ 97.Kd2]

95...Kf5∓ 96.Qb5+? -5.28/30 Black keeps a firm grip on the game.

[96.Qc2+= -0.02/24 and White stays safe. Qe4 97.Qc5+ Kf4 98.Qf2+ Qf3 99.Qd4+ Kg3 100.Qg1+ Kh4 101.Qh2+ Qh3 102.Qd2]

96...Kg4-+ 97.Qe8 Kg3 aiming for ...Kf2. **98.Qe1+ Qf2 99.Qc3+ Kg2 100.Qg7 Qf4+ 101.Kb1** -6.99/21

[⌓101.Kd1 -4.84/23 g4 102.Ke2]

101...g4 102.Ka1 g3 Threatens to win with ...Kf1. **103.Qb2+ Kg1** -14.49/27

[⌓103...Qf2 -8.86/26 104.Qe5 Kg1]

104.Qb6+ Qf2 105.Qh6 g2 White must now prevent ...Qd4+. **106.Qg5 Qe1+** Black mates. **107.Ka2 Kf1 108.Qd5 g1Q 109.Qb3 Qa7+ 110.Qa3 Qd2+ 111.Kb1 Qb7+ 112.Qb2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) / Black=0.04 (flawless)

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607 **C50**
☐ **Bhagat Kush** **2288**
■ **Yakubbaeva,Nilufar** **2241**
Qatar Masters Open 2024 (6.69) 9.12.24
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 source: "Emanuel Lasker", v3, The Chess Player 1976, p72. ref : "Krefelder Zeitung" C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

source: "Emanuel Lasker", v3, The Chess Player 1976, p72. ref : "Krefelder Zeitung" **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 d6 7.c3N** '!' is now more promising than 7.h3. im Vergleich zu 7.h3 vielversprechender.

[7.a4 a6 8.Nbd2 Ba7 9.c3 0-0 10.b4 g5 11.Bg3 Kg7 12.Qe2 Ne7 13.d4 exd4 14.Nxd4 Ng6 15.0-0 Re8 16.Bb3 c5 17.bxc5 dxc5 18.Qc4 Nh8 19.e5 Nh5 20.N4f3 Nxg3 21.hxg3 g4 0-1 Zhao,J (2619)-Lou,Y (2485) CHN-chT Div-A Rapid 2022 (8.1)]

[7.0-0 a5 8.c3 Ba7 9.a4 g5 10.Bg3 Ne7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Nbd2 Ng6 13.d4 Nh5 14.dxe5 Nxg3 15.hxg3 dxe5 16.Rad1 g4 17.Nh2 Qg5 18.Rfe1 Kg7 19.Re2 h5 20.Ndf1 h4 21.Rd3 hxg3 0-1 Abdusattorov,N (2677)-Fedoseev,V (2685) Chess.com Rapid Winners 2022 (2.3)]

[7.h3 a6 *(7...Bd7 8.Nc3 Na5 9.Qd2 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Bb4 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.a3 Ba5 13.b4 Bb6 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.Rd1 Be6 16.Qc3 Bxd5 17.cxd5 Qf6 18.a4 a5 19.b5 Qg6 20.0-0 Qxe4 21.Qb3 0-0 22.c4* 0-1 Kalashikov 5.Nb5 d6 6.Be3 #3-Syre,C 72/360 Nederland 1998 (5);

7...Be6 8.Bxe6 fxe6 9.0-0 Qe7 10.c4 0-0-0 11.a3 g5 12.Bg3 h5 13.Nxg5 Rdg8 14.Nf3 Qg7 15.Ne1 Rh6 16.Qf3 Nd4 17.Qd1 Rg6 18.Nd2 h4 19.Bh2 Rxg2+ 20.Kh1 Nc2 21.Qxc2 Bxf2 22.Ndf3 0-1 Beger-Lasker,E GER Crefeld sim 1913 *)* 8.a3 Be6 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.0-0 g5 11.Nxg5 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Kg7 13.c3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng8 15.Qg3 f6 16.Be3+ Kf7 17.Qh4 Ke7 18.b4 Ba7 19.b5 axb5 20.Bxb5 Qe8 21.Bxa7 Rxa7 0-1 Vujica,B (1839)-Aydemir,U (1953) Busovaca op 1st 2024 (4)]

7...0-0 0.33/25

[7...a5= -0.12/20]

8.Nbd2⩲ a6 9.0-0 Bb6 0.53/23

[9...g5= 0.13/24 is superior. is superior. 10.Bg3 Ba7]

10.a4 Be6 11.b4 Qe7 12.Qb3 0.16/23

[12.Re1⩲ 0.57/22]

12...g5 13.Bg3 Nh5 14.a5 Ba7 15.b5 axb5 16.Qxb5 -0.42/18

[16.Bxe6!= 0.18/21 fxe6 *(16...Qxe6 17.Qxb5 Nxg3 18.hxg3=)* 17.Qxb5]

16...Nxg3 0.13/20 'N'

[16...Bd7⩱ -0.42/18 17.Qb2 Rfb8 18.Bd5 Qf6 19.Nc4 Nd8 20.Nb6 Bxb6 21.axb6 c6 22.Bc4 Be6 ½-½ (116) Sveshnikov,E (2535)-Gyimesi,Z (2480) Vienna op 1996 (9)]

17.hxg3= Bd7 18.Qb2

[18.Qxb7 Rfb8 19.Qxc7 Nd8 20.Bxf7+ Nxf7⩱]

18...h5 19.Bd5

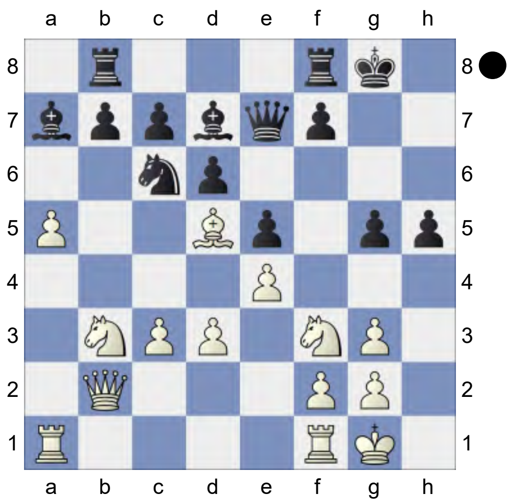
[19.Qxb7 Rfb8 20.Qxc7 Nd8 21.Bxf7+ Nxf7-+]

19...Rab8 0.40/22

[19...h4= -0.22/22 20.gxh4 *(20.Qxb7 Rfb8⩱)* 20...g4]

20.Nb3 -0.78/20

[20.Nc4⩲ 0.40/22]



20...Kg7!⩱ 21.Qd2 f6 22.d4 Nd8 23.Rfe1 Nf7 0.00/21

[23...Rh8⩱ -0.49/23]

24.a6= b5 25.Na5 Qe8 0.58/17

[25...Nd8= 0.22/20 might be stronger. might be stronger.]

26.c4⩲ Hoping for cxb5. Hoping for cxb5. **26...bxc4** 0.90/19

[26...h4⩲ 0.49/20 should be considered. should be considered.]

27.Bxc4 -0.39/19

[White should play White should play 27.Nxc4± 0.90/19 Rec1 is the strong threat. Rec1 is the strong threat. h4 28.gxh4]

27...g4? 1.20/22

[27...h4!⩱ -0.39/19]

28.Nh4± White has more active pieces. White has more active pieces. **28...Bxd4 29.Rac1** 0.49/20

[Better is Better is 29.Rab1± 1.08/21]

29...Rb2⩲ 30.Rc2 Chess con chili. Chess con chili. **30...Qb8** 1.14/22

[⌓30...Rxc2 0.72/25 31.Qxc2 Qa8]

31.Rxb2 0.00/28

[White should try White should try 31.Nc6± 1.14/22 Rxc2 32.Qxc2 Bxc6 33.Nf5+ Kh7 34.Nxd4 exd4 35.e5+ Discovered Attack (Check)

Discovered Attack (Check) Kh6 36.Bxf7 *(36.exf6 Ng5∓)* 36...Rxf7 37.e6 *(37.Qxc6 dxe5 38.Rxe5 d3+-)*]

31...Qxb2= 32.Qxb2 Bxb2 This pair of bishops is nice. This pair of bishops is nice. **33.Bd5 Bc3 34.Rb1** a7! would now be deadly. a7! would now be deadly. **34...Bd4** 3.07/22 Black cannot hold the game after this. Black cannot hold the game after this.

[34...Bxa5∓ -0.36/27 stays ahead. stays ahead. 35.a7 Bb6]

35.Rb7+- Bc8 4.66/23

[⌓35...Rc8 3.00/21 36.Nc6 Bxc6 37.Bxc6 Nd8]

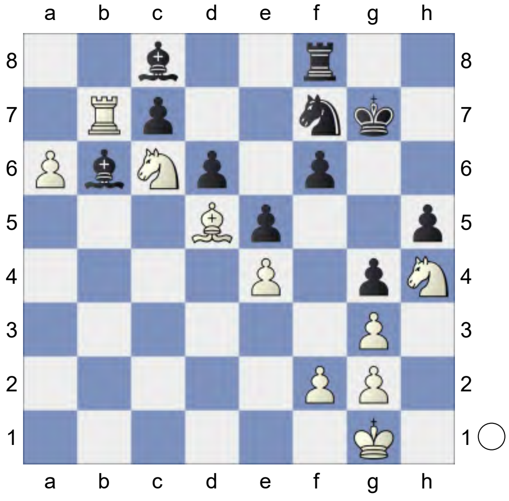
36.Nc6 White is clearly winning.

[36.Nf5+ Bxf5 37.exf5 Rc8]

36...Bb6 7.03/23

[Avoid the trap Avoid the trap 36...Bxb7? 37.Nf5+ *(37.axb7 Nh6+-)* 37...Kh7 38.axb7]

[⌓36...f5 4.57/21 37.Rb8 *(37.Nxf5+ Bxf5 38.exf5 Bb6+-; 37.Rxc7 Bxa6 38.Ne7 fxe4+-)* 37...Bc5]



37.Rxb6! cxb6 38.a7 Be6 39.Nb8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.41 Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.41

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608 C54

☐ **Jakubowski,Krzysztof 2442**

■ **Levi,Eddy 2147**

Titled Tuesday intern op 28th Jan Early b..

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.0-0 h6 6.c3 Bb6 is currently scoring better than 6...Nf6.wohl besser als 6...Sf6. **7.Bb3 Nf6 8.Nbd2 0-0N**

[8...a5 9.Re1 0-0 10.h3 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 a4 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 d5 17.exd5 exd5 18.Ncd2 Qd6 19.a3 Qf4 20.Nb1 Ne4 21.Nc3 Nxc3 22.Rxc3 Qd6 23.Rac1 0-1 (72) Gazi,M (2785)-Sudgen,J (2760) Simultaneous (Game 7) 2000 (1) Rf7 24.R1c2 Rf4 25.Re3 Qf6 26.Rd3 Re8 27.Rc5 Qd6 28.Rcc3 Rfe4 29.g3 Re2 30.Rd2 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qg6 32.Kg2 Qb1 33.Rc1 Qf5 34.Rc3 Qb1 35.h4 Re7 36.Rc1 Qf5 37.Qd1 g5 38.hxg5 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-Pultinevicius,P (2561) Titled Tuesday intern op 22nd Nov Early blitz 2022 (4) hxg5 39.Qd2 g4 40.Nh4 Qe4+ 41.Kh2 Qxd4 42.Qg5+ Rg7 43.Qf5 Rf7 44.Qg5+ Kf8 45.Kh1 Qe4+ 46.Kg1 Ke8 47.Qd2 Re7 48.Rd1 d4 49.Qg5 Ne5 50.Qd2 d3 51.Qf4 Qxf4 52.gxf4 Nc4 53.Rxd3 0-1 (72) Firouzja,A (2785)-So,W (2760) Bucharest Superbet Classic 3rd 2023 (1)]

9.h3 Be6 has lost popularity (9...Ne7). verliert an Beliebtheit (9...Se7). **10.Re1**

0.01/23

[10.Bxe6± 0.38/23 fxe6 11.Nc4]

10...Qd7 0.43/23

[10...Bxb3= 0.01/23 11.Qxb3 Re8]

11.Nc4 0.06/23

[11.Ba4± 0.43/23]

11...Rfe8 0.50/19

[11...Bxc4= 0.06/23 deserves consideration. 12.Bxc4 Na5]

12.Be3 -0.10/23

[12.Nxb6± 0.50/19 axb6 13.c4]

12...Rad8 0.53/22

[Black should play 12...Bxc4= -0.10/23 13.Bxc4 Na5]

13.Qc2N 0.01/21

[13.Qe2 -0.01/22 13.Nxb6 0.50 Bxc4 14.dxc4 Bxe3 15.Qxe3 Kh7 0.24/20 *(⌓15...Na5 -0.17/21)* 16.Kh2 a6 17.Ba4 Qe7 18.b4 Rg8 19.g4 -0.36/18 0-1 (42) Karabalis,H (2252)-Merkle,E (2160) Hessenliga 1718 2017 (1.3) *(19.Nd2= 0.23/20)*]

[White should play 13.Nxb6± 0.53/22 axb6 14.c4]

13...Bxc4 14.dxc4 Ne7? 2.50/21

[14...Bxe3= -0.07/22 15.Rxe3 Na5]

15.Rad1? 0.18/23

[15.c5+- 2.50/21]

15...Bxe3= 16.Rxe3 Ng6 17.c5 Ba4 is in the air **17...Nf4** 0.99/23

[17...Qc8= 0.21/24 remains equal.]

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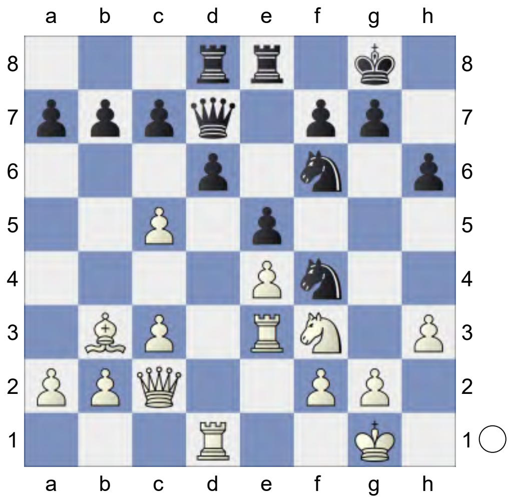


18.Ba4!± c6 19.Rxd6

[19.cxd6?! Re6=]

19...Qe7 20.Rxd8 Rxd8 21.b4 N6h5 1.76/22

[21...g5± 0.93/21]

22.Bb3 Kh7 2.94/21

[⌓22...Nf6 1.62/20 23.Kh2 g5]

23.Kh2+- f6 4.04/23

[23...b6 2.87/21 is a better defense. 24.g3 Ng6 25.cxb6 axb6]

24.g3 Ng6 5.95/24

[⌓24...Ne6 3.74/24 25.Rd3 g6]

25.Rd3 Rf8 Black is weak on the light squares **26.Qd2 f5 27.Rd7 Qe8 28.exf5 Rxf5 29.Ng1??** -6.86/23

[29.Rd8+- 8.24/23 Qe7 30.Bg8+ Kh8 31.Bf7+ Nf8 32.Nxe5 *(32.Bxh5 Rxh5 33.Nh4 Kh7+-)* 32...Rxe5 33.Qd6 *(33.Re8 Qxf7 34.Rxe5 Nf6±)* 33...Qxd6 34.cxd6]

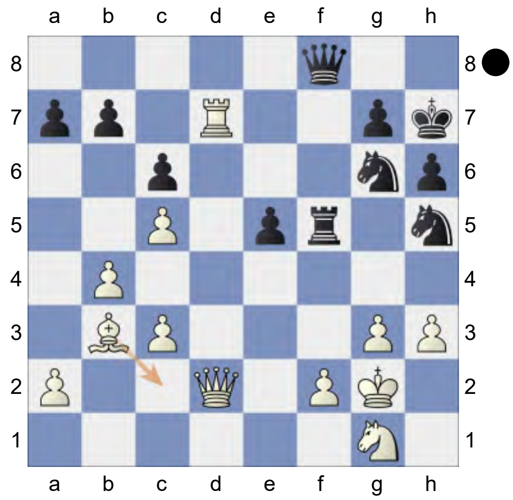
29...Qf8?? 5.08/24

[29...Qxd7!-+ -6.86/23 30.Qe3 Nf6]

30.Kg2

[30.Rxb7? Rxf2+]

(Diagram)



And now Bc2! would win. **30...Nhf4+** 8.67/22

[⌓30...Nf6 4.27/21]

31.gxf4 Nxf4+ 32.Kf1 Qf6 33.Bc2

[Weaker is 33.Rxb7 Qg6 34.f3 *(34.Rxa7?* gets mated. *Qg2+* Deflection, Double Attack *35.Ke1 Qxg1#)* 34...Rg5⩲]

33...Kh8 34.Rd8+ Kh7 35.Qd7 e4 36.Bxe4 Qe5

Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=1.44

37.Qxf5+ 11.92/5

[⌓37.Bxf5+ #11/24 Qxf5 Remove Defender 38.Qxf5+ Ng6 39.Ne2 b6 40.Nf4 bxc5 41.Qxg6#]

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609 C55

☐ Mihajlov,Sebastian 2371

■ Vasli,Aref 2413

Chess.com INT blitz (5) 03.12.2019

[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 FM Viktor Neustroev **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N**

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

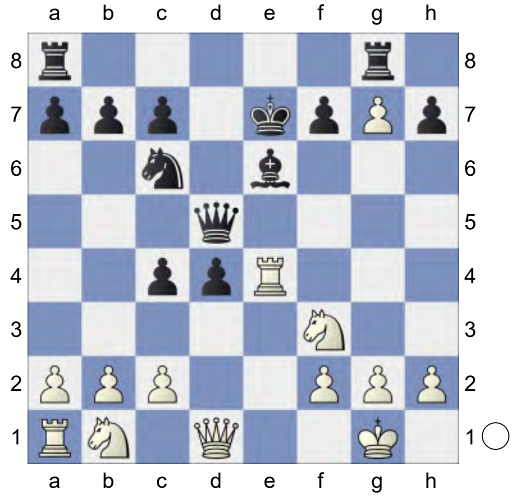
6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe7 Kxe7 FM Viktor Neustroev: 'exact capture'

[11...Nxe7? FM Viktor Neustroev 12.Nxd4 with a decisive attack]

[11...Qxe7 FM Viktor Neustroev 12.Nxd4 Rd8 13.c3 with a stable advantage]

12.Re4 Qd5 2.29/18

[FM Viktor Neustroev: 'Could hold the position' 12...f5⩲ 0.57/19 13.Rh4 Kf7 FM Viktor Neustroev: 'Preparing for a long-term defense.']



FM Viktor Neustroev: '?' FM Viktor Neustroev: 'a mistake that led to a disaster. Black relaxed too early. In such positions every tempo is important.'

13.Nc3!+- Pin **13...Qc5**

[13...Qh5 14.Nxd4]

14.Nxd4 Excellent horsemanship. White has a decisive advantage. FM Viktor Neustroev: 'Again, only 2 moves, and Black king is in a trouble.' **14...Rxg7** 3.73/18

[⌓14...Nxd4 2.62/19 15.Rxd4 Rxg7]

15.Nxe6 Remove Defender **15...fxe6**

16.Nd5+ Kf7? 8.55/19

[16...Kf8 3.48/17 17.Nf4 FM Viktor Neustroev Nd8 18.Qxd8+ Rxd8 19.Nxe6+]

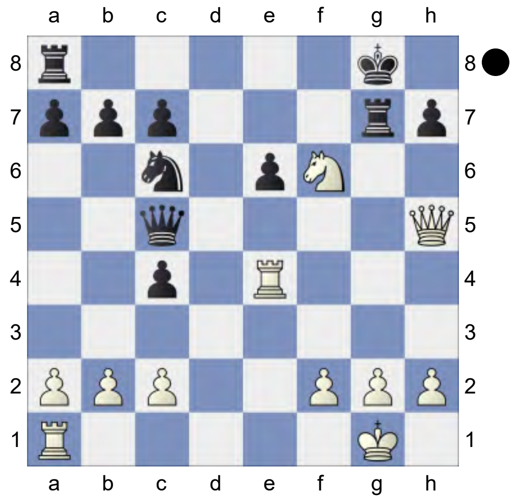
17.Qh5+ White is clearly winning.

17...Kg8

[Didn't save the position 17...Kf8 FM Viktor Neustroev 18.Rf4+ Kg8 19.Nf6+]

[17...Rg6 FM Viktor Neustroev 18.Qxh7+ Rg7 19.Rf4++-]

18.Nf6+



Discovered Attack FM Viktor Neustroev: 'And Black loses their queen.' **18...Kh8** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.00 (flawless) /Black=1.36 **19.Qxc5**

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610 **C50**

□ **Baselmans,Luuk** **2338**

■ **Van Foreest,Machteld** **2291**

Dutch Open 2023 (2.13) 26.07.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7 9.f4** was the old line (9.Nc3). war die alte Variante (9.Sc3).was the old line (9. Nc3). war die alte Variante (9.Sc3).

9...Qc5

[9...d6 10.c3 Ne6 11.f5 Nc5 12.Nd2 Bd7 13.Qe2 0-0-0 14.a4 Be8 15.a5 Kb8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.a6 b6 18.Bd5 Nf8 19.b5 Qd7 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.c4 Qe7 22.Ra3 Rg8 23.Rh3 Nd7 24.Qe3 0-1 Janik,I (2527)-Drygalov,A (2457) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Mar Early blitz 2025 (4)]

10.fxe5! The position is equal. **10...Nxc2+N** 1.80/22 A dynamic duo of knights.

[Vorgänger: 10...Nf3+ 11.Kh1 Nxh4 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3! c6! 15.Qd2 Qf2 is the strong threat. d6 (*15...Ng6 16.e5 Rxg7 17.Rae1 Qb4 18.Qxh6 Qf8 19.Ne4 Kd8 20.Nd6* #4 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7... h6) 16.Rae1! Ng6 17.Qxd6 Be6 Prevents Nd5. 18.Nd5 cxd5 19.exd5 Rd8! 20.Rxe6+ ½-½ Volodarsky,Y (2346)-Gross Winter,G (2300) W-Cup21 sf07 email 2017]

[10...Nf3+= 0.00/23 and Black stays safe. 11.Kh1 Nxh4 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7 Rg8]

11.Bf2 0.50/17

[11.Rf2+- 1.80/22 Nxa1 12.exf6]

11...Qxc4⩲ 12.exf6 0.00/23

[12.Na3!⩲ 0.50/23 Qc6 (*12...Qxe4 13.exf6 Ne3 14.Bxe3±*) 13.Nxc2 Nxe4 14.Rc1]

12...Nxa1= 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 -0.42/24

[14.Na3= 0.00/22 Qc6 (*14...Qxe4? 15.Re1+-* Pin; *14...Qxa2? 15.Nb5+-*) 15.Bd4]

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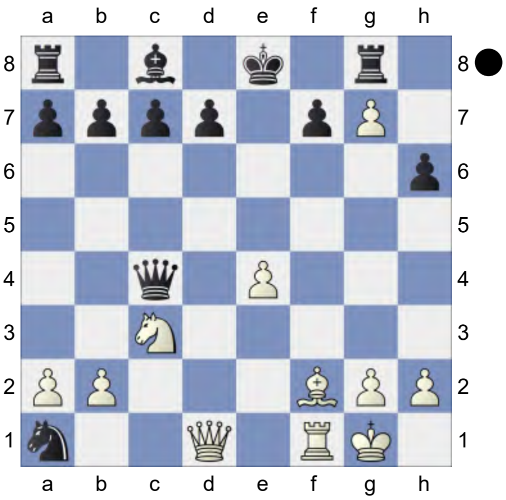

14...d6!∓ 15.Nd5

[15.Bd4? Nc2 16.Bf2 (*16.Bf6? Ne3-+*) 16...Rxg7 17.Qxc2 Be6-+]

15...Rxg7! 16.b3 Qc2

[16...Qxe4? 17.Nf6+ (*17.Qxa1? Qxg2#*) 17...Kf8 18.Nxe4+-]

[16...Nxb3 17.axb3 Qc6 (*17...Qxe4? 18.Nf6+ Kd8 19.Nxe4+-*) 18.Qa1±]

17.Qxc2 Remove Defender **17...Nxc2 18.Nxc7+ Kd8! 19.Nxa8 Bh3 20.Bg3** -1.06/19

[20.Bxa7? Bxg2 (*20...Rxg2+? 21.Kh1-+*) 21.Rf6 (*21.Bb6+? Kd7-+*) 21...Bxe4+ 22.Kf1 Ke7 23.Rxh6 Rg8-+]

[20.Bh4+!∓ -0.33/23 Kd7 21.Rf2]

20...Bxg2!∓ Double Attack **21.Rd1** -2.49/21

[21.Kxg2? Ne3+ 22.Kg1 Nxf1 23.Kxf1 Kd7-+]

[21.Rf4∓ -1.06/22 Bh3 22.Rf3]

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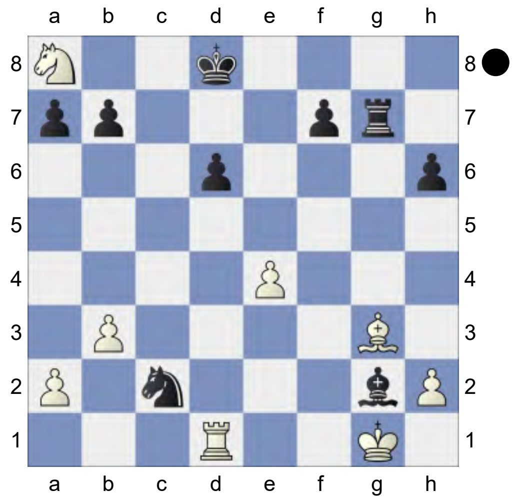

21...Rg6!-+ 22.Rxd6+

[22.Kxg2? Ne3+ 23.Kf3 Nxd1-+]

22...Rxd6 23.Bxd6 Bxe4 Endgame KBN-KBN. Black is a pawn up. **24.Kf2 Kd7 25.Bf4** -3.31/21

[25.Bg3 -2.28/19]

25...Nb4 26.Ke3 f5 27.Nc7 a6 -0.89/20

[Black should play 27...Nxa2-+ -1.76/19 ...a6 is the strong threat. 28.Nb5 h5]

28.h4? -2.62/22

[28.Kd4∓ -0.89/20]

28...Nxa2 29.Kd4 Nb4 30.Na8 h5 31.Nb6+ Ke6 32.Na4 Nc2+ 33.Kc3 Kd5 Prevents Nc5 **34.Nb6+ Kc6 35.Nc4** -3.78/23

[35.Nc8 -2.60/20 is the only way for White.]

35...Ne1 36.Bg3 Nf3 37.Ne5+? -5.19/22

[37.Nd6 -2.57/20 was called for.]

37...Nxe5 Black is clearly winning. **38.Bxe5** KB-KB. Black is two pawns up. **38...Kd5 39.Bc7 Bb1 40.Kd2 Ke4 41.Ke2 f4 42.b4 Bd3+ 43.Kf2 Bb5 44.Bb6 Bc6 45.Bc7** -8.25/23

[⌓45.Ke2 -4.98/24 Bd5 46.Bc5]

45...f3 46.Bd6 Kd3 47.Be7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.24 (precise) **47...Kc4**

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611 **C50**

☐ **Wunder,Stefan** **2508**

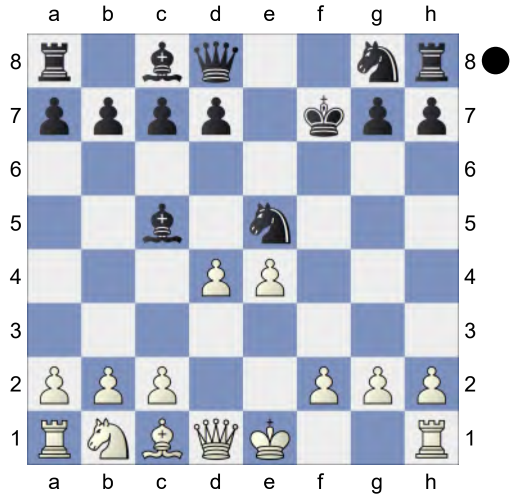
■ **Dammer,Axel** **2385**

corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Qh4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S.

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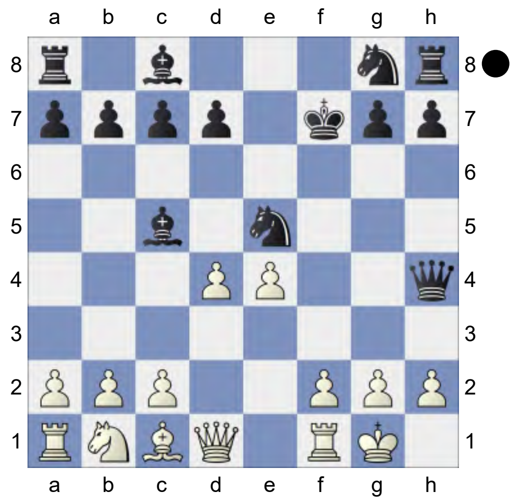

Qxe4! 8.dxc5 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.Nc3 Qc6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Bd4 b6 12.cxb6 axb6 13.f3 Kg8 14.a4 Re7 15.Re1 d6 16.Re3 Bb7 17.Qf1 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Qxd5 19.c3 Bc6 20.h3 Ree8 21.Qe2 Ng6 22.b4 Nf4**

[22...Bxa4 23.Rxa4 Qf7 24.Rxa8 Rxa8 25.c4∓]

23.Qd2 Re6

[23...Rxa4? 24.Rxe8+ Bxe8 25.Rxa4 Nxh3+ *(25...Bxa4 26.Qxf4 h6 27.Qg4=)* 26.gxh3∓]

24.Rxe6 Nxe6 25.a5 bxa5 26.Rxa5 Rxa5 27.bxa5 Qxa5 28.Kf2? -7.23/17

[28.Be3 -3.97/16]

28...Nxd4-+ Black is clearly winning. **29.Qxd4 Qc5 30.Qe3 Qxe3+ 31.Kxe3 Kf7** Threatens to win with ...g5. **32.Kd3 Kf6 33.Ke3 Ke5 34.Ke2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.13 (very precise) **34...Kd5** [Event "RSRANDOM-225"]

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612 **C50**

☐ **Liascovich,L.** **2473**

■ **Abarca Gonzalez,Nicolas** **2382**

Ferro Carril Oeste Master (8.3) 02.08.17

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Von Gottschall,Hermann: '(Source: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, p. 514.) (Quelle: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, S. 514.)' (Source: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, p. 514.) (Quelle: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, S. 514.) **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** -0.15/19

[9...Qe7∓ -0.61/18 10.Nd2 Bd7]

10.Na3= Qd6N 0.37/23

[10...Bd7= -0.16/21]

[10...Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4

A) 13...Ne6

A1) 14.b4 Rd8 15.Qc2 Rg8 16.Ne3 Nf4 17.Rad1 Qe6 18.Qa4+ Qc6 19.Rxd8+ Kxd8 20.Rd1+ Ke7 21.Qxc6 bxc6 22.Kf2 Ke6 23.Kf3 h5 24.h4 Ng6 25.g3 Ne7 26.Rd2 Nc8 27.c4 Nd6 28.Rd1 a6 ½-½ Engedal,K (2561)-3. ♘d2 g6 4. ♘ gf3 ♗ g7 5.e2 (2542) Oklahoma State-ch 2006 (11.3);

A2) 14.Qa4+ c6 15.Kh1 *(15.Ne3 Rg8 16.Kh1 Nc5 17.Qc2 0-0-0 18.Rad1 Rxd1 19.Rxd1 Rd8 20.b4 Ne6 21.g3 Rxd1+ 22.Nxd1 Qd7 23.h4 c5 24.Ne3 Kb8 25.a3 Qc6 26.Kh2*

Ng7 27.Qd3 Ne6 28.b5 Qc7 29.Qc4 Qd6 0-1 Minckwitz,J-Anderssen,A WSB-12.Kongress 1878 (6) *)* 15...Nc5 16.Qc2 0-0-0 17.b4 Ne6 Italian Deutz Gambit-Italian Deutz Gambit,O;

A3) 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25);

B) 13...Qc5 14.cxd4 Qxc4 15.Rc1 Qxd4+ 16.Qxd4 exd4 17.Rxc7 0-0 18.Rxf6 Rae8 19.Rf4 b6 20.Rxa7 Rc8 21.h3 Rc2 22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Kxf2 Rc8 24.b3 Rc2+ 25.Kf3 1-0 Scheeff,V (2111)-Lubbe,N (2369) Stuttgart-ch op 2009 (2)]

11.Bxf6⩲

[11.Bxe6 simplifies Qxe6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.c3]

11...Qc5 1.54/18

[11...gxf6= 0.23/20 remains equal. 12.c3 Nc6]

12.Bxg7 0.75/18

[White should play 12.b4 1.54/18 Qb6 13.c3 *(13.Bxg7 Nf5+ 14.Kh1 Nxg7⩲)* 13...Nb5+ 14.Kh1 Nxa3 15.Bxe6 *(15.Bxg7 Rg8+-)* 15...Qxe6 16.Bxg7]

12...Nf5+± 13.Kh1 Nxg7 14.Bb3 Rd8 15.Qe2 c6 16.c3 h5 1.22/20

[⌓16...0-0 0.73/19]

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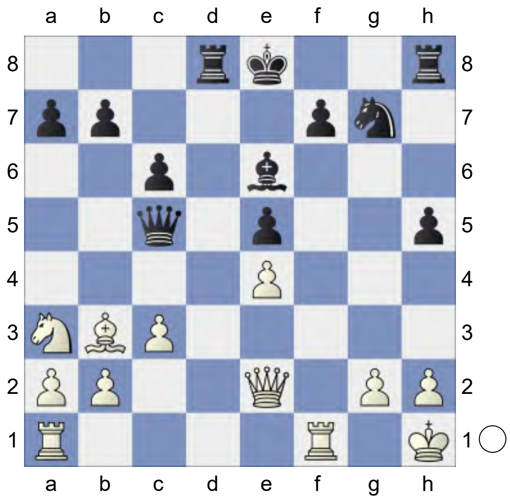


17.Nc2 0.78/19

[⌓17.Bxe6! 1.22/20 Nxe6 18.Rad1]

17...h4 18.Ne3 Nh5 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Rad1! Nf4 1.17/17

[20...Qe7⩲ 0.61/21 21.Qg4 Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Qf6]

21.Qf3 0.52/20

[21.Qf2± 1.17/17]

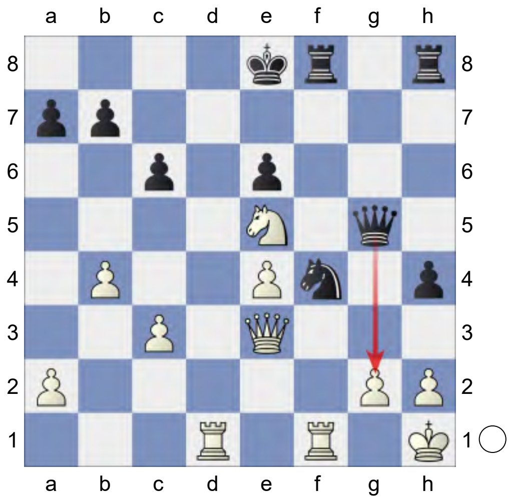
21...Rd7 1.09/20

[Black should try 21...Rf8⩲ 0.52/20]

22.Ng4→ Black is in trouble. A mistake that costs the game. **22...Rf7** 3.69/19 Dodges Nf6+

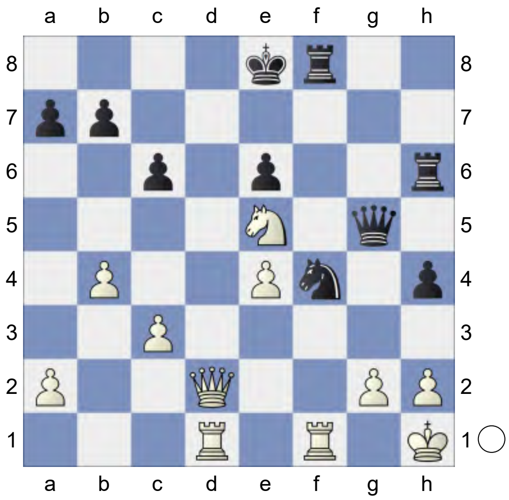
[22...Rxd1± 0.82/19 23.Qxd1 *(23.Rxd1 Rf8±)* 23...Ke7]

23.b4+- Deflection **23...Qe7 24.Nxe5 Rff8 25.Qe3 Qg5**



26.Qd2 Rh6 #1/13

[26...Qxg2++- 4.44/18 27.Qxg2 Nxg2 28.Rxf8+ (*28.Kxg2 h3+ 29.Kg3 Rfg8+ 30.Kf4 Rh5+-*) 28...Rxf8 29.Kxg2 Rh8]



27.Rxf4! Rxf4 28.Qd6 12.43/18

[⌓28.Qd7+ #12/18 Kf8 29.Qc8+ Kg7 30.Rd7+ (*30.Qxb7+ Kg8±*) 30...Kf6 31.Qd8+ Skewer Kxe5 32.Qxg5+ Rf5 33.exf5 (*33.Qxh6? Rf1#*)]

28...Rxe4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.37/Black=0.99 **29.Qb8+ 1-0**

613 **C50**

☐ **Christiansen,Johan Sebastian** **2492**

■ **Lazarne Vajda,Szidonia** **2362**

Gibraltar Masters 2018 (7.49) 29.01.2018

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Qe7** 0.45/20

[8...c6= -0.17/19]

9.Bxf6

[9.Na3 Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)]

[9.f5 d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]

9...gxf6 10.f5N Prevents Be6. White is slightly better.

[10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Nc3 c6 12.Ne2 Bg4 13.c3 Ne6 14.Qd2 Qc5+ 15.Nd4 exd4 16.Bxe6 dxc3+ 17.Qf2 Qxf2+ 18.Rxf2 fxe6 19.bxc3 Rf8 20.Rb1 0-0-0 21.Rfb2 b6 22.a4 Rd1+ 0-1 Lessa,F (1398)-Fadrny,J (1613) TCh Zlatibor SCG 2006 (5)]

[10.c3 Nc6 11.f5 Bd7 12.Qh5 3. 5...Bxd4-5...Bxd4 #10: 6... Nxd4]

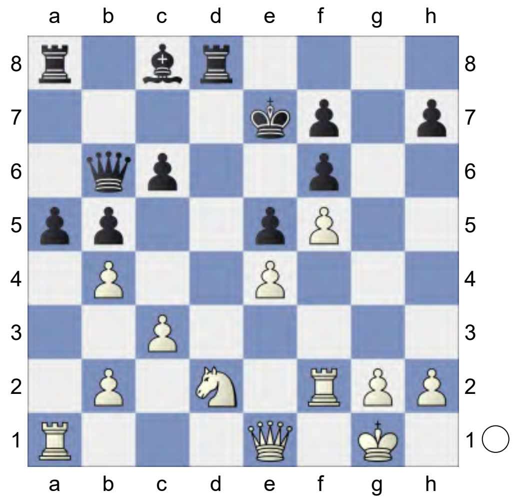
10...d5 11.Bxd5 Qc5 12.Rf2 c6! 13.Bb3 0.22/19

[13.b4!⩲ 0.63/20 Qb6 14.Bb3]

13...Ke7= 14.c3 Nxb3 15.axb3 Rd8 16.Qe1 b5 17.b4 Qb6 18.Nd2↑ White is really pushing. **18...a5** 1.74/20

[18...c5± 0.92/19]

(Diagram)



19.Nb3!+- a4 2.70/21

[⌓19...Bb7 1.77/20 20.Rxa5 *(20.bxa5 Qa7+-)* 20...Rxa5]

20.Nc5 Bb7 21.Rd2 Rxd2 22.Qxd2 Rd8 Prevents Qd7+. **23.Qe2**

[23.Qh6 Qc7 24.Qxh7 Rd2±]

23...Bc8 24.Rd1 1.41/22

[24.h3+- 2.86/20]

24...Rxd1+± 25.Qxd1 Endgame KQB-KQN **25...Qa7** 2.80/21

[25...Qd8± 1.48/23 keeps fighting. 26.Qxd8+ Kxd8]

26.Qc1 Qc7 27.Kf2 Qd8 28.g3 Qg8 29.Qd1 Prevents Qg4. **29...Qg5 30.h3 Qh6 31.h4 Qg7** 2.34/22

[31...Kf8± 0.94/21]

32.Qh5 Kd6 2.37/21

[⌓32...Kf8 1.81/21 33.c4 Qh8]

33.Kg2+- Ke7 2.38/20

[⌓33...Kc7 1.97/20 34.c4 Qg8]

34.Kh3 0.91/19

[34.Nd3+- 2.38/20]

34...Kf8 2.02/21

[34...Qg6± 0.91/19 35.Qe2 Qh6]

35.Qe2 0.94/19

[35.Nd3+- 2.02/21 is more deadly.]

35...Qh6± 36.Nd3 White is more active. **36...Bd7** 1.97/20

[36...Kg7± 1.02/21]

37.Qf2 1.15/20

[37.Qe1+- 1.97/20]

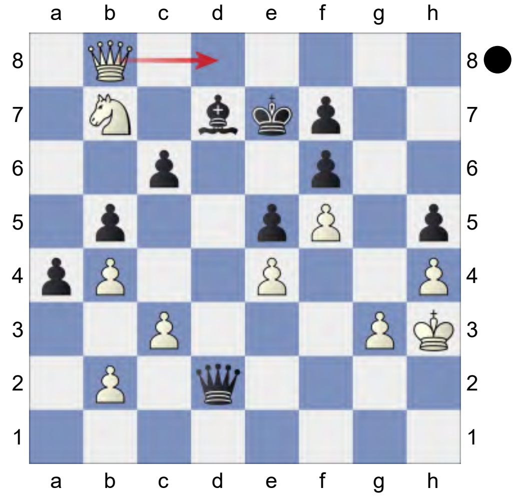
37...Ke8 38.Qa7 0.00/32

[38.Qe1± 1.50/19]

38...Qd2= The position is equal. **39.Nc5 h5 40.Qb8+**

[40.Qxd7+ simplifies Qxd7 41.Nxd7 Kxd7 42.Kg2]

40...Ke7 41.Nb7



Bxf5+! 42.exf5 Qd7 Repels Qc7 **43.Qa7 Qxf5+ 44.Kg2**

[44.Kh2!? Qc2+□ 45.Kh3 Qf5+ 46.Kh2=]

44...Qe4+ 45.Kf2 Intending Nc5+ and mate. **45...Qc2+ 46.Ke3 Qc1+ 47.Kf3! Qd1+ 48.Kg2 Qd5+ 49.Kh2 Qd2+ 50.Kh1 Qd5+ 51.Kg1 Qd1+ 52.Kf2 Qd2+ 53.Kf3 Qd1+ 54.Kg2 Qd5+ 55.Kh2** Qc5+ would now be deadly. **55...Qd2+ 56.Kh1** White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.23 (precise) **56...Qd5+**

½-½

614 C50
☐ Siddharth,Jagadeesh 2515
■ Sarwat,W 2088
15th Chennai Open 2025 (1.2) 02.01.25
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo ChessPublishing.com,MH: 'C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo ' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.0-0 Be7 8.Bg3**

[8.Bb3 d6 9.h3 Na5 10.Ba4 c5 11.Nc3 Be6 12.Nh2 a6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Ng4 Bg5 15.Bb3 Nxb3 16.axb3 g6 17.Ne3 f5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Qf3 Qd7 20.Ned5 Rae8 21.Qh5 Qg7 22.f4 exf4 0-1 8.♕xc4/ 10.♗f4 ♘d5/ 13.,. (2535)-Henzler,S (2635) corr 20. Polish Team Championship 2011]

8...d6 9.a4 Be6N 0.48/22

[9...g5= 0.04/18 should be considered.]

[9...a5 10.c3 g6 11.h3 Nh5 12.Bh2 Bg5 13.Na3 Bf4 14.d4 Qe7 15.Re1 Kg7 16.g3 Bg5 17.Bf1 Kh7 18.Nc4 Ng7 19.Qc2 Bf6 20.Rad1 Ne8 21.Ne3 Bg7 22.Nd5 Qe6 23.g4 exd4 24.Nxd4 Nxd4 Model Games-Sethuraman,S]

10.Bxe6± fxe6 11.c3 Qd7 12.b4 Qe8 13.Nbd2 Nh5 14.b5 Nb8 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nd7 17.Qb3 Qf7 18.Rac1 Bd8 19.Nc4 Qg6 20.Rfe1 Nf4 21.Qe3 Qg4 22.Rc3 Nh5 23.h3 Qg6 24.Bh2 Nhf6 25.Rcc1 Nh7 26.Kh1 Ng5 27.Nfd2 Nf7 1.63/19

[27...d5± 1.15/18]

28.Nb2 1.04/20

[White should play 28.f4+- 1.63/19]

28...a6± 29.Qb3 e5 30.dxe5 dxe5 31.Nd3 0.73/20

[⌓31.f4 1.12/20]

31...Kh7 1.29/20

[Better is 31...axb5 0.73/20 32.axb5 *(32.Bxe5 bxa4 33.Qxb7 Rb8=; 32.Qxb5 Qe6±)* 32...Re8]

32.f4 axb5 33.Qxb5 Qe6 1.26/18

[⌓33...c6 0.90/20 34.Qxb7 Ba5]

34.f5 Qe8 35.Nf3 White is much more active. **35...Nb6?** 2.36/18

[35...b6± 0.75/19]

36.Qb1 1.35/16

[36.Nc5+- 2.36/18]

36...Rxa4? 2.94/19 This costs Black the game.

[36...Nd7± 1.35/16 37.Qxb7 Rxa4]

37.Nc5

[37.Bxe5 Nc4]

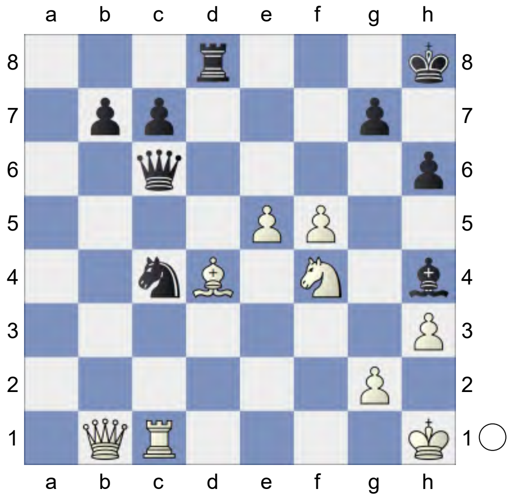
37...Rc4 38.Ne6

[38.Nxb7 Bf6±]

38...Rg8 39.Nxe5 Nxe5 40.Bxe5 Qc6 41.Bd4 Bh4 42.Rf1 Rxc1 5.41/21

[⌓42...Bg3 3.84/18 43.Rfd1 *(43.e5 Kh8+-)* 43...Re8]

43.Rxc1+- Nc4 44.e5 Kh8 45.Nf4 Rd8



46.f6! gxf6 47.Ng6+ Kg7 48.Nxh4 fxe5 49.Bxe5+ Kg8 50.Nf5 Qe6 Prevents Ne7+ **51.Ba1 Rf8**

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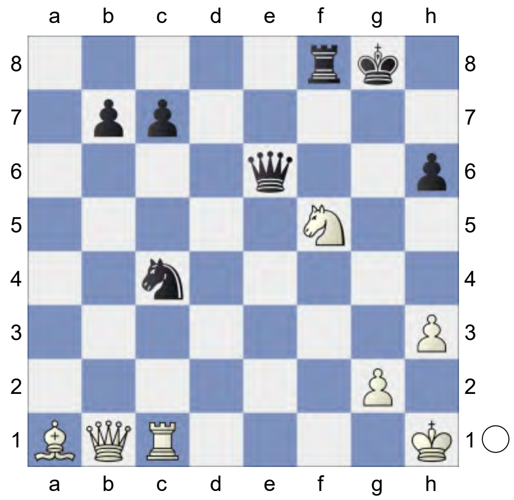


52.Rxc4! Deflection **52...Rxf5 53.Rxc7 b5 54.Rg7+** 8.31/16

[⌓54.Qd3 #7/19 Rf7 55.Qd8+ Kh7 56.Qh8+ Kg6 57.Qg8+ Deflection Kh5 58.Rc5+ *(58.Qxf7+ Qxf7 59.Rxf7 Kg6 60.Rf6+ Kh7 61.g4 Kg7 62.Rb6+* Discovered Attack (Check) *Kf8)* 58...Kh4 59.g3+ Kxh3 60.Rh5#]

54...Kf8 55.Rg3 Qf7 56.Qxf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/Black=0.49

1-0

615 C54

☐ Sathvik Adiga 2395

■ Banik Hrishikesh Kumar 2123

15th Chennai Open 2025 (2.11) 03.01.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 h6 8.h3 a5 9.Bb5 Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7** The position is equal. **11.d4 Ng6 12.Bd3 c6**

[12...Re8 13.a4 c6 14.Bc2 Bb8 15.Nf1 d5 16.Nxe5 dxe4 17.Nxg6 fxg6 18.f3 exf3 19.Rxe8+ Qxe8 20.Qxf3 g5 21.Qd3 Be6 22.Be3 Kh8 23.Re1 Bg8 24.Nh2 Bxh2+ 25.Kxh2 Bh7 26.Qd1 Bxc2 27.Qxc2 ½-½ 5. ♗e2 00 6.00 c6 7h3 ♘bd7 (2500)-Serio,V (2442) 84/126 Cuba 2002 [2]]

13.Nf1 d5N

[13...Nh7 14.Ng3 Ng5 15.Nf5 f6 16.h4 Nf7 17.Be3 Ne7 18.Qd2 Bxf5 19.exf5 Nd5 20.dxe5 Bxe3 21.fxe3 dxe5 22.Rad1 Qb6 23.Qf2 Rfd8 24.e4 Qxf2+ 25.Kxf2 Nb6 26.g4 Kf8 27.Re2 Ke7 28.Red2 0-1 Pinto,A (2338)-6.dc5 ♕a5 7 ♗d3 ♕c5_5069 (2457) Montevideo Duchamp Cup 6th 2023 (4)]

14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nxe4 16.Be3

[16.Bxe4 simplifies dxe4 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Qg5 19.Qd4]

16...Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qg5 18.Nd2 Qxe5 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Bxe4 Bh7+! would now be deadly. **20...Qf6 21.Qb3 Be6 22.Qxb7 Rab8 23.Qxc6 Rxb2 24.Rf3 Qg5 25.a4 Qe5 26.Rd1 Re2 27.Bd3 Re1+**

[27...Bd5? 28.Qxd5 *(28.Bh7+? Kxh7 29.Qxd5 Re1+* Deflection *30.Rxe1 Qxd5-+)* 28...Qxd5 29.Bh7+ *(29.Bxe2 Qb3∓)* 29...Kxh7 30.Rxd5+-]

28.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 29.Kh2 Qe5+ 30.Rg3 Rd8 31.Qb5→ White is up to no good. **31...Qf4**

[31...Qxb5 simplifies 32.axb5 Rc8 33.Re3 g6]

32.Kg1

[32.Qxa5? Rxd3 33.Qb6 h5-+ *(33...Rxc3? 34.a5-+)*]

32...Qc1+ 33.Bf1 -0.33/20

[33.Kh2= 0.03/21 should be considered. Qf4 34.Bc2 *(34.Qxa5? Rxd3 35.Qb4 Bc4-+)*]

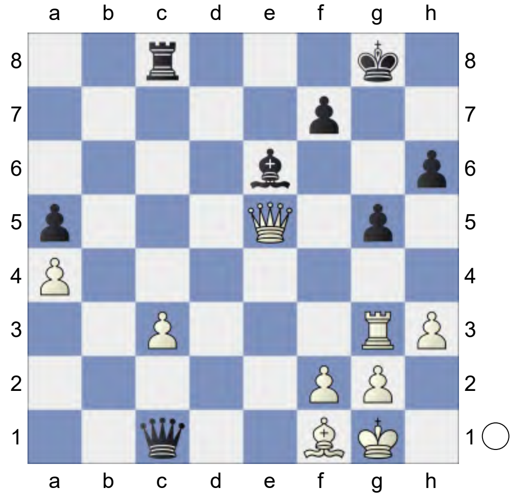
33...Rc8? 3.06/22

[33...Rd1∓ -0.33/20 stays ahead.]

34.Qe5+-

[34.Qxa5? Bc4 35.Kh2 Qxf1-+ *(35...Bxf1 36.Qe5=)*]

34...g5

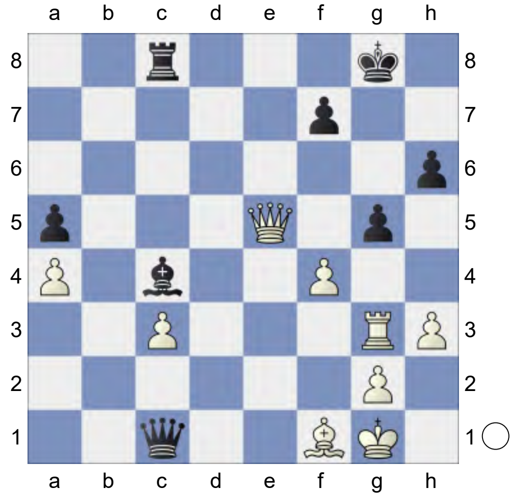


35.f4!

[35.Qxa5? Bc4 36.Kh2 Qxf1-+]

35...Bc4 4.56/22

[⌓35...Re8 2.95/19 36.Qd4 *(36.Qxa5 Bc4∓; 36.fxg5 Qxf1+ 37.Kh2 hxg5+-)* 36...g4 37.hxg4 *(37.Qe5 h5+-)* 37...Bc8]



36.fxg5! Qxf1+ 37.Kh2 h5 White must now prevent ...Qe2. **38.g6!** gxf7+ would kill now. **38...f6 39.Qe7** 0.16/18

[39.Qxh5+- 3.89/20 Qf4 40.Qh7+ *(40.Qxa5 Kg7∓)* 40...Kf8 41.g7+ Ke8 42.Qh5+ *(42.g8B Kd8+-; 42.g8N Bxg8 43.Qxg8+ Kd7+-)* 42...Ke7 43.Qxa5]

39...Qf4!= 40.Qh7+ Kf8 And now ...h4 would win. **41.g7+ Ke8** Hoping for ...h4. **42.g8Q+**

[42.g8B? h4 43.Qg6+ Kd8-+]

42...Bxg8 43.Qxg8+ Endgame. KQR-KQR **43...Kd7?** 2.65/24

[43...Ke7!= 0.10/24 and Black is okay. 44.Qxc8 h4 Pin 45.Qc5+ Kf7]

44.Qd5++- Ke7 45.Qxh5 0.00/40

[Only move: 45.Qxa5+- 2.50/26 aiming for Qb4+. Rc4 46.Qxh5 Rxa4 47.Qg4]

45...Rxc3= 46.Qh7+ Kd6 47.Qg8 Strongly threatening Qb8+. **47...Ke7**

[47...Qxg3+? 48.Qxg3+ Rxg3 49.Kxg3+-]

48.Qg7+ Ke8 49.Qg4 Qe5 50.h4 f5 51.Qg6+ Ke7 52.Qg5+

[52.h5 simplifies Rxg3 53.Qxg3 Qd4 54.Qg5+]

52...Ke6 53.h5

[53.Qg6+ simplifies Ke7 54.h5 Rxg3 55.Qxg3 Qd4 56.Qg5+]

53...Rd3? 4.53/23

[Better is 53...Rxg3± 0.45/21 54.Qxg3 Qd4]

54.Kh3 2.05/14

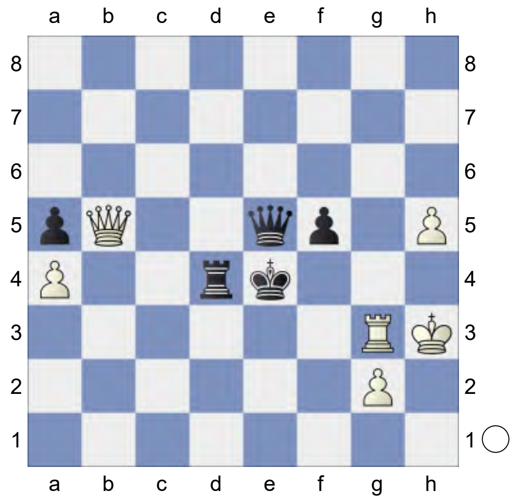
[⌓54.Qg8+ 4.53/23 Ke7 55.h6 Rxg3 56.Qxg3]

54...Rd4? 12.25/20

[54...Rxg3+ 2.05/14 55.Qxg3 Qc5]

55.Qg8++- Kd6 56.Qb8+ Kd5 57.Qb5+ Ke4

(Diagram)



58.Re3+!! 11.38/15 Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.44

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616 **C50**

☐ **Sanket,Chakravarty** **2243**

■ **Sengupta,D.** **2527**

Joytu Sheikh Hasina GM Op (5.6)

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qe7** Black wants to play ...g5.

[8...d6 simplifies 9.f4 Bg4 10.Bxf6 Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Nc3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 0-0]

9.Nc3N -0.64/19

[9.f4= -0.26/21 feels stronger. Qc5 *(9...d6 10.c3 Ne6 11.f5 Nc5 12.Nd2 Bd7 13.Qe2 0-0-0 14.a4 Be8 15.a5 Kb8 16.b4 Ncd7 17.a6 b6 18.Bd5 Nf8 19.b5 Qd7 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.c4 Qe7 22.Ra3 Rg8 23.Rh3 Nd7 24.Qe3* 0-1 Janik,I (2527)-Drygalov,A (2457) Titled Tuesday intern op 04th Mar Early blitz 2025 (4) *)* 10.fxe5 Nf3+ 11.Kh1 Nxh4 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 c6 15.Qd2 Qe6 *(15...d6 16.Rae1 Be6 17.Nd5 cxd5 18.exd5 Rxg7 19.dxe6 Qc6 20.exf7+ Kd7 21.Re2 Rf8 22.Qe3* #2 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6*)* 16.Nd5 cxd5 17.exd5 Qd6 18.Rae1+ Kd8 19.Qd4 b6 20.Qxh4+ Kc7 21.Rxf7 Bb7 22.Re6 Qxd5 23.Qf4+ #5 Theory 1A1: 7... h6-A1: 7...h6]

9...g5∓ 10.f4? -2.29/19 **gxh4-+ 11.fxe5 Qxe5 12.Nd5 Nxd5**

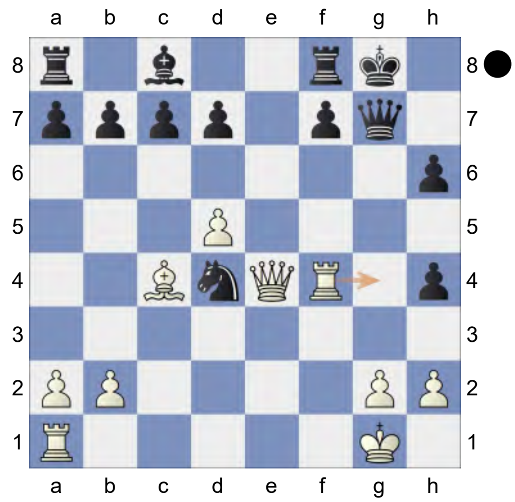
[12...Nxe4 13.Rf4 *(13.Nxc7+? Kd8-+)* 13...Kd8 *(13...c6? 14.Rxe4* Remove Defender, Decoy *Qxe4 15.Nf6+ Ke7 16.Nxe4+-)* 14.Qg4∓]

13.exd5 0-0 14.Qg4+ Qg7 15.Rf4 Nxc2 16.Qe2 Nd4 -0.91/25

[16...Nxa1?! 17.Rg4=]

[16...Qxb2-+ -1.65/20 17.Raf1 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Ne3]

17.Qe4



Threatens to win with Rg4!. **17...d6! 18.Qxd4 Qxd4+** -0.58/20

[Black should play 18...h3∓ -1.09/20 19.Qxg7+ Kxg7]

19.Rxd4∓ Bf5 20.Rf1 Bg6 21.Rxh4 Kg7↑ Black is pushing. **22.Bb5** Inhibits Rae8. **22...a6 23.Bd7 Rad8**

White is on the road to losing. **24.Bh3** -1.00/22

[24.Bg4∓ -0.42/22]

24...c5 25.Bf5? -2.60/23

[25.dxc6∓ -0.70/22 bxc6 26.Bf5]

25...Rfe8-+ 26.Rhf4 Bxf5 27.Rxf5 Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is a pawn up. **27...Rd7 28.R1f3 Re5 29.Rg3+ Kf8 30.Rf6 h5**

[Much less strong is 30...Rxd5 31.Rgf3-+]

31.Rd3 c4 32.Rd4 b5 33.Kf2 Kg7 34.Rf3 Rde7 35.Rd2 Kg6 Strongly threatening ...Rf5. **36.Ra3?** -5.10/19

[36.b3 -2.47/17]

36...Rf5+ Black is clearly winning. **37.Kg3 b4 38.Rf3 Rg5+ 39.Kf2 Re4** Repels Rf4 **40.h3 a5 41.Kg1 Rf5 42.Kf2 Kf6 43.Kg3 Rxf3+ 44.gxf3** KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **44...c3 45.bxc3 bxc3 46.Rc2 Rc4 47.Kf2** -9.04/19

[⌓47.f4 -4.85/17]

47...Ke5 48.Ke3 Kxd5 49.Kd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/ Black=0.21 (precise) **49...Rd4+**

0-1

617 **C54**

☐ **Colas,Joshua 2294**

■ **Adewumi,Tanitoluwa 2276**

New York Summer 1000 GM IM-B (1.1)

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto, J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4…d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders, P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Be3

[9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 f6 0.57/19 (*10...f5=* -0.01/18) 11.Qb3!]

9...0-0 10.Qc2 -0.72/19 10.Bc2 might become the main line.10.Lc2 könnte zur Hauptfortsetzung werden.

[10.Nc3= -0.01/17]

10...Ne7 0.26/19

[10...f5!∓ -0.72/19 ...f4 is the strong threat. 11.Bxc6 bxc6]

11.Bd3= White has an edge.

[11.Nc3 Nxc3 0.51/22 (*11...c5=* 0.12/19) 12.bxc3± Bf5 13.Bd3 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 Black must now prevent Ng5. Predecessor: 14...Qd7 15.h3 Qf5 16.Ke2 Qxd3+ 1.05/22 (*16...f6±*

0.52/18) 17.Kxd3± c6]

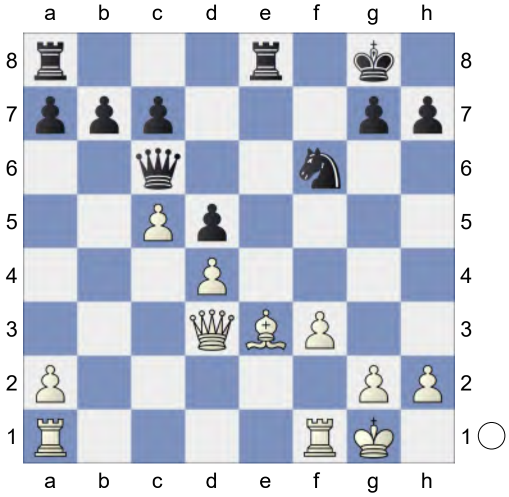
11...f5 12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Nc3 Qe8 14.Ne5 Be6N 0.65/16

[14...Qh5= 0.06/18]

15.0-0± White is much more active.

15...Qc8 16.Na4 Bf5 17.b4 Bxd3 18.Qxd3 Qe8 19.Nc5 Nc6 20.Nxc6 Bxc5 21.bxc5 Qxc6 22.f3 Rfe8 1.10/17

[22...Nh5± 0.48/18]



23.a4 0.62/21

[White should try 23.Bf4!± 1.10/17]

23...Re6 1.04/17

[23...Nh5± 0.62/21]

24.Bf4± Nd7 1.39/17

[Black should play 24...Rf8 0.97/16]

25.Rfc1 0.95/17

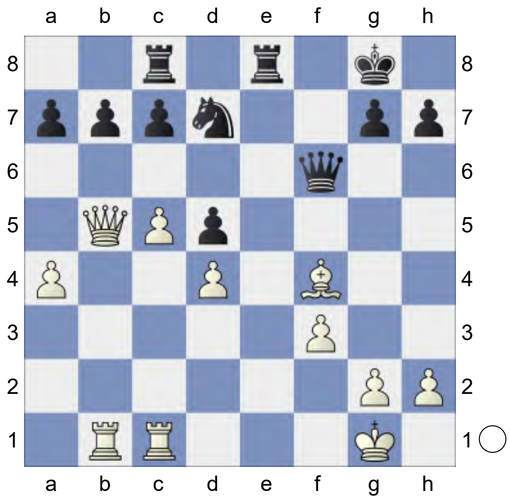
[⌓25.a5 1.39/17]

25...Rc8 1.74/19

[25...Nf8± 0.95/17]

26.Rab1 Ree8 27.Qb5 Qf6

(Diagram)



28.Bg3!

[28.Qxd7?! Qxf4 29.Qxd5+ Kf8±]

28...Red8

[28...Qxd4+? 29.Bf2 Qf4 30.Qxd7+-]

29.Qxb7 Qxd4+ 30.Bf2 Qxa4 31.Ra1 Qf4 32.Qxd5+

[32.Qxa7?! Ra8 33.Qb7 Ne5±]

32...Kh8 1.87/21

[32...Qf7± 1.35/22 33.Qxf7+ Kxf7]

33.Re1 1.49/18

[33.Rd1!+- 1.87/21]

33...Nb8 2.85/18

[33...Nf6± 1.49/18 34.Qa2 Ra8]

34.Qb7+- a6? 5.45/22

[34...Qf6 2.62/20 was worth a try. 35.Rxa7 (*35.Qxa7 Rf8+-*) 35...Qc6]

35.Re7 White is clearly winning. **35...h6 36.Rae1 Qf6** 6.65/20

[⌓36...Qf8 4.56/18 37.h3 (*37.Rxc7 Rxc7 38.Qxc7 Qf6±*) 37...a5 38.Rxc7 Rxc7 39.Qxc7 Qf6 40.Qxa5 Nc6]

37.h3

[37.Rxc7 Rxc7 38.Qxc7 Nc6±]

37...Qf8 38.R1e6 Rd1+

[38...Qf4]

39.Kh2 Rcd8 40.Qe4 Threatening mate with Rxh6+!.

[Not 40.Rxc7 Qf4+ 41.g3 (*41.Bg3*

Qc1=) 41...Qc1±]

40...Kg8

Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.71

41.Re8 Pin

1-0

618 C50

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■ Drozdovskij,Yuri 2587

Geller Memorial op-A 4th (9) 17.09.2008

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Nxd4**

[5...exd4∓ 6.e5 d5 7.exf6 *(7.Bb5∓)*]

6.Nxe5 Ne6 1.35/22

[6...0-0 2.32/23 6…Qe7 0.96 7.Be3 Ne6 8.Bxe6 Bxe3 9.Bxf7+ Kh8 10.fxe3 *(10.Bb3 Bb6 11.Nf7+ Rxf7 12.Bxf7 Nxe4 13.Nd2 Ng5 14.Qh5 Qf6 15.Rae1 g6 16.Re8+ Kg7 17.Bxg6 Qxg6 18.Qe2 Ne6 19.Qe5+ Kf7 20.Rxe6 dxe6 21.Nf3* 0-1 12.♘d3 c6 13.♗e3_18563 (2310)-Sapozhnikov,R (2115) 119/(22) Baku 2013 [2] *Bd7 22.Qf4+ Kg8 23.Ne5 Qg7 24.g4 Rf8* 0-1 12.♘d3 c6 13.♗e3_18563 (2310)-Sapozhnikov,R (2115) 119/(22) Baku 2013 [2]*)* 10...d6 11.Ng6+ hxg6-+ 12.Bxg6]

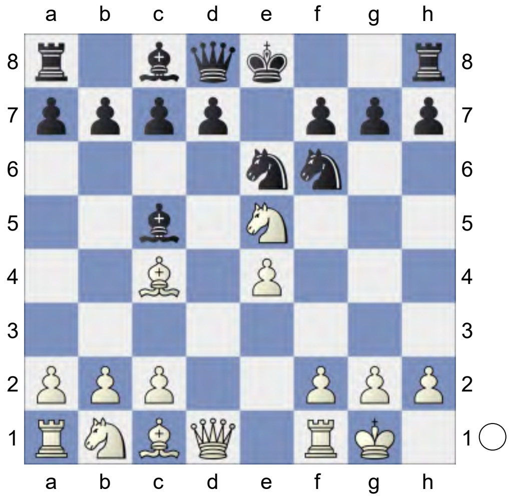
[6...Qe7 0.93/20

A) 7.Bxf7+! Kf8 8.c3 -0.10/21 *(8.Nd3!±* 0.63/23 *)* 8...Qxe5= 9.cxd4 Qxd4 10.Qb3≌;

B) 7.Nxf7!? 0.00/21 7.Bxf7+ 0.83 d5! 8.Nxh8? -1.55/21 *(8.c3=* 0.00/21 *)* 8...Bg4;

C) 7.Nd3 d6 8.Nxc5 dxc5 9.e5 c3 would now be deadly. Ng4 1.44/20 *(9...Nd7* 0.89/21 *)* 10.c3± Nc6!-+ 11.f4 1.18/20 *(11.e6!+-* 1.62/21 *f5 12.Na3)*]

[⌓6...Qe7 0.97/23]



7.Nc3N 0.51/23

[7.Bxe6!± 1.35/22 fxe6 8.Nd3 Bb6 9.e5 Ng8 10.Qg4 Qe7 11.c4 d6 12.Nc3 Bd7 13.Bg5 Qf7 14.exd6 cxd6 15.c5 Bxc5 16.Nxc5 dxc5 17.Ne4 1. 5...Nxd4?!-5...Nxd4?! #2: 6... Ne6]

7...0-0 8.Nd3 d6 1.19/23

[8...Bd4± 0.45/20]

9.Nxc5±

[9.e5 Nd7 10.Nxc5 Nexc5 11.exd6 Ne5 12.Be2 Qxd6 13.Qxd6]

9...Nxc5 10.Bg5 0.39/21

[10.f3]

[White should try 10.Re1± 1.26/22]

10...h6!± 11.Bh4 This pair of bishops is nice. **11...Be6** 0.93/20

[11...g5!± 0.33/21 is more appropriate.]

[11...g5!± 0.39/21]

12.Bxe6 0.52/21

[White should try 12.Bd3± 0.93/20]

12...fxe6± 13.b4 Ncd7 14.f4 Qe8 15.Qe2?! -0.09/22

[15.Nb5± 0.54/19 Qc8 16.Qd3 *(16.Qf3)*]

15...a6 0.36/22

[15...Qh5= -0.13/20 16.Qe1 a5]

16.Qc4 -0.12/19

[16.e5 0.25/19 dxe5 17.fxe5]

[16.Rf3± 0.36/22]

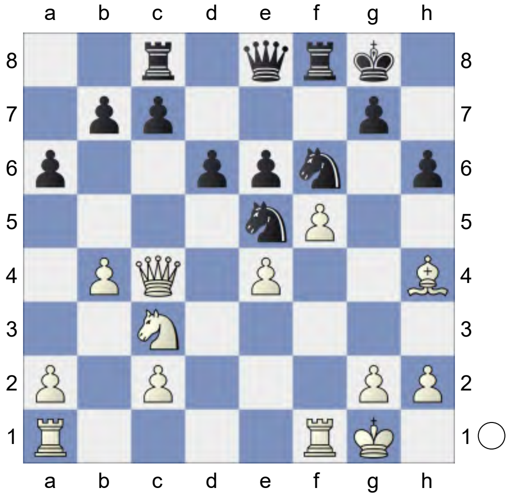
16...Rc8 0.50/20

[16...b5= -0.12/19

A) 17.Qc6 Nb6 18.Qxe8 Rfxe8 *(18...Raxe8 19.a4∓)*;

B) 17.Qd3 Nh5]

17.f5 Ne5∓



18.Qb3

[18.Qxe6+ Qxe6 19.fxe6 Nh7=]

18...Kh7 1.39/22

[18...Nh7± 0.51/23]

[18...c5± 0.66/20]

19.fxe6± c6 2.71/24

[19...Qg6± 1.31/22]

20.Rf2? 0.59/20

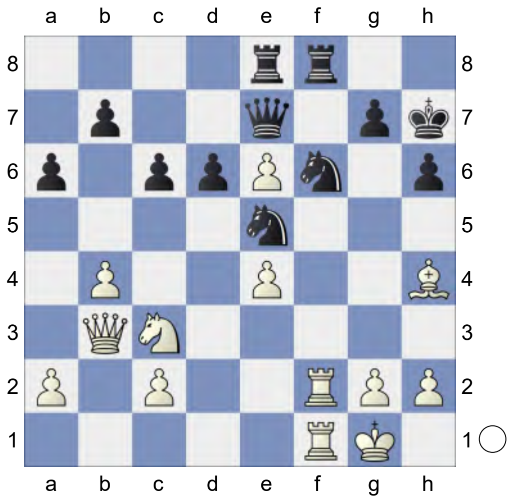
[Only move: 20.Bxf6+- 2.71/24 Rxf6 *(20...gxf6 21.Ne2)* 21.Rxf6 gxf6 22.Ne2]

20...Qe7 1.53/24

[20...Qh5± 0.59/20 21.Bg3 *(21.Bxf6? Ng4-+* Pin, Double Attack*)* 21...Nfg4]

21.Raf1 Rce8

(Diagram)



22.Nd5? -1.63/27 **cxd5-+ 23.exd5 g5!?** 0.00/25 This leads to an exchange sacrifice.

[Better is 23...b5-+ -1.82/20 Hoping for ...Qa7.

A) 24.Bxf6 gxf6 *(24...Rxf6 25.Rxf6 gxf6 26.Qe3∓)*;

B) 24.Rf5 Kg8]

24.Bg3= Nfg4 25.Rxf8 Rxf8 26.Rxf8 Qxf8≌ 27.h3?→ White mounts an attack. White is up to no good. **27...Nf6 28.Bxe5 dxe5 29.Qd3+ e4** White can't save his bishop. **30.Qd4 e3** Deflection **31.Qxe3 Qxb4 32.Qd3+** -3.21/26

[32.Qe5= 0.00/23 and White stays safe. and White has nothing to worry. Qc5+ 33.Kh2]

32...Kg7-+ 33.d6 -4.38/27

[⌓33.c4 -2.94/19 Qe1+ 34.Kh2]

33...Qb6+?? 5.20/20

[33...Qe1+]

[33...Qe1+-+ -4.38/27 and life is good for Black. 34.Kh2 Qxe6]

34.Kh2 Qd8? 6.77/22

[34...Qc5? 35.d7+-]

[⌓34...Ne4 3.61/20 35.d7 *(35.Qxe4 Qxd6+ 36.Kg1 Kf6=)* 35...Qc7+ 36.g3 Nd6 37.Qd4+ Kg6]

35.d7+- Ng8 36.Qd4+

[Not 36.Qd6 Ne7± 37.c4 Nc6±]

36...Kf8? 7.76/21

[⌓36...Kg6 4.24/22 37.g4 h5 38.gxh5+ Kxh5]

37.Qd6+ Kg7 38.c4 Threatens to win with g4. **38...b6?** 6.26/21

[⌓38...Ne7 4.30/18 39.Qe5+ Kg6]

39.a4 a5 40.Qe5+ Kf8 8.59/20

[⌓40...Kg6 4.20/20 41.Kg1 Ne7]

41.Qf5+? 0.00/27

[41.c5+- 8.59/20 bxc5 42.Qxc5+ Kg7 43.Qc8 *(43.Qd6 Ne7+-)*]

41...Ke7= The position is equal. **42.Qf7+ Kd6 43.Qe8 Kc7 44.Kg3** -0.48/25

[44.Qf7= 0.00/27 is more appropriate.]

44...Ne7 0.00/25

[44...Nf6∓ -0.48/25 45.Qf7 Kd6]

45.Kg4 Nc6 46.Kh5! What a bad dream for Black. Weighted Error Value: White=0.94/Black=0.89 Never resign too early! Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/Black=0.83 **46...Ne5?** 2.01/21 Loss on time!?

[46...Kd6= 0.00/25 and Black stays safe.]

0-1

619 C54

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EU-Cup (Women) 27th (1.3) 01.10.2023

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 The main line 8...Bb6 scores better than 8...Bb4+. Die Hauptvariante 8...Lb6 punktet besser als 8...Lb4+. **9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2** The position is equal. **12...Bg6 13.Qb3 Ne7 14.0-0 c6 15.Bd3 Nd2** Discovered Attack **16.Nxd2 Bxd3 17.Rfe1 Nf5 18.Na4! Bb5** 1.11/23

[18...Bc4⩲ 0.57/22 19.Nxc4 dxc4]

19.Nxb6!± axb6 20.a4 Ba6 21.Nf3 Rc8N

[Vorgänger: 21...Nxe3 1.81/22 21...h6 1.11 22.Rxe3 c5 2.59/21 *(22...Re8± 1.47/21 23.Qc2 b5)* 23.Rd1 Bc4 24.Qc2 Rc8 25.Rc3 Qd7? 5.82/23 *(25...Qe7 2.67/21*

26.b3 Ba6) 26.b3 Ba6 27.dxc5 bxc5 28.Rxc5 1-0 Wan,Y (2499)-Xu,Y (2534) CHN-ch blitz 2018 (8)]

22.Rac1 0.81/20

[⌓22.Bf4 1.20/20]

22...Bc4 1.45/22

[⌓22...h6 0.81/20]

23.Qc2± Qd7 24.Ng5 h6 25.g4! hxg5 2.67/25

[25...f6 1.61/21]

26.gxf5+-

[26.Qxf5 Qxf5 27.gxf5 f6∓]

26...f6 27.e6 Qe8 28.Qd1 Dodges Qh5 **28...g6 29.b3 Ba6 30.Bd2?** 1.29/22

[30.f4+- 3.42/22]

30...Kg7? 2.89/24

[30...Bd3± 1.29/22 is a better defense.]

31.Qf3 1.46/23

[31.Qg4 Bd3⩲]

[31.Rc3!+- 2.89/24]

31...Qe7? 4.66/20

[31...gxf5± 1.46/23 is tougher. 32.Qxf5 Qg6 33.Qxg6+ Kxg6]

32.Kg2? 1.47/22

[32.h4+- 4.66/20 is more deadly.]

32...Rh8± 33.fxg6 -0.06/23

[33.Qg3± 1.40/23]

33...Kxg6 1.20/23

[33...Rh4= -0.06/23 keeps the balance.]

34.Qg3 0.71/20

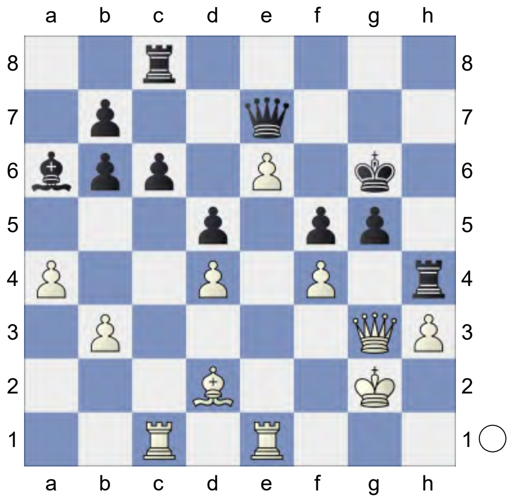
[⌓34.Rc3 1.20/23]

34...Rh4 and ...Rch8! should not be overlooked **35.f4** 0.40/21

[White should try 35.b4!± 0.80/25 Hoping for b5!. Bc4 *(35...Rxd4 36.Qc3=)* 36.f4]

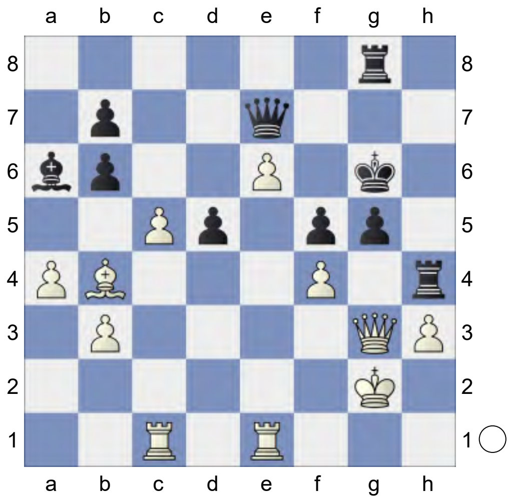
35...f5? 4.37/23

[35...Rch8± 0.40/21 36.Rc3 *(36.fxg5 Rxh3 37.Qxh3 Rxh3∓)* 36...f5 *(36...Rxh3? 37.f5+* Decoy *Kxf5 38.Qf2+ Kg6 39.Rxh3+-)*]



36.Bb4! 2.62/26 **c5+- 37.dxc5! Rg8**

[37...bxc5? 38.Rxc5 Rxc5 39.Bxc5+-]



38.Qc3? -0.94/21

[38.cxb6 Qxb4=]

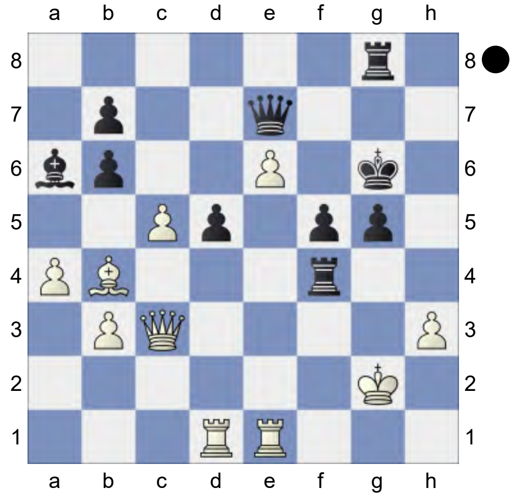
[38.Bd2? g4 39.Qf2 *(39.cxb6? Rxh3-+)* 39...Rxh3-+]

[38.c6!+- 1.76/22 Qxb4 39.c7 *(39.Qxg5+ Kh7=)* 39...Qd2+ *(39...Rxf4? 40.c8R+-)* 40.Kg1 *(40.Kh1 Rxf4 41.c8Q Rxc8±)* 40...Qd4+ *(40...Qxf4? 41.Qxf4 gxf4 42.c8Q+-)* 41.Kh2 *(41.Kh1 Rxh3+ 42.Qxh3 Rh8=* Pin *)* 41...Qb2+ *(41...Qxf4? 42.Qxf4 gxf4 43.c8Q+-)*

42.Kg1 *(42.Kh1 Rxh3+ 43.Qxh3 Rh8=)* 42...Qd4+ *(42...Rxf4 43.e7±)*]

38...Rxf4∓ 39.Rcd1 -2.17/25

[39.Rc2∓ -1.15/19]



39...g4!-+ 40.Rd4? -8.52/21

[40.Qd2∓ -0.44/21 gxh3+ 41.Kh1]

40...Rf3? -0.12/18

[Better is 40...gxh3+-+ -8.52/21 41.Kh1 Qg5]

41.Qc2= Qh4→ Black is up to no good. **42.Rxg4+**

[42.cxb6? is a self mate. Qxh3+ *(42...gxh3+ 43.Kxf3 Qxd4 44.Qc7∓)* 43.Kg1 Rg3+ 44.Kf2 Qh2#]

42...Kh7 Chess con chili. **43.Rxg8?** -33.66/24

[43.Kxf3= -0.11/28 Qxh3+ 44.Kf2 Qh2+ *(44...Qxg4? 45.Rh1+ Kg6 46.Rg1+-)* 45.Kf3]

43...Qxh3+-+ Black is clearly winning. **44.Kg1 Kxg8 45.Qg2+ Rg3 46.Qxg3+ Qxg3+ 47.Kh1 Qh4+**

[47...Qxb3 48.e7 Qf3+ *(48...Qxb4?* perishes. *49.e8Q+ Kg7 50.Qe5+ Kg6 51.Rg1++-)* 49.Kg1 Qg3+ 50.Kh1 Qh3+ 51.Kg1=]

48.Kg2

Weighted Error Value: White=0.68/ Black=0.55

48...Qxb4

0-1

620 C50

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■ Belyakov,B. 2481

European Rapid 2019 (3.21) 05.12.2019

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 e5 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Rg8**

[9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

10.c3N

[10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Qh5 Rg6 12.Qxh7 Be6 13.Na3 Bxc4 14.Nxc4 Ne2+ 15.Kh1 Qd4 16.Rad1 Qxe4 17.Rf3 b6 18.c3 Nf4 19.Ne3 Ke7 20.Rxf4 Qxe3 21.Rff1 Qe4 22.Qh3 Rh8 23.Rd7+ Ke8 24.Qxh8+ Kxd7 1-0 Dolzhikova,K (2345)-Klek,H (2291) Bielefeld (Women) rapid op 2024 (3)]

10...Ne6 Excellent horsemanship. **11.Qxd8+ Kxd8** Black is slightly better. **12.Bxf6+ gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Rh6 Ng5 15.Nd2 Rg6↑** Black has good play. **16.Rxg6 hxg6 17.Nf3 Nxf3+ 18.gxf3∓** Endgame KRB-KRB **18...Bh3 19.Rd1 Rh8 20.Rd2** -0.71/19

[20.Kf2∓ -0.35/21 deserves consideration.]

20...f6 21.Kf2? -2.41/18

[21.a3∓ -0.45/19]

21...g5? -0.15/25

[21...Be6!-+ -2.41/18 22.Bxe6 Rxh2+ *(22...Kxe6 23.Kg3=)* 23.Ke3 Rxd2 24.Kxd2 Kxe6]

22.Kg3= Rh4 23.a3 Bc8 24.Bf1 Be6 25.Rd1 Rf4 26.Rd2 a5 27.Be2 Rh4 28.Bf1 Rh8 29.Rd1 c6 30.Rd2 b5 31.Rd1 Bd7 32.Rd2 Rh6 33.Rd1 Rh4 34.Rd2 Rh8 35.Rd1 Rb8 36.Bh3 Be8 37.Bg4 b4 38.axb4 axb4 39.cxb4 Rxb4 40.Rd2 c5 41.h4 gxh4+ 42.Kxh4 Rd4 43.Rh2 Kd6 44.Bh5 Bc6 45.Bg4 c4 46.Kh5 Be8+ 47.Kh6 Ke7 48.Kg7 Bd7 49.Bxd7 Rxd7 KR-KR **50.Rc2 Rd3 51.Rxc4 Rxf3 52.Rc7+ Kd6 53.Rb7** -1.25/24

[53.Rc8= 0.00/26]

53...f5∓ 54.exf5 Rxf5 55.Kg6? -3.47/28

[55.Rb6+!∓ -0.33/20 Kd5 56.Kg6]

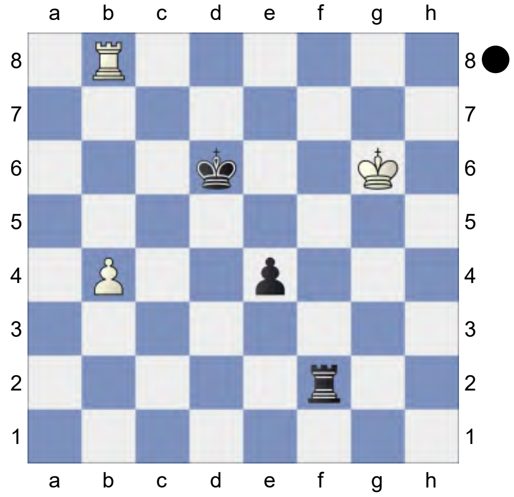
55...Rf2? 0.00/26

[55...Rf8!-+ -3.47/28 56.Kg7 Rf2]

56.b4? -3.12/25

[56.Rb8= 0.00/26]

56...e4!-+ 57.Rb8



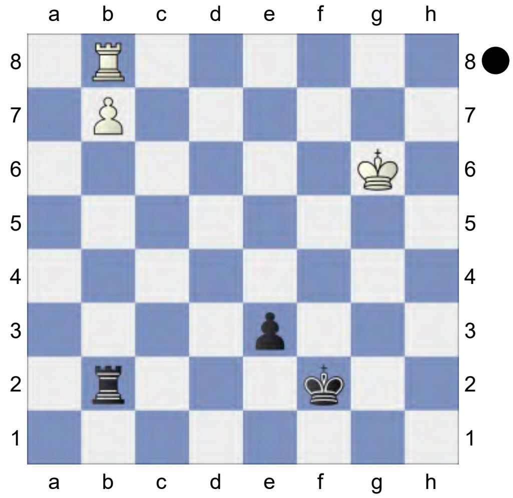
Kd5? 0.00/34

[Better is 57...Ke7!-+ -3.70/25 ...e3 is the strong threat. 58.Rb7+ Ke6]

58.Rd8+= Kc4 59.Re8 Kd3 60.Rd8+ Ke3 61.b5 Rb2 White is now going downhill. **62.Rb8?** -5.59/24

[62.Rd5!= -0.09/22 and White has nothing to worry.]

62...Kf2-+ 63.b6 e3 64.b7



e2! 65.Rf8+ Kg3 66.Re8 Kf3 67.Rf8+ Kg4 68.b8Q Rxb8

[68...e1B 69.Qf4+ *(69.Qxb2 Kg3 70.Qe2 Kh3 71.Rf3+ Bg3 72.Re3 Kh4 73.Qh5#)* 69...Kh3 70.Qf3+ *(70.Rh8+ Kg2 71.Rh2+* Skewer *Kg1 72.Rxb2 Bc3 73.Qh2+ Kf1 74.Qh1#)* 70...Kh2 71.Rh8+]

69.Rxb8 e1Q KQ-KR

[69...e1B 70.Re8 Bf2 71.Re7=]

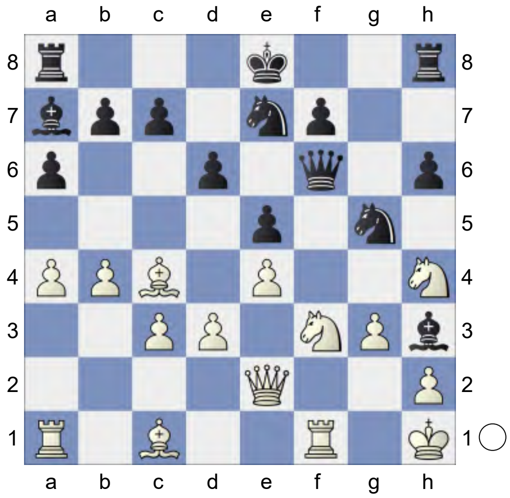
70.Rf8 Qe4+ 71.Kf6 Kf4 72.Rf7 Qc6+ 73.Ke7+ Ke5 74.Kf8 Qh6+ 75.Ke7 Qd6+ -10.60/5

[⌓75...Qg5+ -#35/19 76.Kd7 Qd2+ 77.Ke8 Qa2 78.Rc7 Kd6 79.Rg7 Qe6+ 80.Kf8 Qf6+ 81.Kg8 Ke6 82.Kh7 Qc3 83.Kg6 Qb2 84.Kh7 Kf6 85.Rg6+ Kf7 86.Kh6 Qh2+ 87.Kg5 Qe5+ 88.Kh6 Qf4+ *(88...Qh2+* is a self mate. *89.Kg5 Qg3+ 90.Kf5 Qxg6+ 91.Kf4 Qd3 92.Ke5 Ke7 93.Kf4 Kf6 94.Kg4 Qe3 95.Kh4 Kf5 96.Kh5 Qh3#)* 89.Kh5 Qf5+ 90.Kh4 Qxg6 91.Kh3 Qg1 92.Kh4 Kg6 93.Kh3 Kf5 94.Kh4 Qh2#]

76.Ke8 Qb4 Black mates.
[Stronger than 76...Ke6 77.Rf6+ Kxf6=]
77.Rc7 Kd6 78.Re7 Qg4 79.Kf8 Qc8+ 80.Re8 Qf5+ 81.Kg7 Qg5+ 82.Kf7 Kd7 83.Rh8 Qf5+ 84.Kg7 Ke7 85.Rh7 Qg4+ 86.Kh6+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.34/Black=0.24 (precise) **86...Kf6**
0-1

621 **C54**
□ **Srihari,Lakshmi** **2360**
■ **Gawai,Siddhant** **2078**
Bhubaneswar Odisha op (3) 17.12.2024
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 a6 7.a4 7.Re1 is setting a new trend.7.Te1 setzt einen neuen Trend. **7...Ba7 8.Nbd2 h6N**
[8...0-0 9.h3 Re8 10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Rxe6 12.b4 d5 13.Qc2 d4 14.Bb2 Nh5 15.b5 dxc3 16.Bxc3 Nd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4 18.Nxd4 Qxd4 19.Nb3 Qd8 20.g3 Rh6 21.Kg2 Qg5 22.Rh1 Rd8 23.d4 0-1 (40) Lunacek,J (2702)-Ferri,S (2732) Chicago op 19th 2010 (11) Rg6 24.Kh2 c6 25.bxa6 bxa6 26.dxe5 Qxe5 27.Rad1 Rb8 28.Rhg1 h6 29.Rd3 Rb4 30.Re3 Rxa4 31.Nc5 Ra5 32.Nd3 Qe6 33.e5 Ra2 34.Qd1 Rg5 35.Rg2 Qd5 36.Qb1 Rd2 37.Qf1 c5 38.f4 0-1 (40) Maghsoodloo,P (2702)-Duda,J (2732) World-chT Rapid 2023 (11)]
9.Re1 The position is equal. **9...g5 10.b4 g4 11.Nh4 Nh5** 1.49/21
[11...h5± 0.50/17]
12.g3 0.67/21
[12.Nf5± 1.49/21]
12...Qf6 13.Rf1 Nf4 Deflection **14.Kh1 Nh3 15.Qe1N** 0.01/19
[15.Qe2 Ne7 16.f3 Qg7 17.Qg2 0-0 18.Nf5! Nxf5 19.exf5 Strongly threatening fxg4. h5 20.fxg4 Qxg4 21.Ne4 1-0 (37) Marbourg,D (2303)-Dulany,L (2335) WS MN/B/05 email 2019]
[15.Qe2± 0.82/21]
15...Ng5 1.34/20
[15...Nxf2+= 0.01/19 keeps the balance. 16.Kg2 Qf3+ Decoy 17.Nhxf3 *(17.Ndxf3 gxf3+ 18.Kxf3 Bg4+ 19.Kg2 Bh3+ 20.Kf3 Bg4+ 21.Kg2 Bh3+ 22.Kf3 Bg4+=)* 17...gxf3+ 18.Kxf3 Bg4+ 19.Kg2 Bh3+ 20.Kf3 Bg4+]
16.Qe2± Ne7 1.70/20
[16...Qg7± 1.22/20]
17.f3 gxf3 3.70/25
[17...Nh3± 1.55/20 might work better. 18.fxg4 Bxg4]
18.Ndxf3+- Bh3



19.Ng2? 0.97/23
[19.Bd2!+- 3.95/24 Qg7 20.Nxg5 hxg5 21.Rxf7]
19...Qg7± 20.Nxg5 0.01/21
[White should play 20.Ng1± 0.80/20

Bd7 21.Be3]

20...hxg5= 21.Rxf7 -1.07/25

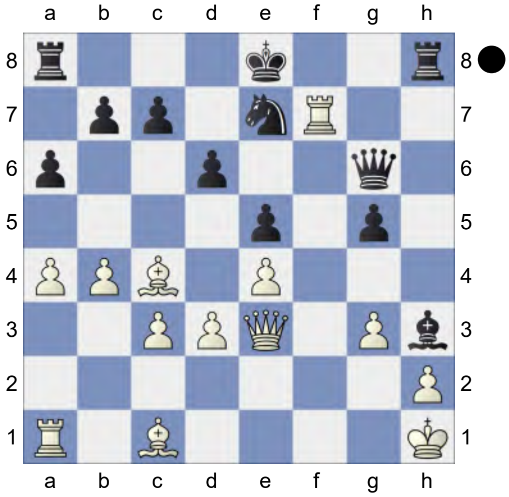
[21.Bxf7+= 0.21/22 Kd7 22.Bb3]

21...Qg6 -0.16/24

[21...Qh6∓ -1.07/25 22.Ne3 d5 23.exd5 (*23.Nxd5? Kxf7 24.d4 Nxd5-+; 23.Rxe7+ Kxe7 24.Bxd5 c6=*) 23...Kxf7 24.d6+ Ke8 25.dxe7 c6 (*25...Kxe7? 26.Nf5+* Discovered Attack, Decoy *Bxf5 27.Qxe5+ Kd8 28.Bxg5+* Deflection *Qxg5 29.Qxh8+ Kd7 30.Qxa8+-*)]

22.Ne3 Repels Bg4 **22...Bxe3 23.Qxe3** -0.48/27

[23.Bxe3± 0.32/27 d5 24.Rxe7+ (*24.Bxd5? Nxd5 25.Rf3 Nf4-+*) 24...Kxe7 25.Bxd5]



23...d5!∓ 24.Rxe7+ Kxe7 25.Bxd5 -2.31/25

[25.Qxg5+= -0.30/25 and White is okay. Qxg5 26.Bxg5+ Kd7 27.exd5 (*27.Bxd5 c6=*)]

25...Raf8→ (-> ...Qh5). Black attacks with force. **26.Ba3?** -6.03/26

[26.Bxb7? Rf1+-+]

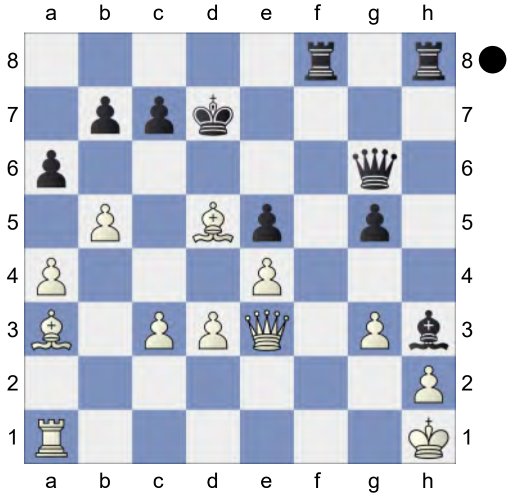
[26.Qxg5+ Kd7 27.Bf4 (*27.Qxg6? Rf1#*) 27...Qxg5 28.Bxg5 Rf3±]

[26.Bd2 -2.26/25 Kd7 27.Qxg5 (*27.Bxb7? Qh5-+*) 27...Qxg5 28.Bxg5]

26...Kd7 Threatens to win with ...Qh5.

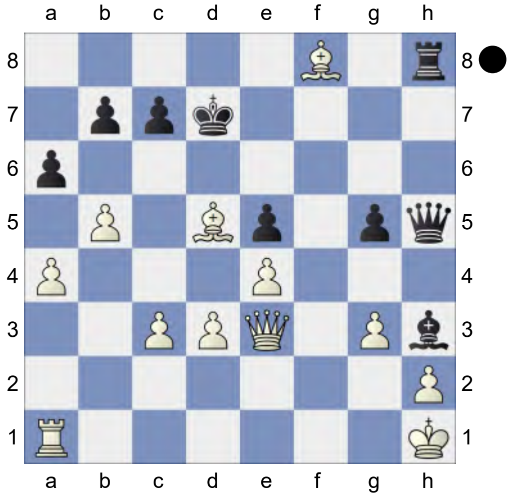
27.b5

[27.Bxb7 Qh5 28.Kg1 (*28.Bxa6?* leads to mate. *Bg2+* Discovered Attack, Decoy *29.Kxg2 Qxh2#*) 28...Rf3]



27...Qh5! (-> ...Bg2+!) **28.Bxf8**

[28.Kg1 Rf3]



28...Bg2+! Discovered Attack, Decoy **29.Kxg2 Qxh2+ 30.Kf1 Rxf8+ 31.Ke1 Qh1+** Skewer **32.Kd2 Qxa1** Endgame KQR-KQB **33.d4 Qb2+**

[Weaker is 33...Qxa4 34.Qxg5 Rf2+ (*34...Qxb5 35.Qg7+ Ke8 36.Qxe5+*

Kd8 37.Qg5+ Kd7 38.Qg4+ Kd8 39.Qg5+ Kc8 40.Be6+ Kb8 41.Qxb5=) 35.Ke3=]

34.Kd3 Qb1+ 35.Kc4 axb5+ 36.axb5 c6 37.bxc6+ bxc6 38.dxe5 Quite a comeback for Black.

Weighted Error Value: White=1.15/ Black=0.31

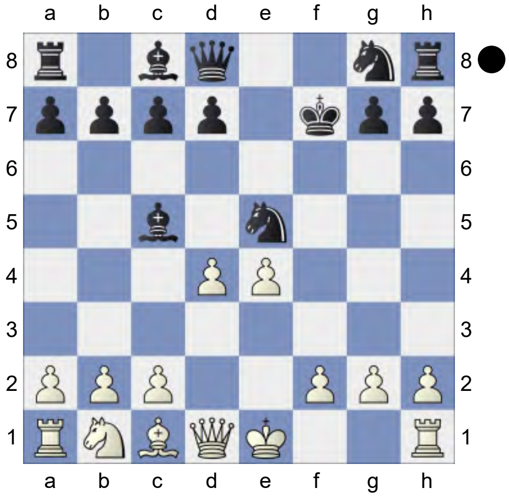
38...Qb5+

0-1

622 C50
☐ Berner,Ralph 2386
■ Jarecki,Marian 2414
corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Qh4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S.00008 1997 (6)]

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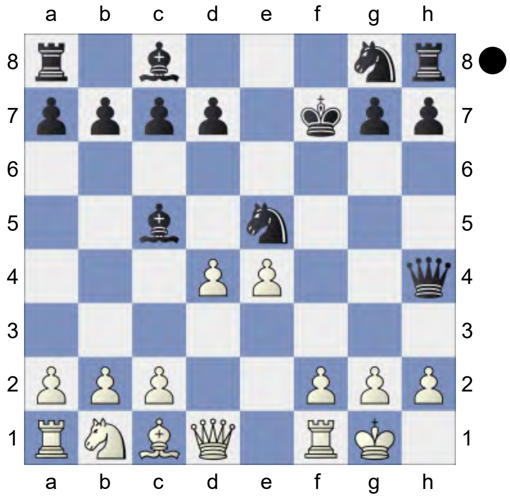


Qxe4! 8.dxc5 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.Nc3 Qc6 10.Be3 b6 11.Bd4 Ng6 12.cxb6 axb6 13.f3 Rf8 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qd2 Bb7 16.Kh1 Kg7 17.a4 Rfe8 18.b3 Re5 19.Nb5 Rg8 20.Rae1 Kh8 21.Rxe5 fxe5** Black is clearly winning.

[Less strong is 21...Nxe5 22.h3-+]

22.Qg5 Rf8

[And not 22...Qxc2 23.Qf6+ Rg7 24.Qd8+ Rg8 25.Qf6+ Rg7 26.Qd8+ Rg8 27.Qf6+=]

23.Qd2 e4 24.Kg1 Nf4 25.Qd4+ Kg8 26.Qc4+ Qxc4 27.bxc4 exf3 28.gxf3 Ne6 29.Rd1 Bc6 30.Nc3 Rxf3 31.Nd5 Bxa4 32.Rd2 Kg7 33.Kg2 Rf5 34.Kg1 h5 35.Rg2+ Kh6 36.Rd2 h4 37.c3 Ng5 and ...Nf3+ would now be decisive **38.Re2 Bc6 39.Re7 b5 40.h3**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.24

(precise) /Black=0.08 (flawless) **40...Nxh3+** [Event "RSRANDOM-225"]

0-1

623 **C50**

☐ **Jarecki,Marian** **2414**

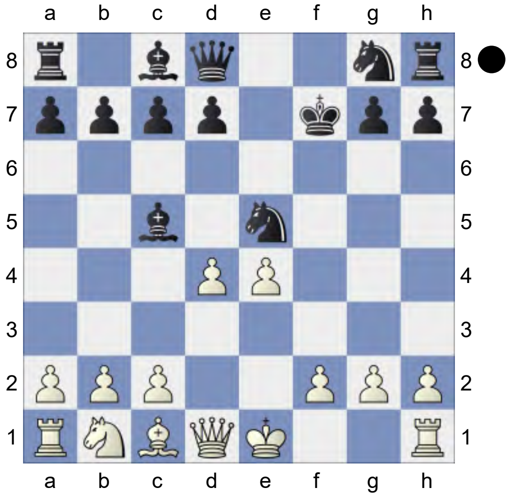
■ **Dammer,Axel** **2385**

corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

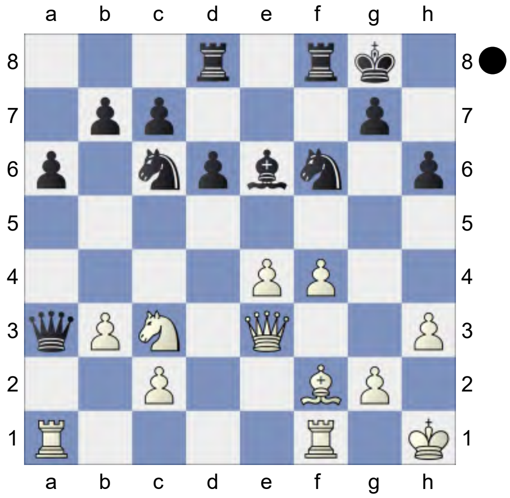
[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Bxd4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S.00008 1997 (6)]

7.Qxd4 d6 8.0-0 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.Qd3 Rf8 11.f4 Kg8 12.Nc3 Be6 13.a3 Qe8 14.Qd2 Ng4 15.Rae1 h6 16.Bh4 Qh5 17.Bg3 Rae8 18.h3 Qc5+ 19.Kh1 Nf6 20.Bf2 Qh5 21.Qd3 a6 22.b3 Rd8 23.Qg3 Qa5 24.Qe3 Qxa3 25.Ra1**



Qc5 26.Qxc5 dxc5 27.Bxc5 Rfe8 28.Kh2 Bc8 29.Rae1 b6 30.Bg1 Nb4 31.Re2 a5 32.Rff2 Kf7 33.e5 Nfd5 34.Ne4 Nc6 35.Rf3 Ndb4 36.c3 Ba6 37.Rb2 Nd3

[Not 37...Bd3 38.Nf2∓]

38.Rd2 Nc1 39.Rb2 Ne7 40.Ng3 Rd1 41.Rb1 Red8 42.Be3 -4.55/20

[42.Bd4 -3.16/19 was necessary.]

42...Ne2-+ Discovered Attack **43.Rxd1 Rxd1 44.Nxe2** Black is clearly winning. **44...Bxe2 45.Rf2 Bd3 46.g4 Ke6 47.Rb2 c5 48.c4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless) **48...Rb1** [Event "CiF-7er/0118"]

0-1

624 **C52**
□ Zill,Christoph **2536**
■ Richter,Wolfgang **2443**
corr Remote Schach 15.03.2008
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Ba3 d6!

[8...Bxc3 9.Nxc3 dxc3 10.Qb3∓]

9.e5! Ne4

[9...dxe5 10.Qa4 Be6 *(10...dxc3? 11.Nxe5 Be6 12.Nxc6+-)* 11.Bb5+-]

[9...d5 10.Bb5 Ne4 11.e6 Bxe6 12.Qa4 Bd7 13.Bxc6 Bxc6 14.Qxa5 b6 15.Qb4 dxc3 16.Nxc3 Qf6 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rad1 Rd8 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.Qxe4+ Qe6 22.Rxd8+ Kxd8 23.Rd1+ 0-1 Conquest,S (2260)-Hodgson,J British CF-71 Championship 1984 (1)]

10.exd6! cxd6 The position is equal.

11.Qe2N

[11.Re1 0-0 *(11...d5 12.Bd3 dxc3 13.Bxe4 dxe4 14.Rxe4+ Be6 15.Qc2 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Rxe6 Rf7 19.Nxc3 Rc8 20.Rc1 Nd5 21.Bb2 Rfc7 22.Qb3 Bxc3 23.Bxc3 Rxc3 24.Rxc3 Rxc3 25.Qd1 Qd7 26.Re1* 0-1 5.e3 0-0 6. b4 (1411)-Hohfeld (1312) Srbija i Crna (ch) 96/405 2006 (4) *Nf6 27.Qe2 Qc6 28.Qd1 Qd5 29.Qe2 Qe4 30.Qd2 Qd3 31.Qf4 Rc8 32.h3 Rf8 33.Qe5 Qd5 34.Qb2 Ne4 35.Rf1 b6 36.Qc2 Nc5 37.Rd1 Qf7 38.a3 Qb3 39.Qd2 Ne6 40.Qd7 Rd8* 0-1 Glotz,K (1411)-Roessling,L (1312) GER-ch U12 Girls 2023 (4)*)* 12.Rxe4 d5 13.Re2 dxc4 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Rd2 Be6 17.Rxd4 Qf6 18.Qc2 Bb6 19.Rd1 Bf5 20.Qb2 Bg4 21.Re1 Rc8 22.Na3 g6 23.h3 Be6 24.Nb5 Qg5 25.Kf1 Bd5 1-0 Estay Torreblanca,O (2116)-Palma Araya,D (2003) Santiago 2.5 2025 (4)]

11...Qe7

[11...Bxc3? 12.Qxe4+ Qe7 13.Nxc3 dxc3 14.Qf4+-]

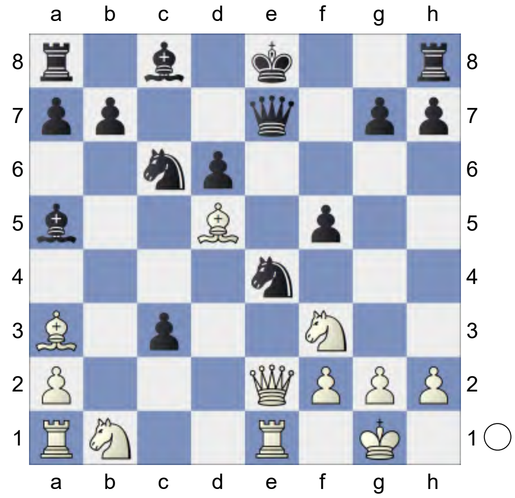
[11...d5!? 12.Nbd2 Bf5= *(12...dxc3? 13.Nxe4 Bb4 14.Bxb4+-)*]

12.Re1 f5 13.Bd5

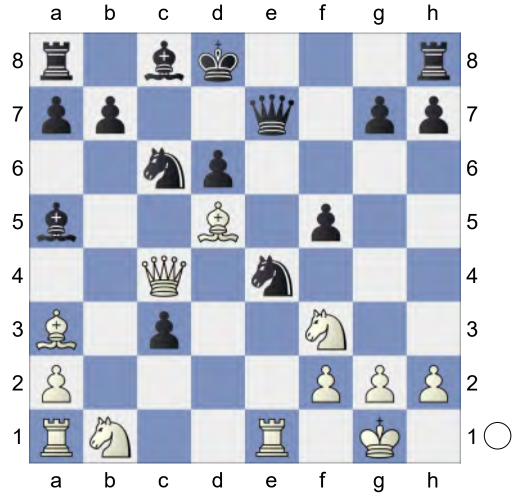
[13.Nxd4 Nxd4 14.cxd4 Bxe1 15.Qxe1 Be6-+]

13...dxc3 0.84/21

[13...Bd7!± 0.40/19 is superior.]



14.Qc4!± Kd8

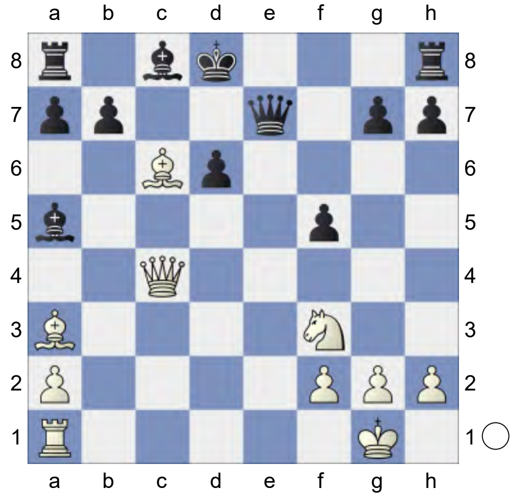


Hoping for ...Bd7. **15.Nxc3! Bxc3 16.Bxe4 Bxe1** 1.99/16

[16...fxe4± 1.28/19 17.Qxc3 h5]

17.Bxc6+- Ba5 2.59/17

[17...Bxf2+± 1.24/19 keeps fighting. 18.Kxf2 Be6 *(18...bxc6?* is the wrong capture. *19.Re1+-)*]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18.Rd1! Bc7

[18...bxc6 19.Bxd6 Qe4 20.Bb4+ Ke8 21.Re1 Bxb4 22.Rxe4+ *(22.Qxc6+ Kd8+-)* 22...fxe4 23.Qxe4+ *(23.Qxc6+ Ke7+-)* 23...Kf7 *(23...Be7? 24.Qxc6+ Kd8 25.Ne5+-)* 24.Ng5+ *(24.Qxb4 Rd8+-)* 24...Kf6 25.h4+- *(25.Nxh7+ Rxh7 26.Qxh7 Bf8=; 25.Qxc6+ Kxg5 26.h4+ Kf5±)*]

[18...Be6 19.Rxd6+]

19.Ba4 0.36/17

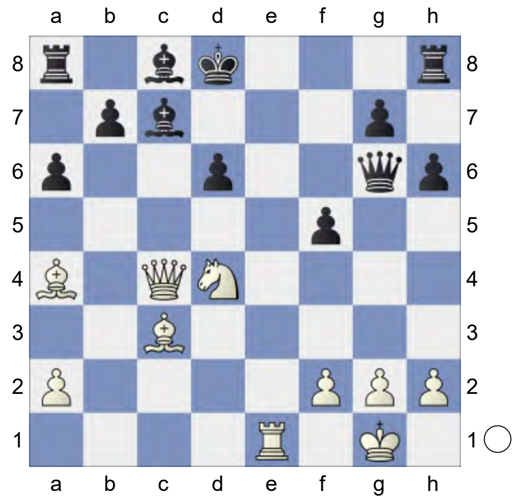
[19.Nd4+- 2.76/19]

19...Qe4? 3.58/19

[19...Bd7!± 0.36/17]

20.Nd4 a6 21.Rc1 White is clearly winning. **21...Qe7 22.Bb4 h6 23.Re1 Qf6 24.Bc3** Nc6+! is the strong threat. **24...Qg6**

(Diagram)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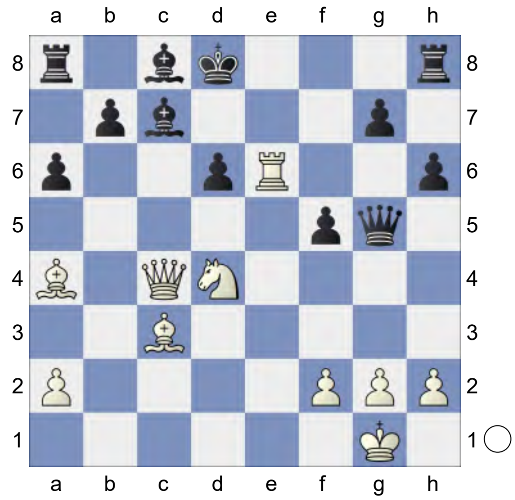
25.Re6! Qg5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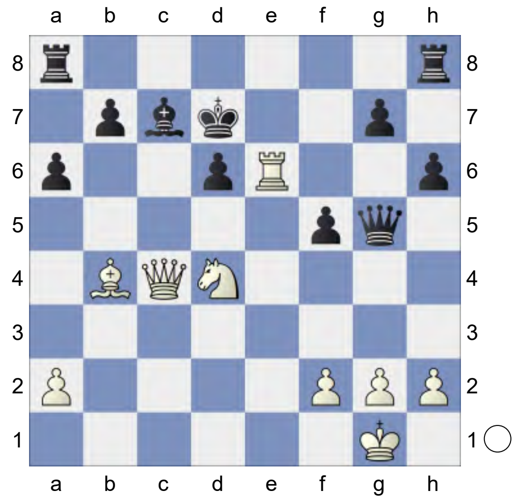
26.Bb4! Threatening mate with Bxd6!. **26...Bd7 27.Bxd7 Kxd7**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28.Rxd6+!! Decoy **28...Bxd6**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.61 **29.Qe6+**
1-0

625 **C54**
☐ **Shirov,Alexei** **2658**
■ **Papaioannou,Dimitrios** **1991**
Titled Tuesday intern op 12th Mar Early ..
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5)* 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3)*

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2)* 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6)* 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1)* 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang,A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5)* 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6)*]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 f5

[10...Ba5 11.Qb3 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Qb4 b6 14.0-0 Bf5 15.Rfc1 Rc8 16.Ba6 Rb8 17.Bd3 Re8 18.h3 c6 19.Bf4 Rb7 20.Qb2 b5 21.Qe2 Nc4 22.Ng5 Nxg5 23.Bxf5 Ne6 24.Bg3 b4 25.Qg4 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2753)-6. ♘c6 bc6 7.e5 ♘d5_52674 (2740) Andorra 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] ½-½ (32)]

11.Ne2N Exploring less charted territory. Erkundet wenig bekanntes Terrain.

[11.exf6

A) 11...Rxf6 12.Rc1 Nxc3 *(12...Ne7 13.Bd3 Bf5 14.0-0 c6 15.Ne5 Nd6 16.Na4 Bxd3*

17.Qxd3 Rf8 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.dxc5 Nf7 20.Nf3 Ng6 21.Qc3 Qd7 22.Rce1 Rae8 23.Nd4 6. Italian 8... Bb6 10th move-Italian 8...Bb6 â 10...f) 13.bxc3 Bg4 14.Be2 h6 15.0-0 Qd6 16.h3 Bf5 17.Nh2 Re8 18.Ng4 Rff8 19.Re1 Ne7 20.Bd3 Bxd3 21.Qxd3 6. Italian 8... Bb6 10th move-Italian 8...Bb6 â 10...f;

B) 11...Nxf6 12.0-0 Bg4 13.Be2 Qd6 14.h3 Bh5 15.Re1 Rae8 16.Qb3 Na5 17.Qa4 Bxf3 18.Bxf3 c6 19.Ne2 Ne4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Ng3 Ree8 22.Bd2 Nc4 23.Bb4 Qf4 24.Bxf8 Rxf8 25.Qc2 Bxd4 Savage,B (2143)-14.g3 ♛h3 15. ♗e3 (2327) Moscow 2023 CBM 068 ext [John Watson] 1-0 (65)]

11...Ba5+ 12.Kf1 The position is equal. **12...f4 13.Nxf4** Black must now prevent Qd1-a4. **13...g5!N**

[Vorgänger: 13...Bg4 2.05/21 13...g7-g5 0.57 14.Qb3? 0.05/22 (*14.Qa4+- 2.05/21*) 14...Ne7? 2.05/22 (*14...Bxf3= 0.05/22 15.gxf3 Nxd4*) 15.Bd3+- And now Bd3xe4 would win. Bxf3 2.39/21 (*⌓15...Kh8 1.74/20*) 16.gxf3+- Ng5 17.Ke2 1.28/22 (*17.Rg1+- 2.85/21 Rxf4 18.Bxf4*) 17...Qd7 2.08/23 (*17...Rxf4± 1.28/22* was necessary. *18.Bxf4 Ne6*) 18.Rhg1 Ne6 19.Nxe6 Qxe6 0-1 Carlsen,M (2847)-Tang,A (2538) Katara Bullet Final blitz 2021 (3.5)]

14.Nd3 aiming for Nd3-c5. **14...g4** 0.67/22

[14...Ne7= 0.27/22]

15.Nfe1!± Qh4 1.13/21

[Black should play 15...Ne7!± 0.53/21]

16.Kg1 Ne7 17.g3 Qh5 18.Nf4↑ Black is under strong pressure. **18...Qf5** 1.73/21

[18...Qf7± 1.12/20]

19.h3+- gxh3 20.Rxh3? -0.01/21

[20.Bd3+- 1.70/20]

20...Kh8? 2.53/20

[20...Bxe1= -0.01/21 and Black is okay. 21.Qxe1 Ng5]

21.Rh5 Qg4 22.Qxg4 The board is on fire. **22...Bxg4 23.Rh4** 1.10/20

[⌓23.Rh2 1.47/22]

23...Bf5 2.13/19

[23...Rg8± 1.10/20 keeps fighting.]

24.Nf3 c6 25.Bd3 Nxg3 26.fxg3 Bxd3 27.Ng5

[Stronger than 27.Nxd3 Rxf3 28.Kg2 Rxe3=]

27...Rg8? 5.73/25

[27...Nf5 1.87/22 is tougher.]

28.Nf7+ Pair of Knights! **28...Kg7 29.Nxd3 Kxf7 30.Rxh7+ Ke6?** #7/16

[30...Rg7+- 2.67/24]

31.Nc5+ Kf5 32.Rf1+ Kg4 33.Kg2 10.71/29

[⌓33.Rf4+ #5/17 Kxg3 34.Nd3 Be1 35.Nc1 Bf2+ 36.Kh1 Bxe3 37.Ne2#]

33...Ng6 34.Nd7 Bd8 35.e6 Intending Rh7-h6 and mate. **35...Be7 36.Ne5+?** 3.88/5

[36.Rh6 #5/15 mates Bg5 37.Rxg6! Raf8 38.Ne5+ Kh5 39.Rh1+ Bh4 40.Rxh4#]

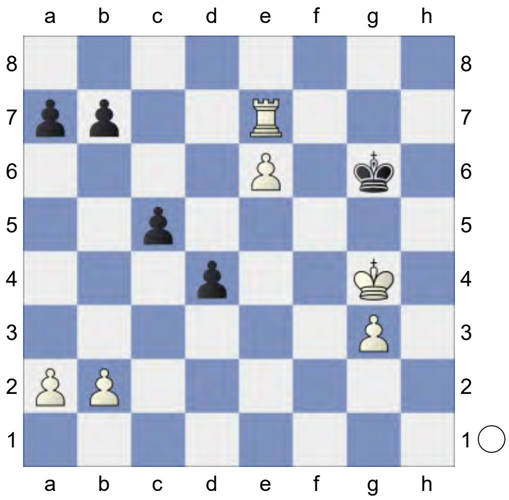
36...Nxe5 37.dxe5 Threatening mate with Rf1-f4+. **37...Bg5** Against Rf1-f4+ **38.Bxg5 Kxg5** Endgame KRR-KRR **39.Rff7 Rae8** 6.83/25

[⌓39...d4 4.18/22 40.Kf3 (*40.Rxb7 Kf5+-*) 40...c5]

40.e7 Kg6 41.Kf3 Kf3-f4 would kill now. **41...c5 42.e6** White wants to mate with Kf3-f4. **42...d4 43.Kf4** 8.00/20

[⌓43.Rh4 #17/18 Rxe7 44.Rg4+ Kh6 45.Rxe7 Rxg4 46.Kxg4 Kg6

(Diagram)



47.Rh7!! Kxh7 48.e7]

43...a5 44.g4 White mates. **44...d3 45.g5 Rgf8 46.Rh6#** Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=1.23

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626 **C52**

☐ **Firsching,Guenter** **2489**

■ **Jarecki,Marian** **2425**

corr RSX9E Thema 26.03.2011

[Kitty Kat]

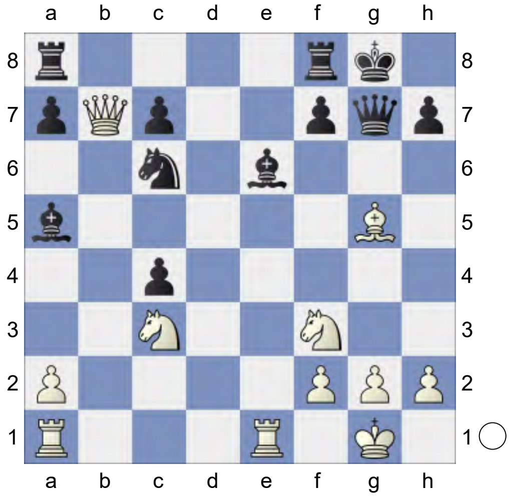
C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Yasser Seirawan: 'Return now to the Italian Game, which starts' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6 9.Bg5! Qg6 10.Nxc3 Nf6N** 1.03/21

[10...Bxc3= 0.09/19 11.Qxc3 Nf6 *(11...Nge7 12.Bxe7 Nxe7 13.Ne5 Qf6 14.Bxf7+ Kd8 15.Rac1 Nc6 16.f4 Rf8 17.Bd5 a5 18.Nxc6+ bxc6 19.e5 Qe7 20.Bxc6 Ra7 21.Rcd1 Qb4 22.Qd4 Ke7 23.Qxa7* 1-0 Andriasian-2.c4 e5 (2600) Garga URS-training 1953*; 11...Nh6 12.Bc1 Ng4 13.Bb2 d6 14.Rad1 Bd7* Gaujens,A-Reyes Larena,J X Open Salou ESP 2008*)* 12.Bd3 0-0 13.Rae1 b5 14.e5 Nd5 15.Qc2 Qh5 16.a3 h6 17.Bd2 Nde7 18.Re4 Ng6 19.Rfe1 Bb7 20.g4 Qh3 21.R1e3 f5 22.exf6 Rxf6 23.Bf1 Qxf3 24.Qb3+ d5 25.Rxf3 Rxf3 26.Qxf3 dxe4 1-0 (31) 2.2 Checks On The a2-g8 Diago-*** William Steinitz - Johann,L Zwischenzug! A Comprehensive Guide to I 2023]

11.e5± White is better. **11...d5 12.exf6**

[12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 0-0∓]

12...dxc4 13.Rfe1+ Be6 14.fxg7 Qxg7 15.Qxb7 0-0

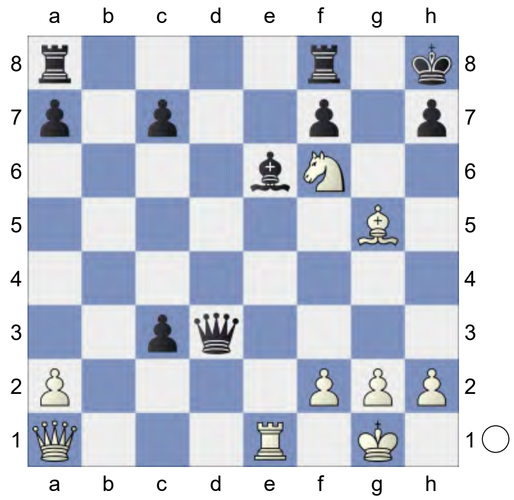


16.Ne4 Excellent horsemanship. **16...Bxe1 17.Rxe1 Nd4 18.Nxd4** 1.43/18

[18.Nf6++- 1.81/20 Kh8 19.h4]

18...Qxd4 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Qb1 Dancing on a razor blade. White has more active pieces. **20...Qd3 21.Qa1** Ng4+ would kill now. **21...c3**

(Diagram)



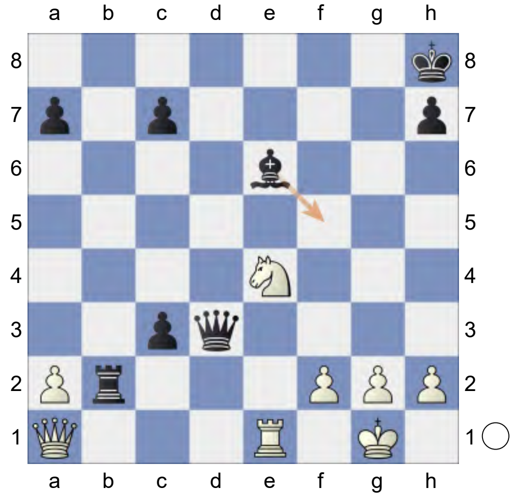
22.Ne4 0.41/16

[22.Bf4!± 1.22/22]

22...f6± 23.Bxf6+ Rxf6 24.Nxf6 Rb8! 25.Ne4!

[25.Rxe6? Rb1+ 26.Re1 Rxa1 27.Rxa1 c2-+]

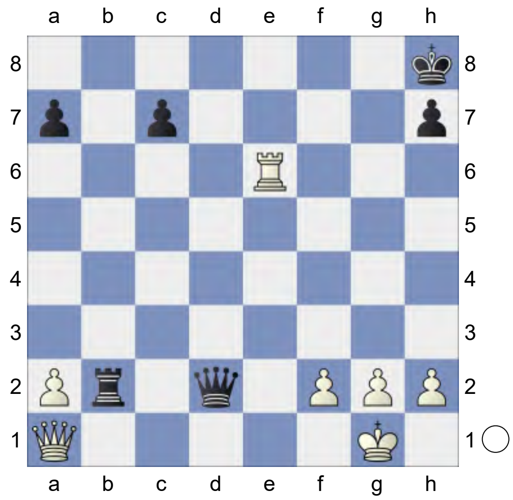
25...Rb2



Strongly threatening ...Bf5!. **26.Nxc3!** Discovered Attack **26...Qxc3 27.Rxe6=** Endgame KQR-KQR. White is a pawn up. **27...Qd2** 0.84/19

[27...Qc2= 0.25/20 remains equal. 28.Qf1 Rb1 Pin]

(Diagram)



28.Qe1 0.28/15

[White should play 28.Qf1!± 0.84/19]

28...Qxe1+ 29.Rxe1 Rxa2 30.g3 0.16/23

[30.h3± 0.54/25 should be considered.]

30...c5 The position is equal. **31.Re8+ Kg7 32.Rc8** Rc7+ would now be deadly. **32...Ra5 33.Rc6** Blacks defense is rewarded with a draw.

Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise)

33...h5

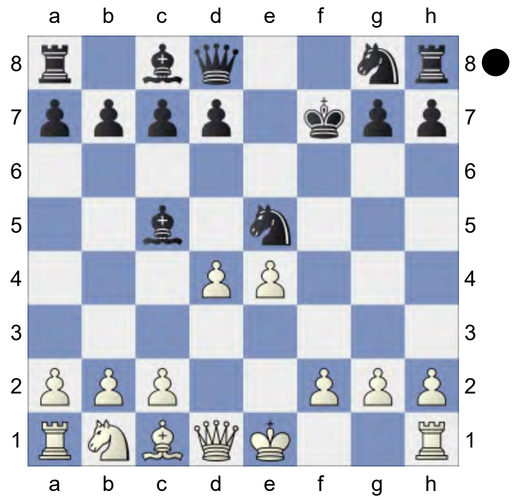
½-½

627 **C50**
□ **Berner,Ralph** **2399**
■ **Wunder,Stefan** **2386**
corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7

Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Qh4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S. 00008 1997 (6)]

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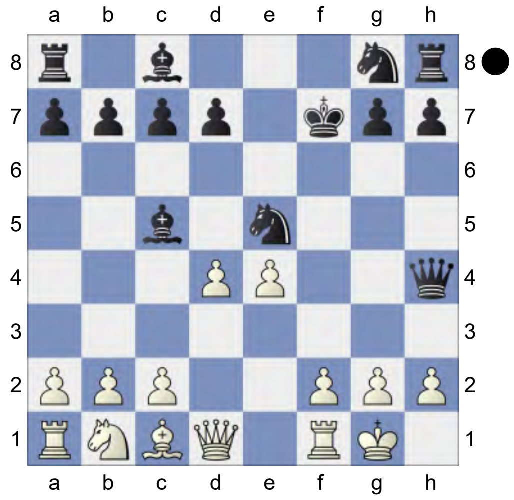

Qxe4! 8.dxc5 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Nf6 9.Nc3 Qc6 10.Be3 Re8 11.Bd4 b6 12.cxb6 axb6 13.f3 Ba6 14.Re1 Qd6 15.Bf2 Qxd1 16.Raxd1 Re7 17.Bh4 Bb7 18.Kf2 Ra5 19.Rd4 d6 20.Bxf6 Kxf6 21.Rf4+ Ke6 22.a4 Rc5 23.Re2 Kd7 24.h3 Ba6 25.Re3 g5 26.Rd4 Bb7 27.Re2 Ng6 28.Red2 Nf4 29.Kg3 Rf5 30.Kh2 h5 31.Rf2 h4 32.Rd1 Bc6 33.Rdf1 Rc5 34.Kg1 Rc4 35.Rd2 Bxa4 36.Kf2 Re5 37.Rc1 Rec5 38.Rcd1 Rb4** Black is clearly winning. **39.Nxa4 Rxa4 40.g3 Nh5 41.gxh4 Rxh4 42.Rh1 Nf4 43.Kg3 b5 44.Rhh2 b4 45.Kf2 b3 46.cxb3 Rb5 47.Rh1 Rxb3 48.Kg3 Ke6 49.Rc2 c5 50.Rd2 d5 51.Rf2 c4 52.Rc2 d4 53.Rf2 Rb5 54.Rc2 d3 55.Rd2 Re5** Strongly threatening ...Re2. **56.Rhh2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.10 (very precise) **56...Re2** [Event "CiF-7er/0118"]

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628 **C50**

☐ **Hambleton,Aman** **2454**

■ **Cervantes Landeiro,Thalia** **2206**

Titled Tue 15th Mar Late blitz (8) 15.3.22

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ng6 7.Qd5+ Kf8N**

[7...Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 Nd7 22.cxd5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6) Nxd5 23.Ne4 N7b6 24.b3 a5 25.e6 h6 26.Bb2 Ke7 27.Re1 Ra7 28.Nc5 Na8 29.Nd3 b5 30.Ne5 Kd6 31.Rc1 Ra6 32.Rc5 Bb7 33.Rfc2 Rc8 34.Bc1 a4 35.b4 a3 36.Bd2 Nab6 37.Be1 1-0 Deloras,B-Walker,M EST-ch Tallinn 1943 Na4 38.Bg3 Ke7 39.Nd7 Nxc5 40.dxc5 Rg8 41.Bd6+ Ke8 42.Rd2 Ra4 43.Rxd5 cxd5 44.f6 gxf6 45.Nxf6+ Kd8 46.e7+ Kc8 47.Nxg8 Bc6 48.Nf6 Rxb4 49.e8Q+ Bxe8 50.Nxe8 Rb1+ 51.Kf2 Rb2+ 52.Kf3 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr 1881]

8.Qxc5+ Black is clearly better. **8...d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.Nc3** -2.23/18

[10.f4∓ -1.57/19 was called for.]

10...Kf7 11.0-0 -2.47/19

[⌓11.d3 -1.77/18]

11...Re8 12.d3 Kg8 13.Qg3 Be6 -1.18/19

[13...Nh5-+ -2.00/19 14.Qg5 Qxg5 15.Bxg5 Nhf4]

14.f4∓ and f5 should not be overlooked **14...Bf7 15.f5 Ne5 16.Bg5 Kh8 17.Rae1 c5 18.Qh4 Qe7** -0.40/19

[18...c4∓ -1.46/16 19.d4 Ned7]

19.Re3∓ Bg8 20.Ne2! h6

[20...Bxa2?! 21.b3±]

21.Rg3 -0.65/20

[21.Nf4!= 0.00/19]

21...Bh7 22.Bc1 -0.93/17

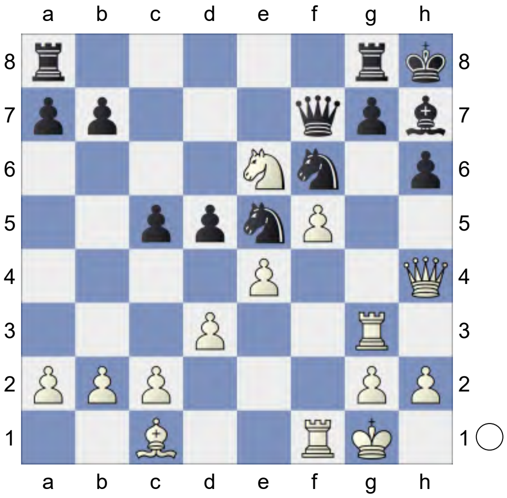
[22.Bxf6∓ -0.38/17 Qxf6 23.Qxf6 gxf6 24.Nf4]

22...Qf7 23.Nf4! Dodges Qh5 **23...d5** 0.61/20

[23...b5∓ -0.72/18]

24.Ne6⩲ Rg8

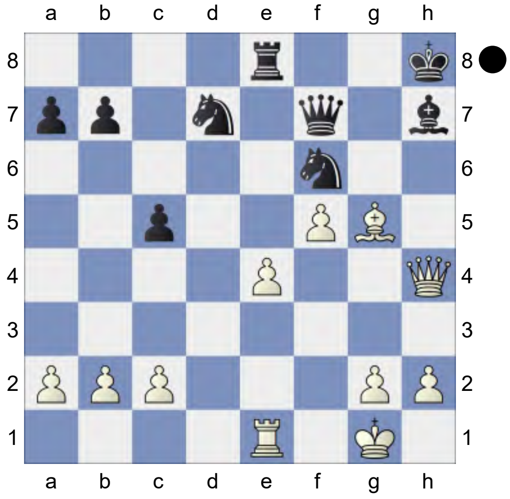
[24...Rxe6 25.fxe6 Qxe6 26.Bxh6=]



25.Nxg7? -2.18/19 **Rxg7-+ 26.Rxg7 Qxg7**

[26...Kxg7 27.Qg3+ Neg4 *(27...Nfg4 28.h3= Pin)* 28.e5∓]

27.Bxh6 Qf7 28.Bf4 Re8 29.Bg5 Ned7 30.Re1 dxe4 31.dxe4



Nxe4 -1.37/16 This costs White the game. **32.Bf4?** -4.32/16

[32.Rxe4∓ -1.37/16 was forced. Rxe4 33.Qxe4 Bxf5 *(33...Qxa2 34.Bd2±; 33...Qxf5 34.Qe8+ Kg7 35.Qe7+ Kg6 36.Bd2∓)* 34.Qh4+ Kg8 35.Bd2]

32...Nef6 Black is clearly winning.
[Don't take 32...Qxf5 33.h3]
33.Rxe8+ Qxe8 34.Bg5 Qe5 35.Qf2 Qxf5 36.Qh4 Qe5 37.h3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.36
37...Qd4+
0-1

629 **C54**
☐ **Chelushkina,Irina** **2207**
■ **Mkrtchyan,Mariam** **2343**
EU-ch (Women) 23rd (4) 21.03.2023
[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat Kitty Kat **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6**

[RR 5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7]

[RR 5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7]

6.Bb3N

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 a5 9.a3 Bb6 (RR *9...0-0*) 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Bb5 h5 12.h3 h4 13.Bh2 Bd7 (RR *13...g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4*) 14.Nc4 Ne7 (RR *14...Ba7*) 15.Bxd7+ Qxd7 16.d4 f6 17.Nxb6 cxb6 18.Nd2 b5 19.a4 (RR *19.Qh5+ Kf8 20.0-0*) 19...bxa4 20.Nc4 (RR *20.Qxa4 Qxa4 21.Rxa4 Kd7*) 20...Nc8 Yip,C (2386)-Mkrtchyan,M (2328) Budapest HUN 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (40) (RR *20...Ra6*) RR 21.Ne3]

[RR 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 (RR *11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6*) 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 (RR *18.Rb1*) 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 (RR *19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5*) 20.exd5 cxd5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

[RR 6.0-0 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3 Ba7 9.Na3 Be6 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nb5 Bb6 12.Be3 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 d5 14.Re1 d4 (RR *14...Qd7*) 15.cxd4 exd4

A) RR 16.e5 Nd5 17.Re4 (RR *17.Nbxd4 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Nf4*);

B) 16.Qa4 Nh5

B1) RR 17.Nfxd4 Qh4 18.Qc2 (RR *18.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Ne5*) 18...Nb4;

B2) 17.Nbxd4 Nf4 (RR *17...Nxd4 18.Qxd4 Qxd4 19.Nxd4 Nf4*) 18.Nxc6 bxc6

B2a) RR 19.Qxc6 Nxh3+ 20.gxh3 (RR *20.Kh2 Nxf2 21.Rf1 Ng4+ 22.Kg1 Qf6*) 20...Rxf3 21.Qxe6+ Kh8;

B2b) 19.Re3 Qf6 20.Qc2 (RR *20.Qxc6 Rab8*) 20...Rab8 Priansh,D (2311)-Wafa,H (2359) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] 1-0 (36) RR 21.Qxc6 (RR *21.Rb1*) 21...Qg6 22.Ne1 (RR *22.Qxc7 Qxg2#*) 22...Rxb2]

[RR 6.b4 Bb6 7.Nbd2]

[RR 6.0-0 h6 7.Re1 a6 8.a4 Ba7 9.b4 0-0 10.h3 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Nbd2 exd4 13.cxd4 (RR *13.Nxd4 d5 14.Bf1 Bxd4 15.cxd4 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Be6 18.d5 Qxd5 19.Rd4 Qf5 20.Bb2 c6 21.Rc1 Bd5 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Rg4 Rae8 24.Qc2 f5 25.Rg3 Rf7 26.Qc3 Ree7 27.b5 axb5*) 13...d5 14.exd5 Nxd5 15.Qb3 Nb6 16.Bd3 Nf4 17.Bb1 Nbd5 18.Qc2 g6 (RR *18...Ng6*) 19.Ne4 Bf5 (RR *19...c6*) 20.Bxf4 Nxf4 Moosavifar,S (2308)-Aradhya,G (2365) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (42)]

6...h6! is more profitable than 6...a6 at the moment. scheint profitabler als 6...a6. **7.Nbd2** 7.0-0 is not played anymore. 7.0-0 wird inzwischen seltener gespielt. **7...0-0 8.0-0 Re8 9.h3**

[9.Re1 Be6 10.Nf1 a5 11.Ng3 Bxb3 12.Qxb3 a4 13.Qd1 d5 14.Qe2 Qd7 15.Nf5 Bf8 16.h3 Rad8 17.Bd2 Qe6 18.g4 dxe4 19.dxe4 Nd7 20.Be3 Nc5 21.Bxc5 Bxc5 22.Qb5 Bb6 23.Qxa4 Rd3 Wahyuza,C (2253)-7.♘c3 0-0 8.♗e3 b6_59305 (2677) San Luis 2023 15 1... c5: model games [John Watson] 0-1 (50)]

9...a5 10.Re1 Be6 The position is equal. **11.Ba4 Bd7N**

[11...Ba7 12.Nf1 Rb8 13.Bb5 Bd7 14.Ng3 Ne7 15.Bxd7 Qxd7 16.d4 Ng6 17.Be3 exd4 18.Bxd4 Bxd4 19.cxd4 a4 20.Rc1 d5 21.e5 Nh7 22.Nh2 Ng5 23.Nh5 a3 24.b4 Ne6 25.Qd2 Ng5 26.Ng4 Kennaugh,C (2752)-10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2769) Berlin 2016 Inf 69 [Leotard] 1-0 (44) Qf5 27.Nhf6+ Kh8 28.Nxe8 Rxe8 29.Rxc7 Nf4 30.Qe3 Nge6 31.Rc3 Qg6 32.Qg3 Ra8 33.Kh2 h5 34.Ne3 Qh7 35.Rec1 Qe4 36.Rc8+ Rxc8 37.Rxc8+ Kh7 38.Qf3 Qxf3 39.gxf3 Nxd4 40.Rc7 b5 41.Rxf7 Chapter C50-Game 3 Game 3 (44)]

12.Nf1 Qb8 13.Bc2 Qa7 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 a4N

[Predecessor: 15...Ne7 16.d4 Ng6 17.a4 Nf4 18.Nc4 Be6 19.Ne3 Bd7 20.Rb1 Rad8 21.Nh4 g6 22.Qd2 Kg7 1-0 (77) Colin,S (2431)-Williamson,D (2390) ICCF email 2018]

16.a3 b5 17.Nd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Ne7 19.d4 exd4 20.Nxd4 -0.32/26

[20.Qxd4= 0.01/26 Qxd4 21.Nxd4]

20...g6 0.37/21

[20...Nxd5∓ -0.32/26 21.Be4 Qc5]

21.Qd2 Kg7 22.Be4 Ng8 23.Bf3 -0.01/23

[23.f4!± 0.49/22]

23...Re5 24.Nc2 Rae8 25.Ne3 f5

26.Qd4 Qc5 27.Red1 Nf6 28.c4 b4 29.Qxc5 dxc5 30.axb4! cxb4 31.c5 Bb5 Inhibits Ne3-c4. **32.Rd4 b3 33.g4 fxg4 34.hxg4 c6 35.Rb4 Ne4 36.Rc1 Nxf2** 0.36/20 **37.Kxf2⩲ Rxe3 38.dxc6 Be2 39.Bg2 R3e7** 1.95/22

[39...Rd3⩲ 0.46/20]

40.Re1+- aiming for Rb4-b7.

[Don't take 40.Rxa4?! Bb5 41.Ra5 Re2+ 42.Kg1 R8e3±]

40...Rf7+ 41.Kg1 h5 2.89/24

[41...Rfe7 1.95/23 is a better defense. 42.Rxa4 Kf6]

42.gxh5 gxh5 43.Rxa4 Re6 3.78/25

[⌓43...Rf5 2.59/24 44.Ra5 Rf7]

44.Rb4 Bc4 45.Rxe6 Bxe6 Endgame KRB-KRB **46.Rb7 Kf6 47.Kh2 Re7 48.c7 Bc8 49.Rxb3**

[Much less strong is 49.Rb6+?! Ke5±]

49...Rxc7 50.c6 1.01/24

[50.Rb6++- 1.85/23 Ke5 51.b4]

50...Ke7± 51.Rb8 Threatens to win with b2-b4. &Bianco is more active. **51...Kd6?** 4.23/20

[51...Bf5± 0.96/25 is tougher.]

52.b4!+- Be6 53.Rd8+ Ke7 54.Rh8 Kd6 55.Rxh5 Strongly threatening b4-b5. **55...Re7 56.Ra5** 0.50/25

[White should try 56.Kg3+- 1.99/22]

56...Re8⩲ 57.Ra7 0.25/25

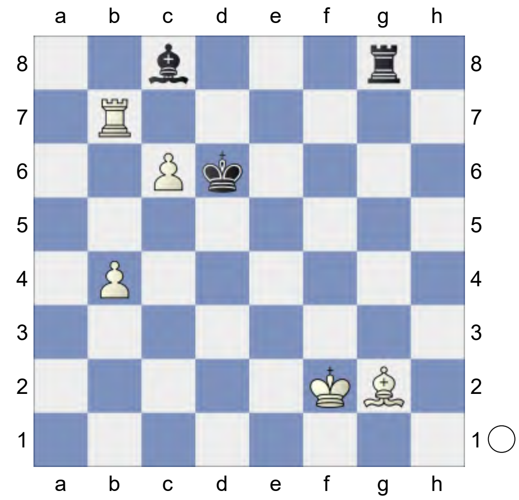
[57.Rb5!± 1.46/22]

57...Rb8= 58.Rb7 Rh8+ 0.92/25

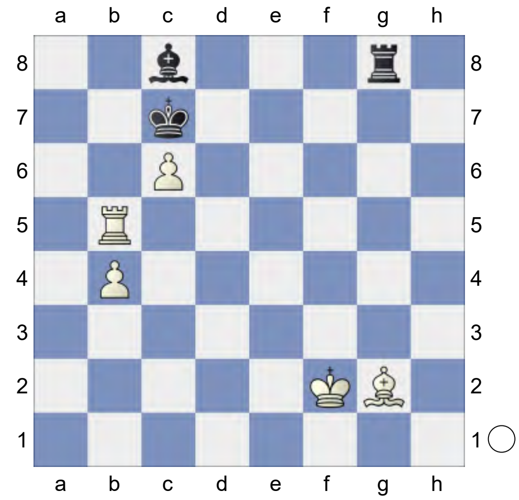
[58...Rxb7!= 0.01/27 59.cxb7 Kc7]

59.Kg3 Rg8+ 60.Kf2 Bc8

(Diagram)



61.Rb5! Kc7



62.Bf3 0.48/28

[62.Re5!+- 1.89/24]

62...Ba6⩲ 63.Rh5 b4-b5 is the strong threat. **63...Kb6!** Inhibits b4-b5. **64.Ke3 Bb5 65.Rh6 Rc8 66.Kd4 Rc7 67.Bd5 Ba4 68.Rd6 Bb5 69.Kc3 Ba4 70.Kc4 Bb5+ 71.Kd4 Ba4 72.Rh6 Bb5 73.Be4 Ba4 74.Kc4 Bb5+ 75.Kb3 Ka7 76.Bf3 Kb6 77.Bd5 Ka7 78.Kc3 Kb6 79.Kd4** 0.01/25

[79.Rg6⩲ 0.47/25 might be stronger.]

79...Ba4= 80.Rf6 White is slightly better. **80...Bb5 81.Kc3 Ba4 82.Kc4 Bb5+ 83.Kb3 Ka7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.29

(precise)
½-½

630 C55
☐ Michalek,Jozef 2259
■ Flajsman,Pavel 2249
11th Pilsen IM 2023 (4.4) 07.03.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Qd5 2.96/22 now supersedes 9...Be7. löst 9...Le7 inzwischen ab.
now supersedes 9...Be7.löst 9...Le7 inzwischen ab.

[9...f6= 0.00/19 10.Bh6 Be6]

10.Nc3+- White has a decisive advantage. **10...Qf5 11.Ne4 Be7** 3.85/19 Against Nf6+

[11...Qxe4? 12.Re1+-]

[11...Rxg7 2.28/19 12.Re1 Kf8 *(12...Be6? 13.Nh4+-)*]

12.Bxe7

[12.Nxd4 Nxd4 *(12...Qxe4? 13.Re1+-)* 13.Bxe7 Qxe4+-]

12...Kxe7 13.Nxd4

[13.Re1 Qg6+-]

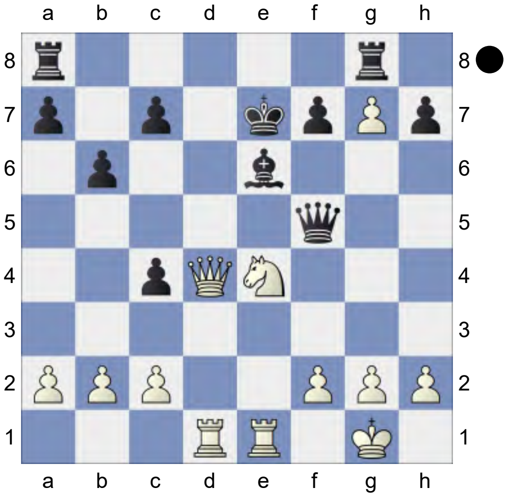
13...Nxd4

[Of course not 13...Qxe4 14.Re1+-]

14.Qxd4 Be6 Black is weak on the dark squares **15.Rad1 b6** 4.90/18

[15...Rad8 3.47/15 keeps fighting.]

16.Rfe1

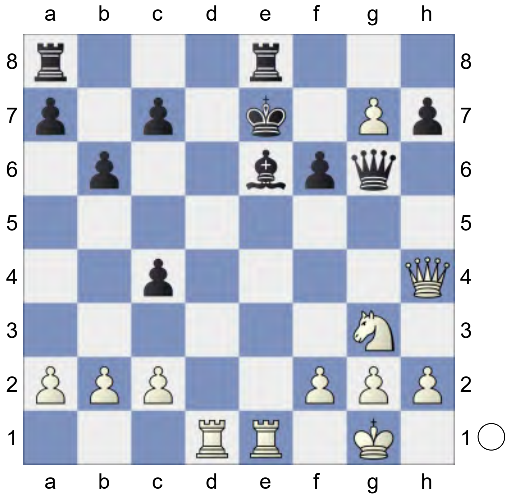


and Ng3 should not be overlooked

16...Qg6 17.Ng3 Rge8N

[Predecessor: 17...Rxg7 18.Qd5 Rag8? 6.00/16 (*18...Re8* 3.57/16 *19.Qxc4 c5*) 19.Nf5+ Qxf5 20.Qxf5 Rxg2+ 21.Kh1 Rg1+ 22.Rxg1 Rxg1+ 23.Kxg1 Bxf5 ½-½ (39) Liu,C (2183)-Nielsen,M (2044) Allerod 2020]

18.Qh4+ f6



19.Rxe6+! Remove Defender **19...Kxe6**

[19...Kf7 20.Rxe8]

20.Qxc4+ White mates. **20...Ke7 21.Qxc7+ Ke6 22.Qd7+ Ke5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=1.63 **23.Qd6#**

1-0

631 **C51**

☐ **Zill,Christoph** **2399**

■ **Rost,Detlef** **2463**

corr BdF-Remote 10.02.2013

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 ILN cxxvi (11 Mar 1905) p340 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.0-0 Nf6N**

[6...d6 7.a5 (*7.c3 Bg4 8.d3 Qf6 9.Be3 Nge7 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.a5 Ba7 12.b5 axb5 13.Bxb5 0-0 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Qa4 c5 16.Rfb1 Qd8 17.h3 Bd7 18.Qc2 h6 19.Nf1 f5 20.exf5 Bxf5 21.N1h2 c4* 0-1 Balfour,E-Prideaux,H unknown event 1904) 7...Ba7

A) 8.b5 axb5 9.Bxb5 Nge7 10.d4 exd4 11.Nxd4 0-0 (*11...Bd7 12.Nb3 0-0 13.Bb2 Ng6 14.Nc3 Qg5 15.Kh1 f5 16.Bc4+ Kh8 17.Bd5 f4 18.Qd2 Qh5 19.Nb5 f3 20.e5 Ncxe5 21.Nxa7 fxg2+ 22.Bxg2 Nf3 23.Bxg7+ Kxg7 24.Qc3+ Nge5 25.Bxf3 Qxf3+ 26.Qxf3* 0-1 Anderssen,A-Eichborn,L Breslau 1854) 12.c3 Bxd4 13.cxd4 Rxa5 14.Rxa5 Nxa5 15.Qc2 Nac6 16.Qa4 d5 17.e5 f6 18.f4 f5 19.Ba3 Rf7 20.Nd2 Be6 21.Nb3 h6 22.Nc5 Bc8 0-1 Brustkern,J (2289)-Bangiev,A (2430) BL2-Nord 0001 2000 (7.1);

B) 8.d3 Nxb4 9.c3 Nc6 10.d4 Nf6 11.dxe5 Nxe5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.Qa4+ Qd7 14.Qc2 0-0 15.Nd2 Qg4 16.Nf3 Re8 17.Ng5 Re7 18.Rd1 Be6 19.Be2 Qh4 20.g3 Qh6 21.Nxe6 ½-½ Amiros,T-Laquiere,M La Strategie tournament-2 1884-8 Qg6 22.Ng5 h6 23.Nh3 Qxe4 24.Qxe4 Nxe4 25.Rd3 Nc5 26.Ba3 Rd7 27.Rxd7 Nxd7 28.Rb1 b6 29.axb6 Bxb6 30.Kg2 Nf6 31.Rd1 g5 32.f3 Kg7 33.Nf2 Re8 34.Ne4 Nxe4 35.fxe4 Ba5 36.Bc4 ½-½ Ammann,P (2250)-Mathonia,C (2206) Verbandsliga Sued Baden 0506 2005 (8.5)]

7.d4 Bxd4 8.Nxd4 Nxd4 The position is equal. **9.Bb2 0-0 10.Bxd4 exd4 11.Qxd4 d6 12.Nc3 Be6 13.Rad1 Qe7 14.Be2 Rad8 15.Rfe1 Rfe8 16.h3 c6 17.a5 Qc7 18.Na4 h6**

19.Bf1 White is more active. **19...Bc8 20.f3 Be6 21.c4 c5 22.Qd2**

[22.bxc5 Qxa5 23.Ra1 Qc7=]

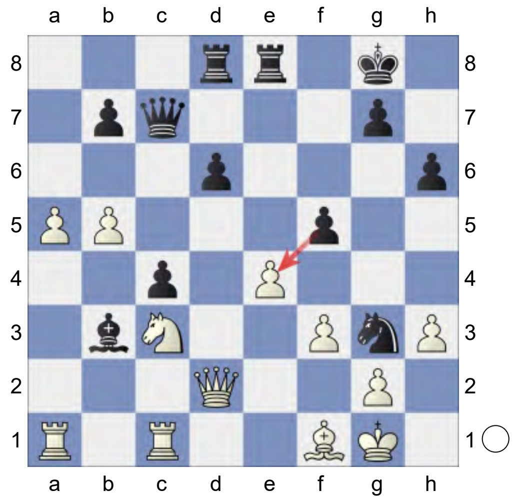
22...Nh5 23.b5 axb5 24.cxb5 Bb3 25.Ra1 c4 1.14/20

[⌓25...d5 0.73/23]

26.Rec1 Ng3 1.33/21

[⌓26...d5 0.84/21]

27.Nc3± f5



28.Qf2! d5 29.exd5 f4 30.Qa7 Ra8 31.Qd4 Nf5 32.d6 Nxd6 2.26/22

[32...Qxd6± 1.42/20 33.Bxc4+ Bxc4 34.Qxc4+ Kh7]

33.Nd5↑ White has strong initiative.

[33.Qxf4?! Nxb5 34.Qxc7 Nxc7±]

33...Qf7 34.Nb6 Discovered Attack

[34.Nxf4?! Rad8± *(34...Nxb5 35.Qd5±)*]

34...Rad8 35.Qc5

[35.Bxc4? Nxc4 36.Qc3 Re3-+]

35...Kh7 2.20/20

[⌓35...Kh8 1.74/20 36.Kh2 *(36.Nxc4 Nxc4 37.Bxc4 Bxc4±)* 36...Qg6]

36.Re1

[36.Nxc4 Nxc4 37.Bxc4 Bxc4 38.Rxc4 *(38.Qxc4? Re1+* Deflection *39.Rxe1 Qxc4-+)* 38...Rd5⩲]

36...Re3 37.Rxe3 fxe3

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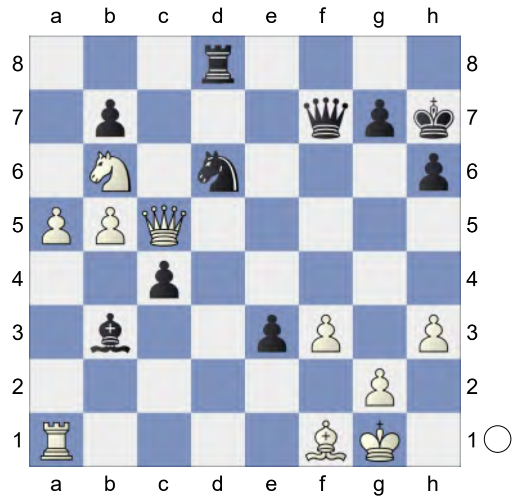


38.a6! And now a7 would win.

[38.Qxe3?! Re8 39.Qd2 Qf6± *(39...Nxb5 40.Nxc4 Qf6 41.Qd3+ Kh8 42.Rb1=)*]

38...Qe8 3.16/22

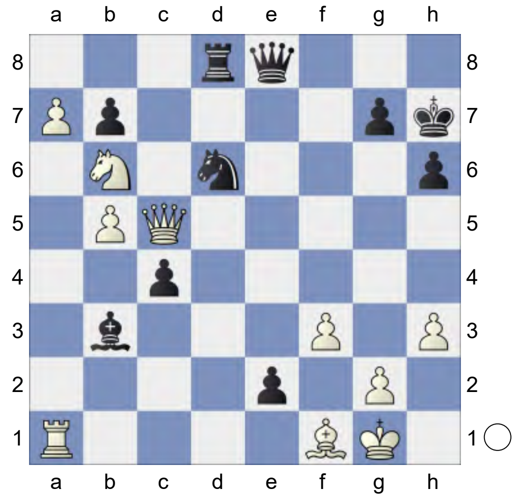
[38...Nxb5 1.81/19 was necessary. 39.Qxb5 bxa6]

39.a7 White has a decisive advantage.

[39.Nxc4 Nxc4 40.Bxc4 Bxc4 41.Qxc4 e2=]

[39.Bxc4 Nxc4 40.Nxc4 e2∓]

39...e2



40.Bxe2 Promotion **40...Qxe2 41.a8Q**

[41.a8B? is the wrong capture. Qd3 42.Kh1 c3-+]

41...Rxa8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.19 (very

precise) **42.Rxa8**
1-0

632 **C51**
□ **Pinheiro,Iung Alicio** **2306**
■ **Avalos Parra,Joao** **2185**
Titled Tuesday intern op 30th May Early ..
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
RR: 'Inf 79/(301)' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2** **d6!** is currently scoring better than 7...exd4.wohl besser als 7...exd4. **8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qa4+ c6!** The position is equal. **10.Nxe5 Nf6 11.Nd2N** -0.22/22
[11.0-0 0.19/21 should be considered. Qc7 (*11...b5 12.Qc2 0-0 13.a4 Qc7 14.Nf3 a6 15.Bg5 Bg4 16.Nbd2 Nb7 17.h3 Bh5 18.Rae1 Nc5 19.Nd4 Bg6 20.f4 Ncxe4 21.Nxe4 Bxe4 22.Bd3 Bxd3 23.Qxd3 Rfe8 24.Re5 Qd7 25.Qf3 Nd5 26.axb5* ½-½ (34) Short,N (2683)-Svidler,P (2672) KasparovChess GP g/60 2000 (2.2)) 12.f4 0-0 13.Nd2 Nd7 14.Nxd7 Bxd7 15.e5 Qb6+ 16.Kh1 Qe3 17.Qe4 Qxe4 18.Nxe4 c5 19.f5 Bc6 18) Italian Opening: Evans Ga-6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 #3 Gambit Buster: 1.e4 e5 2024]
11...0-0= 12.0-0 **Be6N** 0.30/19
[Vorgänger: 12...Nd7 0.34/19 12...Bd6 -0.28 13.Nef3 Nc5 14.Qc2 Bg4 15.Re1 Re8 16.Bf1 Qc7 17.Bb2 -0.30/20 (*17.e5± 0.37/20*) 17...Rad8 18.c4 Ne6 ½-½ Rodriguez Vila,A (2427)-Real de Azua,E (2415) Villa Martelli op-A 21st 2014 (4)]
[⌓12...Bd6 -0.19/20 13.Nef3 Qc7]
13.Rb1 -0.19/19
[⌓13.f4 0.30/19]
13...Qc7 14.Ndf3 -1.35/24
[14.f4!= 0.15/19]
14...b5 15.Qc2 Rad8 0.21/20
[15...Bd6!∓ -1.13/18 16.Ng5 (*16.Bf4 Nh5∓*) 16...Bxe5]
16.h3 -0.45/21
[16.c4!= 0.21/20]
16...a6 -0.03/21
[16...Bd6∓ -0.45/21 17.Bf4 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Bxc4]
17.Bf4 Qc8 0.32/16
[17...Bd6∓ -0.35/20]
18.c4± Nb7 19.Rfe1 Nc5 20.Bf1 -0.43/19
[20.Be3± 0.49/19]
20...Na4 0.80/20
[20...Nfxe4∓ -0.43/19 keeps the upper hand. 21.Re3 (*21.Rxe4 Bf5∓* Pin) 21...Nf6]
21.Rbc1 Ba3 22.Rcd1
[22.Rb1!?]
22...Bb4 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Rb1 Ba5 25.cxb5 cxb5 26.Nc6 Re8 Wards off Ne7+ **27.Rc1** -0.48/22
[27.Bd6± 0.45/19]
27...Bc3∓ 28.Ncd4 -1.35/23
[28.Nfe5∓ -0.48/19]
28...Bc4 -0.01/22
[28...Bb2∓ -1.35/23 29.Qxc8 Rxc8 (*29...Bxc8 30.Rc7=*) 30.Rxc8+ Bxc8]
29.e5⇄ White is not holding back
29...Nd5 30.Bg3 -0.58/20
[30.Bxc4= 0.00/19 Qxc4 31.Qf5 Nxf4 (*31...Qxa2? 32.Ng5+-*) 32.Qxf4]
30...Nb4 31.Qe4 Bd5 0.66/20
[31...Bxa2? 32.Ng5 g6 33.Qh4+-]
[31...Bxf1!∓ -0.57/19 32.Rxf1 Bxd4 (*32...Nxa2? 33.Ng5+-; 32...Nc5 33.Qf4∓*) 33.Nxd4 Nxa2]

32.Qh4 -0.29/19

[White should play 32.Qf4!± 0.66/20]

32...h6 0.38/21

[32...Bxa2 33.Ng5 h6 34.Ne4+-]

[32...Bxf3= -0.29/19 33.Nxf3 Nxa2]

33.Bf4 -0.19/20

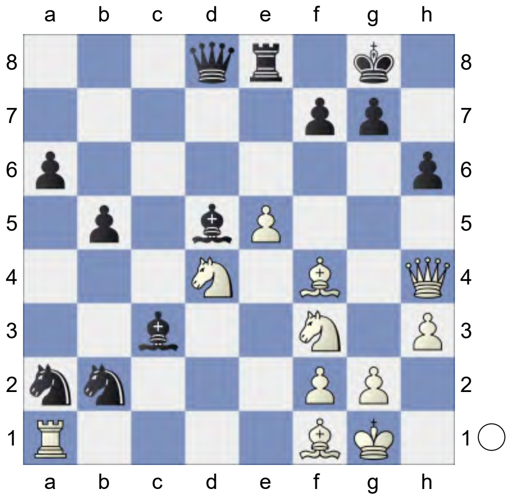
[33.Qf4± 0.38/21]

33...Nxa2 34.Rd1 Nb2 35.Ra1 -0.96/19

[35.Bxh6= 0.00/20 gxh6 *(35...Nxd1 36.Qg5)* 36.Qxh6]

35...Qd8? 0.91/19

[35...Bxf3!∓ -0.96/19 36.Nxf3 Nb4]



36.Qh5? -2.02/19

[36.Qg3!± 0.91/19 keeps the pressure on.]

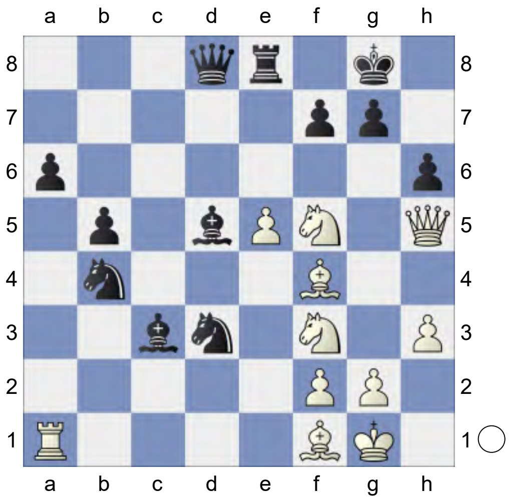
36...Nb4? 0.00/19

[Better is 36...Nd3!-+ -2.02/19 37.Bxd3 Bxa1]

37.Nf5!= and Qg4 would now be decisive **37...N2d3** 0.76/19

[37...Qb6= 0.00/19 remains equal. 38.Nd6 *(38.Bxh6 g6= Deflection)* 38...Rd8]

(Diagram)



38.Bxh6? -4.21/19 **Bxf3**

[38...Bxa1 39.Bxg7]

[38...Nxe5 39.Nxe5 Bxe5 *(39...Bxa1 40.Bxg7)* 40.Bxg7 Bxg7 41.Nxg7 Kxg7 42.Qg4+ Kh7 43.Qxb4±]

39.gxf3 -4.30/21

[⌓39.Qxf3 -2.84/20 Bxa1 40.Bxg7 Bxe5 41.Bh6]

39...g6-+ Active counter play!

[And not 39...Bxa1 40.Bxg7]

[39...Bxe5 40.Rd1∓]

[39...Rxe5? 40.Bxg7+-]

40.Qg4

Weighted Error Value: White=0.64/Black=0.54

40...Nxe5

[Less strong is 40...Bxa1 41.f4]

0-1

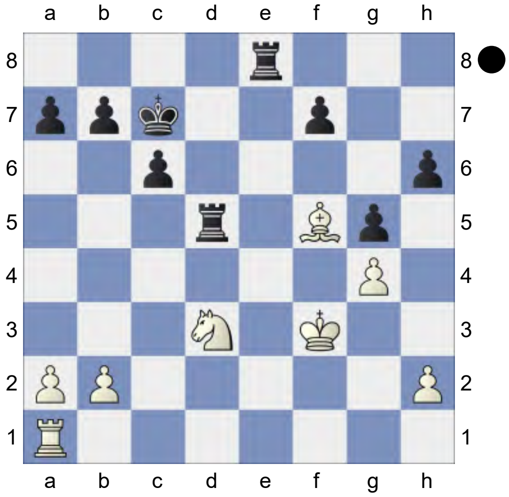
633 **C50**
☐ **Gardner,Allan** **2216**
■ **Lyne,Colin J** **2317**
corr Cands A 2022/23 (ENG) 20.09.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 d6 9.f4 Bg4**

10.Bxf6 The position is equal. **10...Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Nc3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7 16.Nxf4 Rhe8**

[16...Rde8 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 Re4 24.h3 g5 25.Rf3 a5 26.Kf2 d5 27.Rf6 Rh8 28.a3 Rc4 29.Bg6 Rc1 30.Nf8 Rh1 31.Kg3 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10)]

17.Bd3 Re5 Inhibits Nh5. **18.g4N Kc8 19.Bc2 c6 20.Kf2 d5 21.exd5 g5 22.Bf5+ Kc7** Black has compensation. **23.Nd3 Rexd5 24.Ke3 Re8+ 25.Kf3**



h5! 26.h3! h4 27.Rc1 -0.85/24

[27.a4∓ -0.43/26 might be stronger.]

27...Rd4∓ 28.Rc5 b6 29.Rc3 c5 30.Rc2 c4 31.Kf2 Red8 32.Ke2 b5

[32...Rxd3? 33.Rxc4+ Kd6 34.Bxd3+- *(34.Kxd3 Ke5+ 35.Ke2 Rd5+-)*]

33.Ne1 Rf4 34.Nf3 a5 35.Rc3 Re8+ 36.Re3 Rxe3+ 37.Kxe3 f6 38.Nd2

[38.Nxh4 Rf1 39.Ng6 Rh1∓]

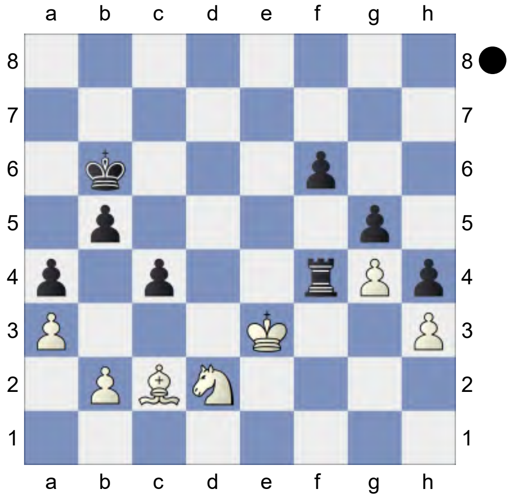
38...Kd6 -0.32/25

[Better is 38...a4∓ -0.83/25]

39.Bg6 Kc6 40.Be4+ Kc5 41.Bf5 -1.03/21

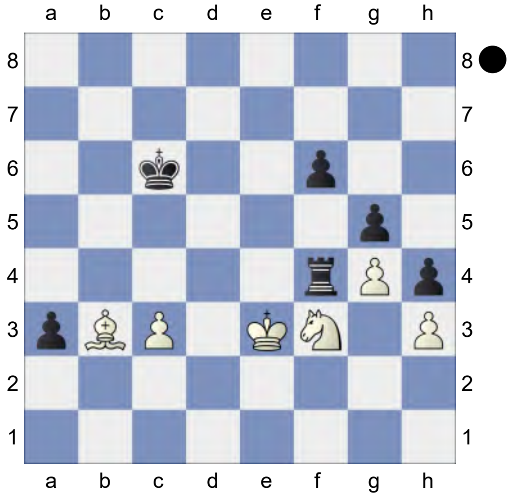
[41.Bg6∓ -0.64/25]

41...a4 42.Bc2 Kb6 43.a3



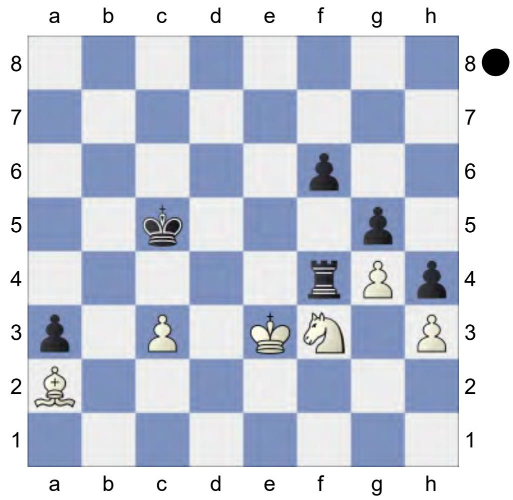
b4! 44.Bxa4 c3 45.bxc3 bxa3 46.Bb3 Kc6! 47.Nf3 -1.59/21

[White should play 47.Nb1∓ -0.69/24]



47...Kc5! 48.Ba2

(Diagram)



Ra4! 49.Nd2 Kd6 50.Nc4+ Kc6 51.Nd2 -2.46/22

[⌓51.Kd4 -1.76/22]

51...Ra7 -1.20/20

[51...Ra5-+ -2.46/22 has better winning chances. And now ...Re5+ would win. 52.Nf3 Kd7]

This move loses the game for White. **52.Nc4** -2.50/23

[52.Ne4∓ -1.20/20]

52...Re7+-+ 53.Kf2 Kc5 54.Ne3

[54.Nxa3? Ra7 55.Be6 Rxa3-+]

54...Rd7 55.Ke2 Inhibits Rd2+. **55...Kd6 56.Nc4+ Ke7 57.Ne3**

[57.Nxa3? loses. Ra7 58.Nc2 Rxa2-+]

57...Rb7 58.Nd5+ Kf7 59.Nb4+ Kg7 60.Bb1? -3.55/24

[60.Ke3 -2.04/20]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) /Black=0.05 (flawless) **60...Rb5** An unexpected result.

½-½

634 **C50**
☐ **Hambleton,Aman** **2437**
■ **Aliakbarov,A.** **2152**
Titled Tue 27th Sep Early (8) 27.09.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo How to Refute the Jerome Gambit: There are various ways for Black to do well against the Jerome Gambit, as the sacrifice on f7 is simply wrong. If it's a light-hearted game on the Internet you might admire White's bravado, but if you come up against it at tournament level then it is best to be prepared: **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Kf8N**

[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charmeteau,S (2292)-Guichard,P (2430) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (7.6)]

[6...Ke6 7.f4 *(7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7* So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021*)* 7...d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Nc3 Nf6 10.Qh4 Rf8 11.d3 Kf7 12.Bg5 Kg8 Jerome Gambit-N,N]

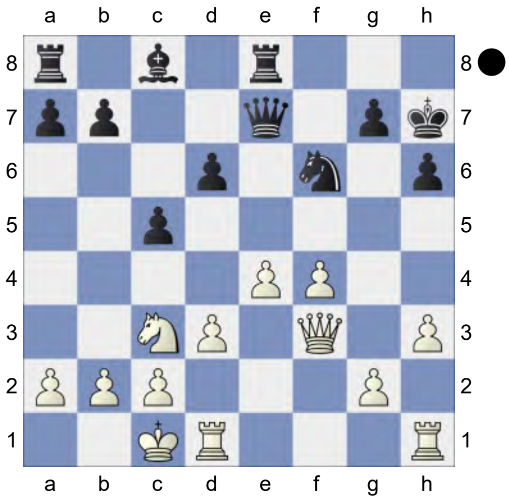
7.Qxe5 Qe7 8.Qf4+ Black is clearly better. **8...Nf6 9.Nc3 d6 10.d3 Kg8 11.Be3 Bxe3 12.Qxe3 c5 13.0-0-0 h6** -1.16/18

[⌓13...Bd7 -1.60/20 14.d4 Rc8]

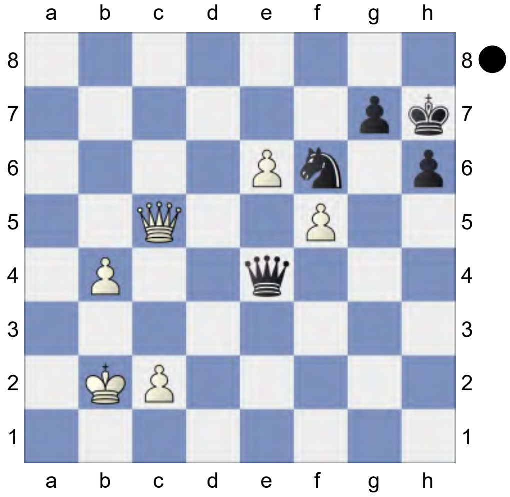
14.f4 -2.13/19

[14.d4∓ -1.16/18]

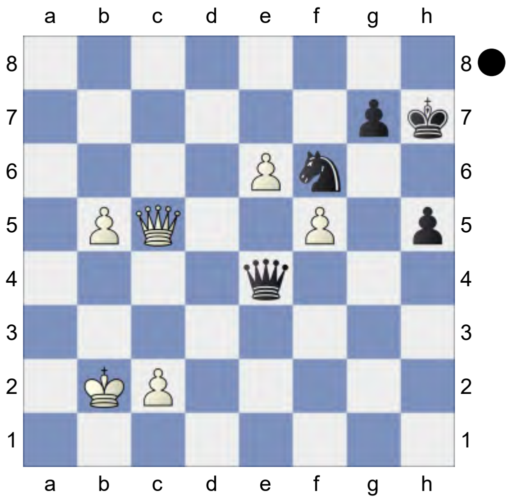
14...Kh7 15.h3 Re8 -0.77/21
[⌓15...Bd7 -1.23/17 16.e5 Rhf8]
16.Qf3



d5 0.52/18 **17.e5± Ng8 18.Nxd5** -0.25/19
[18.Qxd5± 0.58/20 Kh8 19.Ne4]
18...Qf7= 19.Nc3 -0.72/21
[19.Rhf1= -0.18/19]
19...Rb8 -0.23/20
[19...Bd7!∓ -0.72/21]
20.Kb1 b5↑ Black fights for an advantage. **21.Rhf1 b4 22.Ne4 Bb7! 23.Qe3 Bxe4 24.dxe4 Rbd8** 0.03/19
[Better is 24...c4∓ -0.72/18]
25.Rxd8 -1.06/16
[25.Rd6!= 0.03/19]
25...Rxd8∓ 26.f5
[26.Qxc5? Qxf4 27.Rc1 Qxe4-+]
26...Rd4 -0.50/19
[26...Qc4 27.Re1∓]
[26...Qc7!∓ -1.06/19 27.Qf4 Ne7]
27.e6 -1.41/22
[27.b3!∓ -0.50/19]
27...Qb7 28.Re1 Nf6! 29.e5 Re4 -0.38/21
[29...Ne4!-+ -1.75/21 30.Kc1 Qd5]
30.Qf2 -1.05/19
[30.Qg3!∓ -0.38/21 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1]
30...Ne8? 1.15/21
[30...Ng8!∓ -1.05/19 and life is bright. Strongly threatening ...Rxe1+. 31.g4 Qd5]
31.g4? -2.21/18
[31.Rd1!± 1.15/21 is forced if you want to stay better. Black must now prevent f6. Kg8 *(31...Rxe5 32.Qg3=)* 32.Rd7 *(32.Qxc5 Qc7±)*]
31...Qd5!-+ 32.b3
[32.e7 Qxe5 *(32...Rxe5? 33.a3-+)* 33.Rxe4 Qxe4]
32...Qxe5 -0.75/18
[32...Rxe5-+ -2.43/19 is more deadly. 33.Qg3 Rxe1+ 34.Qxe1 Kg8]
33.Rxe4∓ Qxe4 34.Qxc5 Nf6 35.a3 -1.90/21
[White must play 35.e7!∓ -0.70/19]
35...bxa3 -1.17/19
[35...Qh1+-+ -1.90/21 36.Kb2 Qxh3 *(36...bxa3+ 37.Kxa3 Qxh3 38.e7∓)* 37.axb4 Qxg4 *(37...Nxg4 38.Qxa7 Qf3 39.Qc5±)*]
36.Qxa3 -2.38/19
[36.Ka2∓ -1.17/19]
36...Qh1+-+ 37.Kb2 -3.94/22
[37.Qc1 -2.78/19 is a better defense. Qxh3 38.e7]
37...Qxh3 38.Qxa7 Qxg4
[Not 38...Nxg4 39.Qd4∓]
39.Qc5 Qe4 40.b4



h5! 41.b5

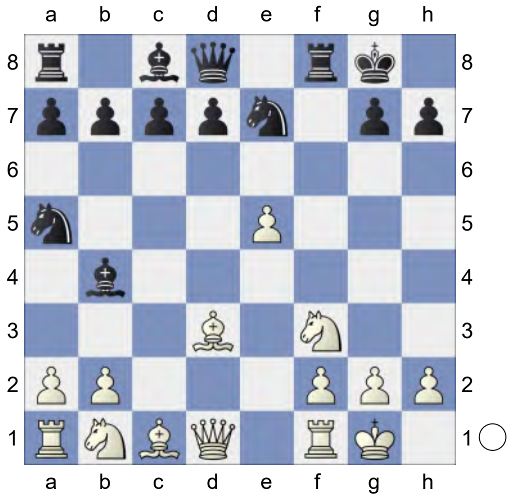


h4! 42.Qc6? -14.08/18
[42.b6 -2.80/18 h3 43.Qc3]
42...Qxc6 Black is clearly winning. **43.bxc6 Ne8 44.Kc3 h3 45.f6 gxf6 46.c7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.67/Black=0.38 **46...Nxc7**
0-1

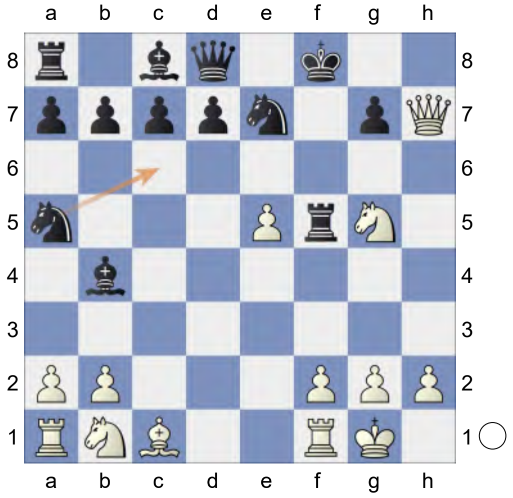
636 **C50**
☐ **Serbia_AAAA**
■ **Norway_AA**
5. FIDE Intercontinental Online Chess C ..
[TA]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo

P.L.: 'Multimedia files not copied' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 f6N**
[4...d6 5.b4 Bxb4 6.c3 Ba5 7.d4 Bg4 8.Qb3 Qd7 9.Ng5 Nd8 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.Ba3 Nh6 12.f3 Bb6+ 13.Kh1 Bh5 14.Rd1 Qc8 15.Rxd8+ Qxd8 16.Nxf7 Qh4 17.Qb5+ c6 18.Qxe5+ Kd7 19.Qe6+ (20) Chapter Part III-Game 12 Chapter Part III (1) Kc7 20.Bd6# Evans Gambit-4.b4 ♗b4 5.c3 ♗d6 36881 Survey 2018]
5.c3 Nge7 2.38/22
[5...d6± 1.43/22]
6.d4+- exd4 7.cxd4 Bb4 4.26/22
[⌓7...b5 2.85/21 8.Bxb5 Bb6]
8.e5 1.85/25
[⌓8.a3 4.26/22]
8...fxe5 9.dxe5 Black must now prevent Nc3.
[9.Nxe5 d5 10.Bb3 0-0=]
9...Na5? 3.64/23
[9...d5± 1.40/23 might work better. 10.exd6 Qxd6]
10.Bd3 0-0 4.54/22
[⌓10...Nac6 3.07/19 11.a3 Bc5]

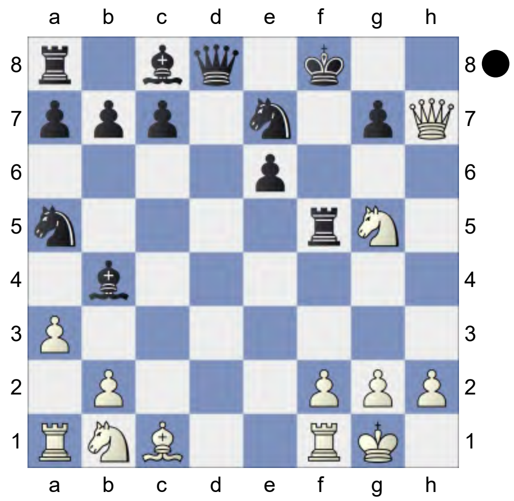


11.Bxh7+! Decoy **11...Kxh7 12.Ng5+**
[12.a3 Bc5+-]
12...Kg8 13.Qh5 Rf5 14.Qh7+ Kf8

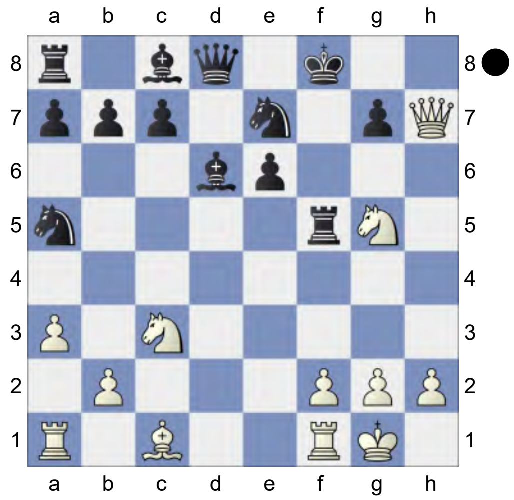


15.e6? 0.01/21 **dxe6= 16.a3** -0.88/23

[16.Nc3!= 0.01/20]



16...Bd6!∓ 17.Nc3

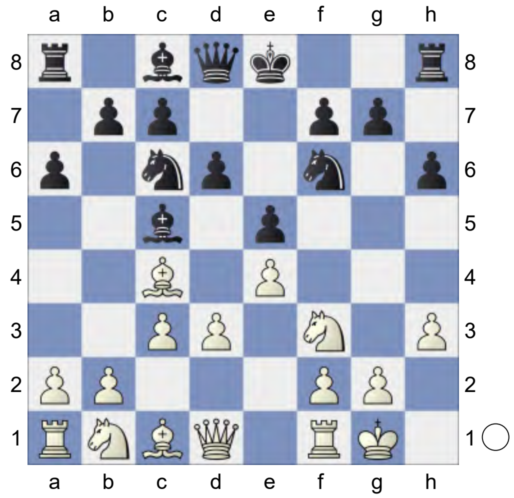


Qe8 -0.01/20
[17...Ng8!∓ -0.78/22 18.Nce4 Qe8 *(18...Nb3 19.g4∓)*]
18.g4? -1.96/24
[18.Nce4!= -0.01/20 and White stays safe.]
18...Rf6 -0.78/21
[18...Rxg5!-+ -1.96/24 19.Bxg5 Nac6]
19.Qh8+ Ng8 20.Nh7+ Kf7
[20...Ke7 keeps more tension. 21.Bg5 Kf7 22.Bxf6 Nxf6 23.Ng5+ Kg6]
21.Nxf6 -4.09/23
[21.Ng5+∓ -0.82/19 was the crucial defense. Ke7 22.Qxg7+ Kd8 23.Rd1]
21...Nxf6-+ 22.Qxe8+ Kxe8 23.g5 Nd5 24.Nxd5 exd5 25.Re1+ Kf7 26.Bd2 Nc4 27.Bc3 Kg6 28.b3 -6.85/21
[⌓28.Re8 -4.37/21 d4 *(28...Kxg5? 29.Rg8∓)* 29.Bxd4]
28...Nb6 29.h4 Bf5 aiming for ...Rh8. **30.Re3 Rh8 31.Be5 Bxe5 32.Rxe5 Rxh4 33.f3 Kxg5 34.Re7 Nd7 35.Rd1 c6 36.Rxg7+ Kf4?** 0.08/23
[36...Kf6-+ -8.11/21 37.Rg8 d4]
37.Rd4+= Be4 38.fxe4 dxe4 6.02/21
39.Rdxd7 e3
Weighted Error Value: White=0.83/ Black=0.89
40.Rd4+
1-0

635 C50
☐ Zimbabwe_A
■ Bulgaria_A
5. FIDE Intercontinental Online Chess C ..
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 a6 5.c3 d6 6.h3 0.23/20
[6.d4± 1.02/20 Hoping for Ng5. exd4 7.cxd4]
6...Nf6 7.d3 0.13/20
[7.d4⩲ 0.55/20 Ba7 8.Bd3]
7...h6N
[7...Ba7 8.Bg5 h6 9.Be3 *(9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh7 11.d4 h5 12.dxe5 h4 13.Nxh4 gxh4 14.Qh5 Qe7 15.Bxh4 Qf8 16.e6 Ne5 17.Bb3 Qg7 18.Kh1 Nf6 19.Bxf6 Qxf6 20.exf7+ Kf8 21.Qe2 Bxh3 22.gxh3 Rxh3+ 23.Kg2 Qh4* 0-1 (25) Burovic,R

(1649)-Devreese,V (1398) World Championship Match, 19th Game 31 (7)) 9...Bxe3 10.fxe3 0-0 11.Nbd2 Na5 12.Bb3 Nxb3 13.Qxb3 b5 14.d4 c5 15.Rad1 c4 16.Qc2 Qe7 17.Rf2 Re8 18.d5 Bd7 19.Nf1 Bc8 20.Ng3 g6 21.Rdf1 Nd7 22.Nh2 0-1 (44) Brezikova,B (1610)-Braun,J (1854) Bundesliga Germany 1999 (3) Nc5 23.Rxf7 Qxf7 24.Rxf7 Kxf7 25.Ng4 Bxg4 26.hxg4 Kg7 27.b3 cxb3 28.axb3 Rec8 29.Qa2 a5 30.Qe2 Rab8 31.Qa2 a4 32.bxa4 bxa4 33.c4 Rb3 34.Nf1 Rcb8 35.Kh2 Rb2 36.Qa3 R8b3 37.Qa1 1-0 (44) Al Mashikhi,S (2095)-Pultinevicius,P (2465) 43rd Olympiad 2018 Open (1.1)]



8.Bg5? -3.05/20 **Qe7?** -0.31/20

[8...hxg5-+ -3.05/20 9.d4 exd4 10.cxd4 Ba7 11.Nxg5 0-0 *(11...Bxd4 12.Nxf7 Qe7 13.Nxh8±)*]

9.Be3∓ Bd7 0.48/21

[Better is 9...Bxe3∓ -0.46/22 10.fxe3 g5]

10.Nbd2 -0.19/21

[10.d4!± 0.48/21]

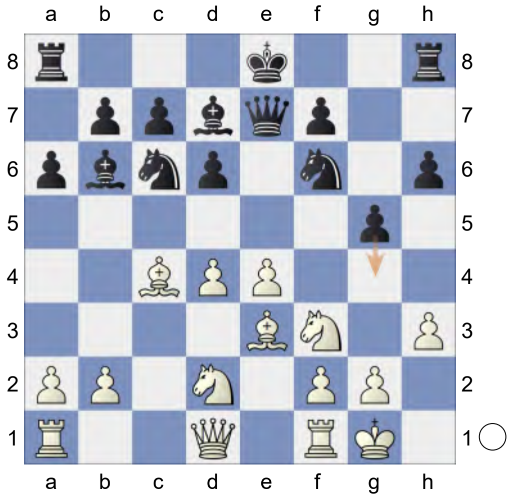
10...g5 0.31/21

[10...Bxe3= -0.19/21 11.fxe3 0-0-0]

11.d4± White now steadily converts the win. **11...exd4** 1.81/21

[11...Ba7± 0.34/21]

12.cxd4+- Bb6



13.e5! dxe5 14.dxe5 Nh7 15.Bxb6 cxb6 16.Ne4 0-0-0? 3.47/22

[16...0-0 1.93/21 17.Re1 g4]

17.Nd6+ Kb8 And now ...g4 would win.

18.Nxf7

[Not 18.Bxf7 g4 19.hxg4 Bxg4-+]

18...Bxh3 3.87/22

[⌓18...g4 2.50/21 19.Nxh8 gxf3]

19.Nxd8 Rxd8 20.Qb3 Bf5? 6.27/20

[20...g4 3.40/19]

21.Qxb6 Ka8 8.34/23

[⌓21...g4 4.57/19 22.Nh2 Rd4]

22.Rad1 Rc8 23.Bd5 Bd7 24.Nd4 Nf8 25.Rc1 Qe8 26.Rfe1 8.92/24

[⌓26.Nxc6 18.44/32 Rxc6 27.Bxc6 Bxc6 28.Rxc6]

26...Ne6 27.Nxe6 Bxe6 28.Bxc6 Deflection **28...bxc6 29.Qxa6+** White mates. **29...Kb8 30.Qb6+ Ka8 31.Rc5 Qd7 32.Ra5+ Qa7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.95/ Black=1.62

33.Rxa7#

1-0

637 **C50**

□ Tucci,Aniello **2423**

■ Lounek,Jan **2476**

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[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.78/19

[10.Nc3∓ -0.39/20]

10...Rg8 11.Qd3 Bd7 12.Qg3 Black is slightly better. **12...Qc5! 13.Kh1! 0-0-0**

[13...Nxe4? 14.Bxf7+ Kf8 15.Bd5+ *(15.Bxg8+ Kxg8 16.Qh4 Nd6±)* 15...Ke8 16.Bxe4+-]

14.Bxf7 Rgf8!

[14...Nxe4?! 15.Qe3 Nxg5 *(15...Nxc2? 16.Qxc5 Nxc5 17.Nxc2+-)* 16.Bxg8±]

15.Bd5 c6

[15...Nxc2? 16.Rfc1 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 Nxa1 18.Qe1+- *(18.Rxc5? Rf1#; 18.Bxb7+? Kxb7 19.h3 Qd5∓* Remove Defender, Decoy *)*]

16.Bxf6 Rxf6 17.Rxf6 gxf6 18.Bb3 Nxb3 -0.49/19

[18...b5∓ -0.85/17]

19.axb3∓ Qd4 20.Nc4 Be6!

[20...Qxe4? 21.Nd6+ *(21.Rxa7 Qxc2 22.h3 Qd1+ 23.Kh2 Qd4∓)* 21...Kb8 22.Nxe4+-]

21.Ne3 Qxe4

[21...Qxb2 22.Rf1±]

22.Rxa7 Qd4→ (→ ...Qd1+!). Black has some attack. **23.Ra8+ Kc7 24.Rxd8 Kxd8** Endgame KQB-KQN **25.Qf2 Ke7**

[25...Qxb2?! 26.Qxf6+ Kc7 27.Nf1= *(27.Qxe6? Qc1+)*]

26.c3 Qe4 -0.55/23

[26...Qf4!∓ -1.44/23 27.Qxf4 exf4]

27.h3N Qf4

[27...Bxb3 28.Ng4=]

28.Qd2 f5 29.c4 Kf7 30.Kg1 -1.59/21

[⌓30.Qe2 -0.92/19]

30...h5 -1.11/23

[Black should try 30...Qd4 -1.59/21 31.Qxd4 exd4]

31.Qe1 Qd4 32.Kh2 f4

[32...Qxb2?! 33.Qd1=]

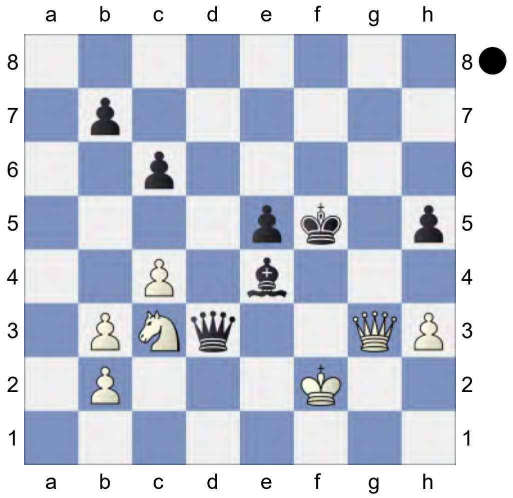
33.Nd1 Bf5 Black has more active pieces. **34.Nc3 Kg6 35.Qh4 Qd6!** Wards off Qe7 **36.Qf2** -1.74/18

[36.c5∓ -0.99/20 Qf6 *(36...Qxc5 37.Qd8∓)* 37.Qf2]

36...Bd3!-+ 37.g3 -2.41/20

[37.Ne2 -1.65/20 was necessary.]

37...Qd4 38.Qf3 fxg3+ 39.Qxg3+ Kf5 40.Kg2 Be4+! 41.Kf1 Qd3+! 42.Kf2



Qxg3+ 43.Kxg3 KB-KN **43...Bc2 44.b4 Bd3 45.b5 Bxc4 46.b6** -4.08/25

[⌓46.bxc6 -2.66/24 bxc6 47.Kh4]

46...e4 47.h4? -5.28/24

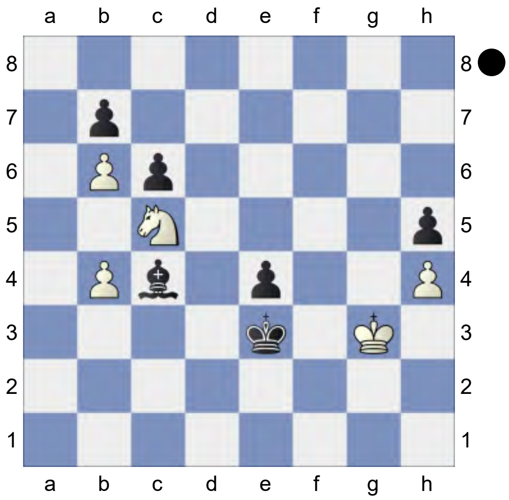
[47.Na4 -2.37/20 is the only way for White. h4+ 48.Kf2]

47...Ke5 48.Na4 Kd4 Repels Nc5 **49.b4 Ke3**

[Less strong is 49...e3 50.Kf3∓]

50.Nc5

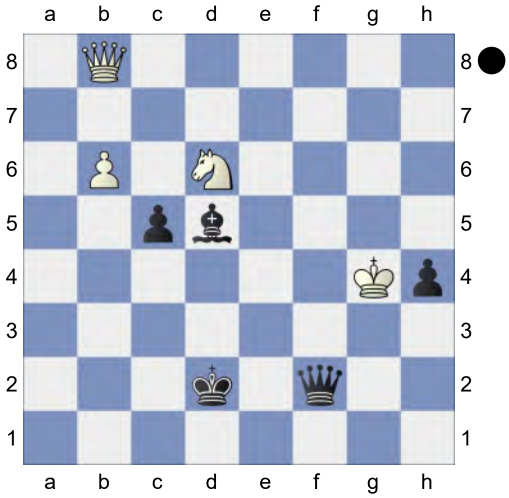
(Diagram)



Bd5! 51.Nxb7 Kd2 Black is clearly winning. **52.Nd6 e3 53.Kf4 e2 54.b7 e1Q** (→ ...Qe3+)

[54...e1B? loses. 55.Nf5+- *(55.b8B Bxh4 56.b5 cxb5∓)*]

55.b8Q Qxh4+ KQB-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **56.Ke5 Qg3+ 57.Kf5** aiming for Nc4+!. **57...h4 58.b5 c5 59.b6 Qf2+ 60.Kg4**



h3! And now ...h2 would win. **61.Nf5**

[61.Qh8 Bf3+]

61...h2 62.Ng3 Qf3+ 63.Kg5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.07 (flawless) **63...c4 0-1**

638 C52

☐ Jarecki,Marian 2425

■ Heinrich,Olaf 2487

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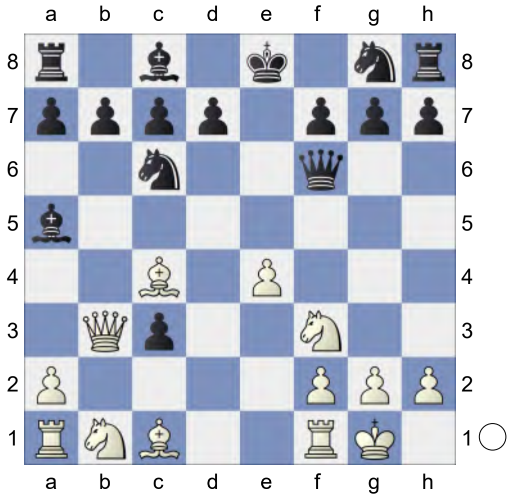
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6



9.e5! Qf5

[9...Qg6 10.Nxc3]

10.Nxc3 Nge7N

[10...Bb6 11.Ba3 Nge7 12.Rad1 Na5 13.Qa4 Nxc4 14.Qxc4 Qe6 15.Qb4 a5 16.Qe4 h6 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Nd5 Qe6 19.Nd4 Qg6 20.Nf5 d6 21.exd6+ Be6 22.Nxb6 cxb6 23.d7+ Kd8 24.Qxb7 1-0 Doplmayr,F (2270)-Wengler,J (2350) TG/2/94, S1 corr thematic, ICCF 1998]

11.Ba3! White has compensation. White is slightly better. **11...0-0**

[11...Nxe5? 12.Nxe5 Qxe5 13.Bxf7+ *(13.Rae1 Bxc3 14.Bxf7+ Kf8+-)* 13...Kd8 14.Rae1+-]

12.Rad1! h6 1.29/18

[12...d6!⩲ 0.39/18]

13.Bd3 0.42/22

[13.Nd5± 1.29/18 Nxd5 14.Rxd5]

13...Qg4 0.90/16

[13...Qe6⩲ 0.42/22 14.Bc4 Qg4]

14.h3!± Really sharp! **14...Qe6 15.Bc4 Qg6 16.g4?** 0.00/20

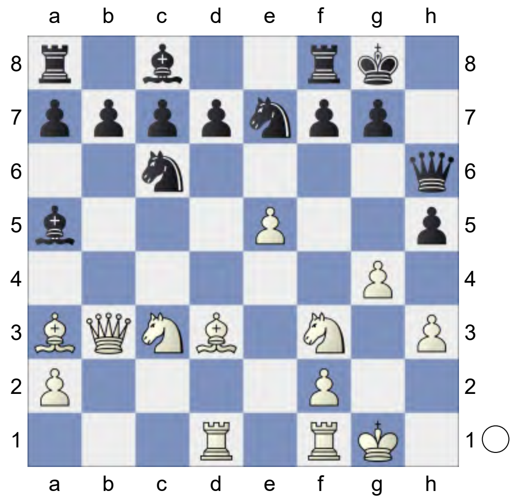
[16.Ne2!± 1.51/19]

16...h5 0.91/19

[16...d6= 0.00/20 17.exd6 Bxg4 18.hxg4 *(18.dxe7? Bxf3+* Discovered Attack (Check) *19.Kh2 Qg2#)* 18...Qxg4+ 19.Kh2 Qxf3 20.dxe7 Qf4+ 21.Kh3 Qf3+ 22.Kh2]

17.Bd3 Qh6 1.24/17

[17...Qe6!= 0.00/18 18.Nd5 *(18.Bc4 Qg6∓)* 18...hxg4 *(18...Qxd5? 19.Bh7+* Decoy *Kxh7 20.Ng5+ Kg8 21.Rxd5+-; 18...Nxd5? 19.Ng5±)*]

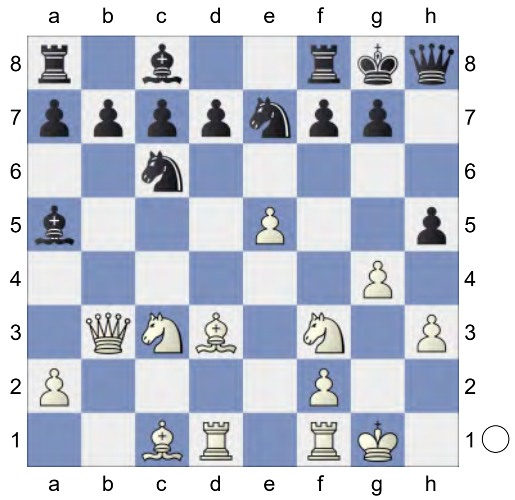


18.Bc1! White has more active pieces.

18...Qh8 2.42/19

[18...Qe6± 1.38/19 19.Bh7+ *(19.Bc4 Nxe5 20.Bxe6 Nxf3+ 21.Kh1 fxe6±)* 19...Kh8]

(Diagram)



19.Ng5!+- Bh7+ is the strong threat. **19...g6 20.Nce4 Qxe5 21.Bc4** 0.86/17

[21.f4+- 2.37/19 Bb6+ 22.Kh1]

21...d5± 22.Bxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxd5 Be6 24.Nxe6 Qxe4

[24...Qxe6? 25.Ng5 Qf6 26.Bb2+- *(26.Qxb7 Bb6∓)*]

25.Nxf8 Rxf8 26.gxh5 0.03/21

[White should try 26.Qd3± 0.76/19 Qxd3 27.Rxd3]

26...Nd4= The position is equal.

27.Rxd4

[27.Qxb7 Nf3+ 28.Kh1 Nh4+ 29.f3 Qe2-+]

27...Qxd4 28.Bh6 Re8⇄ White must now prevent ...Re6. Black is fighting back **29.hxg6 Re6 30.gxf7+**

[30.Qxb7? is the wrong capture. Rxg6+ 31.Kh2 Rxh6-+]

30...Kxf7 31.Be3 Qg7+ 32.Kh1 White really could win this. Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) / Black=0.29 (precise) **32...Qh8**

½-½

639 **C50**
☐ **Vaz,Vania Dora Madona** **1471**
■ **Dos Santos,Gabriel Conte** **1543**
American Continental 19th (5) 26.05.25
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.h3 a6 7.a4 h6 7...Ba7 is vanishing.7...La7 scheint zu verschwinden.

[7...Ba7 8.c3 0-0 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Nxg5 hxg5 12.Bxg5 Kg7 13.Qf3 Rh8 14.Nd2 Kg6 15.Be3 Kg7 16.Bg5 Kg6 17.Be3 Kg7 18.Rae1 Be6 19.Qg3+ Kf8 20.Bxe6 fxe6 21.Bxa7 Rxa7 22.f4 1-0 (43) Panov Botvinnik Attack (2767)-Louvrier Saint Mary,J (2672) WchJW-U12 Szeged 1994 (5.14)]

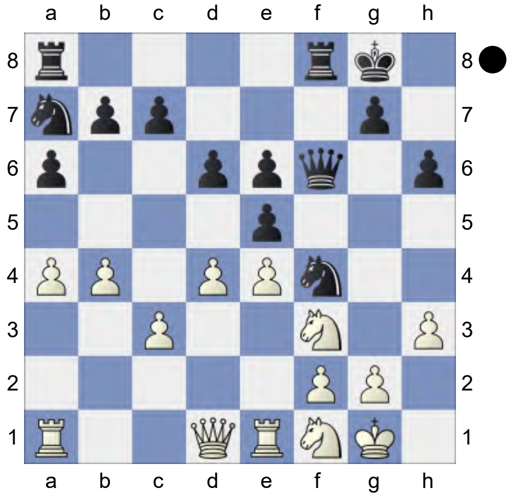
8.c3 0-0 The position is equal. **9.Re1 Be6N**

[9...Ba7 10.Nbd2 Ne7 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 ½-½ (88) Stoll,J (2092)-Sokolow,J (2388) World Championship Match, 10th Game 31 (2) Ng5 25.h4 Ne6 26.g3 Qe7 27.Nf5 Qf8 28.Nf3 Nc7 29.Ne3 Ng4 30.Nxg4 Bxg4 31.Nd2 g5 32.hxg5 hxg5 33.Nc4 Qh6 34.Ne3 Bc8 35.Bg2 Nb5 36.Rbb1 Qf6 37.Kf1 Be6 38.Rbd1 Qe7 39.Qb2 ½-½ (88) Maldonado Gonzales,S (2092)-Nielsen,V (2388) Bassano del Grappa Vergani Cup 2023 (2)]

10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.b4 Ba7 12.Nbd2 Nh5 12...Ne7 deserves study. 12...Se7 verdient Beachtung. **13.Nf1 Nf4 14.Be3 Qf6 15.Bxa7 Nxa7→** White needs to defend precisely. **16.d4N** -1.43/24

[16.Re3 Rad8 17.Ra2 -0.67/21 *(17.N1d2= 0.01/19)* 17...Nc6 0.16/20 *(17...d5!∓ -0.67/21)* 18.b5= Ne7 19.Kh2 d5 20.exd5? -3.88/22 *(20.Ne1= -0.09/21 and White has nothing to worry.)* 20...Nexd5-+ 21.d4 Nxe3 22.fxe3 0-1 (36) Bruedigam,M (2386)-Lazavik,D (2424) Titled Tuesday intern op 23rd June blitz 2020 (5)]

[16.Kh2= 0.01/22 remains equal.]



16...Nxh3+! Deflection **17.gxh3** Threatens to win with N1h2. **17...Qxf3 18.Qxf3 Rxf3 19.Re3** -2.10/24

[19.dxe5∓ -1.39/22 Raf8 *(19...Rxc3 20.b5=; 19...Rxh3 20.exd6 cxd6 21.Ne3∓; 19...dxe5 20.Re3∓)* 20.exd6]

19...Rxe3 -0.91/23

[19...Raf8-+ -2.10/24 20.Rxf3 Rxf3]

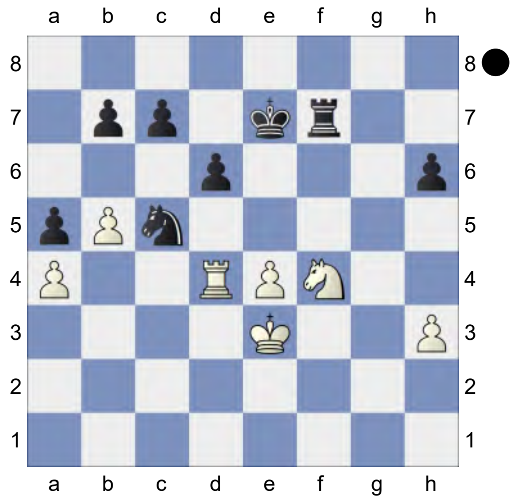
20.Nxe3∓ exd4 21.cxd4-+ Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **21...Nc6 22.Nc2** -1.83/20

[22.Rc1∓ -1.03/21]

22...Rf8 -1.33/22

[22...Ne7-+ -1.83/20 23.Re1 Rf8]

23.Ra3 -1.86/24
[23.b5∓ -1.33/22 Ne7 24.bxa6 bxa6 25.Kf1]
23...Rf4 -1.06/24
[23...Ne7-+ -1.86/24 24.Rc3 c6]
24.f3 -1.57/24
[⌓24.b5 -1.06/24 axb5 25.axb5]
24...Kf7 -0.37/23 Black is more active.
[Black should try 24...d5∓ -1.57/24 25.exd5 exd5 (*25...Nxd4 26.Nxd4* Remove Defender *Rxd4 27.dxe6∓*)]
25.Kf2 -1.12/24
[White should play 25.b5∓ -0.37/23 axb5 26.axb5]
25...g5 -0.11/24
[25...Ne7∓ -1.12/24 ...d5 is the strong threat. 26.Ne1 Ke8]
26.Ra1? -2.48/23
[26.Rc3= -0.11/24]
26...Ke7 -1.05/22
[26...d5-+ -2.48/23 27.exd5 exd5 (*27...Nxd4 28.Nxd4 Rxd4 29.Rc1∓*)]
27.Rg1? -2.84/24
[27.b5∓ -1.05/22 Na5 28.bxa6]
27...a5 -1.66/23
[⌓27...d5 -2.84/24 28.b5 Nb8 29.exd5 exd5]
28.b5 Nb8 29.Ne3 Nd7 30.Ng2 -2.00/23
[30.Ng4∓ -1.27/22 might work better.]
30...Rf7 31.Ke3 -2.81/23
[31.Kg3∓ -1.54/21]
31...e5 32.Rd1 -3.76/25
[⌓32.dxe5 -2.36/23 Nxe5 (*32...dxe5 33.Rc1∓*) 33.f4 gxf4+ 34.Nxf4]
32...exd4+ 33.Rxd4 Nc5 -1.88/23
[⌓33...Ne5 -3.67/25 34.Ne1 c5 35.bxc6 bxc6]
34.f4 -6.84/23
[34.Ke2 -1.88/23]
34...gxf4+ 35.Nxf4
(Diagram)



Rxf4 Remove Defender **36.Kxf4** KR-KN
[36.h4 Rxh4]
36...Ne6+ 37.Ke3 Nxd4 38.Kxd4 KP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **38...Ke6 39.h4 h5 40.Ke3 Ke5 41.Kf3 c6 42.bxc6 bxc6 43.Ke3** Black mates. **43...c5 44.Kd3 c4+** Deflection **45.Kxc4 Kxe4 46.Kb5 d5 47.Kxa5 d4 48.Kb6 d3 49.a5**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.36
49...d2
0-1

640 **C55**
☐ **Nemeth,Miklos** **2469**
■ **Jinan,Jomon** **2056**
Vezerkepzo Nov IM 2022 (9.2) 26.11.22
[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N
[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4
A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 (*9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5*

19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)) 10.Na3 Qe7 (*10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/ (75) 2013 (1)) 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Be7 9...Qd5 is more fashionable. 9...Dd5 ist modischer.9...Qd5 is more fashionable.9...Dd5 ist modischer.

10.Bxe7 White is slightly better.

[10.Re1 simplifies Rxg7 11.Bxe7 Nxe7 12.Qxd4 Qxd4 13.Nxd4 Kf8 14.g3]

10...Kxe7 11.Re1+ Kf6 12.Re4

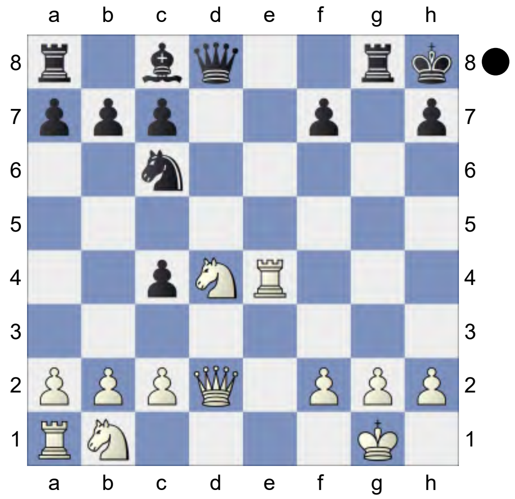
[12.c3 with more complications. Bg4 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3+ Kxg7 15.Re4]

12...Kxg7 13.Nxd4 Kh8

[13...f5!? 14.Rf4□ Kh8∓]

14.Qd2 -0.98/24

[14.Nc3= 0.07/23 Bh3 15.g3]



14...Bh3 -0.25/20

[14...f5!∓ -0.98/24 15.Rf4 Ne5]

15.g3= f5!N 'N'

[Predecessor: 15...Nxd4 0.67/23 15...f5 0.00 16.Rxd4 Qf6 17.Qc3! Prevents Qf3 Rg6 1.17/23 (Black should play *17...Rge8± 0.67/21*) 18.Rxc4± Rd8 (→ ...Rd1+) 19.Qxf6+ Rxf6 20.Nc3! Prevents Rd1+. aiming for Ne4!. c6 21.Rd1 Rfd6 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 ½-½ (62) Degraeve,J (2569)-Flear,G (2459) Lille 2012]

16.Rf4⇄ White puts up resistance **16...Ne5** and ...Qd5 would now be decisive **17.Nf3!**

[17.Nxf5 Qg5 (*17...Qf6 18.Nd4±*) 18.Qd4 Rae8-+]

17...Re8 18.Nxe5 Rxe5 19.Rd4 Dodges Qd5

[19.Rxc4? Qd5 20.f3 Rae8-+ (*20...Qxc4? 21.Nc3-+*)]

19...Qe7 20.Nc3!

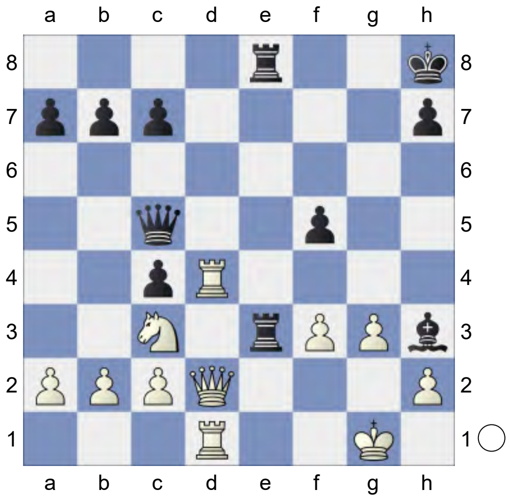
[20.Rxc4? Re1+]

20...Re8 (→ ...Re1+) **21.f3! Qc5** Prevents Nd5. **22.Rd1** -0.83/19

[22.a4= 0.00/20 remains equal.]

Loses the game. **22...Re3?** 3.25/20

[22...b5∓ -0.83/19 stays on course.]



23.Ne4!+- R3xe4 24.fxe4 fxe4 25.Qe3 b6 26.Re1 Bf5 27.c3 Bg6 28.Rf1 b5 29.Re1 Qe7 30.Rd5 c6 31.Rd2 Rd8 4.35/19

[⌓31...Kg8 3.07/18 32.Red1 a5]

32.Rxd8+ Qxd8 33.Qd4+ Qxd4+ 34.cxd4 Endgame KR-KB **34...Kg7 35.Kf2 Kf6 36.g4 Ke6 37.h4** White is clearly winning. **37...h6 38.Ke3 a5 39.Rf1 b4 40.g5 hxg5 41.hxg5 Bf5 42.Rf2 a4 43.Rf1 b3 44.axb3 axb3 45.Ra1 Bg4 46.Ra4**

[Weaker is 46.Kxe4 Bf5+ 47.Kf4 Bc2±]

46...c3 47.bxc3

[47.Kxe4? too greedy. cxb2 48.Kf4 b1Q-+ *(48...b1B 49.d5+ Kxd5 50.Kxg4-+)*]

47...Bd1 48.Ra6

[48.Kxe4 b2 49.Rb4 Bc2+ 50.Kf4 b1Q *(50...b1B 51.Rb8±; 50...b1R 51.Rxb1 Bxb1 52.c4∓)* 51.Rxb1 Bxb1-+]

48...Kd5 49.g6 Intending g7 and mate. **49...Bh5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.67 **50.Ra5+** Skewer

1-0

641 C54

☐ **Franco,Rebeca Todon**

■ **Dos Santos,Gabriel Conte**

American Continental 19th (11) 31.05.25

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3

[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...d6N

[5...0-0 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) Qxe7 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 0-1 (45) Balogh,C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003 Qb8 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 1-0 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3)]

6.0-0 a6 7.a3 7.Re1 is a critical line. 7.Te1 ist die kritische Fortsetzung. **7...Ba7 8.Re1 Bg4N** 0.37/18

[8...h6 9.Nbd2 Ne7 0.27/22 (*9...g5 -0.21/21*) 10.Nf1= Ng6 11.Ng3 0-0 12.d4 b5 13.Bb3 Bb7 0.37/21 (*13...Bg4= -0.20/21*) 14.Bc2 -0.09/19 (*14.h4⩲ 0.37/21*) 14...Re8 0.40/20 1-0 (34) Gomez Troccoli,M (1973)-Pena Canapa,A (1884) Montevideo Trebejos op 09 2018 (2) (*14...c5= -0.09/19*)]

[8...h6= -0.05/23]

9.Nbd2⩲ White is slightly better. **9...0-0 10.h3 Bd7** 0.51/18

[10...Be6= 0.08/20]

11.Nf1 Na5 1.02/22

[11...Be6⩲ 0.43/20]

12.Ba2± b5 1.64/19

[12...Kh8± 0.98/20]

13.b4 Nb7 2.31/18

[13...Nc6± 1.37/19 was necessary.]

14.Ng3 c5 2.96/19

[14...Kh8± 1.57/20 15.d4 Qe8]

15.bxc5 1.25/20

[15.Bg5+- 2.96/19]

15...Nxc5 16.d4 Na4 1.18/23

[⌓16...Ne6 1.58/21]

17.dxe5 0.35/21

[17.Bg5⩲ 1.18/23]

17...dxe5⩲ 18.Nxe5 Nxc3 0.76/23

[18...Be6!⩲ 0.37/22 19.Qxd8 Rfxd8]

19.Bxf7+ -0.39/21

[19.Qf3± 0.76/23 Nxa2 20.Bg5]

19...Rxf7⩱ 20.Qb3

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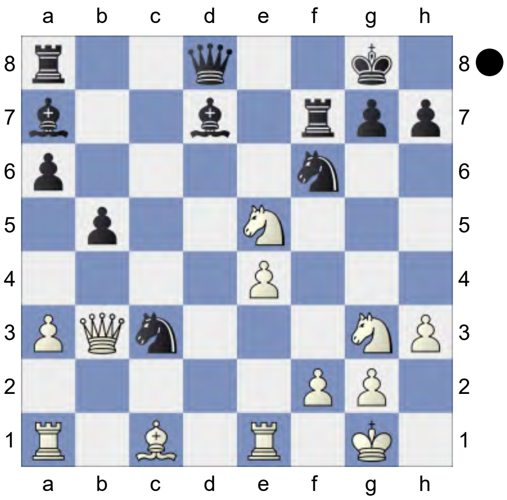

Pin **20...Bxf2+** -0.03/22 **21.Kxf2= Ng4+**

[21...Nfxe4+? 22.Kg1 Be8 (*22...Nxg3? 23.Qxf7+ Kh8 24.Qxd7+-; 22...Qb6+? 23.Be3+-*) 23.Bb2 (*23.Nxe4 Qd4+ 24.Kh1 Nxe4+-; 23.Nxf7 Bxf7 24.Qc2 Qd4+ 25.Be3 Qe5+-*) 23...Nxg3 (*23...Qd4+? 24.Kh2+-*) 24.Bxc3+-]

[21...Ncxe4+? 22.Nxe4 Nxe4+ 23.Kg1 Qb6+ 24.Qe3 (*24.Be3 Qe6+-*) 24...Qxe3+ 25.Rxe3+-]

22.Kg1 Nxe5 23.Qxc3 Qf6 0.30/21

[Black should play 23...Qb6+ -0.28/23 24.Be3 Qd6]

24.Rf1!↑ White fights for an advantage. **24...Qb6+ 25.Be3 Rxf1+?** 2.00/25

[25...Qd6⩲ 0.42/22 26.Bf4 Re8]

26.Rxf1+- Qe6 3.97/24

[26...Qd6 1.79/24]

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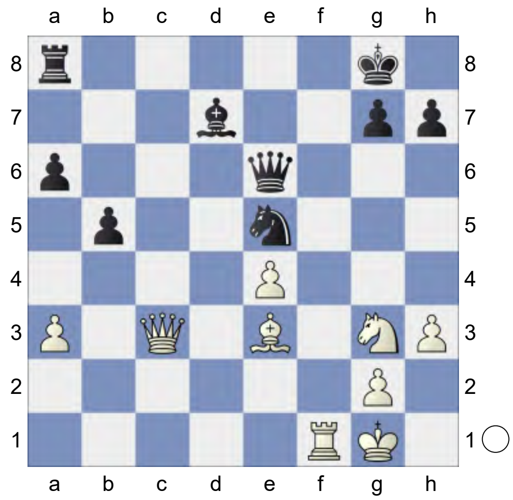


27.Bd4 1.83/25
[⌓27.Nf5! 3.97/24]
27...Rc8 28.Qb2 0.91/25
[28.Qa1+- 1.67/24 Re8 29.Nf5 *(29.Rf5 Nf7±)*]
28...Nc4± 29.Qf2 Qe7 30.Nf5
[30.Nh5 Rf8 31.Qxf8+ Qxf8 32.Rxf8+ Kxf8]
30...Bxf5 31.Qxf5 0.01/27
[White should play 31.exf5± 0.74/26 and f6 would now be decisive Qf7 32.f6]
31...Nd6 32.Qd5+ Black is weak on the dark squares **32...Kh8?** 8.69/24
[32...Nf7= 0.18/23]
Weighted Error Value: White=0.46/Black=0.64
33.Bc5
1-0

642 **C50**
☐ **Kotz,Reinhard** **2166**
■ **Dubansky,Marcel** **2225**
GER-ch blitz (5) 21.08.2022
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6!** 7...d6 is better than 7...h6. 7...d6 ist besser als 7...h6. 7...d6 is better than 7...h6.7...d6 ist besser als 7...h6. **8.f4 Qe7** 0.50/19
[8...c6∓ -0.33/19]
9.c3N -0.96/21
[Predecessor: 9.Na3 -0.52/21 9.f5 0.46 Bd7 0.31/19 *(9...Ne6∓ -0.52/21)* 10.fxe5 -0.37/18 (White should try *10.f5± 0.31/19; 10.c3 Ne6 11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 24.Ng4 Nd7* 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)) 10...dxe5∓ 11.Bxf6 -0.81/15 *(11.Qe1!∓ -0.37/18* should be considered.*)* 11...gxf6∓ 12.c3 Ne6 13.Qf3 -1.46/19 *(⌓13.Bxe6 -1.00/19 Qxe6 14.Qf3)* 13...Nf4∓ 14.g3 Nh3+! 15.Kh1 -2.21/21 *(⌓15.Kg2 -1.65/18)* 15...Ng5 1-0 (47) Abdusattorov,N (2627)-Caruana,F (2835) Chess.com INT 2020]
[9.f5± 0.50/19 stays ahead. d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 24.Rxg7 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]
[9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Nc3 c6 12.Ne2 Bg4 13.c3 Ne6 14.Qd2 Qc5+ 15.Nd4 exd4 16.Bxe6 dxc3+ 17.Qf2 Qxf2+ 18.Rxf2 fxe6 19.bxc3 Rf8 20.Rb1 0-0-0 21.Rfb2 b6 22.a4 Rd1+ 0-1 Lanert,T (1398)-Dodul,A (1613) GER-ch U12 Willingen 2023

(5)]

9...Ne6∓ 10.Bxe6 Black is better. **10...Qxe6**

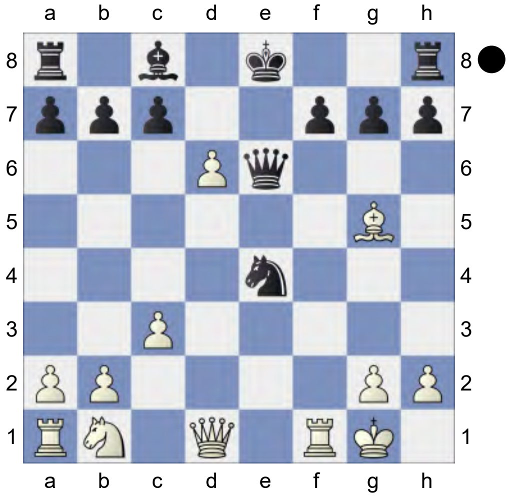
[10...Bxe6 11.f5 Bd7 12.c4=]

11.fxe5 Nxe4 2.38/19

[11...dxe5∓ -0.87/22 stays on course. White must now prevent ...Qb6+. 12.c4 Qxc4 13.Bxf6 gxf6]

12.exd6? -1.23/19

[12.Qa4++- 2.38/19 Bd7 13.Qxe4]



12...Nxg5 -0.25/17

[12...0-0!∓ -1.23/19 13.Be7 Re8]

13.Re1= Pin **13...Ne4 14.Nd2?** -3.00/20

[14.Qa4+= -0.21/18 Bd7 15.Qxe4]

14...f5-+ 15.Qh5+ g6 16.Qh6 Bd7

[16...Qxd6 17.Nxe4 fxe4 18.Rxe4+ Kf7 19.Rf1+ Bf5 20.g4 Qb6+ 21.Rf2=]

17.Nxe4 fxe4 18.dxc7 Qe5 19.Rad1 Bc6

[19...Qxc7? 20.Rxe4+ Kf7 *(20...Kd8? 21.Qg7+-)* 21.Qf4+ Qxf4 22.Rxd7+ Kf6 23.Rxf4+ Ke5 24.g3+-]

20.h4? -3.74/19

[20.b4∓ -1.54/20]

20...Rc8

[20...Qxc7 21.Rd4-+]

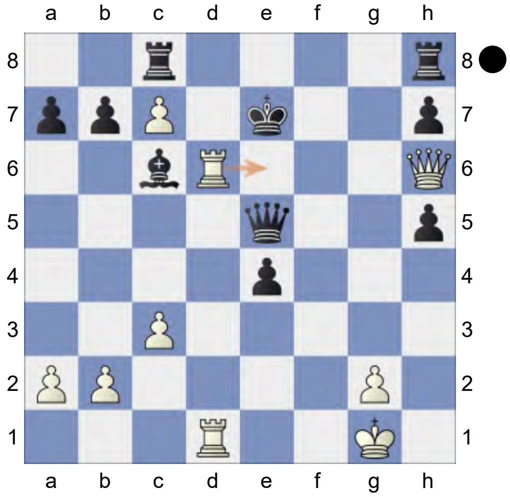
21.h5 gxh5

[21...Qxh5? 22.Qg7 Qc5+ 23.Rd4+-]

22.Rd6! Ke7

[22...Rxc7? 23.Re6+ Kd8 24.Rxe5+-]

23.Red1



Rxc7? 0.00/16

[Better is 23...Rhg8!-+ -3.12/25 24.Qxh7+ Rg7]

24.c4? -4.20/19

[24.Re6+!= 0.00/16 and White has nothing to worry. Qxe6 25.Qg7+ Qf7 26.Qe5+ Qe6 27.Qxc7+ Bd7 *(27...Kf6? 28.Rd6+- Pin)* 28.Rxd7+ Qxd7 29.Qe5+ Kf7 30.Qxh8]

24...Rg8

[Inferior is 24...Qxb2 25.Re6+ Kf7 26.Rf1+ *(26.Qxh5+?* is the wrong capture. *Kxe6 27.Qh6+ Kf7-+)*]

25.Qxh7+ Qg7 26.Qxg7+ -5.85/18

[26.Rxc6 -3.97/19 was worth a try. Rxc6 27.Qxe4+ Re6 28.Qxb7+ Kf6 29.Qf3+ Kg6 30.Rd5]

26...Rxg7 Black is clearly winning. **27.b4 e3 28.b5 Rxg2+ 29.Kf1 e2+ 30.Ke1** Weighted Error Value: White=1.21/Black=0.97 **30...exd1Q+**

0-1

643 **C54**
☐ **Kraus,Sebastian** **1904**
■ **Schneider,Ilja** **2468**
Bayern-chI Bank Hofmann 26th (5)
[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.c3

[5.a4 d6 6.c3 a6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Ba7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.h3 g5 11.Bg3 Nh5 12.Qe2 Qf6 13.Bh2 Nf4 14.Bxf4 gxf4 15.g4 Ne7 16.b4 Ng6 17.Kd1 h5 18.g5 Qe7 19.b5 Kf8 0-1 (36) Anand,V (2784)-Aronian,L (2792) Zuerich Opening Blitz 5th 19495 2016 (3)]

[5.Nc3 h6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 d6 8.0-0-0 Na5 9.h3 Nxc4 10.dxc4 Be6 11.c5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxd8+ Kxd8 15.Rd1+ Ke7 16.Nxe5 Rd8 17.f3 g5 18.a3 c6 19.Na4 Rxd1+ 0-1 (31) Arrondo Vila, N-Samper Gonzalez,P (1411) Barcelona Sant Marti op-B 22nd 2022 (9)]

5...0-0 6.0-0N

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 1-0 (45) Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2004 (3) 21.Nfxd4 Qxe5 22.Nxc6 Bxc6 23.f3 Qxb2 24.Nd4 Nf6 25.Qd2 Rxe1+ 26.Rxe1 Qxa3 27.Nxc6 Qc5+ 28.Nd4 a5 29.Kh1 b4 30.Rc1 Qb6 31.Ba4 Nh5 32.g4 Nf6 33.Kg2 Rd8 34.Qe3 Qa7 35.Qe5 Qb8 1-0 (45) Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) FRA-chT Top 12 2018 (3) 36.Qxb8 Rxb8 37.Rc5 Ra8 38.Nb3 Kf8 39.Rxa5 Rc8 40.Rc5 Ra8 41.Ra5 Rc8 42.Nd4 Rc4 43.Nf5 Rc8 44.Rb5 g6 45.Nd4 0-1 Balogh, C (2448)-Ilincic,Z (2536) 86/236 Novi Sad 2003]

6...d6 7.Bg5 7.Re1 is becoming the main line.7.Te1 wird zur Hauptvariante. **7...a6 8.Bb3 Ba7 9.Nbd2 h6 10.Bh4 g5** The position is equal. **11.Bg3 Kg7 12.Nc4 Ne7 13.Ne3** -0.15/20

[⌓13.Bc2 0.25/21]

13...Ng6=

[Vorgänger: 13...Nh5 14.d4 f6 15.Qd2 Qe8 16.Rac1 Bd7 17.Bc2 Rd8 18.b3 Qg6 19.dxe5 dxe5 20.Nxe5

A) 20...Bxe3!? 21.fxe3 *(21.Nxg6 Bxd2 22.Nxe7 Bxc1-+)* 21...Qe8 *(21...fxe5? 22.Bxe5+ Nf6 23.Bxc7+-)* 22.Nxd7 Rxd7⩲;

B) 20...fxe5 21.Bxe5+ ½-½ Kuijf,M-Donner,J NED-ch37 Amsterdam/ Drachten 1982 (2)]

14.Bc2 -0.52/23

[14.Re1= 0.01/20]

14...h5 -0.01/23

[Black should play 14...Bxe3∓ -0.52/23 15.fxe3 h5]

15.h4 -0.95/19

[15.Nxg5 Ng4 *(15...h4 16.Nf5+ Bxf5 17.exf5∓)* 16.h4 Nxe3 17.fxe3 Bxe3+ 18.Kh2 Bxg5 19.hxg5 Qxg5∓]

[15.Nf5+= -0.01/23 Bxf5 16.exf5]

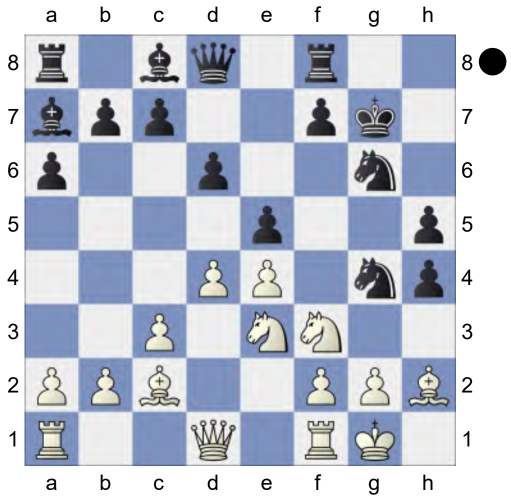
15...Ng4∓ 16.d4 -2.09/22

[16.Nxg5∓ -0.80/21 Bxe3 *(16...Nxe3 17.fxe3 Bxe3+ 18.Bf2-+)* 17.fxe3]

16...gxh4 -0.76/21

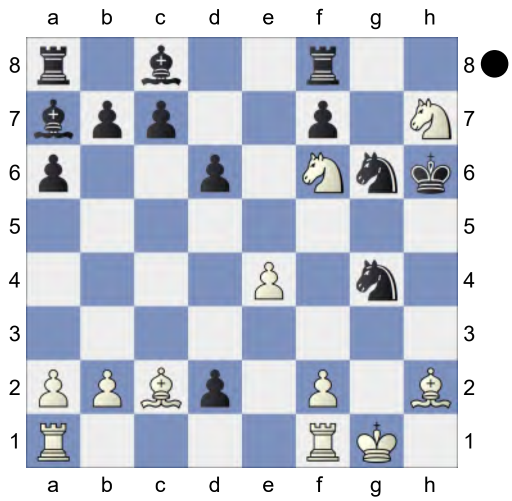
[16...Nxe3-+ -2.09/22 has better winning chances. 17.fxe3 gxh4 *(17...Nxh4? 18.Nxh4 gxh4*

19.Qxh5+-)]
17.Bh2



h3! 18.Qd2
[18.Bg3 h4]
18...hxg2 -0.66/20
[18...Nxh2∓ -1.16/21 19.Nxh2 hxg2 20.Kxg2 Rg8]
19.Nxg2? -3.14/20
[19.Kxg2∓ -0.66/20 Nxe3+ 20.fxe3]
19...Qf6-+ 20.Ng5 exd4 21.Nf4 dxc3
[And not 21...Qxg5 22.Ne6+ *(22.cxd4? Nxh2+ 23.Kxh2 Qh4+ 24.Kg2 Nxf4+-+)* 22...fxe6 23.Qxg5∓]
22.Nxh5+? -6.54/22
[22.bxc3 -3.56/21 Kg8 *(22...Qxg5? 23.Ne6+* Discovered Attack *fxe6 24.Qxg5-+)* 23.Nd5 *(23.Nxh5?* perishes. *Qh8-+)*]
22...Kh6 Black is clearly winning.
23.Nxf6 cxd2 24.Ngh7

(Diagram)



Nxh2! 25.Kxh2 Rh8 26.Rad1 Bd4 Inhibits e5. and ...Bxf6! should not be overlooked **27.Kg3**
Weighted Error Value: White=0.79/Black=0.19 (very precise)
27...Kg7
0-1

644 **C51**
☐ **Allerberger,Peter** **2537**
■ **Zielinski,Sergej** **2320**
corr RS-Pyramide 09.07.2012
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5
CC HeaderStart CC Defending e5 CC HeaderEnd CC A lot of 1. e4 e5 openings feature the no-nonsense bishop move. One serious consideration is to protect the pawn on e5 to speed up development. Take for instance 7... Bd6 in the Old Arkhangelsk 7. d3 line, getting ready to play ...d7-d5 in one go after castling followed by ...Re8 and ...Bf8. Adams-Malaniuk is a model game for Black's strategy. Very similar, and perhaps theoretically more successful (let's leave the verdict to the various

publications on opening theory) is 4... Bd6 in the Four Knights with 4. Bb5. An even fresher recent try is Beinoras's ... Bd6 in the 4. d3 Jaenisch Ruy Lopez, again aiming to castle quickly without having to bother about defending the e5-pawn. Finally, the no-nonsense strategy also enjoyed a modest revival in the Evans Gambit. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 6.d4** White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.0-0! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Re1 Nxc4 10.Rxe4+ Be7 11.Rxc4±]

8.Re1 h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ (47) Pink,J (2712)-Strick,E (2690) 28/526 Praha 1979 (7)]

10...Re7 0.68/20

[10...Qe7= 0.30/18 11.Bd3 Na5 12.Qc2 b6 13.Rb1 Bb7]

11.Bd3N

[11.Nh4 exd4 12.Nf5 dxc3 13.Nxe7+ Qxe7 Part Iv The No Nonsense Bish-Tigran L Petrosian Vs Andrey 14.Nf3 Ne5 15.Nd4 Bc5 16.Nf5 Qf8 17.Be3 d5 18.exd5 Bxf5 19.Bxc5 Qxc5 20.Rxe5 Be4 21.h3 c2 22.Rc1 Rd8 23.Bd3 Qd4 24.Rxe4 Nxe4 25.Qxc2 Nxf2 26.Bh7+ Kh8 27.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 28.Kxf2 Kxh7 0-1 (66) 1.d4 d5 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.♗g5 (2623)-5.00 00 6.a4 (2671) USSR 30/43 1980 (6)]

11...b6 12.Nc4 Ba6 13.Nxd6 Bxd3 14.Nf5

[14.dxe5 cxd6 15.exf6 Rxe4 16.fxg7 Qf6=]

14...d6 1.22/19 **15.Qa4±**

[15.Nxe7+ Qxe7 16.Nd2 Na5±]

15...Na5

[15...Bxe4? 16.Rxe4 (*16.Nxe7+ Nxe7 17.dxe5 Bc6+-*) 16...Na5 17.Nxe7+ Qxe7 18.Rh4+-]

16.Re3! Ba6 1.57/17

[Black should play 16...Bc4 1.21/18]

17.N3h4! White is more active. **17...exd4 18.Nxe7+ Qxe7 19.Nf5**

[19.Qxd4?! c5 20.Qa4 (*20.Nf5? cxd4 21.Nxe7+ Kf8-+*) 20...Qe6=]

19...Qe6 20.Rg3 0.49/15

[20.Nxd4 Qe8 21.Qd1 Rd8± (*21...Nxe4? 22.f3+-; 21...Nc4 22.Re1=*)]

[20.Qxd4 Re8±]

[20.cxd4± 1.00/19 And now Qc2 would win. Nxe4 21.Ng3]

20...Qxe4± 21.Rxg7+

[21.Nxh6+ Kf8 22.h4 d3-+ (*22...gxh6 23.Bxh6+ Ke7 24.Bg5±*)]

21...Kh8 22.Bxh6! Qxf5 23.Rg5 The board is on fire. **23...Qh7 24.Bg7+ Qxg7! 25.Rxg7 Kxg7 26.cxd4**

[26.Qxd4 Rh8=]

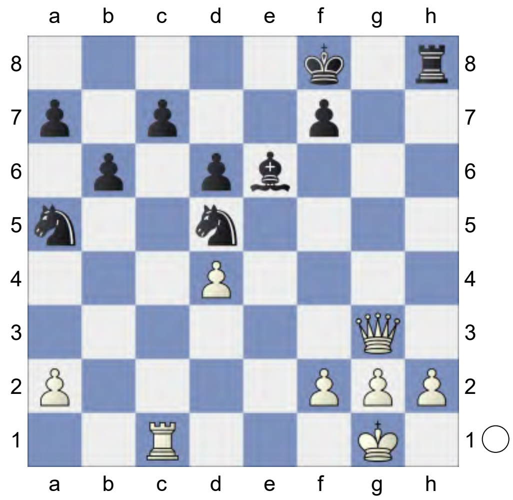
26...Rh8! 27.Re1↑ White has some pressure. **27...Bc8** 0.70/20

[27...Bb7!= 0.27/19]

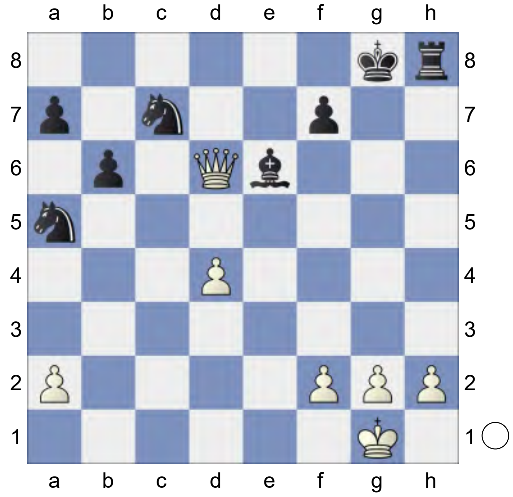
28.Qa3! Be6 29.Rc1 Nd5 30.Qg3+ Kf8 1.07/21

[30...Kf6± 0.63/22]

(Diagram)



31.Rxc7!± Remove Defender, Decoy **31...Nxc7 32.Qxd6+ Kg8**

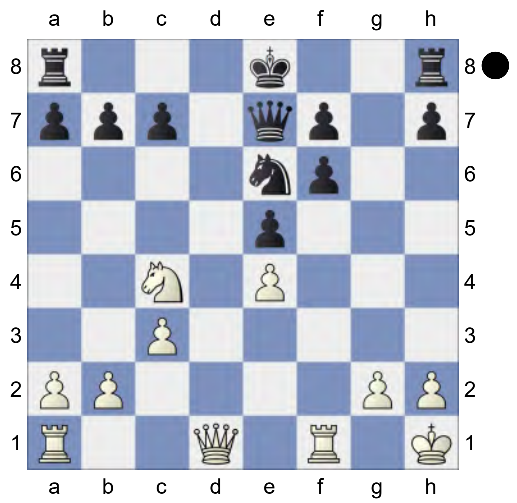


33.Qxc7 0.42/17
[33.Qg3+!± 1.08/23 Kh7 34.Qxc7]
33...Rh5!⩲ 34.Qxa7 Bxa2 35.Qxb6 0.14/19
[35.Qb8+⩲ 0.61/19 Kg7 36.Qg3+ *(36.Qxb6 Be6=)* 36...Kh8 37.Qb8+ Kg7]
35...Be6= 36.Qb8+ Kh7 37.Qc7 Rb5 (-> ...Rb1+) **38.h4** 0.07/19
[38.h3⩲ 0.44/21 is more appropriate.]
38...Rd5 39.g4 Kg7 40.Qc3 Bd7
[40...Bxg4? too greedy. 41.Qg3 Nc6 42.Qxg4++-]
Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.11 (very precise)

41.f3 Loss on time!?
1-0

645 C50
☐ Berzinsh,I. 2220
■ Aleksandrov,A. 2619
Liepajas Rokade Open 2015 rapid (2.3)
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6** -0.18/20
[7...h6∓ -0.56/20 8.f4 hxg5 9.fxe5 Ne6 10.exf6 gxf6]
8.f4= Be6 9.Na3 -0.53/17
[9.fxe5= -0.04/18 dxe5 10.Na3]
9...Qe7 0.22/20
[9...Nc6!∓ -0.53/17]
10.fxe5! The position is equal. **10...dxe5 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 gxf6** 0.42/18
[Better is 13...Qc5+!= -0.27/19 14.Rf2 gxf6]
14.Kh1 -0.80/17
[14.Qa4+⩲ 0.42/18 c6 15.Kh1]
[14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qd2 Rd8 16.Qe2 Nf4 17.Qf3 Rg8 18.Rf2 Rd3 19.Re1 Rd6 20.Rc2 a5 21.g3 Qc6 22.Kh1 Ne6 23.Nf5 Rd7 24.Rf2 Nc5 25.Rfe2 Kd8 26.b4 axb4 27.cxb4 Ne6 28.Qa3 b6 1-0 N,N (2477)-8.f4 ♗d7_64916 (2383) Kyiv Spring op 2023 (11)]
[14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)]



14...h5N 1.00/21

[14...Qc5!∓ -0.80/17 keeps the pressure on. 15.Qb3 *(15.Na3 Rg8 16.Rxf6 Nf4 17.Rf5 Qf2 18.Qf3 Qxb2 19.Rxe5+ Ne6 20.Rf1 0-0-0 21.Ra5 Rd3 22.g3 Rxf3 23.Rxf3 Qc1+ 24.Kg2 Nf4+* 1-0 Anderssen,A-Kieseritzky London*)* 15...0-0-0 16.Rxf6 Rhg8]

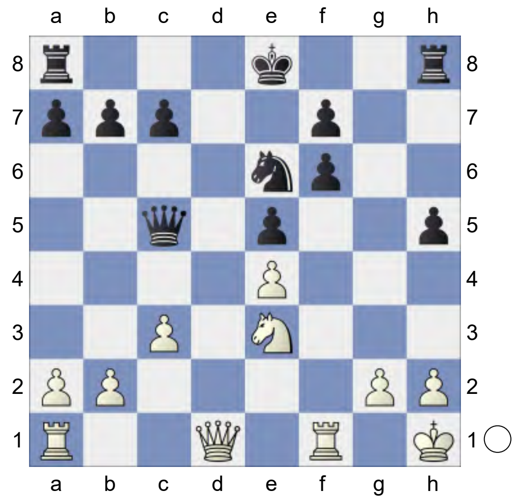
[14...Nc5 15.Qg4 Nd7 16.Ne3 0-0-0 17.Nd5 Qe6 18.Qh4 a6 19.h3 Kb8 20.Rf3 c6 21.Nxf6 Nxf6 22.Rxf6 Qc4 23.Raf1 Rd7 24.Qg4 Rhd8 25.Qf5 Re7 26.Qxh7 Qxa2 27.R1f2 Rdd7 28.Kh2 Qc4 29.h4 1-0 Kjoita,T-Ji,J Grodzisk Mazowiecki 103/(30) 2007 (2)]

15.Ne3 0.60/19 White is much more active.

[15.Qa4+± 1.00/21 c6 16.Rad1]

15...Qc5⩲

(Diagram)



16.Qd2 White has strong compensation.

[16.Nd5 0-0-0 17.Qc1 Qd6=]

16...Rd8 17.Nd5 Kd7 18.b4!

[18.Nxf6+?! Kc8 19.Qc2 Nf4=]

18...Qd6

[18...Qc4? 19.Nb6+ *(19.Nxf6+ Kc8=)* 19...Ke7 20.Qxd8+ *(20.Nxc4 Rxd2 21.Nxd2 h4+-)* 20...Rxd8 21.Nxc4+-]

19.Qf2

[19.Nxf6+ Kc8 20.Qxd6 Rxd6⩲]

[19.Rxf6?! Kc8⩲]

This move loses the game for Black.

19...c6 2.76/20

[19...Nf4? 20.Nxf4 *(20.Qxa7 Nxd5 21.exd5 b6=)* 20...Kc8 *(20...exf4? 21.Rfd1+-* Pin *)* 21.Nd5+-]

[19...Kc8± 1.37/18]

20.Rad1+-

[Less strong is 20.Nxf6+ Kc8±]

20...Qb8? 5.79/19

[20...cxd5? 21.Rxd5 *(21.Qxf6?* too greedy. *d4-+)* 21...Kc8 22.Rxd6 Rxd6 23.Qxf6+- *(23.Qxa7 Rhd8+-)*]

[20...Qf8 2.82/17 21.Nxf6+ Discovered Attack (Double Check) Kc8 22.Qxa7 Nc7]

21.Qxf6 cxd5 22.Qxf7+ Kc6 23.Qxe6+ Qd6 24.exd5+ Kb5? 6.36/16

[24...Kc7 3.67/16 25.Qxd6+ Rxd6]

25.Qf7 Rd7 26.Qf2 Threatening mate with c4+. **26...Ka6 27.c4** and b5+ should not be overlooked **27...b6 28.c5 bxc5 29.bxc5 Qg6 30.Qe2+ Ka5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=1.11 **31.Rb1**
1-0

646 C50
☐ **Wabwire,Ronald 1827**
■ **Muwanguzi,Treasure 1503**
UGA-ch U20 Kampala (2) 16.01.2025
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5!** now scores much better than the old 7.f4. punktet besser als das ältere 7.f4. now scores much better than the old 7.f4 .punktet besser als das ältere 7.f4. **7...h6 8.Bh4 0-0N** 0.73/24

[8...Qe7!∓ -0.70/21 stays ahead. 9.f4 Qc5 10.fxe5 Nxc2+ 11.Bf2 Qxc4 12.exf6 Nxa1 13.fxg7 Rg8 14.Nc3 d6 15.Nd5 Rxg7 16.b3 Qc2 17.Qxc2 Nxc2 18.Nxc7+ Kd8 19.Nxa8 Bh3 20.Bg3 Bxg2 21.Rd1 Rg6 22.Rxd6+ Rxd6 23.Bxd6 Bxe4 0-1 5.♘g5 ♘df6 6.♘1f3_46930 (2338)-5.♕b3 c5 6. ♗g5_54079 (2291) AR-2003-Q-00004 (2)]

[8...d6 9.f4

A) 9...Bg4 10.Bxf6 Bxd1 11.Bxd8 Rxd8 12.Rxd1 Nxc2 13.Na3 *(13.Nc3 Nxa1 14.Rxa1 exf4 15.Nd5 Kd7 16.Nxf4 Rde8 17.Bxf7 Rxe4 18.Rf1 c6 19.Bg6 Re5 20.g4 Kc7 21.Bf7 Rb8 22.Ne6+ Kb6 23.Rf5 Re4 24.h3 g5 25.Rf3 a5 26.Kf2 d5 27.Rf6 Rh8* 0-1 Pozzari,S (2048)-Basso,P (2516) ITA-ch 83rd Turin 2024 (10) *)* 13...Nxa1 14.Rxa1 c6 15.Rf1 exf4 16.Rxf4 0-0 17.Kf2 Kh8 18.Ke3 d5 0-1 Tumukunde,T-Okurut,M (1493) UGA-ch U20 Kampala 2025 (4);

B) 9...Be6 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bxe6 Nxe6 12.Qxd8+ Rxd8 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Rxf6 Rd1+ 15.Rf1 Rxf1+ 16.Kxf1 Nd4 17.Na3 Ke7 18.c3 Ne6 19.Nc4 f6 20.Ke2 Nf4+ 21.Kf3 b5 22.Ne3 Rd8 23.g3 1-0 Giannatos,P-Zaitsev,V 120/(189) Minsk 2014 (8)]

9.f4± d6 10.fxe5 White is better. **10...dxe5** ...g5 would now be deadly. **11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Na3** 0.00/22

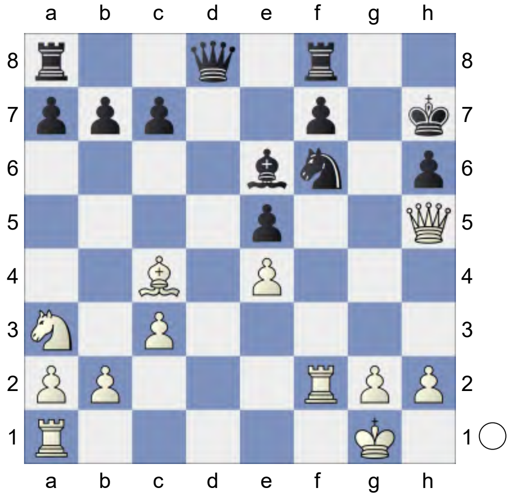
[12.Qh5± 0.62/21 Kg7 13.Nc3]

12...Be6 1.32/23

[12...Ne6= 0.00/22]

13.c3 Bxc4N 3.20/22

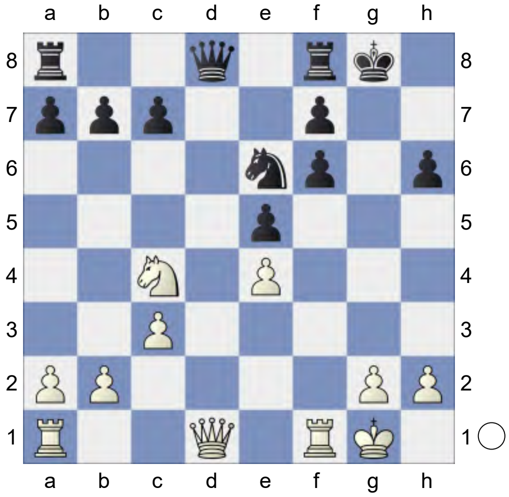
[13...Nc6 14.Qh5 Kh7 15.Rf3 0.92/24 *(⌓15.Rf2* 1.49/23 *)* 15...Ne7 1.60/21 *(15...Rg8* 0.92/24 *)* 16.Rxf6± Ng8 17.Rf2 Strongly threatening Raf1. Nf6



18.Qf3! Nd7 19.Raf1 Qg5 ½-½ Hemstapat,A (2239)-Zhao,J (1973) CAN-ch U14 Quebec 2018 (5.29) Wards off Qh5]

[13...b5± 1.03/24]

14.Nxc4+- Ne6



15.Qg4+ Kh7 16.Qh4? 0.71/22

[16.Qf5++- 3.03/19 and White stays clearly on top. Kg8 17.Ne3 *(17.Qxf6 Qxf6 18.Rxf6 Kg7=)*]

16...Ng5 1.41/23

[Better is 16...f5 0.71/22 17.Qh3 f4]

17.Ne3 White has strong compensation. White is more active. **17...Rg8** 1.98/17

[17...f5± 1.49/21 was necessary. 18.Nxf5 *(18.Rxf5?* is the wrong capture. *Nf3+* Discovered Attack *19.Rxf3 Qxh4-+)* 18...Qf6]

18.Rad1→ White attacks with force. **18...Qe7 19.Nd5 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Rg6 21.Nxf6+ Kg7 22.Nh5+ Kh7** 2.59/17

[22...Kh8± 1.33/18 23.Nf6 Kg7 24.Nh5+ Kh8]

23.Ng3 Qc4 24.Qg4 Qxa2 3.10/19

[⌓24...Kh8 1.92/19 25.Qf5 Qe6]

25.h4 Rf8? 4.19/20

[25...Ne6 2.15/18 26.Rxf7+ Ng7]

26.hxg5 Rxg5 27.Qf3 Qe6 28.Kh2 Qg6 29.Rd7 Kg8 30.Rxc7 Qb6 10.02/17

[⌓30...b6 4.98/17 31.Nf5 *(31.Rxa7 b5+-)* 31...Kh8]

31.Rxf7 Rxf7 32.Qxf7+ Kh8 33.Qf8+ 10.39/19

[⌓33.Qe8+ #9/14 Rg8 34.Rf8 *(34.Qxe5+ Rg7 35.Rf8+ Kh7 36.Qe8 Rxg3 37.Rh8+ Kg7 38.Qf8+ Kg6 39.Qf5+ Kg7 40.Rh7+ Kg8 41.Qf7#)* 34...Qe6 35.Qxe6 Rxf8 36.Qxh6+ Kg8 37.Qg6+ Kh8 38.Nh5 Rf7 39.Qxf7 b6 40.Qg7#]

33...Rg8 White is clearly winning. **34.Qf6+ Qxf6 35.Rxf6** Endgame KRN-KR **35...Kh7 36.Rf7+ Rg7 37.Rxg7+ Kxg7** KN-KP **38.Nf5+ Kg6 39.Kh3 Kg5 40.Kg3 b6 41.Ne3 Kf6 42.Ng4+ Ke6 43.Nxh6 Kd6 44.Kf3 Kc5 45.Nf7 Kc4 46.Nxe5+ Kb3 47.Nd3 Kc4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.60/ Black=0.86 **48.Ke3**

1-0

647 **C54**

☐ **Mikheeva,Galina** **1979**

■ **Kovalevskaya,Ekaterina** **2335**

Moscow (Women) op 19th (3) 19.07.23

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4

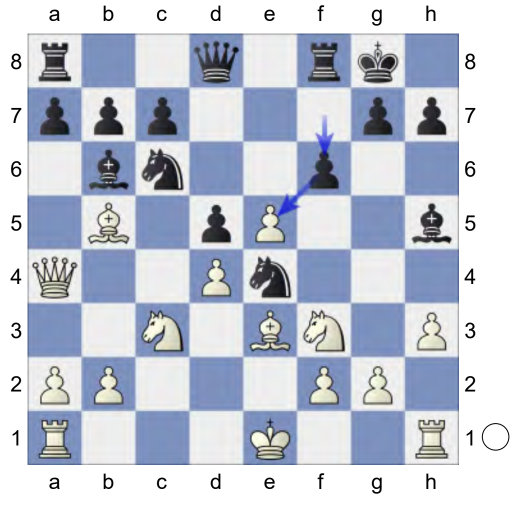
[5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 0-1 (30) Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte CCCSA Fall IM-D 2022 (6)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4

Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4…d5 5.ed5-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 21.Re2 Rc8 22.exf6 Qf8 23.Qg5+ Kh8 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.Ng5 Bf5 26.Nxf7 Bh7 27.Qg5+ Kxf7 28.Re7+ Qxe7 29.fxe7 Nd4 30.Qd5+ Ne6 31.Qxb7 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Bg6 33.Qd7 Kf6 34.Qxd6 a5 35.f4 Bh5 1-0 (47) 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 d-Mecking 31/643 London 1980 (11) 36.f5 Kxf5 37.g4+ Kg5 38.gxh5 Rc2+ 39.Kg1 Rc1+ 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41.Ke3 Rc1 42.Qd2 Rc8 43.Qd7 Rc1 44.e8Q Re1+ 45.Kd2 Nc5 46.Qg6+ Kf4 47.Qdf5# 1-0 Snijders, P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo U12 op 2002 (11)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 The main line 8...Bb6 scores better than 8...Bb4+. Die Hauptvariante 8...Lb6 punktet besser als 8...Lb4+. **9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qa4 f6**



...Bxf3 would now be deadly. **13.Nxd5N fxe5**

[13...Qxd5? 14.Bc4 Ne7 (*14...Ba5+? 15.Bd2+-*) 15.Bxd5++-]

[13...Bf7 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Nf4 g5]

14.Bxc6

[14.Nxb6 axb6 15.Qc2 exd4 (*15...Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Bxf3 17.gxf3±*) 16.Bxc6 Bxf3 (*16...bxc6 17.Nxd4 Bg6 18.Qe2∓*) 17.gxf3 bxc6∓]

14...bxc6 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.Qc4+

[16.Qxc6 seems wilder. Bxf3 17.gxf3 exd4 18.0-0-0]

16...Bf7 17.Qc2 exd4

[17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qxe4+-]

18.Nxd4 c5

[18...Rxa2? 19.Rxa2 (*19.Nxc6? Rxa1+ 20.Bc1 Rxc1+* Deflection *21.Qxc1 Qd3-+*) 19...Nxf2 20.Bxf2+-]

19.Qxe4 Re8 20.Nc6 Qf6 21.Ne5 Qxe5 22.Qxe5 Rxe5 23.a3 Bb3 24.0-0 b5 25.Rac1 c4 26.Rfe1 Rae8 27.Bd2 Kf7

[27...Rxe1+ simplifies 28.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 29.Bxe1 Bd1]

28.Bc3 Rxe1+ The position is equal. **29.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 30.Bxe1=** Endgame KB-KB **30...Ke6 31.Bc3 g6 32.f3 Bc2 33.Kf2 Bd3 34.h4 h5 35.Ke3 c6 36.Kf4 Bf1 37.g3 Be2 38.Ke4 Bd1 39.Ke3 Kf5 40.Bb4 Bc2 41.Kd4 Bd1 42.Ke3** A balanced but interesting game. Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) /Black=0.02 (flawless)

42...Ke5

½-½

648 **C54**

☐ **Burtasova,Anna** **2241**

■ **Tripurambika,V.** **1723**

Swiss Queens Wed #23 blitz (7) 3.7.24

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3N**

[6.a4 a6 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 0-0 9.Qe1 Ne7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Nd2

Qd7 12.Qg3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Qg4 14.Qe1 Qe6 15.b3 g6 16.a5 Kg7 17.Nf3 h6 18.Nh4 Neg8 19.h3 Rae8 20.Qb4 Qc8 Sevian,S (2698)-Lazavik,D (2553) Aimchess Rapid Div 2 W 2023 (6.2) 1/2-1/2]

[6.h3 h6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Na4 Bb6 9.Nxb6 axb6 10.Bd2 Ne7 11.Nh4 Be6 12.Bb3 Bxb3 13.axb3 Qd7 14.Qf3 Ng6 15.Rxa8 Rxa8 16.Nxg6 fxg6 17.Bxh6 gxh6 18.Qxf6 Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 exf4 Causil Pastrana,X (1564) -Martinez Serna,M (1621) Juegos Univers 31st (Women) op 2024 (4) 1/2-1/2]

[6.Nc3 a6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.Bxd5 0-0 9.h3 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Bg5 Qe8 12.c3 Ba7 13.Re1 Bd7 14.d4 h6 15.Be3 Qe7 16.Qd2 Bc6 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Qc2 Rfe8 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 e4 Orfila,A (1890)-Sprott,G (2110) 145/77 Biel 2020 (3) 0-1]

[6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 h5 9.h4 Bg4 10.c3 Qd7 11.d4 exd4 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 Qf5 15.Nxg4 hxg4 16.Bd3 Qd5 17.b4 0-0-0 18.c4 Qc6 19.bxc5 Rxh4 20.f3 Rdh8 2 Part Chapter-Games Part 5 Chapter]

6...0-0 7.Nbd2 7.Re1 is the modern continuation. 7.Te1 ist die moderne Fortsetzung. **7...h6 8.h3 Bb6 9.Bb3 a6 10.Nc4 Be6N** 0.61/19

[Vorgänger: 10...Ba7 11.Ne3 Ne7 12.Nh4 d5 0.69/18 *(12...Kh7= 0.21/17* might be stronger.*)* 13.Qf3 0.22/18 *(13.exd5⩲* 0.69/18 *Re8 14.Re1)* 13...c6= 14.g4 Nh7 15.Nef5 Nxf5 16.Nxf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Bxf5 18.gxf5 Shah,J (1905)-Bharadia,Y (1643) IND-ch U13 33rd 2019 (11) 1/2-1/2]

[10...Ba7= 0.13/19 deserves consideration.]

11.Nxb6⩲ cxb6 12.Bc2 d5 13.Qe2 0.09/17

[13.d4⩲ 0.52/19]

13...d4 0.89/18

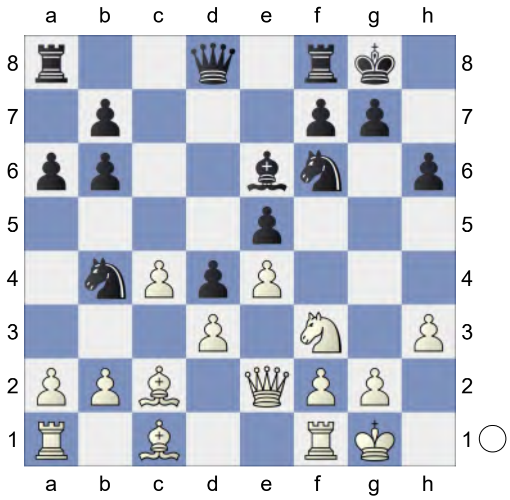
[13...dxe4= 0.09/17 14.dxe4 b5]

14.c4 -0.31/17

[14.cxd4± 0.89/18 exd4 15.Bf4]

14...Nb4? 1.25/20

[14...b5∓ -0.31/17 stays ahead.]



15.Bd1 0.00/19

[15.Nxe5± 1.25/20 Hoping for f2-f4. Nxc2 16.Qxc2]

15...b5 0.99/18

[15...Nd7= 0.00/19]

16.a3 0.12/20

[16.Nxe5± 0.99/18 Black must now prevent a2-a3. bxc4 17.Nxc4 *(17.dxc4 d3⩲)*]

16...Nc6=

[16...Nxd3 looks sharper. 17.Qxd3 Bxc4 18.Qb1 Bxf1 19.Kxf1 d3]

17.c5 -0.72/18

[17.cxb5= 0.05/18 axb5 18.Nh2]

17...b6 0.32/18

[17...Nd7∓ -0.72/18]

18.cxb6⩲ Qxb6 19.Nh4 b4 0.70/17

[19...Nd7= 0.25/17]

20.Nf5 -0.10/19

[20.f4± 0.70/17]

20...Bxf5= 21.exf5 bxa3 22.bxa3 Rfe8 0.54/18

[22...Rac8= -0.08/17]

23.Qf3 -0.64/18

[23.Ba4± 0.54/18]

23...e4 24.dxe4 Rxe4 0.45/22

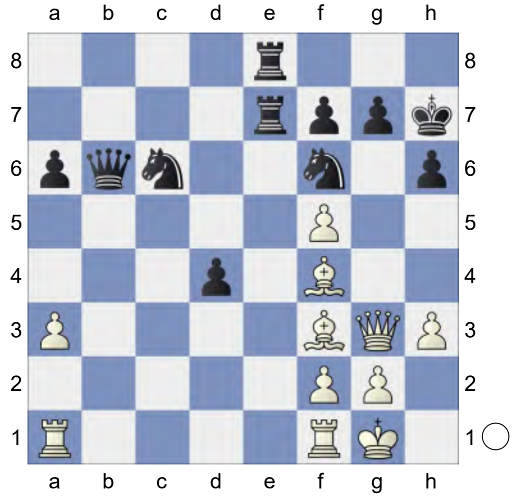
[Black should try 24...Rac8∓ -0.36/20]

25.Qg3± Kh7 1.05/19

[Black should play 25...Ne7± 0.40/20]

26.Bf3± Re7 27.Bf4 Rae8? 4.43/22

[27...Rc8± 0.84/19 is a better chance.]



28.Rab1+- Qc5 29.Rfc1? 0.04/21

[29.Bd6+- 4.42/20 Qxf5 30.Bxc6]

29...Qxf5= 30.Bxc6→ 0.01/21 White has some attack. This pair of bishops is nice.

[30.Bd6± 0.54/21 Ne5 31.Bxe7 Nxf3+ 32.Qxf3 Qxf3 33.gxf3 Rxe7 34.Rb4]

30...Rc8? 4.42/20

[30...Nh5= 0.01/21 31.Qg4 Qxg4 Remove Defender 32.hxg4 Nxf4]

31.Bf3+- Rxc1+ 32.Rxc1 d3 33.Rd1 Rd7 34.Bg4 Nxg4 35.hxg4 Qd5 36.f3 2.48/19

[⌓36.Qf3 4.20/19]

36...Qb3 37.Rd2 Qb1+ 38.Kh2 Qa1 39.Bd6 Qc3 40.Bb4 Qc1 4.90/23

[⌓40...Qf6 3.25/20 41.Rd1 Qd8]

41.Qe5 White is clearly winning.

41...Qc7 42.Qxc7 Rxc7 43.Rxd3 Rc3 44.Rxc3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.54/Black=0.74

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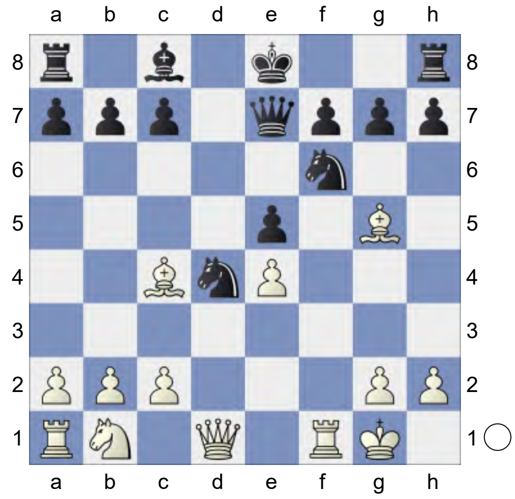
649 **C50**
☐ **Oren,Itamar** **2229**
■ **Cavajda,Ivan** **2470**
corr EU/TC11/sf2 01.06.2017
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7**



10.Na3 -0.77/19

[10.Kh1= -0.26/19 remains equal.]

10...Rg8 -0.39/21

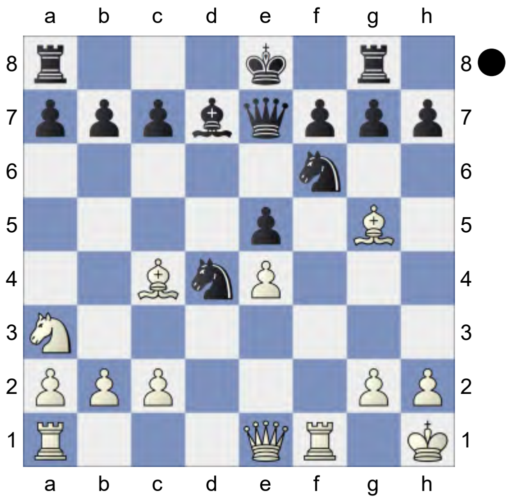
[Black should play 10...Ne6∓ -0.77/19 11.Bxf6 gxf6]

11.Kh1 -0.76/20

[11.c3∓ -0.39/21 Ne6 12.Bxe6 Bxe6 *(12...Qxe6? 13.Qe2-+)* 13.Qa4+ Bd7 14.Qa5]

11...Bd7 12.Qe1

(Diagram)



Black is better. **12...0-0-0** -0.34/20

[12...Ne6!∓ -0.73/20 13.Be3 Nxe4]

13.Qf2∓

[13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 a6 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

13...Be6! 14.Rae1N

[14.Bxe6+ Nxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd2 6 Chapter-Games Chapter 10 Game]

[14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Rxf6 Rg4 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. f4]

[14.c3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rg4 19.Kg1 Rxe4 20.b3 Rd3 21.Rc1 Nd8 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt]

14...a6 15.c3 Nc6 16.Qe2 Kb8 17.Rf2 Rd6 -0.16/21

[17...Rd7∓ -0.53/19 might be stronger.]

18.Bxe6= Rxe6 19.Ref1! h6 20.Bxf6 Rxf6 21.Rxf6 gxf6 22.Nc4 Qe6 23.b3 Ne7 24.Ne3 Rd8 25.h3 Qc6 26.Qc4 Qxc4 27.Nxc4 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **27...b5 28.Ne3 Rd6 29.Kg1 a5 30.c4 b4 31.Ng4 Ng8 32.Ne3 Rd4 33.Rf3 Rxe4 34.Kf2 Rd4** The position is equal. **35.Ke2** Against Rd2+ **35...c6 36.Nf5 Rd8 37.Rd3 Kc7 38.Rxd8 Kxd8 39.g4 Ke8 40.Ke3 Ne7 41.Nxh6 Kf8** and ...Kg7 should not be overlooked **42.Nf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.08 (flawless) **42...Nxf5+**

½-½

650 **C52**

☐ **Bauer,Robert** **2615**

■ **Seiler,Werner** **2330**

corr RSX9E - B00 - Königsbauer-1

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Yasser Seirawan: 'Return now to the Italian Game, which starts' **1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Bc5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6 9.Bg5! Qg6** With the idea ...Nge7. **10.Nxc3 Nf6N** 1.18/21

[Black should try 10...Bxc3± 0.54/19 11.Qxc3 d6 (*11...Nf6 12.Bd3 0-0 13.Rae1 b5 14.e5 Nd5 15.Qc2 Qh5 16.a3 h6 17.Bd2 Nde7 18.Re4 Ng6 19.Rfe1 Bb7 20.g4 Qh3 21.R1e3 f5 22.exf6 Rxf6 23.Bf1 Qxf3 24.Qb3+ d5 25.Rxf3 Rxf3 26.Qxf3* 1-0 (31) 2. 2 Checks On The a2-g8 Diago-*** William Steinitz - Johann,L Zwischenzug! A Comprehensive Guide to I 2023; *11...Nge7 12.Bxe7 Nxe7 13.Ne5 Qf6 14.Bxf7+ Kd8 15.Rac1 Nc6 16.f4 Rf8 17.Bd5 a5 18.Nxc6+ bxc6 19.e5 Qe7 20.Bxc6 Ra7 21.Rcd1 Qb4 22.Qd4 Ke7*

23.Qxa7 1-0 Andriasian-2.c4 e5 (2600) Garga URS-training 1953; *11...Nh6 12.Bc1 Ng4 13.Bb2 d6 14.Rad1 Bd7* Gaujens,A-Reyes Larena,J X Open Salou ESP 2008 *)*]

11.e5± White is better. **11...d5 12.exf6**

[12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 0-0∓]

12...dxc4 13.Rae1+ Be6 14.fxg7 Qxg7 15.Qxb7 0-0 16.Qxc6 0.62/20

[16.Ne4!± 1.41/20 Bxe1 17.Rxe1]

16...Bxc3⩲ 17.Re3 Rfc8 0.91/18

[17...Rab8⩲ 0.48/18]

18.h3± White has strong compensation. White is much more active. **18...Rab8 19.Bf4 Rb6 20.Qe4** This costs Black the game. **20...f5** 2.47/21

[20...Bb2± 1.04/18]

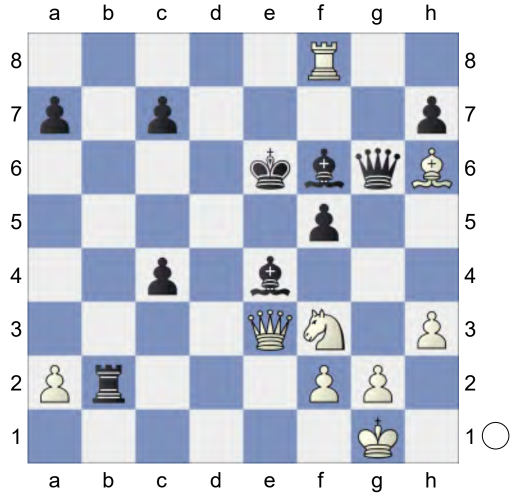
21.Qc2+- Bf6 22.Rfe1 Rb2 23.Qc1 Bd5 24.Re8+

[24.Be5 Rxa2 *(24...Bxf3? 25.Qxc4+ Kh8 26.Bxf6+-)* 25.Bxf6 Qxf6]

24...Rxe8 25.Rxe8+ Kf7 26.Bh6!

[26.Rc8?! Rb7⩲]

26...Qg6 27.Qe3 Be4 28.Rf8+! Ke6

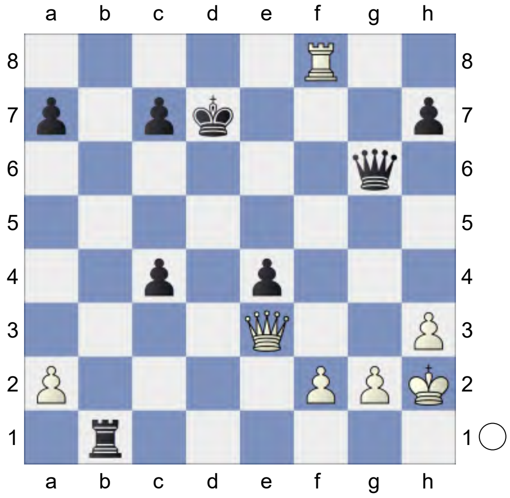


Threatens to win with ...c3. **29.Bg5!** The board is on fire. **29...Rb1+ 30.Kh2 Bxg5**

[30...Bg7? 31.Nd4+ Bxd4 32.Qxd4 Qxg5 33.Re8++-]

31.Nxg5+ Kd7 32.Nxe4 fxe4

Endgame



KQR-KQR. Black is a pawn up. **33.g3!**

[33.Qxa7? loses. Qd6+ 34.g3 Qxf8-+]

33...Rd1 Dodges Qd4+ **34.Qxa7 Rd5** 3.22/17

[34...Qc6 2.17/16 35.Qb8 Ke6]

35.Qa4+ Ke7 4.13/21

[35...c6 2.78/19 was necessary. 36.Qa7+ *(36.Qxc4 e3+-)* 36...Kd6]

36.Rf4 Rc5 37.Qa8 Strongly threatening Qf8+. **37...Re5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.26 (precise)

38.Qf8+

1-0

651 **C56**

☐ **Zhang,Xiaowen** **2339**

■ **Ruan Lufei** **2480**

WCh Women Antakya TUR (2.2) 8.12.10

[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3*

0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/ (75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Be7

[9...f6 10.Re1+ Kf7 11.Bh6 Kg6N *(11...Bf5 12.g4 Bc8!* ; 12.♘h4 - Short, BCM 11/2010 Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '; 12.♘h4 - Short, BCM 11/2010'*)* 12.Qc1 Qd5 13.Nh4+ Kf7?! *(13...Kh5∞* Moradiabadi ... www.chessbase.com/newsdetail.asp?newsid=6759*)* 14.Nd2 *(⌓14.Qd1!±* Moradiabadi*)* 14...Qh5 15.Ne4 Qxh4 16.Nxc5 Kg6 *(16...Ne5!?* Fressinet *)* 17.Bf4 Rxg7 18.c3!≌ d3 19.b3 b6? 20.Ne6 Bxe6 21.Rxe6± Short-Fressinet, Khanty Mansiysk 2010]

10.Re1 Be6 11.Bxe7 Kxe7 12.Re4 White is more active. **12...f5 13.Rh4 Kf7 14.Rxh7** White is slightly better. **14...Rxg7 15.Rxg7+ Kxg7 16.Qd2** 0.52/19

[16.Qc1!± 0.90/20]

16...Qf6 1.09/18

[16...c3!⩱ 0.52/19 17.bxc3 dxc3 18.Qxc3+ Qf6]

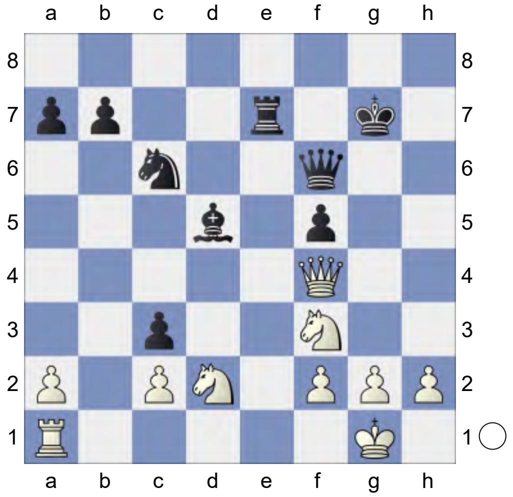
17.Qf4± Re8N 18.Qxc7+ 0.83/17

[⌓18.Nbd2 1.20/19]

18...Re7 19.Qf4

[Reject 19.Qg3+?! Qg6=]

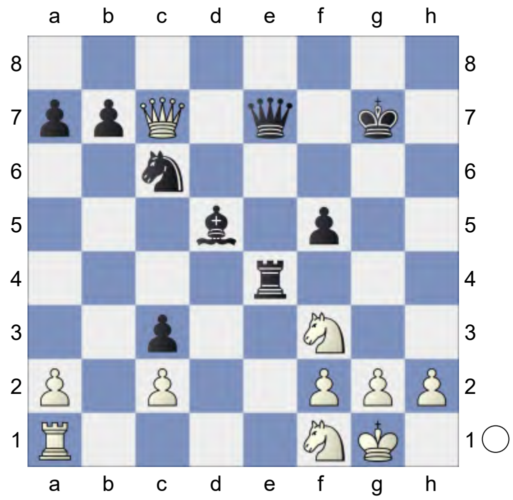
19...Bd5 and ...Bxf3 should not be overlooked **20.Nbd2 c3 21.bxc3 dxc3**



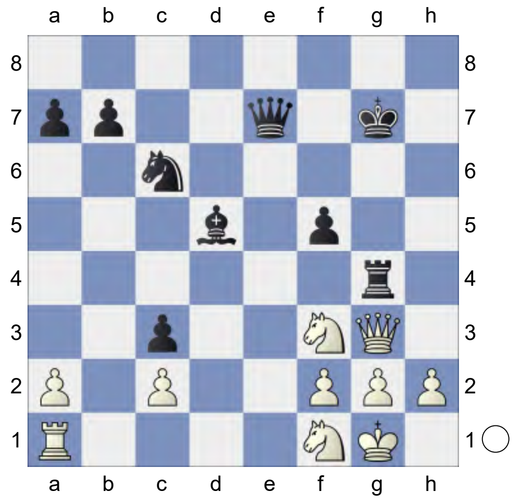
22.Nf1 and Ne3 should not be overlooked **22...Re4** Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): '?' **23.Qc7+ Qe7** 2.44/18

[23...Qf7± 1.32/19 24.Qd6 Qe6]

(Diagram)



24.Qg3+!+- Rg4?! Diagram



Mikhail Golubev (www.chesstoday.net): 'Diagram {#}' **25.Ne3!** (With a huge advantage for White). Pin, Double Attack **25...Rxg3 26.Nxf5+** A dynamic duo of knights. **26...Kf7 27.Nxe7 Rxf3 28.Nxd5** Endgame KRN-KRN. White is two pawns up. **28...Rf5 29.Nxc3 Rc5 30.Ne4 Rxc2 31.h4** and later White won (1-0, 42). **31...Kg6 32.Kh2 Re2 33.f3** White is clearly winning. **33...Ne5 34.Kg3 Nc4 35.Kh3 Ne5 36.a4 Nd3 37.g4 Ne1 38.h5+ Kg7 39.Ng3 Re5 40.Nf5+ Kf6 41.Kg3 Re2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) / Black=0.30 **42.h6**

1-0

652 C50

□ Oren,Itamar 2229

■ Shetko,Leonid Vladimirovic 2415

corr EU/TC11/sf2 01.06.2017

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Rg8 11.Kh1 Ne6N**

[11...Bd7 12.Qe1 0-0-0 (*12...a6 13.Qf2 Ne6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 b5 16.Bb3 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rg6* Heid,R-N,N URS-ch Soviet Union 1983) 13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2) a6]

12.Be3 Black is slightly better. **12...Nc5**

[12...Nxe4 13.Qh5 (*13.Qd5 Nd6=*) 13...Nd6 14.Bd5= (*14.Qxe5 Bd7=; 14.Qxh7 Rf8=*)]

13.Bxc5 Qxc5 14.Qd3! Qe7 15.Qe3 Bg4 Prevents Rad1 **16.Rae1 a6 17.c3 Be6 18.Rd1 Rf8 19.Bd5 Ng4! 20.Qg3 0-0-0 21.Nc4 Nf6! 22.Qxe5 Qe8 23.Qd4 Kb8** Wards off Qa7+ **24.Ne3 h5 25.Kg1 Ng4 26.Rfe1 Bc8 27.h3 Ne5 28.Qc5 f6 29.Rf1 h4 30.Nf5 g5 31.Bb3 Bxf5 32.Rxf5 Nd3**

[32...Rxd1+ simplifies 33.Bxd1 b6 34.Qf2 Qe7]

33.Qc4 b5

[33...Nxb2? 34.Rxd8+ Qxd8 35.Qe2+-]

34.Qe6 Qxe6

[34...Nxb2? 35.Rxd8+ Qxd8 36.Qxa6+-]

35.Bxe6 Ka7

[35...Nxb2 36.Rxd8+ Rxd8 37.Rxf6∓]

36.Bb3 c5! 37.Rdf1 c4! 38.Bc2 Nf4 39.Rf2 Prevents Ne2+. **39...Rd6 40.e5 Re6 41.exf6 Rfxf6**

[41...Rexf6 42.Rxf6 Rxf6 43.Kh2∓]

42.Rxf6

[42.Rxg5? Ne2+ 43.Rxe2 (*43.Kf1? Ng3+ 44.Rxg3 hxg3-+* Pin) 43...Rxe2-+]

42...Rxf6∓ Endgame KRB-KRN **43.Rd2 Kb6 44.Bd1 Nd3** -0.35/23

[44...a5!∓ -0.87/22]

45.Be2 -0.87/24

[45.b3∓ -0.35/23]

45...Nc1!∓ 46.Bf3 Nxa2 47.Rd1 Repels Nc1 **47...b4! 48.cxb4 Nxb4 49.Be2** Wards off Nd3 **49...Rf4! 50.Rd8 Kc5 51.Rc8+ Nc6 52.Ra8 a5 53.Bf3** Dodges Re4 **53...Nd4 54.Bd1 Kb5**

[54...Kb4 55.Rb8+ Kc5 (*55...Nb5 56.Bh5∓*) 56.Ra8]

55.Rb8+ Kc6 56.Rc8+ Kb6 57.Rb8+

[57.Rxc4? Nf3+ 58.gxf3 Rxc4-+]

57...Kc7! 58.Rg8 Rf5 59.Bg4 Rc5 60.Kf2 Nc6 61.Ke2 Rb5 62.Kd2 Rxb2+ 63.Kc3 Rb5! 64.Bd1 -1.51/24 Inhibits a4.

[⌓64.Kxc4 -0.93/23 Kb6 65.Kc3]

64...Rc5! 65.Rg7+ Kd6! 66.Rg6+ Ke7! 67.Rg7+ -2.78/30

[⌓67.Bf3 -1.80/22 Nd8 (*67...Nb4 68.Be4=*) 68.Bg4]

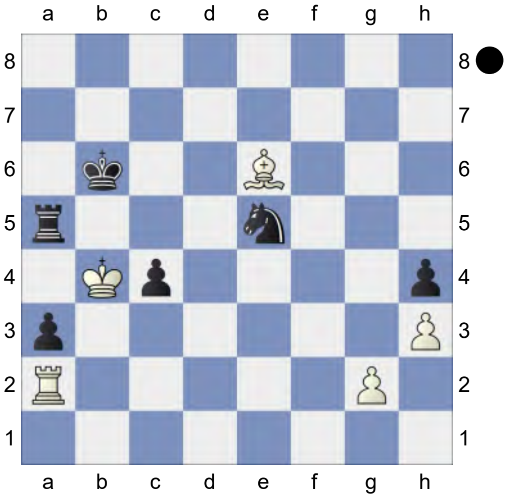
67...Kf6-+ 68.Rc7 Bf3 would now be deadly. **68...Ke6?** -0.73/20

[68...Ke5-+ -2.92/29 and Black stays clearly on top. Strongly threatening ... Kd6. 69.Rg7 Kf4]

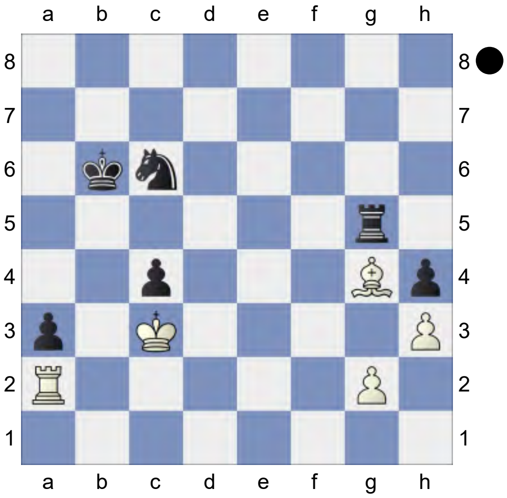
69.Bg4+∓ Ke5 70.Rg7! a4! 71.Rxg5+ Kd6 72.Rg6+ Kc7 73.Rf6! a3 74.Rf2 Ra5 75.Ra2 Ne5 76.Kb4 -0.79/26

[76.Be2!∓ -0.37/29]

76...Kb6 77.Be6



Nc6+! 78.Kc3 Rg5 79.Bg4!



Ne5 0.00/33

[Black should try 79...Kc5!∓ -0.93/25 80.Rxa3 Re5]

80.Rxa3= The position is equal. **80...Nxg4 81.hxg4 Rxg4** KR-KR. Black is a pawn up. **82.Ra8! Kb5 83.Rb8+ Kc5 84.Rc8+ Kd5**

[84...Kb5!?]

85.Rd8+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.04 (flawless) **85...Ke5**

½-½

653 **C51**

☐ **Bericat,Angel Hugo** **2507**

■ **Geider,Frank** **2496**

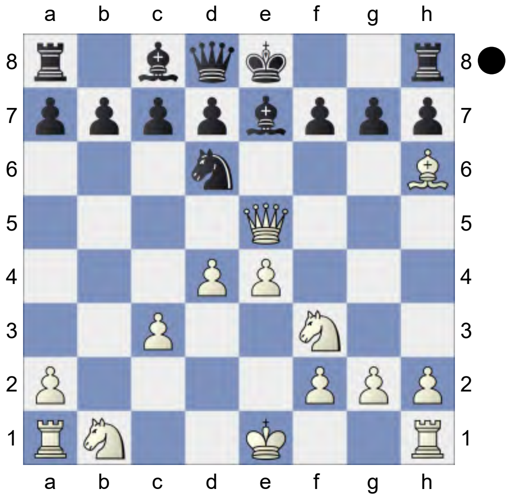
corr Pelikan mem A 1997

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4**

[1.e4 0 c5 0 2.Nf3 0 Nc6 0 3.Bb5 0 e6 3 4.0-0 0 Nge7 0 5.Ba4 0 a6 0 6.c3 0 d5 0 7.exd5 0 Nxd5 0 8.Bxc6+ 0 bxc6 0 9.c4 0 Nf4 0 10.Nc3 0 Ng6 0]

1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.Qb3 Nh6 7.d4 Na5 8.Qb5 Nxc4 9.Bxh6 Nd6 10.Qxe5



Nxe4! Black has an edge.

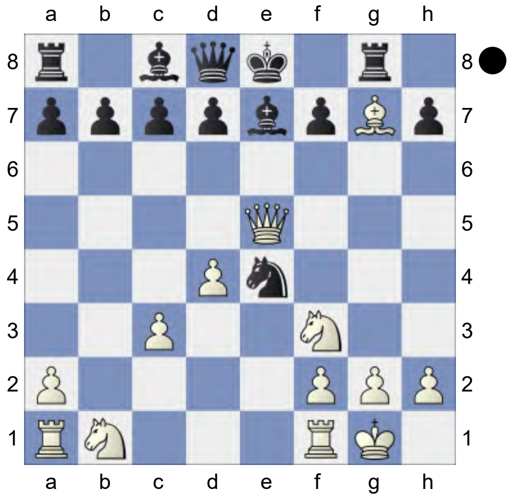
[10...f6 11.Qh5+ Kf8 12.Bf4 Nxe4 13.Nh4 Qe8 14.Qxe8+ Kxe8 15.0-0 f5 16.Nxf5 d5 17.Nxe7 Kxe7 18.Bxc7 Bf5 19.f3 Nd6 20.Re1+ Kd7 21.Bxd6 Kxd6 22.Re5 Bg6 23.Na3 Rhe8 24.Rae1 a6 25.c4 0-1 Deglmann,L (2304)-Skembris,S (2463) 118/129 Augsburg 2012]

11.Bxg7

[11.Qxe4 gxh6 12.0-0 d5 13.Qe3]

11...Rg8 12.0-0N -0.96/18

[12.Qxe4= -0.17/21 Rxg7 13.g3 *(13.0-0 d5 14.Qe5 Kf8 15.Re1 Qd6 16.Qe2 Bh3 17.g3 f6 18.Nbd2 Kg8 19.c4 c6 20.Rab1 Bf8 21.cxd5 cxd5 22.Nf1 Re7 23.Qd3 Rxe1 24.Nxe1 Qd7 25.Qf3 Bf5 26.Rxb7 Qxb7 27.Qxf5 Re8* ½-½ Morozevich,A (2748)-Bacrot,E (2594) Sarajevo Bosnia 30th 2000 (10) *28.Nd3 Re4 29.Nf4 Rxd4 30.Ne3 Bh6 31.Qe6+ Qf7 32.Qc8+ Qf8 33.Qg4+ Qg7 34.Qf3 Rxf4 35.Qxd5+ Kh8 36.Qd8+ Qg8 37.Qxg8+ Kxg8 38.gxf4 Bxf4 39.Nd5 Be5 40.f4 Bd4+ 41.Kg2 Kf7 42.f5 Ke8* ½-½ Sethuraman,S (2748)-Campos (2594) 64/84 Azov 1995 (10) *)*]



12...d5!∓ 13.Nfd2 -1.93/22

[13.Re1∓ -1.34/21]

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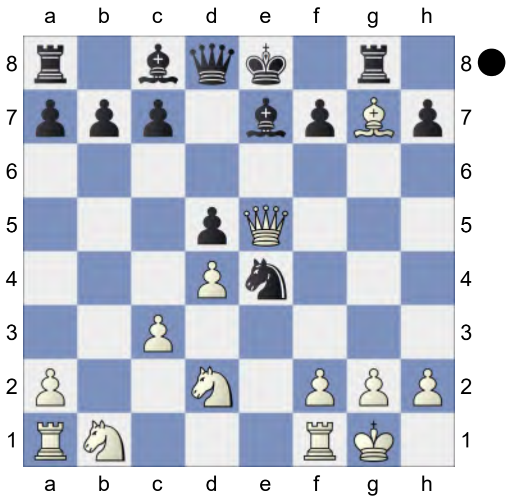


13...Be6 -0.91/19

[13...Qd6!-+ -1.93/22 has better winning chances. aiming for ...Qg6. 14.Re1 (*14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Re1 f5∓*) 14...f5 15.Qxd6 Bxd6]

14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.g3 Qd7 0.15/18

[15...Bd6∓ -1.23/19 16.Qf6 Be7]

16.Bf6= 0-0-0 -0.33/18

[16...Bxf6= 0.15/21 is superior. 17.Qxf6 Qe7 18.Qxe7+ Kxe7]

17.Bxe7∓ Qxe7 18.Qxe4 Rg4 0.46/20

[18...Qg5∓ -0.33/18]

19.Qe2±

[19.Qc2 simplifies c5 20.Nd2 cxd4 21.cxd4+ Kb8 22.Nf3]

19...Qh4 20.Re1 Rdg8 1.21/20

[Black should try 20...Rg6± 0.49/18]

21.Nd2± Bd5? 2.53/18

[21...h5± 1.02/18 was worth a try.]

22.c4+- Be6 23.d5 Bf5 24.Qf3 Rf4 25.Qe3 Rfg4 26.Qxa7 Rxg3+ 8.02/17

[26...Qf6 3.57/18 27.Qa8+ Deflection Kd7 28.Qxb7 Qb6 29.Qxb6 cxb6]

27.fxg3 Rxg3+ White used his chance. Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.73 **28.Kh1**

1-0

654 C50
☐ Ketelhoehn,Bernd 2326
■ Wittal,Werner 2266
corr freechess.de 10.04.2017
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7** aiming for ...Qc5. **10.Rf2N**

[10.c3 Ne6 (*10...Be6 11.Na3 Nc6 12.Kh1 Rd8 13.Qe2 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Rf2 Rg8 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Nc2 Kf8 18.Ne3 Nb8 19.Qh5 Kg7 20.Qf3 Kh7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 e4 23.Qf4 Rd6 24.Re2 Nd7 25.Rxe4* 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)) 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Na3 Nf4 13.Kh1 Bd7 14.Qf3 h5 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. f4]

[10.Na3 Bd7 (*10...Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7 12.Qe1 0-0-0 13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5* 2 Bianchi,E-Noshin,A Chapter 7 Part) 11.Qe1 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

[10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 f5 ½-½ Voboril, P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London

International 1876 (1)]

10...Bd7 11.Nc3 c6 12.Qd3 The position is equal. **12...0-0-0 13.Raf1 Ne6** 0.24/22

[⌓13...b5 -0.29/19 14.Bb3 Nxb3 15.axb3 Qc5]

14.Bxf6= gxf6 15.Qe3! Kb8 16.Rxf6 Rhf8 17.Ne2 Prevents Nf4. White is much more active. **17...Bc8 18.b3** 0.45/19

[White should try 18.h3± 0.84/18]

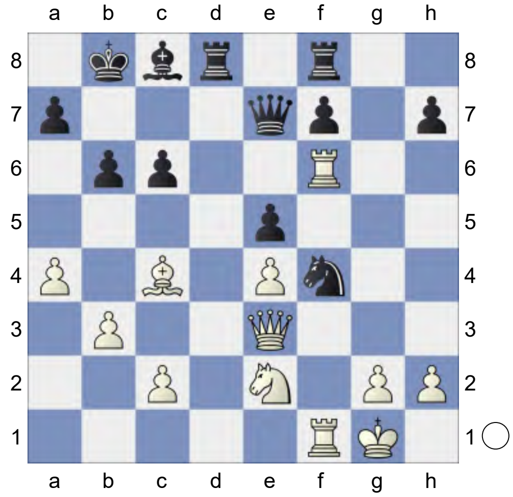
18...b6 1.14/20

[18...a5± 0.45/19]

19.a4

[19.h3 simplifies Qc5 20.Qxc5 Nxc5 21.Nc3]

19...Nf4



20.Nxf4! Qxf6 21.Ne6 Discovered Attack, Double Attack **21...Qxf1+** 1.66/20 **22.Bxf1+- Bxe6 23.Qh6 Kb7 24.Qg7**

[24.Qxh7 Rd1=]

24...Rfe8 25.Bd3

[25.Qxh7?! Rd1=]

[25.Qxe5?! Bxb3 26.Qh5 Be6±]

25...a5 1.89/22

[25...Re7± 1.42/18]

26.Qxh7

[26.Qxe5 Bxb3 27.Qf6 Be6=]

26...Kc7 1.98/22

[26...Re7± 1.14/18 was worth a try.]

27.Qg7 Kd6 28.Qf6 Rg8 29.Be2 Rde8 30.Bh5! Wards off Rg6

[30.h4 Rg6 31.Qf2 Reg8=]

30...Rh8 31.Bg4

[31.Bxf7 Rhf8 32.Qf2 Rxf7∓ *(32...Bxf7 33.Qxb6 Ra8 34.h3∓)*]

31...Rhg8 32.Bf5 b5 33.g4

[33.h4 Rg3±]

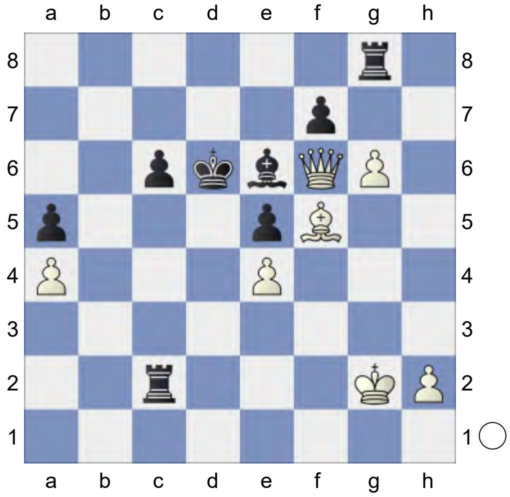
33...Rb8 34.g5

[34.Bxe6 fxe6 35.Qf3 Kc7 36.axb5 cxb5±]

34...bxa4 35.bxa4

[Inferior is 35.Bxe6 fxe6 36.bxa4 Rbf8=]

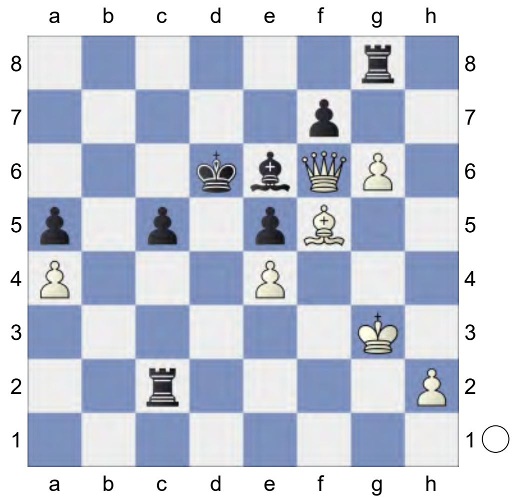
35...Rb1+ 36.Kg2 Rb2 37.g6 Black must now prevent Kf3. **37...Rxc2+**



38.Kg3! c5 3.98/20

[⌓38...Rc1 2.56/19 39.Kh4 Rh1]

(Diagram)



39.g7! White is winning. **39...Rc3+ 40.Kh4 Rf3 41.Kh5**

[Weaker is 41.Kg5 Rf2 42.h3 c4+-]

41...c4 Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.03 (flawless) / Black=0.30 **42.Kh6**

[42.Kg4 Rf4+ (*42...Rf1 43.Kh5=*) 43.Kh5 (*43.Kg5? c3-+*) 43...c3-+]

1-0

655 **C52**

☐ **Rodriguez,Keith A** **2446**

■ **Novak,David** **2439**

corr 15th USCCC Finals 06.10.2003

[Kitty Kat]

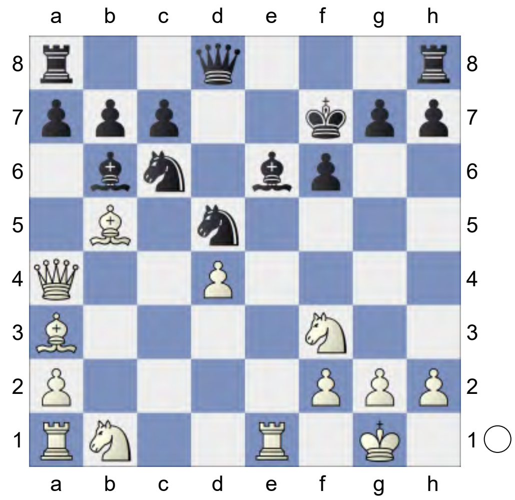
C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Nge7 8.cxd4 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Ba3 Be6 11.Bb5 f6N

[11...Bb4 12.Bxc6+ bxc6 13.Bxb4 Nxb4 14.Qa4 Rb8 15.a3 Nd5 16.Qxc6+ Qd7 17.Qc5 Qd6 (*17...f6 18.Nbd2 Nf4 19.Rfe1 Rb5 20.Qc4 Rb6 21.d5 Nxd5 22.Qc5 Ne7 23.a4 0-0 24.a5 Ra6 25.Nd4 Rd8 26.N2f3 Nc8 27.Rxe6 Rxe6 28.Qc4 Rde8 29.Nxe6 Qxe6 30.Qxc7 Qe7 31.Qc3 Rd8 32.g3* ½-½ Castello Benavent,J (2176)-Zielinski,S (2232) corr Spain - Germany 2008 [19]*)* 18.Qxa7 0-0 19.Nbd2 Ra8 20.Qc5 Qxc5 21.dxc5 Ra4 Rosas,A-Markus,R Bundesliga 2000-1]

12.Qa4 The position is equal. **12...Bb6 13.Re1! Kf7** 1.72/19

[13...Qd7!= 0.03/17 and Black stays safe.]



14.Rxe6!+- Kxe6 15.Bc4!↑ Black must now prevent Nc3. White is on the roll. A strong pair of Bishops. **15...Na5 16.Nc3 Nxc4 17.Qxc4 c6 18.Re1+ Kf7** Hoping for ...Re8. **19.Re7+** Deflection **19...Qxe7 20.Bxe7 Kxe7 21.Nxd5+ cxd5 22.Qxd5 Rhe8 23.Qxb7+** 0.57/17

[23.Qe4+± 1.54/18 Kf7 24.Qxh7 (*24.Qxb7+ Kg8±*)]

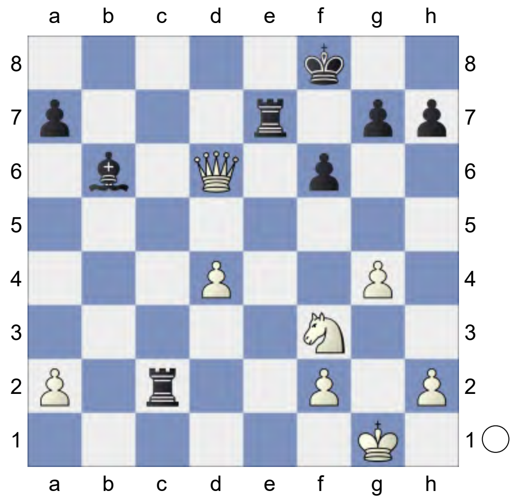
23...Kf8± 24.Qc6 White is more active. **24...Rac8 25.Qd6+ Re7** 0.75/21

[25...Kg8± 0.37/21 26.g4 Rcd8]

26.g4± Rc2 1.85/19

[26...Rce8± 0.91/18]

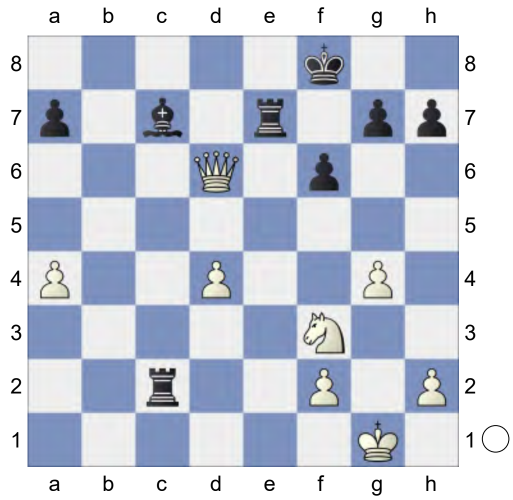
(Diagram)



27.a4 0.82/19

[27.g5!+- 1.85/19 is more deadly.]

27...Bc7



28.Qa3 Bf4 2.70/19

[⌓28...g6 1.66/17 29.g5 fxg5 30.Nxg5 Rce2]

29.a5 Rc4 2.98/18

[29...g6 1.96/18 was necessary. 30.d5 Rc4]

30.Qd3+- Rc1+ 31.Kg2 g6 32.d5 Bd6 33.Nd2 Kg7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.37

34.Ne4

1-0

656 **C52**

☐ **Pappier,Carlos Guillermo** **2434**

■ **Grafen,Denis** **2415**

corr WC.2009.S. 07.02.2006

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qf6 ...d6! poses a challenge **8.0-0! Bb6**

9.e5 The position is equal. **9...Qf5**

[9...Qg6 10.cxd4 Na5 11.Qc3 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 Ne7 13.Ba3 ½-½ Vasquez Bonifacio,L (2747)-Novy,M (2686) ROM-chT Romania 1994 (3.1)]

10.Ba3N

[10.Nxd4 Bxd4 11.cxd4 Nxd4 12.Qd1 Nc6 13.Bd3 Qe6 14.Nc3 Nge7 15.Re1 a6 16.Bb2 0-0 17.Qh5 h6 18.Ne4 Nb4 19.Nf6+ Kh8 20.Be4 Rd8 21.Rad1 1-0 Carlson,L (2232)-Piszcz,K (2087) Bundesliga 2014-15]

10...Nge7

[10...Nxe5? 11.Re1 *(11.Nxd4 Qf6∓; 11.Nxe5 Qxe5 12.Nd2 Qf6+-)* 11...d6 12.cxd4+- *(12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.Bxf7+ Kd8±)*]

11.cxd4 -0.36/17

[11.Nxd4= 0.04/19 Qh5 *(11...Qxe5 12.Bxf7+ Kd8 13.Nxc6+ Nxc6 14.Nd2∓; 11...Bxd4 12.cxd4 Nxd4 13.Qg3=)* 12.Nxc6 bxc6 *(12...Nxc6 13.Nd2∓)* 13.Nd2]

11...Nxd4? 1.19/16

[11...Na5!∓ -0.36/17 keeps the upper hand. 12.Qa4 Nxc4 13.Qxc4 d5 14.exd6 cxd6]

12.Nxd4± Bxd4 13.Nc3 aiming for Rad1. **13...Bxe5** 1.24/18

[Black should play 13...b6 0.82/19]

14.Rae1 d6 15.Nb5 White is more active. This move loses the game for

Black. **15...Kd8?** 2.67/16

[15...0-0± 1.00/20]

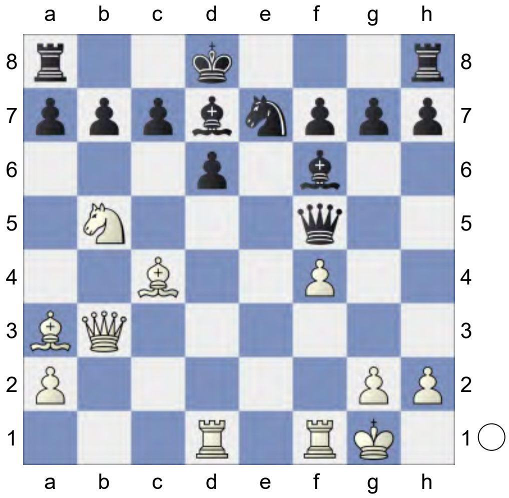
16.f4!+-

[16.Bxf7 Nc6∓]

16...Bf6 17.Rd1!

[17.Bxf7 Bd7 18.Nxd6 cxd6∓]

17...Bd7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18.Rxd6! cxd6

[18...Qe4 19.Rdd1]

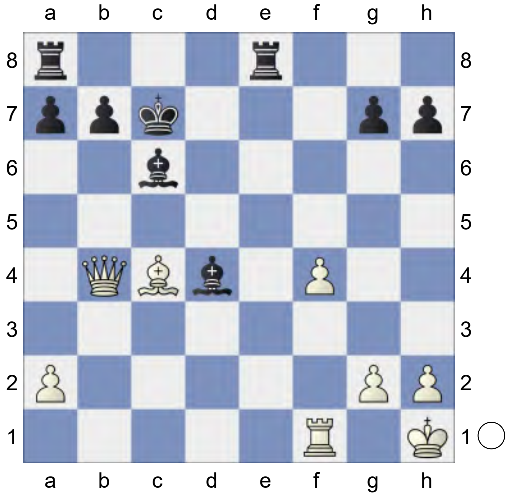
19.Nxd6 Bd4+ 20.Kh1 Qf6 21.Nxf7+ Kc7 Hoping for ...Nf5!. **22.Bd6+ Qxd6**

[22...Kc8 23.Rb1 Bb6 24.Be5± *(24.Nxh8? Qxd6 25.Nf7 Qf6-+)*]

23.Nxd6 Kxd6 24.Qb4+ Deflection

[And not 24.Qxb7 Nc6=]

24...Kc7 25.Qxe7 Rhe8 26.Qb4 Bc6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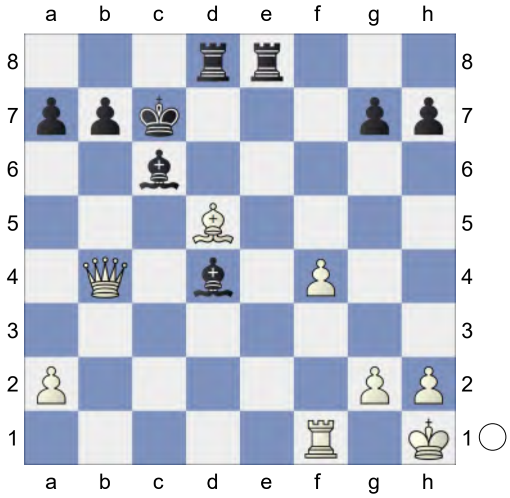
27.Bd5! Discovered Attack **27...Rad8**

[27...Bxd5 28.Qxd4]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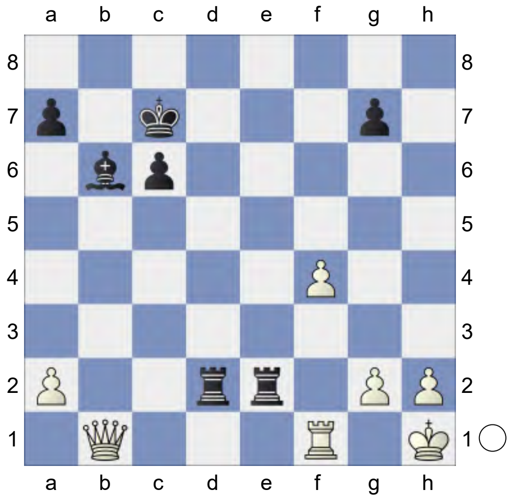
28.Bxc6

[Don't do 28.Qxd4?! Rxd5 29.Qxg7+ *(29.Qxa7 Re2=)* 29...Kb8±]

28...bxc6 29.Qa5+ Bb6 30.Qh5 Re7 31.Qxh7 Rd2 32.Qb1 Ree2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33.Qg6 Bd4 34.a4 Rb2 35.h4 c5 36.Rc1 Rxg2? 6.19/25

[36...a6 3.66/17 37.h5 *(37.Qxa6 Rxg2 38.Qa7+ Kd6=)* 37...Kd7 38.Qf5+ *(38.Qxa6 Rxg2 39.Qa7+ Kd6=)* 38...Kc6 39.Qc8+ Kb6 40.Qd8+ Kb7 41.Qd5+ Kb6 42.a5+ Kxa5]

37.Qxg2 White is clearly winning. **37...Rxg2 38.Kxg2** Endgame KR-KB

38...Kd6 39.Kf3 Kd5 40.Rb1 Bc3 41.h5 c4 42.Rb5+ Kd4 43.f5 Kd3 44.Rd5+ Kc2 45.Ke4 Kb3 46.a5 a6 47.Rd6 Bxa5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.48 **48.Rxa6**

1-0

657 **C54**

☐ **Hasannudin,Zenathan Adnin**

■ **Steiner,Mario**

Adelboden Swiss Alpine op (1) 24.11.23

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Ilincic,Zlatko Dragan Solak Kitty Kat Kitty Kat ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0**

[RR 5...d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.h3 h6 9.a4 Ba7 10.Nbd2

A) RR 10...Re8 11.Nf1 Be6 12.Bxe6 Rxe6 13.Ng3 d5 14.Qe2 a5 15.Nh4 Ne7 16.Nhf5 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nxf5 18.Nxf5 Qd7 19.Qf3 Rd8 20.Bxh6 Nxe4 21.Rxe4 gxh6 22.Qg4+ Rg6 23.Nxh6+ Kf8 24.Qxd7 Rxd7 25.Nf5;

B) RR 10...Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.b4 Ne7 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.N1h2 Rf7 15.g3 d5 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 Qd6 18.Qb3 a5 19.bxa5 Nd7 20.d4 Raf8 21.Rd1 dxe4 22.Nxe5 Ndxe5 23.dxe5 Qc6 24.Qb5 Qxb5 25.axb5;

C) RR 10...Ne7 11.Bb3 *(RR 11.d4 Ng6 12.Bf1 c6 13.Qc2 Qc7 14.a5 Re8 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nc4 Be6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Ree1 Rd7 20.Ne3 Rdd8 21.Rab1 Nf4 22.b4 Bc8 23.Rb2 Ne6 24.Nd2 Ng5 25.h4 Ne6)* 11...Ng6 12.d4 Re8 13.Bc2 c6 14.Nf1 Qc7 15.Ng3 Be6 16.Be3 Rad8 17.Qc1 Bb8 18.a5 Rd7 19.Ra4 d5 20.dxe5 Nxe4 21.Bb6 Qc8 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Raxe4 Bf5 24.R4e3 Bxc2 25.Qxc2;

D) 10...Qe7 11.b4 Be6 12.Rb1 Qd7 13.b5 Ne7 14.d4 Bxc4 15.Nxc4 exd4 16.cxd4 axb5 17.Rxb5 c6 18.Rb3 *(RR 18.Rb1)* 18...d5 19.Nfe5 Qd8 *(RR 19...Qc7 20.exd5 cxd5)* 20.exd5 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-So,W (2751) Saint Louis USA 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (43)]

6.b4N

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 *(RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3; RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3; RR 9...a6 10.a4 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Qd7 14.a5 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Bxe7 Nxe7 17.Re1 Rf4 18.g3 Rf7 19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Rxe4 Qd5 21.Nd2 Nc6 22.Qb3 Rd8 23.Qxd5 Rxd5 24.Nb3)* 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 *(RR 13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4; RR 13...Nd7*

14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4; RR *13...Nd7 14.Bg3 Bf6 15.dxc5 dxc5 16.Qe2 Nc6 17.Rfd1 Qc7 18.Nf1 Ne7 19.Rd2 Nb6 20.Ne3 Be6 21.Bb3 c4 22.Bc2 Rad8 23.Rad1 Ng6 24.Nd4 Nf4 25.Bxf4 exf4 26.Nef5 Bxf5 27.Nxf5 Be5 28.Qg4)* 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Balogh,C (2628)-Kosten,A (2448) Brest 2018 EXT 2019 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (45)]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Bg3 d6 9.a4 *(*RR *9.h3 Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.Nf1 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ne3 Bg6 14.0-0 Qd7 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Be4 17.Bd5 Bxd5 18.Nxd5 Bg5 19.Qb3 Qf7 20.h4 Bf6 21.Rac1 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Qxd5 23.Rxc6 Bxb2)* 9...Be6 *(*RR *9...Nh5;* RR *9...Kh8 10.Nbd2 Nh7 11.0-0 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Re1 a6 14.b4 Bf6 15.Bd5 Bxd3 16.Ne4 Bxe4 17.Bxe4 Ng5 18.Nxg5 Bxg5 19.b5 Na5 20.Bc2 Qe8 21.Qd3 g6 22.Re4 axb5 23.Rae1 Qf7 24.h4)* 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.a5 Qe8 12.Nbd2 Nh5 13.0-0 Bf6 14.Qb3 Rb8 15.Qc4 g5 16.h3 Nf4 *(*RR *16...Bg7)* 17.d4 h5 *(* RR *17...Kh8)* 18.d5 exd5 19.exd5 Ne7

A) RR 20.Bxf4 exf4 21.Rae1 *(* RR *21.Qxc7 g4);*

B) 20.Qxc7 g4 Wafa,H (2359)-Garv,R (2277) Doha QAT 2024 [Kitty Kat] ½-½ (71) RR 21.Bxf4 gxf3 22.Be3]

[RR 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Be7 8.Nbd2 d6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bb5 a6 11.Ba4 b5 12.Bc2 c5 13.d4 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.h3 Bb7 16.Re1 Re8 17.a3 exd4 18.Nb3 d5 19.e5 Ne4 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 Rudolph,J (2628)-Kublis,A (2448) European Championship, Antalya 2018 Juniors [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (45)]

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6...Be7! is recently more successful than 6...Bb6. ist inzwischen erfolgreicher als 6...Lb6. **7.0-0**

[7.Nbd2 d5 8.Bb3 Be6 9.0-0 a6 10.Re1 Qd7 11.Bb2 dxe4 12.dxe4 Rad8 13.a4 Nh5 14.g3 Bh3 15.Kh1 Nf6 16.Qe2 Bg4 17.Nc4 Bd6 18.Kg2 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Na3 Rb8 21.Qe3 Ne7 Gazi,M (2785)-6. ♘a3 cd4 7.cd4 ♗d7 (2701) 8... ♘c5 (Analyse) 2023 03 d5 and e6: model game [John Watson] 0-1 (32)]

7...d6N 0.37/20

[7...d5= -0.06/20 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.b5 *(9.Re1 Bf6* 5 Lesson 16: Italian with c3 an-Italian 3... Bc5 4. c3 with*)* 9...Na5 10.Nxe5 *(10.Bxd5 Qxd5 11.c4 Qd7 12.Bd2 e4 13.Bxa5 exf3 14.Qxf3 a6 15.bxa6 Rxa6 16.Bc3 b5 17.Nd2 b4 18.Bb2 c5 19.Rfe1 Bb7 20.Qe2 Rg6 21.Ne4 f5 22.Ng3 Bd6 23.f3 Bxg3 24.hxg3 Rxg3* 3) Italian 3...Nf6 - Solid Be (2546)-15. ♘c4 0-0 16. ♕e5 ♖ab8 (2698) France 2014 Blackburne [Baburin,A] 0-1 (34) *)* 10...Nxc4 11.dxc4 Nb6 12.Ba3 Bxa3 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.Nxa3 Be6 15.c5 Nd7 16.Nxd7 Rxd7 17.Rfd1

Rad8 18.Rxd7 Rxd7 19.c6 bxc6 20.bxc6 Rd6 21.Nb5 Rxc6 22.Nxa7 Rb6 23.a4 c6 Intro & 9 Be3 (2569)-21.Qc4 (2595) Moscow 2012 CBM 146 [Adriano, CHECK! #535] ½-½ (53)]

8.h3 Be6 9.Nbd2 White is slightly better. **9...Qd7 10.Bxe6N**

[Vorgänger: 10.Ng5 -0.28/22 10.a2-a4 0.35 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 b5 12.Ne3 d5 0.22/20 *(12...a5∓ -0.52/20)* 13.Nxd5 -0.26/22 *(⌓13.a4 0.22/20)* 13...Nxd5= 14.exd5 Qxd5 15.Qc2 -1.30/21 *(15.a4∓ -0.42/23)* 15...Rad8 -0.31/21 *(15...Bxg5∓ -1.30/21 16.Bxg5 e4)* 16.d4 Bxg5 0.01/23 *(16...g6∓ -0.56/22)* 17.Bxg5 0-1 Berning,T (1778)-Simons,D (1876) Muensterland Verbandsliga 1213 2012 (6.4)]

10...fxe6 11.Bb2 b5 12.Qb3 d5 13.Rad1 Rad8 0.58/19

[13...a5= 0.25/18 deserves consideration.]

14.Rfe1 Bd6 15.d4 exd4 2.03/22

[15...Rfe8± 0.60/20]

16.e5+- Nxe5 2.81/22

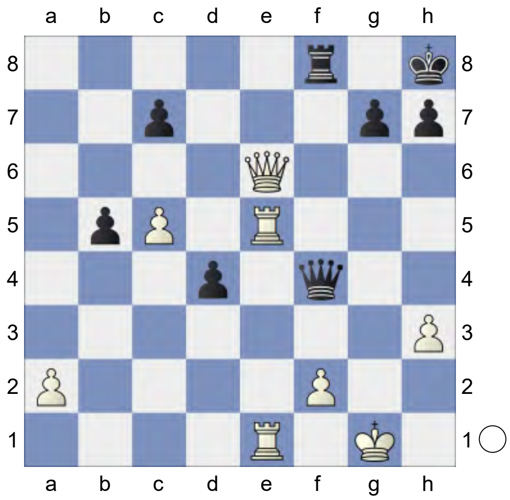
[⌓16...d3 1.97/21 17.exd6 *(17.exf6 Rxf6 18.Re3 Qf7+-)* 17...cxd6]

17.Nxe5 Bxe5 18.Rxe5 dxc3 19.Bxc3 Qf7 20.Nf3 Black must now prevent Nf3-g5. **20...Ne4 21.Bd4 Qg6 22.Bxa7 Rf7 23.Bc5 Nxc5 24.bxc5 Rdf8** And now ...Rf7xf3 would win. **25.Kh1 Qh6 26.Qe3 Qg6** 5.30/22

[⌓26...Qxe3 3.73/23 27.fxe3 Rf6]

27.Rxe6 Rxf3 28.gxf3 Qf5 29.f4 Qh5 30.Re1 d4 31.Qb3 Kh8 32.R6e5 Qg6 33.Qe6 Qd3 34.Kh2 Qf3 35.Kg1 White threatens Qe6-f7! and mate. **35...Qxf4**

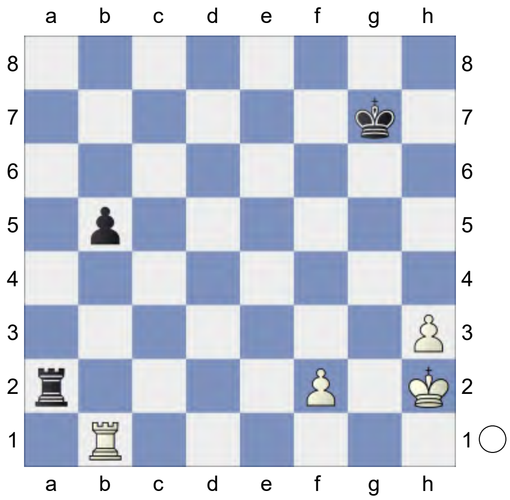
(Diagram)



36.Rf1 5.95/21

[⌓36.Rf5!! #11/21 Qxf5 37.Qxf5 Rb8 38.Qf7 h6 39.Re7 Rg8 40.Rxc7 Kh7 41.Rd7]

36...h6 37.Re4 Qg5+ 38.Qg4 Qxc5 39.Rxd4 Rf6 40.Rd7 Qf8 41.Rxc7 White wants to mate with Rc7-c8. **41...h5 42.Qxh5+ Rh6 43.Qg4 Qf6 44.Rxg7?** 1.23/22 **Qxg7± 45.Qxg7+ Kxg7+-** Endgame KR-KR **46.Kh2 Ra6 47.Rb1 Rxa2**



48.Kg3!

[But not 48.Rxb5?! Rxf2+ 49.Kg3 Rf6=]

48...Ra3+ 49.Kg4 0.02/28

[White should play 49.Kg2± 0.56/30]

49...Ra4+= The position is equal. **50.f4**

b4 51.Kg5 Ra5+! 52.f5 Rb5 53.h4 b3 54.Rb2 Kf7 55.h5 Kg7 56.h6+ Kh7 57.Kf6 Rb6+ 58.Kg5 Rb5 Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.52 Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.52

½-½

658 C51

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■ Binder,Gerhard 0

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[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Nxe5 Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Qxd5 10.Ne3 Qd8 11.0-0 Nf6 12.c4 0-0 13.Bb2**

[13.Nc3 Re8 (*13...c6 14.Rb1 Re8 15.Bb2 Qc7 16.Qf3 Bd6 17.h3 Bd7 18.Rfe1 Rad8* Evans Gambit-9.ed5 ♕d5 10. ♘e3 ♕d8_81 Survey 2018) 14.d5 Bc5 15.Nc2 Bf5 16.Nd4 Bg6 17.Nb3 Bf8 18.Bg5 h6 19.Bh4 Bb4 20.Qd4 b6 21.Rac1 Be7 22.Bg3 Nd7 23.Nb5 Bf6 24.Qd2 Be5 25.f4 Bf6 26.f5 Bg5 27.Bf4 Bh5 0-1 Kurnosov,I (2527)-Kobalia,M (2656) chessassistantclub.com INT blitz 2004]

13...c6 14.Nc3 Re8 15.d5N Black has an edge.

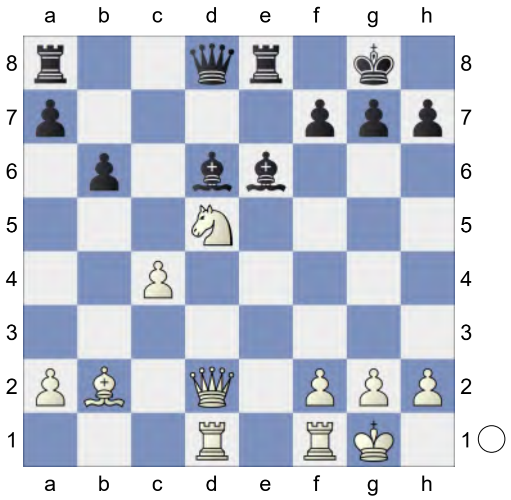
[15.Qd3 Bf8 16.a4 Ng4 17.Nxg4 Bxg4 2) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit 4.b4 − 6.d4 Na]

15...cxd5 0.04/19

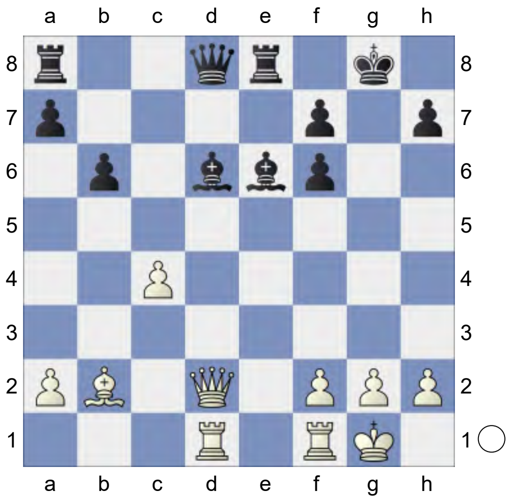
[15...Bd7∓ -0.40/18 deserves consideration.]

16.Ncxd5= Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Bd6 18.Qd2 Be6 19.Rad1→ White is up to no good. Black cannot hold the game after this. **19...b6?** 3.01/21

[19...Bxd5= 0.01/20 and Black is okay. 20.Qxd5 Bf8]



20.Nf6+!+- Discovered Attack, Deflection **20...gxf6**



21.Qh6! Bf8 22.Qh4 Bg7 23.Rxd8 Raxd8 24.h3 Rd2 4.35/19

[⌓24...h6 3.04/20 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Qxf6 Kh7]

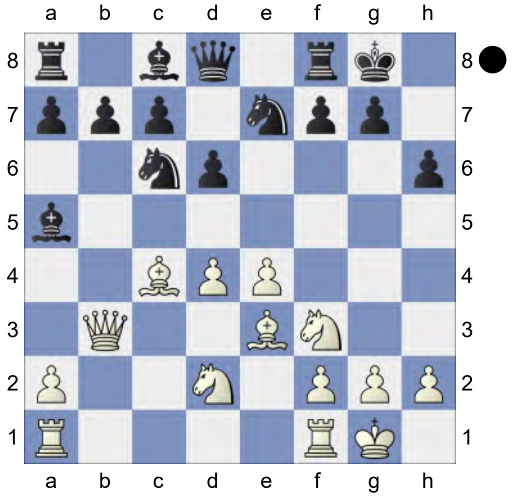
25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Qxf6 and Qg5+ would now be decisive **26...Red8 27.f4 R8d6** 5.94/21

[⌓27...Bxc4 3.90/15 28.Rf3 R8d3

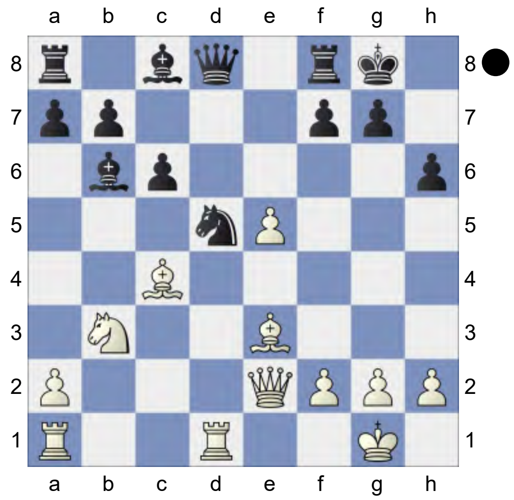
29.Qg5+ Kf8 30.Qh6+ (*30.Rxd3 Rxd3 31.Qh6+ Ke7+-*) 30...Kg8 31.Qg5+]
28.Qg5+ White is clearly winning.
28...Kf8 29.f5 Bxc4 30.Re1 h6 31.Qe7+ Kg8 Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) /Black=0.72
32.Qh4
1-0

659 C52
☐ **Pruskova,Justyna 1077**
■ **Lickova,Anna 1457**
CZE-ch U12 Girls (1) 11.03.2023
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 G12.29: "White can resign after move number nine!!" **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4** The old main line. The old main line. **7.0-0 Nge7** 0.87/14
[7...Nf6= -0.05/19 remains equal.]
8.Qb3? -0.64/9
[8.Ng5!± 0.87/14 d5 (*8...dxc3? 9.Nxf7 Rf8 10.Nxd8+-*) 9.Bb3 (*9.exd5 Ne5=*)]
8...0-0∓ 9.cxd4 d6 -0.85/9
[9...Bb6! -1.59/11 10.d5 (*10.Rd1 Na5 11.Qc2 Nxc4 12.Qxc4 d5 13.Qe2 dxe4* 0-1 Verheyen,N-Motwani,P Training Game, Strombeek, Belg 2001) 10...Na5]
10.Be3N -1.59/12
[⌓10.d5 -0.85/9 Nb8 11.Bb2]
[10.Bb2 Ng6 11.Nc3 Bb6 12.Ne2 Na5 13.Qd3 a6 14.d5 Nxc4 15.Qxc4 f6 16.Nfd4 Qe7 17.Ng3 Ne5 18.Qb3 Bxd4 19.Bxd4 Rb8 20.f4 Ng6 21.Rae1 Qd8 22.Qf3 c6 23.Qh5 Bd7 24.Nf5 Be8 1-0 Onatsevich,O (1917)-Ilic,M (1386) CCOL11 fin-02 9298 1992 (4)]
10...h6 -0.42/21
[10...Bb6∓ -1.59/12 11.Qa3 Bg4 (*11...d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nc3∓*)]
11.Nbd2N -1.16/19
[Predecessor: 11.h3 -1.28/18 11.d5 -0.43 Bb6! 12.Qc2 -1.81/20 (*12.Nc3∓* -1.26/20) 12...d5-+ 13.exd5 Bf5 14.Qe2 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 Qxd5 16.Nc3 Qd8 -1.41/16 (*16...Qa5-+* -1.98/19 *17.Qd2 Rfd8*) 17.d5 0-1 (64) Van Diermen,A (1958)-Hollan,P (1577) Penarth 2011]
[11.d5!∓ -0.42/21 Nb8 12.Nc3]



11...Ng6 -0.59/14
[11...Bb6!∓ -1.16/19 12.d5 Bxe3 13.Qxe3 Na5]
12.Rfd1 -0.99/10
[12.a4∓ -0.59/14]
12...Nce7 -0.41/17
[Black should try 12...Bb6∓ -0.99/10 and ...Na5 should not be overlooked 13.a4 Bg4]
13.Qc2 -0.97/13
[White should play 13.h3∓ -0.41/17]
13...c6 14.Nb3 Bb6 15.Qe2 -1.83/18
[15.h3∓ -0.93/19]
15...d5-+ 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Ne5 Nxe5 18.dxe5



Bxe3! 19.fxe3 Qe7 -1.68/18

[⌓19...Nc3 -3.06/20 20.Bxf7+ Kh8 *(20...Kxf7? 21.Qf2+ Kg8 22.Rxd8+-)*]

20.Bxd5 cxd5 21.Rxd5 Be6 22.Rb5 -2.34/18

[22.Rd4∓ -1.53/17]

22...a6 23.Ra5 b5 24.Qb2 -2.20/17

[⌓24.Nd4 -1.75/18]

24...Qg5 This move loses the game for White. **25.e4** -3.15/16

[25.Qd4∓ -1.57/11]

25...Qe3+ 26.Kh1 Qxe4 27.Nc5 Qd5 28.Nxe6 fxe6

[Don't play 28...Qxe6 29.a4 Qc6 30.h3∓ *(30.axb5 axb5 31.h3 Rab8∓)*]

29.Ra3 Rf5→ White is in trouble. **30.Re3** -3.77/19

[30.h3 -2.56/20 keeps fighting.]

30...Raf8 31.Qe2 -6.89/24 Inhibits Rf1+.

[31.Kg1 -3.66/20]

31...Rf2 Skewer, Double Attack **32.Rg1 Rxe2 33.Rxe2 Qd4 34.Ree1 Rf2 35.Ref1 Rxf1 36.Rxf1 Qxe5** Endgame KQ-KR **37.h3 Qd5 38.a3 e5 39.Re1 e4 40.Kg1 Qd4+ 41.Kf1 Kf7 42.Ke2 Kf6 43.Rd1 Qc4+ 44.Kf2 Qc2+ 45.Ke1 e3 46.g4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.63/Black=0.32 **46...Qf2#**
0-1

661 C50
☐ Oren,Itamar 2211
■ Kunzmann,Hector A 2202
EU-ch 2018 pr11 email 20.05.2018
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7** Prevents Nb5 **12.Qe1** Black is better. **12...0-0-0** -0.39/20

[12...Ne6!∓ -0.84/19 13.Be3 Nxe4]

13.Qf2∓

[13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 a6 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

13...Be6 14.Rae1N

[14.Bxe6+ Nxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd2 6 Chapter-Games Chapter 10 Game]

[14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Rxf6 Rg4 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. f4]

[14.c3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rg4 19.Kg1 Rxe4 20.b3 Rd3 21.Rc1 Nd8 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt]

14...a6 15.c3 Nc6 16.Qe2 Rd6 -0.29/22

[16...Kb8∓ -0.72/20]

17.Bxe6+ Rxe6 18.Nc4 h6! 19.Bxf6

White is on the road to losing. **19...Rxf6 20.Rxf6** -1.15/24

[⌓20.a4 -0.77/23]

20...Qxf6∓

[20...gxf6?! 21.b3=]

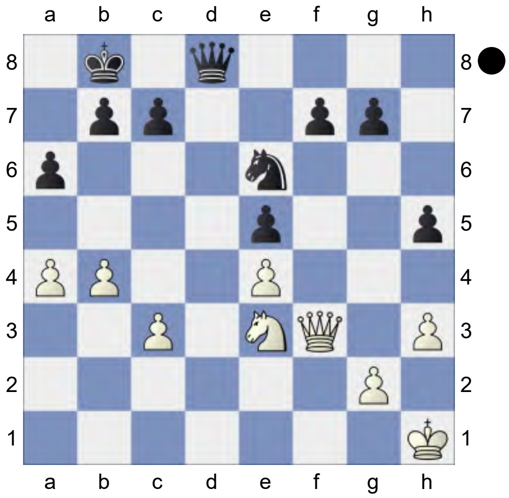
21.Ne3 Kb8 22.h3 Qg6 23.Nf5 Qg5 24.Qe3 Qf6 25.b4 Nd8 26.a4 -1.57/21

[⌓26.c4 -1.16/21]

26...Ne6 27.Rd1 h5! 28.Qf3 -2.02/25

[⌓28.Qg3 -1.62/23]

28...Rd8-+ 29.Rxd8+ Qxd8 Endgame KQN-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **30.Ne3**



Nf4! 31.Nd5 -2.20/20

[31.g3∓ -1.22/23 Nxh3 32.Qxf7]

31...Nxd5 32.exd5 KQ-KQ. Black is a pawn up. **32...Qe8 33.Qd1** -3.15/22

[33.Qxh5 e4 *(33...Qxa4 34.Qxf7 Qa1+ 35.Kh2=)* 34.Kg1 e3= *(34...Qxa4 35.Qxf7 Qa1+ 36.Kh2±)*]

[33.Qe4 -1.87/21]

33...e4 34.d6

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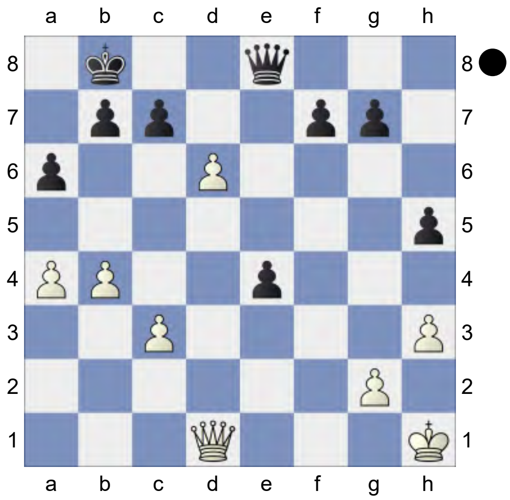

and d7 would now be decisive **34...Kc8 35.Qxh5?** -3.94/24

[35.Kg1 -2.32/21 is a better defense.]

35...cxd6

[35...Qxa4 36.Qf5+ Qd7 37.Qxe4∓]

36.Kg1 Qxa4 37.Qxf7 Qa1+ 38.Kf2 Qb2+

[38...Qxc3 39.Qe8+ Kc7 40.Qe7+ Kc6 41.Qxe4+ Kb6 42.g3∓]

39.Kg1 Qc1+

[39...Qxc3 40.Qe6+ Kb8 41.Qxd6+ Ka7 42.Kf2∓]

40.Kh2 Qxc3 41.Qe8+ Kc7 42.Qe7+ Kb8 43.Qf8+ Ka7 44.Qxd6 e3 And now ...e2 would win. **45.Qe7 Kb6** -1.71/19

[⌓45...Qd4 -3.16/23 46.Kg3 g6]

46.Qe8? -4.53/18

[46.h4 -1.71/19]

46...a5

[Weaker is 46...Qxb4 47.Qxe3+ Qc5 48.Qe2∓]

47.bxa5+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise) **47...Kxa5**

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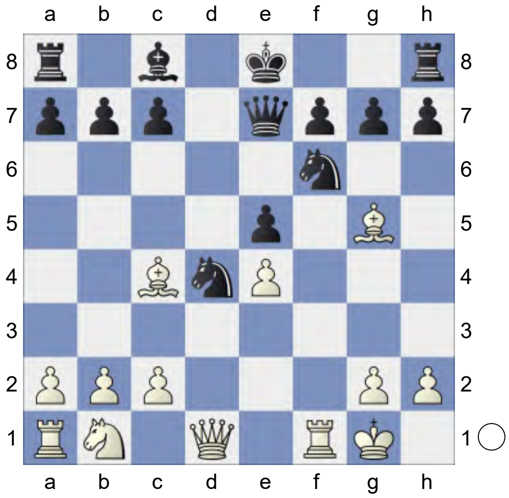
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7**



10.Na3 -0.64/20

[10.Qd3= -0.27/19]

10...Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7 Dodges Nb5 **12.Qe1** Black is slightly better. **12...0-0-0**

[12...Ne6!? 13.Bxf6 gxf6∓]

13.Qf2

[13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5 b6 26.Re5 a6 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

13...Be6 14.Rae1N

[14.Bxe6+ Nxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd2 6 Chapter-Games Chapter 10 Game]

[14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Qxf6 Qxf6 16.Rxf6 Rg4 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. f4]

[14.c3 Nc6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Bxc4 18.Nxc4 Rg4 19.Kg1 Rxe4 20.b3 Rd3 21.Rc1 Nd8 22. Halloween,G-Max Lange Attempt]

14...a6 15.c3 Nc6 16.Qe2 -0.85/19

[16.Bxf6∓ -0.47/20 gxf6 17.Qxf6]

16...Rd6 -0.26/20

[Better is 16...Kb8∓ -0.85/19]

17.Bxe6+ -0.67/21

[17.Bxf6= -0.26/20 is superior. gxf6 18.b4]

17...Rxe6∓ 18.Nc4 h6! 19.Bxf6 Rxf6 20.Rxf6 -1.32/20

[⌓20.b4 -0.81/22]

20...Qxf6∓

[20...gxf6?! 21.Ne3=]

21.Ne3 Kb8↑ Black is in control. **22.h3 Qg6 23.Nf5 Qg5 24.Qe3 Qf6 25.b4 Nd8 26.a4 Ne6 27.Rd1 h5 28.Qf3 Rd8 29.Rxd8+ Qxd8** Endgame KQN-KQN. Black is a pawn up. **30.Ne3 Nf4 31.Nd5** -2.02/18

[31.g3∓ -1.32/22 Nxh3 32.Qxf7]

31...Nxd5-+ 32.exd5 KQ-KQ. Black is a pawn up. **32...Qe8 33.Qd1**

[33.Qxh5 e4 *(33...Qxa4 34.Qxf7 Qa1+ 35.Kh2=)* 34.Kg1 e3 *(34...Qxa4 35.Qxf7 b6 36.Qxg7=)*]

33...e4 34.d6

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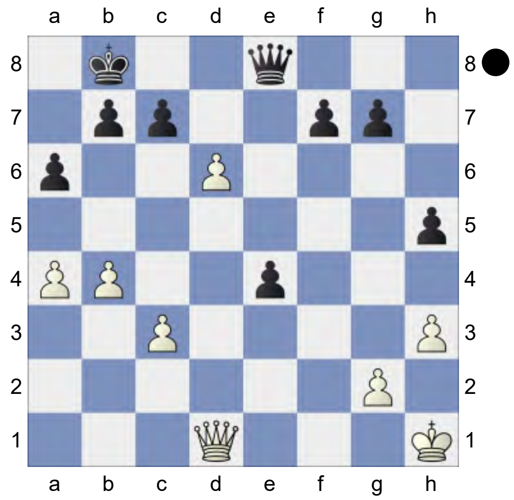

aiming for d7. **34...Kc8 35.Qxh5 cxd6**

[Weaker is 35...Qxa4 36.Kg1=]

36.Kg1 Qxa4 37.Qxf7 Qa1+ 38.Kf2 Qb2+

[Not 38...Qxc3 39.Qe8+ Kc7 40.Qe7+ Kc6 41.Qxe4+ Kb6 42.h4∓]

39.Kg1 Qc1+

[39...Qxc3? 40.Qe8+ Kc7 41.Qxe4∓]

40.Kh2 Qxc3 41.Qe8+ Kc7 42.Qe7+ Kb8 43.Qf8+ Ka7 44.Qxd6 e3 45.Qe7 Kb6 ...Qc7+ is the strong threat. **46.Qe8 a5**

[46...Qxb4 47.Qe6+ Ka7 48.Qxe3+ Qb6 49.Qc3=]

47.bxa5+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) /Black=0.06 (flawless) **47...Kxa5**

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662 **C56**

☐ **Alarcon Casellas,Rolando** **2484**

■ **Valle,E.** **2215**

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[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 e5 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 (*9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)) 10.Na3 Qe7 (*10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)) 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.Re1+ Be6 9.Ng5 Qd5 10.Nc3 Qf5 11.Nce4 0-0-0 12.g4 Qe5! 13.fxg7 Rhg8 14.Nxc5 -0.36/18

[14.Nxh7? Bb4 (*14...Rxg7? 15.Neg5-+; 14...Qxg7? 15.Nhf6-+*) 15.Nhf6 Rxg7-+ (*15...Bxe1?*

16.Qxe1 Rxg7 17.f4-+)]

[14.Nxe6= 0.27/21 fxe6 15.Bh6]

14...Qxc5∓ 15.Nxe6 Black is slightly better. **15...fxe6 16.Bh6 Qd5** Wards off Qf3 **17.Qe2** Prevents Ne5. **17...d3 18.Qxe6+**

[18.cxd3 Nd4 19.Qe4 Nf3+ 20.Kg2 Nxe1+ 21.Rxe1 cxd3 22.Qxd5 Rxd5∓]

18...Qxe6 19.Rxe6 Nd4 1.30/20

[19...dxc2= 0.02/19 20.Rc1 Nb4]

20.Re4 0.28/17

[20.Rf6!± 1.30/20 Threatens to win with cxd3. dxc2 21.Kg2]

20...Nxc2= 21.Rd1 Nd4 0.83/20

[21...Rd4= 0.28/20 remains equal. 22.f3 Rxe4 23.fxe4 Nd4]

22.Kg2± b5 23.Bg5 -0.09/21

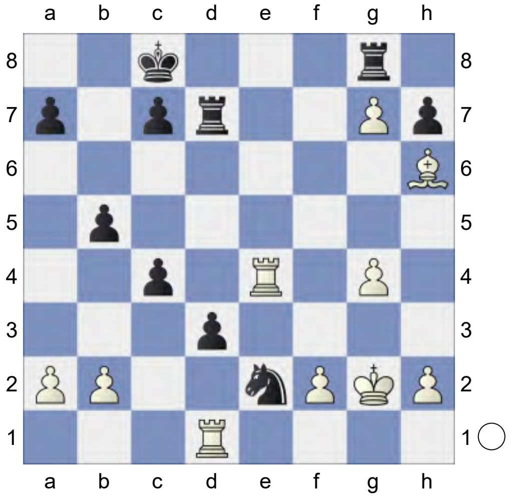
[White should try 23.h4⩲ 0.57/19]

23...Rd6!= 24.Bf4⇄ White has counterplay **24...Rd7 25.Bh6** -0.60/19

[25.Be5= 0.00/19 Ne6 26.Bc3 Nxg7 27.Re5]

25...Ne2 0.35/20

[Black should try 25...Kb7∓ -0.60/19]



26.Rxe2? -1.50/21 **dxe2⩲** Endgame KRR-KRB **27.Re1 Re7 28.f4 Kd7! 29.f5** -2.29/23 Against Re6

[29.Kg3∓ -1.32/19]

29...Ke8!-+ 30.Kf3 Kf7 31.Bg5 Ree8 32.Bh6 b4 33.h4? -3.47/19

[33.Be3∓ -1.53/18]

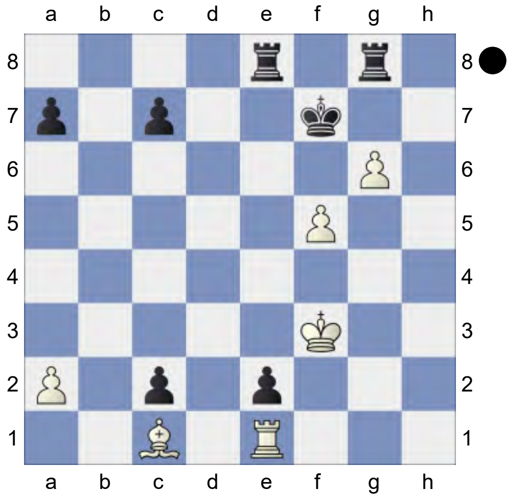
33...c3 34.bxc3 bxc3 35.h5 c2 36.Bc1 Kxg7

[36...Rxg7 37.g5-+]

37.g5 Kf7? -0.91/18

[37...Rgf8-+ -4.40/20 is more deadly. 38.f6+ Kf7]

38.g6+∓ hxg6 39.hxg6+



Ke7 -0.09/20

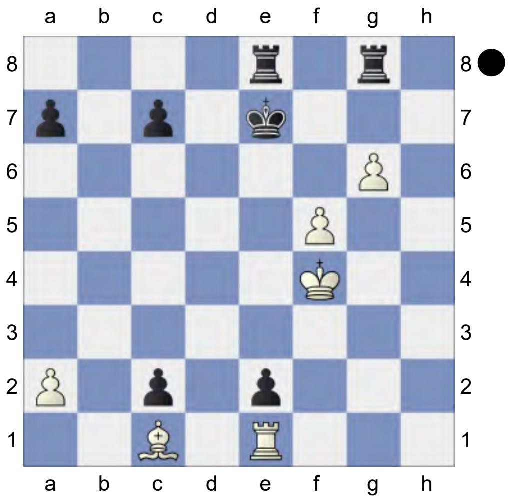
[39...Kf6 40.Kf4 Rb8 (*40...Re5 41.Bb2±* Pin) 41.Bd2∓]

[39...Kf8!∓ -0.76/24 and ...Rh8 should not be overlooked 40.Rxe2 Rxe2 41.Kxe2 Kg7 42.Bb2+ Kh6]

40.Kf4? -2.95/21

[40.Rxe2+= -0.09/20 and White stays safe. Kf6 41.Rxc2 Kxf5 42.Rxc7]

(Diagram)



40...Kd7!-+ 41.Ba3 c5 42.Kg5? -4.68/20

[42.Bc1 -2.58/19]

42...Re5 43.Kf4? -5.95/20

[43.Bb2 -1.99/18 was the crucial defense. Re3 44.Bc1]

43...Rge8 Black is clearly winning. **44.Bb2 Rd5 45.g7 Rd1 46.g8Q Rxg8 47.Rxe2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.81/Black=0.20 (precise) **47...Rf1+**

0-1

663 C50

☐ **Wessel,Rudolf 1920**

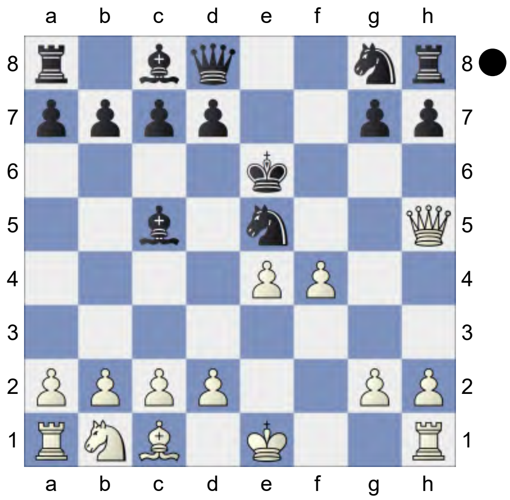
■ **Huber,Karl 1991**

corr freechess.de 16.08.2020

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ke6** aiming for ...Nf6. **7.f4**

(Diagram)



d6 8.fxe5 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...dxe5 9.Qh3+ Ke7 10.Qg3 Kf8N**

[10...Kf7 11.Qxe5 Bd4 12.Rf1+ Nf6 13.Qh5+ Kg8 22. Halloween,G-Jerome Gambit]

11.Qxe5 Qh4+ 12.g3 Qe7 13.Rf1+ Ke8 14.Qxe7+ Nxe7 15.Nc3 Bh3 16.Rf3 Bg2 17.Rf4 g5 18.Rf6 h6 19.Nb5 Kd7

[Less strong is 19...Bxe4 20.b4∓]

20.e5 a6 21.d4 Bb6 22.Rf2 Bd5 23.Na3 Bxd4 24.Rd2 Be3

[24...Bxe5 25.c4-+]

25.Rd3 Bxc1 26.Rxc1 Ke6 27.Rcd1 Raf8

[27...Bxa2 28.b3-+]

28.c4 Bg2 29.Kd2 Rf2+

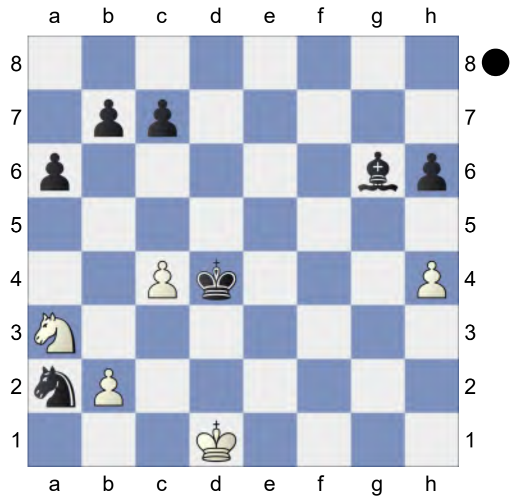
[Don't take 29...Kxe5 30.Re1+ Kf6 (*30...Be4? 31.Rde3-+*) 31.Rd7-+]

30.Kc3 Be4 Discovered Attack **31.Re3 Bg6**

[31...Kxe5 32.Rd4 Kf6 33.Rdxe4±]

32.Rd2 Rhf8 33.Rde2 Rxe2 34.Rxe2 Rf3+ 35.Kd2 Nc6 36.Re3 Rf2+ 37.Re2 Rxe2+ 38.Kxe2 Kxe5 39.h4 gxh4 40.gxh4 Nb4 41.Kf3 Kd4 42.Ke2 Nxa2 43.Kd1

(Diagram)



Nc3+! 44.bxc3+

[44.Kc1 Ne2+]

44...Kxc3 45.Nb5+ axb5 46.cxb5
Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.08 (flawless)
46...Bh5+
0-1

664 **C52**
☐ **Allerberger,Peter** **2523**
■ **Decking,Lutz** **2213**
corr RS-Pyramide 16.03.2010
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Bc5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Ba3 d6!

[8...Bxc3 9.Nxc3 dxc3 10.Ng5 *(10.Qb3 Rf8±)*]

9.e5! Ne4

[9...dxe5 10.Qb3 Rf8 11.Rd1⩲]

[9...d5 10.Bb5 Ne4 11.e6 Bxe6 12.Qa4 Bd7 13.Bxc6 Bxc6 14.Qxa5 b6 15.Qb4 dxc3 16.Nxc3 Qf6 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Rad1 Rd8 19.Nd4 Bd7 20.Nb5 Bxb5 21.Qxe4+ Qe6 22.Rxd8+ Kxd8 23.Rd1+ 0-1 Conquest,S (2260)-Hodgson,J British CF-71 Championship 1984 (1)]

10.exd6! cxd6 The position is equal.
11.Qc2N

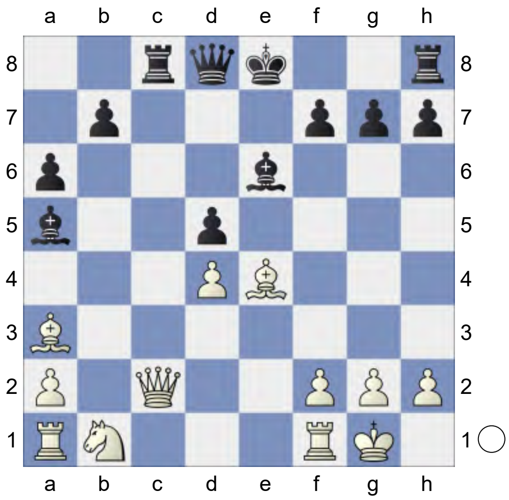
[11.Re1 0-0 *(11...d5 12.Bd3 dxc3 13.Bxe4 dxe4 14.Rxe4+ Be6 15.Qc2 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.Nxe6 fxe6 18.Rxe6 Rf7 19.Nxc3 Rc8 20.Rc1 Nd5 21.Bb2 Rfc7 22.Qb3 Bxc3 23.Bxc3 Rxc3 24.Rxc3 Rxc3 25.Qd1 Qd7 26.Re1* 0-1 5.e3 0-0 6. b4 (1411)-Hohfeld (1312) Srbija i Crna (ch) 96/405 2006 (4) *Nf6 27.Qe2 Qc6 28.Qd1 Qd5 29.Qe2 Qe4 30.Qd2 Qd3 31.Qf4 Rc8 32.h3 Rf8 33.Qe5 Qd5 34.Qb2 Ne4 35.Rf1 b6 36.Qc2 Nc5 37.Rd1 Qf7 38.a3 Qb3 39.Qd2 Ne6 40.Qd7 Rd8* 0-1 Glotz,K (1411)-Roessling,L (1312) GER-ch U12 Girls 2023 (4)*)* 12.Rxe4 d5 13.Re2 dxc4 14.Bxf8 Kxf8 15.Nxd4 Nxd4 16.Rd2 Be6 17.Rxd4 Qf6 18.Qc2 Bb6 19.Rd1 Bf5 20.Qb2 Bg4 21.Re1 Rc8 22.Na3 g6 23.h3 Be6 24.Nb5 Qg5 25.Kf1 Bd5 1-0 Estay Torreblanca,O (2116)-Palma Araya,D (2003) Santiago 2.5 2025 (4)]

11...d5

[11...Bxc3? 12.Qxe4+ Qe7 13.Nxc3 dxc3 14.Rae1 Qxe4 15.Rxe4+ Be6 16.Bxd6+- *(16.Bxe6 fxe6 17.Rxe6+ Kd7+-)*]

12.Nxd4 Nxd4 13.cxd4 a6
Threatening ...Qc7!. **14.Bd3 Be6 15.Bxe4 Rc8**

(Diagram)



Deflection **16.Qb3**

[16.Qa4+ b5 17.Qb3 dxe4∓]

16...dxe4 17.Qxb7 Bd5 18.Qxa6 Bc4 Prevents Qb5+. **19.Qb7 Bd3!** A strong pair of Bishops. **20.Rd1 Qd7** Black has compensation. **21.Qb2 f5 22.Bc5** With the idea Qb3. **22...Kf7 23.Nd2 Rb8** Prevents Qb3+ **24.Qa3 Bc7 25.Rac1⇄** White has counterplay. White is weak on the light squares **25...Qd5** 0.42/17

[25...Kg6= -0.01/17]

26.Bb4± Rhc8 27.Rc5 Qd7 28.Qb3+ Kg6 29.a3

[29.Nc4 is more complex. h6 30.Ne3 f4 31.Qd5]

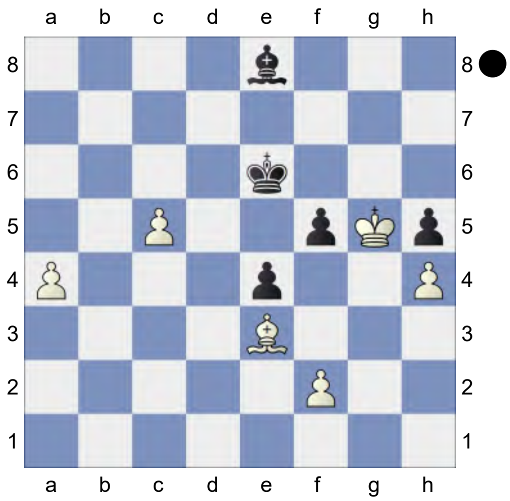
29...h6! 30.Nc4 Kh7 31.Qc3 Rb5 32.Nb2 Be2 33.Rd2 Bh5 34.Nc4 Inhibits Qd6. **34...Bf4** And now ...Rbxc5 would win. **35.Ne3 Rd8 36.h4 Rxc5 37.dxc5 Qxd2 38.Qxd2 Rxd2 39.Bxd2 Bxe3 40.Bxe3=** Endgame KB-KB. White is a pawn up. **40...Be8 41.Kh2 g6! 42.g4** Black cannot hold the game after this. **42...Kg7?** 3.99/27

[42...fxg4= 0.25/19 and Black stays safe. 43.Kg3 g5]

43.gxf5+- gxf5 44.Kg3 h5? 4.66/28

[44...Bc6 2.91/24 is a better defense. 45.Bd4+ Kf7]

45.Bd4+ Kf7 46.Kf4 Ke6 47.Kg5 Kd5 48.Be3 Ke6 49.a4



Deflection. White is clearly winning. **49...Bxa4** 7.48/26

[⌓49...f4 4.40/20 50.Bxf4 Bxa4 51.Kxh5 Kf5]

50.Kxh5 f4 51.Bxf4 Kf5 52.Be3 Bd7 53.Kh6 and Kg7 would now be decisive **53...Kg4 54.Kg7 Kxh4 55.Kf6 Kg4 56.Ke7 Ba4 57.Kd6 Kf5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.36 **58.c6**

1-0

665 C51

☐ **Asker,Dr Sven 2409**

■ **Tosti,Ricardo Remigio 2475**

CXEB 30 Years - Group B 16.11.1998

[Kitty Kat]

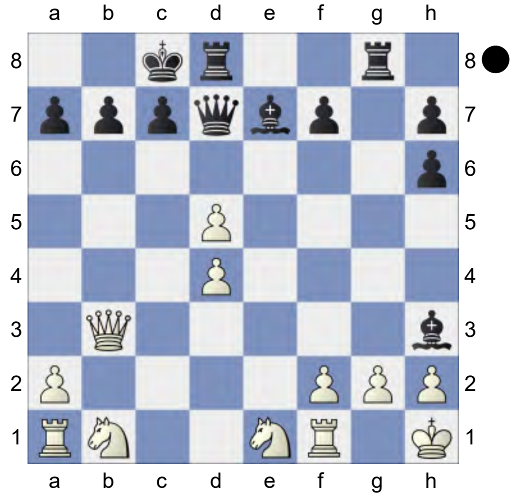
C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.Qb3 Nh6 7.d4 Na5 8.Qb5 Nxc4 9.Bxh6 gxh6 10.Qxc4 exd4** Black is slightly better. **11.cxd4 Rg8 12.0-0 d5! 13.exd5 Bh3 14.Ne1 Qd7** Active counter play! **15.Qb3?** -2.80/19

[15.Kh1!= 0.00/18 and White is okay.

Rxg2 Decoy 16.Nxg2 Bxg2+ 17.Kxg2 Qg4+ 18.Kh1 Qf3+ 19.Kg1 Qg4+ 20.Kh1]

15...0-0-0-+ 16.Kh1 -2.86/20

[16.Nc3∓ -1.57/3]



16...Bf6N A strong pair of Bishops.

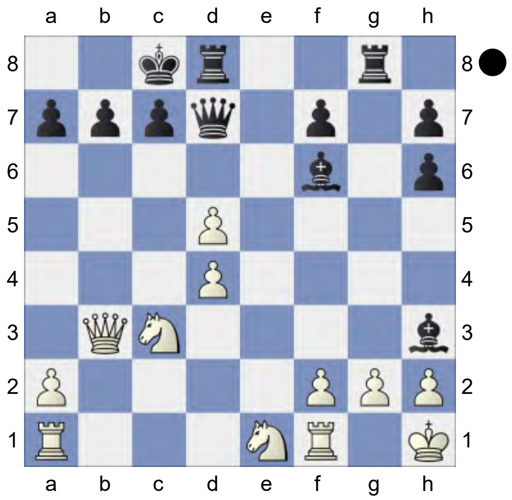
[16...Bf5 17.Nc3 Bf6 (*17...Bd6 18.Nf3 Rxg2 19.Nb5 Be4 20.Nxd6+ Qxd6 21.Kxg2 Rg8+* 0-1 Nilssen,T-De Jong,P TT/2/94 corr 1994) 18.Rd1 Qd6 19.Nc2 a6 20.Ne3 Qf4 21.Nxf5 Qxf5 22.Rb1 b6 23.Qc4 Qg4 24.Qxa6+ Kd7 25.Qa4+ Ke7 26.Rfe1+ Kf8 27.Qb4+ Rd6 28.g3 Be7 29.Nb5 Rd7 30.Qc3 Bd8 31.d6 1-0 Dietze,W-Sabia,C Rovinj/20/509 1975]

17.Nc3

[17.gxh3 Bxd4 18.Nc3 Qxh3-+]

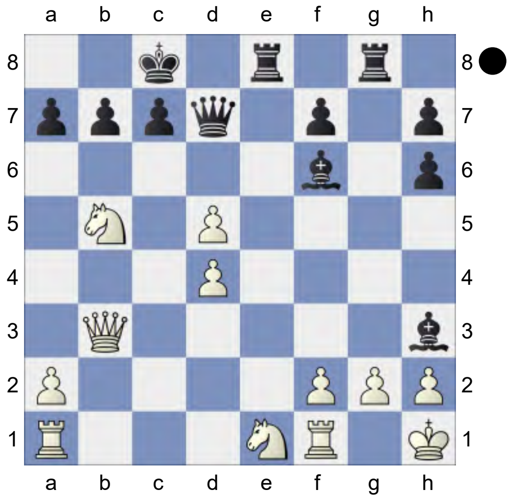
[17.Qxh3 Qxh3]

(Diagram)



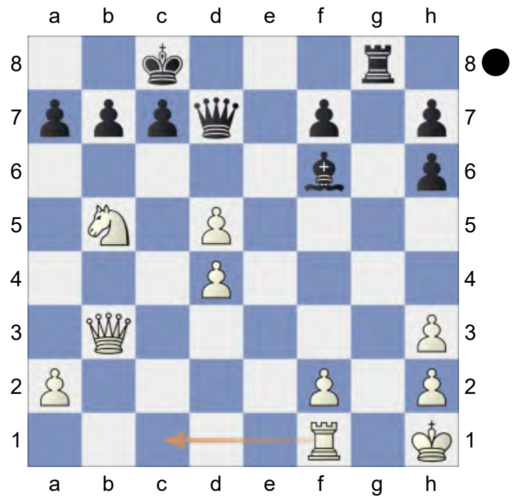
17...Rde8 Wards off Ne4 **18.Nb5**

[18.gxh3 gets mated. Qxh3 19.Qb5 Rxe1 (*19...Qxc3 20.Rb1=*)]



18...Rxe1! Remove Defender **19.gxh3 Rxf1+ 20.Rxf1**

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with Rc1!. **20...Kb8! 21.Rb1 b6→** White is in trouble. **22.Qf3 Rg6 23.Qe4?** -3.68/19

[23.d6 -2.15/17 cxd6 24.Qe4]

23...Rg5

[23...Qxh3? loses. 24.d6 (*24.Qe8+ Qc8∓*) 24...cxd6 25.Rc1+-]

24.Nc3 Qxh3 25.Ne2 Rh5 26.Qf4 Be7 aiming for ...Bd6. **27.Ng1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.12 (very precise) **27...Qd7**

0-1

666 **C51**

☐ **Bagheri,Amir** **2513**

■ **Heinz,Timothee** **2283**

FRA-chT Poule Haute (11.8) 05.05.2006

[Kitty Kat]

(100min+30sec)/40+(50min+30sec)/20+(10min+30sec)

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Bd3**

[7.Be2 ChessBase II]

7...d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nf6 The position is equal. **10.Qa4+**

[10.0-0 0-0 11.Qc2 Qd6 (*11...c5 12.Nd2 Qc7 13.Nec4 Nxc4 14.Bxc4 Bd6 15.h3 Re8 16.Bb2 Bh2+ 17.Kh1 Bf4 18.Rae1 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qd7 20.Qd3 Qxd3 21.Bxd3 Bxd2 22.Re2 Bf4* Gaujens,A-Perez Assef,A X Open Salou ESP 2008) 12.Nf3 Rd8 13.Be2 Qc6 14.Nbd2 Be6 15.e5 Nd5 16.Ne4 Nb4 17.Qb1 Bxa2 18.Rxa2 Nxa2 19.Bg5 Nxc3 20.Nxc3 Bxg5 21.Nxg5 Qg6 22.Nce4 h6 23.Nf3 Nc6 24.Bc4 Nd4 ½-½ Gonzalez,J (2619)-Rognon,R (2641) II 107/255 Lubbock 2009 (3)]

10...c6! 11.Qc2N

[11.Ba3 b5 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Qxa5 Qxe5 14.Qb4 Qg5 15.Na3 Bd7 16.g3 c5 17.Qa5 0-0 18.Nxb5 c4 19.Bxc4 a6 20.Bd5 Bxb5 21.Bxa8 Qg4 22.c4 Bxc4 23.Qd2 Rxa8 0-1 Binder,G-Schuh,G Germany Cup-7 1968]

11...Qc7

[11...0-0 ChessBase II]

12.Nf3

[12.f4 ChessBase II Bd6 13.Nd2 (*13.Nxf7 Kxf7 14.e5 Bxe5 15.fxe5 Qxe5+; 13.Nf3 Bxf4*) 13...Nh5 (*13...Bxe5 14.fxe5 Qxe5 15.0-0*) 14.Ndf3 f6]

12...Bg4 -0.09/12

[12...c5!∓ -0.47/17 is more appropriate.]

13.Nbd2= ChessBase II: 'N' **13...Nd7 14.h3 Bh5 15.0-0** ChessBase II: '↑' **15...Nc5 16.Nd4 0-0-0**

[16...Nxd3 ChessBase II 17.Qxd3 Rd8 (*17...0-0-0 18.Qe3 Bg6 19.f4*) 18.Qe3 0-0 19.f4]

[16...Rd8 ChessBase II]

[16...0-0 ChessBase II]

17.Be2 Bxe2 18.Nxe2 Rhe8 19.Nb3 Bd6 Prevents Bf4 **20.Nxc5**

[20.Ned4 ChessBase II Nxe4 21.Re1

Nf6 22.Bg5]

20...Bxc5 21.Bf4 Against Qe5 **21...Qe7**

22.Ng3 -1.23/20

[22.e5!∓ -0.45/18 Nc4 ChessBase II]

22...Qf6!∓ 23.Bc1 -1.49/19

[⌓23.Be3 -1.09/20 Bxe3 24.fxe3]

[23.Nf5 ChessBase II g6 24.Be3 Bxe3 25.Nxe3 Qe5]

23...Qd6 -0.99/18

[⌓23...Nc4 -1.49/19 24.Kh1 g6]

24.Qa4? -2.85/16

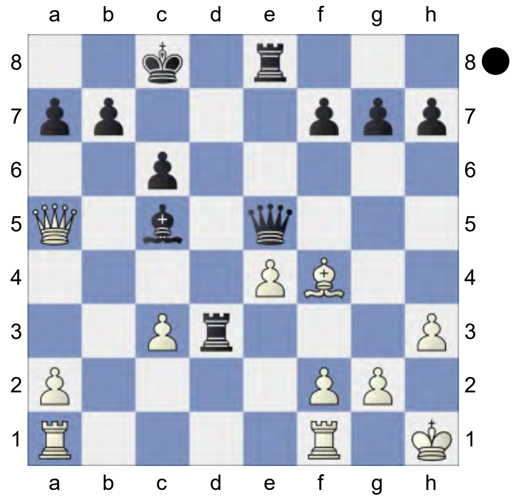
[24.Nf5∓ -0.99/18 was necessary. Qd3 25.Qxd3 (*25.Qa4* ChessBase II *Rxe4 26.Qxa5 Qxf1+ 27.Kxf1+- Rd1#*) 25...Rxd3 26.Be3 (*26.Nxg7* (ChessBase II) 1-0 (79) Bagheri,A (2513)-Heinz,T (2286) Nancy 2006 *Rxe4*) 26...Bxe3 (*26...Rxc3? 27.Bxc5* Remove Defender *Rxc5 28.Nd6+ Kd7 29.Rfd1+-*) 27.fxe3]

[24.Ne2 ChessBase II Qd3]

24...Qxg3-+ 25.Qxa5 Qe5 26.Kh1 Rd3? -1.07/19

[26...Bd6-+ -2.92/18 has better winning chances. 27.Qxe5 Bxe5 28.Bb2 ChessBase II Rd2 29.Rab1 Re2]

27.Bf4∓



Deflection ChessBase II: 'Le GMI a une meilleure finale' **27...Qxf4** -0.54/18

[27...Qe7!∓ -1.11/21 28.Rab1 Red8 (*28...Qxe4 29.Qc7#*)]

28.Qxc5∓ Kb8

[28...Qxe4 29.Qxa7 Rxh3+ (*29...Rxc3? 30.Qa8+ Kd7 31.Qxb7+ Kd6 32.Rfd1+ Rd3 33.Qxf7+-*) 30.Kg1=]

29.f3 Qe5

[29...Red8 ChessBase II]

30.Qc4 Rd7

[30...Qxc3 31.Qxf7 Red8 32.Qf4+ Ka8 33.e5±]

31.Rad1 Red8 32.Rxd7 Rxd7 Endgame KQR-KQR **33.f4**

[33.Qb3 ChessBase II]

33...Qb5 34.Qxb5 cxb5∓ KR-KR **35.e5** -1.26/21

[⌓35.Kg1 -0.76/20]

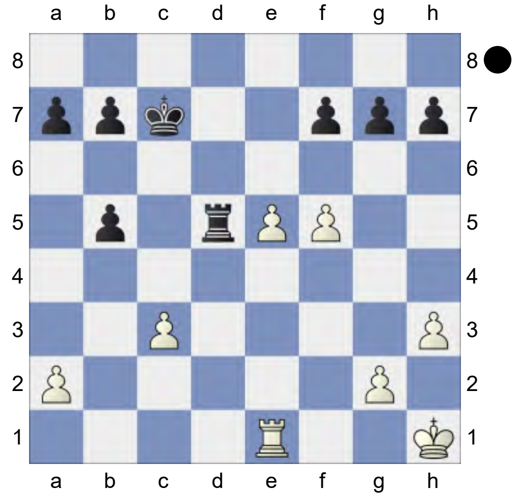
35...Rd5 -0.70/20

[35...Rd2∓ -1.26/21 36.f5

A) 36...Rxa2 37.Rd1= (*37.Re1* ChessBase II *Kc7 38.e6 fxe6 39.fxe6 Kd8 40.Rd1+ Ke8 41.Rd7*);

B) 36...h6]

36.Re1 Kc7 37.f5



Kd7! 38.Re3 -1.38/20

[Better is 38.Kh2 -0.89/20]

38...Rd2 -0.49/19

[38...g6∓ -1.38/20 39.g4 Ke7]

39.e6+? -2.51/22

[39.Rg3∓ -0.49/19 g6 (*39...Rxa2 40.Rxg7 Ke8 41.Rxh7±*) 40.e6+ Ke7 (*40...fxe6 41.fxg6 hxg6 42.Rxg6∓*) 41.exf7]

39...fxe6-+ 40.Rg3 exf5 41.Rxg7+ Kc6 42.Rxh7 Rxa2 43.Rf7 a5 44.Rf6+? -4.48/25

[44.h4 -2.21/20]

44...Kc5 45.Rxf5+ ChessBase II: '!' **45...Kc4 46.h4?** -5.50/21

[46.g4 -1.68/18 nothing else works.]

46...a4 Black is clearly winning.

[46...Kxc3 47.Rxb5 a4 48.Rxb7=]

47.h5 Rd2

[47...Kxc3 48.Rxb5 a3 49.Rc5+ Kb4 50.Rc7∓]

48.h6 Rd6

[And not 48...Kxc3 49.Rxb5 a3 50.h7 Rd1+ 51.Kh2=]

[48...a3 ChessBase II 49.h7 Rd8 50.g4 Rh8]

49.Rh5 Threatens to win with h7. **49...Rd8**

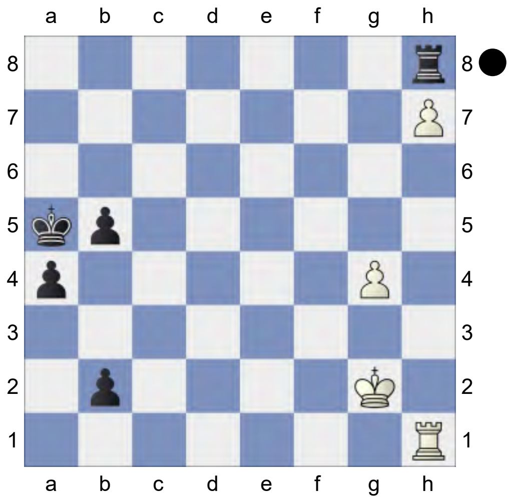
[49...Kxc3 50.h7 Rd8 (*50...Rd1+ 51.Kh2±*) 51.Rh3+ (*51.h8R Rxh8 52.Rxh8 b4=; 51.Rxb5 a3=*) 51...Kd4 52.Rh4+ (*52.h8B+ Rxh8 53.Rxh8 b4=*) 52...Kc5 53.Rh5+ (*53.h8B a3∓; 53.h8Q Rxh8 54.Rxh8 b4-+*) 53...Kb6 54.g4-+ (*54.h8B a3∓*)]

50.Rh4+

[50.g4 ChessBase II a3 51.Rh2 Rd1+ 52.Kg2 a2 53.h7 a1Q 54.h8Q Rd2+]

50...Kxc3 ChessBase II: '?!' **51.Rh3+ Kb4 52.Rh4+ Ka5 53.Rh3 b4 54.Rh5+ b5 55.h7 Rh8 56.g4 b3** aiming for ...b2. **57.Kg2 b2 58.Rh1**

(Diagram)



Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/ Black=0.16 (very precise) **58...Rxh7!** Deflection, Promotion. Loss on time!?

1-0

667 **C50**

☐ **Jarecki,Marian** **2423**

■ **Mantau,Jan** **1991**

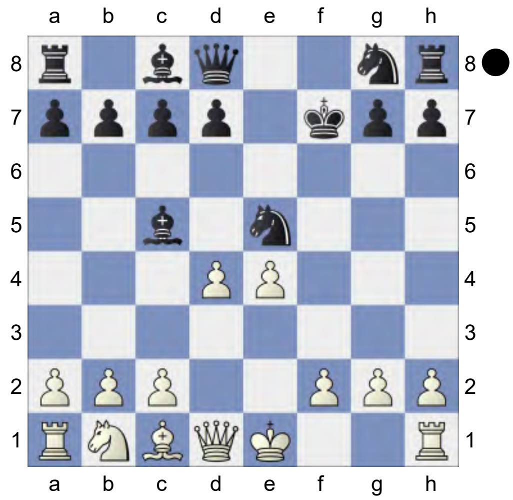
corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]

(Diagram)



6...Bxd4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S.00008 1997 (6)]

7.Qxd4 Qe7 8.Nc3 Black is clearly better. **8...Nf6 9.Bg5 Nc6 10.Qd3 Re8 11.0-0 d6 12.Nd5** -2.20/19

[12.f4∓ -1.57/20 was called for.]

12...Qxe4-+ 13.Bxf6 Qxd3

[13...gxf6 14.Nxc7 Qxd3 15.cxd3∓]

14.cxd3 gxf6 15.Nxc7 Bf5 16.d4 Rac8 17.Nxe8 Rxe8

[17...Kxe8 18.Rfd1∓]

18.d5 Nb4 19.Rac1 Nxd5 20.Rfd1 Nf4 21.Rc4 Nd3 -0.88/17

[21...Re4! -1.39/24 22.Rxe4 Bxe4]

22.g4∓ Bg6 23.f4 Nxb2 24.Rc7+ Re7 25.Rxe7+ Kxe7 26.Re1+ Kf8 27.f5! Bf7 28.Rb1 Nc4

[28...Bxa2 29.Rxb2 Bd5 30.Kf2±]

29.Rxb7 a5 30.Kf2 h6 -0.33/25

[⌓30...Ne5 -0.69/23 31.Ra7 Nxg4+ *(31...Bxa2? 32.Rxa5 Bf7 33.Kg3∓)* 32.Kg3 Ne5 33.Rxa5 d5]

31.h3∓ a4 32.Rb4 a3 33.Rb8+ Kg7 34.Ra8 h5 -0.11/23

[Black should play 34...Bd5!∓ -0.84/26 35.Ra4 h5]

35.Ra7= hxg4 36.hxg4 d5 37.Kf3 d4 Strongly threatening ...Ne5+. **38.Ke4 Nd6+ 39.Kd3 Kh6 40.Rxa3**

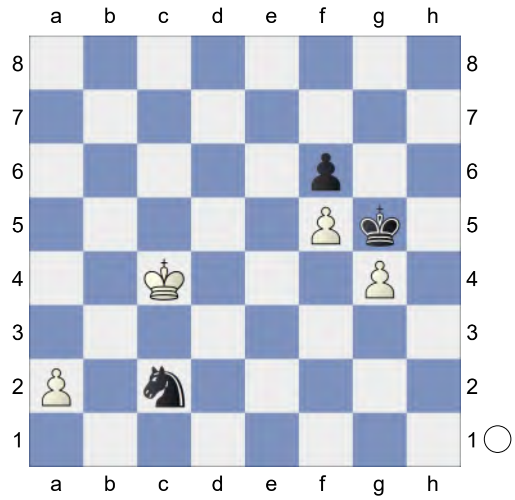
[Don't blunder 40.Rd7? Nc4 41.Rxd4 *(41.Kxd4? Ne5-+)* 41...Nb2+ 42.Kc3 Bxa2-+]

40...Bc4+ 41.Kxd4 Nb5+ 42.Kxc4 Nxa3+ Endgame KN-K3P **43.Kb4 Nc2+ 44.Kc4** And now a4 would win.

[44.Kc5!? Na3□ *(44...Kg5? 45.a4+-)* 45.Kb4 Nc2+ 46.Kb5=]

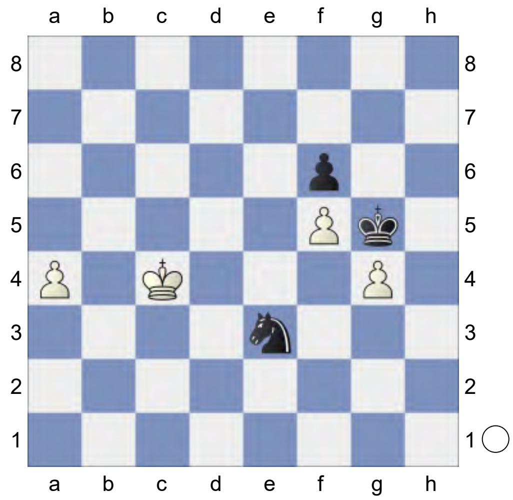
44...Kg5? 5.73/36

[44...Na3+= 0.00/38 and Black stays safe. 45.Kb4 Kg5]



45.a4!+- White is clearly winning.
45...Ne3+

(Diagram)



46.Kc5! Nxg4 47.a5 Ne5 48.a6 Nd7+ Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.31 **49.Kb5** [Event "CiF-7er/0118"]

1-0

668 **C50**

☐ Gappel,Heinz **2222**

■ Lueddeckens,Hans Peter **2304**

corr freechess.de 29.09.2012

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Rf2N**

[10.c3 Ne6 (*10...Be6 11.Na3 Nc6 12.Kh1 Rd8 13.Qe2 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Rf2 Rg8 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Nc2 Kf8 18.Ne3 Nb8 19.Qh5 Kg7 20.Qf3 Kh7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 e4 23.Qf4 Rd6 24.Re2 Nd7 25.Rxe4* 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)) 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Na3 Nf4 13.Kh1 Bd7 14.Qf3 h5 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Deutz Gambit with 7. f4]

[10.Na3 Bd7 (*10...Rg8 11.Kh1 Bd7 12.Qe1 0-0-0 13.Qh4 Bc6 14.Rae1 Ne6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Ng5 18.Bd3 Nxe4 19.Rxf7 Nc5 20.Bf1 Rd2 21.Rxe5 Rdxg2 22.Bxg2 Bxg2+ 23.Kg1 Bd5+ 24.Kf2 Bxf7 25.Rxc5* 2 Bianchi,E-Noshin,A Chapter 7 Part) 11.Qe1 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

[10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1 f5 ½-½ Voboril, P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)]

10...Qc5 11.Bxf6 gxf6

[11...Qxc4 12.Bxg7 Rg8 13.Bxe5±]

12.Na3 Ne6! 13.Qe1 -1.15/20

[13.Qd5!∓ -0.43/20]

13...Nf4∓ 14.Kh1 Bg4 15.Rd2 h5

[15...Ke7 feels hotter. 16.b4 Qb6 17.Bd5 Qxb4 18.Nc4 Nxd5 19.Ne3 Nxe3 20.Rd7+ Bxd7 21.Qxb4+ Ke8]

16.b4 Qe7

[16...Qxb4? 17.Rd8+ Rxd8 18.Qxb4+-]

17.c3 Rd8 18.Rxd8+ Kxd8 19.Qf2 b6 20.Nc2! Kc8 -0.39/19

[Black should play 20...Qd7∓ -0.87/19 21.Ne3 Ke7]

21.a4 -0.77/19

[21.Ne3∓ -0.39/19]

21...Rd8 -0.36/19

[21...Be6∓ -0.77/19 22.Bf1 h4]

22.Ne3∓ Qd6 0.17/21

[22...Kb8∓ -0.40/19]

23.Rf1 -0.41/22

[23.h3!= 0.17/21 Be6 24.Ba6+ Kb8 25.g3 Nxh3 26.Qxf6]

23...Qc6 24.Qc2 Be6 25.Ba6+ Kb8 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Qxd1 Qd7↑ Black has the initiative.

[27...Qxc3 28.Qd8+]

[27...Bd7? 28.Bb5 Qxc3 *(28...Qxe4? 29.Qxd7 Qb7 30.Qd8+ Qc8 31.Qxf6+-)* 29.Qxd7+-]

28.Qxd7 Bxd7 Endgame KBN-KBN. Black is a pawn up. **29.g3 Ne6** -0.55/21

[29...Nh3!∓ -1.09/23 White must now prevent ...Nf2+. 30.Be2 Bxa4 *(30...Nf2+ 31.Kg1∓)* 31.Bxh5 Nf2+ 32.Kg1 Nxe4 33.Bxf7 Bc6 *(33...Nxc3 34.Ng4±)*]

30.Nd5! f5 31.Nf6 Bxa4

[31...Bc6 32.Kg1±]

32.exf5 Ng7 33.Bc4 -1.25/22

[33.Kg1∓ -0.63/24]

33...Nxf5∓ 34.Bxf7 Bc6+ 35.Kg1 a5 36.bxa5 -1.37/25

[Better is 36.g4!∓ -0.69/23 hxg4 37.Nxg4]

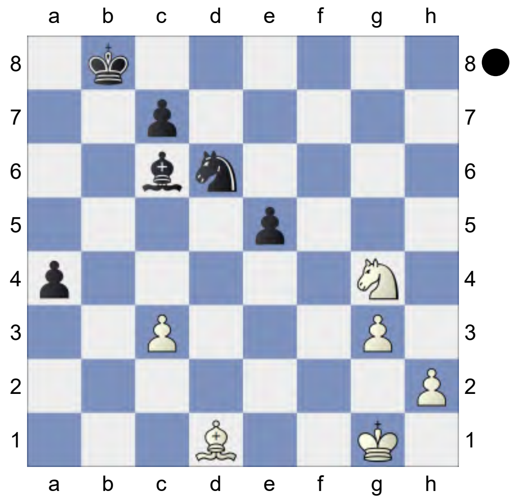
36...bxa5 37.Bxh5 -1.48/22

[37.g4!∓ -0.55/22 Nd6 *(37...hxg4 38.Nxg4 e4 39.Ne5∓)* 38.Bg8 hxg4 39.Nxg4]

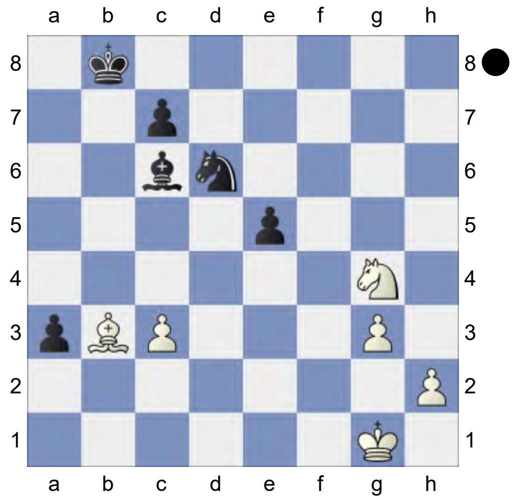
37...Nd6 38.Bd1 a4 39.Ng4 -2.09/22

[39.h4∓ -1.11/22]

(Diagram)



39...a3!-+ 40.Bb3



Ba4! Deflection, Promotion **41.Ba2**

[41.Bxa4? a2 42.Kg2 a1Q-+ *(42...a1B 43.Nxe5 Bxc3 44.Nd7+ Kc8 45.h4±)*]

41...Nb5 42.Nxe5 -2.72/19

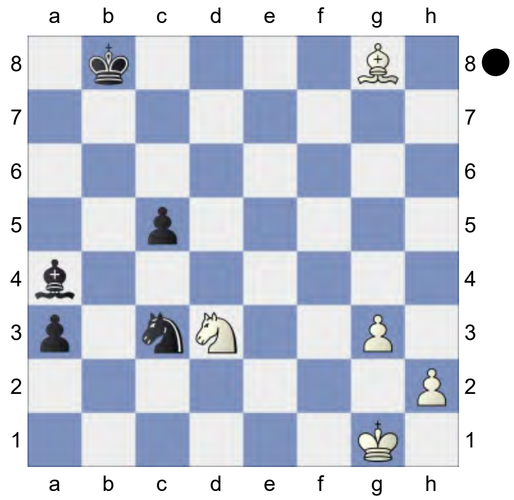
[42.Bc4∓ -1.25/20 keeps fighting.]

42...Nxc3 43.Bg8 c5? -0.14/18

[43...a2-+ -2.20/20 44.Bxa2 Nxa2]

44.Nd3!=

(Diagram)



c4! 45.Nb4

[45.Bxc4? perishes. Bb5 46.Bb3 Bxd3-+]

45...Kc7 46.Bxc4 Kb6 47.Bf7 Kc5 48.Nd3+ Kd4 49.Nc1 Ne4 50.h4! Nxg3 51.Kf2 Ne4+ 52.Ke2 Kc3 53.Ke3 Kc2 -0.55/23

[53...Nd6= -0.09/24 54.Be6 Bd1]

Black had all chances to win. Weighted Error Value: White=0.17 (very precise) / Black=0.15 (very precise) **54.Nd3!**

½-½

670 **C50**

☐ **Hanegby,Avigdor** **2255**

■ **Burgarth,Ulrich** **2471**

corr DFMM 2007 LG-22 25.10.2007

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 Qe7**

[7...d6 8.f4 Be6 *(8...Bg4 9.Bxf6 Bxd1 10.Bxd8 Rxd8 11.c3 Be2 12.cxd4 Bxc4 13.Rc1 Ba6 14.Rxc7 exd4 15.Na3 Rd7 16.Rc8+ Rd8 17.Rxd8+ Kxd8 18.Rd1 d3 19.b4 b6 20.b5 Bb7 21.Rxd3 Kc7 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5* 0-1 Hector,J (2466)-Ustianovich,N (2314) Gothenburg Manhem 2023 (2)*)* 9.Na3 Qe7 10.f5 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 0-0-0 12.Ne3 c6 13.a4 d5 14.c3 dxe4 15.cxd4 exd4 16.Nc4 Qb4 17.b3 Rd5 18.a5 Re8 19.a6 b5 20.Na5 Kd7 21.Bd2 Qe7 22.Bf4 0-1 Karpatchev,A (2515)-Grischuk,A (2490) RUS-ch51 St Petersburg 1998 (7)]

8.Nc3 c6 Repels Nd5 **9.f4 d6** Black is slightly better.

[9...Qc5 looks sharper. 10.fxe5 Nf3+ 11.Kh1 Nxg5 12.exf6 Qxc4 13.Qh5 gxf6 14.Rxf6 h6]

10.f5N

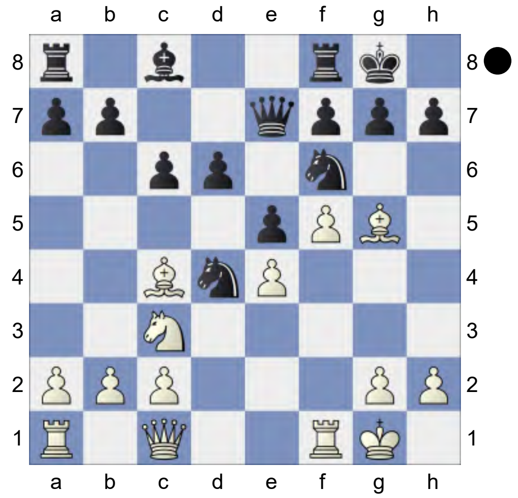
[10.Qd2 Be6 11.Bd3 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.f5 Bd7 14.Nd1 #5 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5]

10...0-0 0.11/19

[10...b6∓ -0.33/18 deserves consideration.]

11.Qc1 -0.45/21

[11.a4= 0.11/19]



11...d5! 12.Bd3 Rd8↑ Black is more active. **13.Rf2 b6 14.h3 Bb7 15.g4 h6 16.Bh4 Rd7 17.g5** -1.47/17

[17.Qe3∓ -0.69/20]

17...Nxe4∓ 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Bxe4

hxg5! 20.Bxg5 f6 21.Be3 Rad8 22.c3 Nb5 23.Qf1 -1.86/19

[23.Bc2∓ -1.41/18]

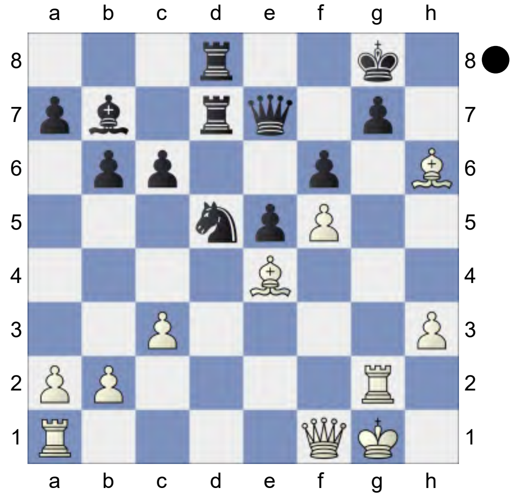
23...Nc7 -1.06/20

[23...Nd6-+ -1.86/19 24.Bc2 c5]

24.Rg2 -1.84/19

[24.Re1∓ -1.06/20]

24...Nd5-+ 25.Bh6



Qc5+! 26.Qf2 -2.95/21

[⌓26.Kh2 -1.95/19]

26...Ba6 27.Qxc5 bxc5 28.Re1 -2.71/21

[28.a4 -1.98/20]

28...Kh7 29.Be3 Nxe3 30.Rxe3 Rd1+ 31.Kh2 R8d2 32.b3 Bf1 Pin **33.Rxd2 Rxd2+** Endgame KRB-KRB. Black is a pawn up. **34.Kg3** -3.71/20

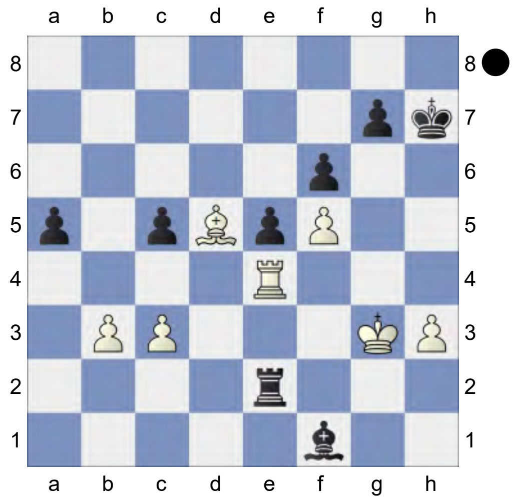
[34.Kg1 -2.64/19 Be2 35.Bxc6]

34...Rxa2 35.Bxc6 a5 36.Bd5 -4.83/20

[36.Bf3 -3.28/20 is a better defense.]

36...Re2 Black is clearly winning. **37.Re4**

(Diagram)



Rxe4 38.Bxe4 Bb5 39.c4 Be8 40.Kg4 Kh6 and ...Bh5+ should not be overlooked **41.Kg3 Bh5 42.Bc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.16 (very precise) **42...g6**

0-1

669 **C50**

☐ **Link,Peter Michael** **2255**

■ **Burgarth,Ulrich** **2471**

corr BdF DFMM 2007 25.10.2007

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 Qe7** -0.08/18

[7...h6∓ -0.50/20 8.Be3 Nc6]

[7...d6 8.f4 Be6 *(8...Bg4 9.Bxf6 Bxd1 10.Bxd8 Rxd8 11.c3 Be2 12.cxd4 Bxc4 13.Rc1 Ba6 14.Rxc7 exd4 15.Na3 Rd7 16.Rc8+ Rd8 17.Rxd8+ Kxd8 18.Rd1 d3 19.b4 b6 20.b5 Bb7 21.Rxd3 Kc7 22.e5 dxe5 23.fxe5* 0-1 Hector,J (2466)-Ustianovich,N (2314) Gothenburg Manhem 2023 (2)*)* 9.Na3 Qe7 10.f5 Bxc4 11.Nxc4 0-0-0 12.Ne3 c6 13.a4 d5 14.c3 dxe4 15.cxd4 exd4

16.Nc4 Qb4 17.b3 Rd5 18.a5 Re8 19.a6 b5 20.Na5 Kd7 21.Bd2 Qe7 22.Bf4 0-1 Karpatchev,A (2515)-Grischuk,A (2490) RUS-ch51 St Petersburg 1998 (7)]

8.Nc3!= c6 Inhibits Nd5. **9.f4** Strongly threatening fxe5. **9...d6** The position is equal. **10.f5N** Prevents Be6

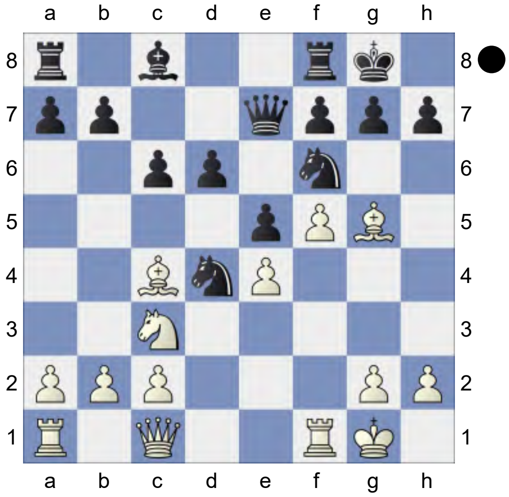
[10.Qd2 Be6 11.Bd3 h6 12.Bxf6 Qxf6 13.f5 Bd7 14.Nd1 #5 Theory 1A: 3... Bc5-A: 3...Bc5 7. Bg5]

10...0-0 0.22/19

[⌓10...b6 -0.24/19]

11.Qc1 -0.29/20

[⌓11.a4 0.22/19]



11...d5! 12.Bd3 Rd8↑ Black fights for an advantage. **13.Rf2 b6 14.h3 Bb7 15.g4 h6 16.Bh4 Rd7** Black is more active. **17.g5** -1.42/17

[Better is 17.Qe3!∓ -0.45/20]

17...Nxe4!∓ 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Bxe4 hxg5! Remove Defender **20.Bxg5 f6 21.Be3 Rad8 22.c3** Wards off c5

22...Nb5 23.Qf1 -2.02/20

[23.Bc2∓ -1.40/18]

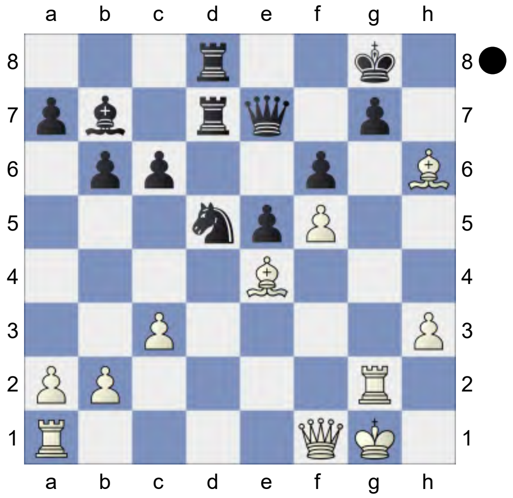
23...Nc7 -0.94/17

[23...Nd6-+ -2.02/20 is more deadly. 24.Bc2 c5]

24.Rg2 -1.83/17

[24.Re1∓ -0.94/17 is a better defense.]

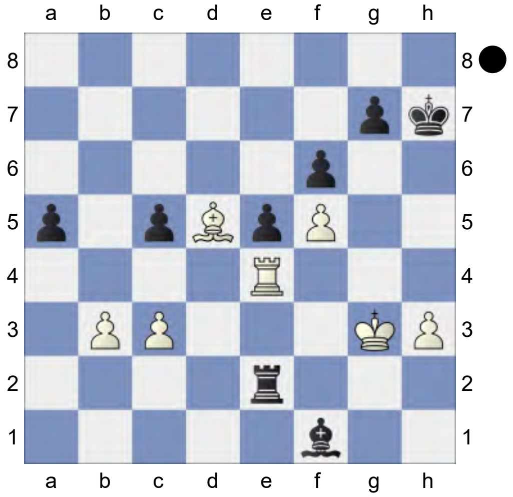
24...Nd5-+ 25.Bh6



Qc5+! 26.Qf2 Ba6 27.Qxc5 bxc5 28.Re1 Kh7 29.Be3 Nxe3 30.Rxe3 Rd1+ 31.Kh2 R8d2 32.b3 Bf1 Pin **33.Rxd2 Rxd2+** Endgame KRB-KRB. Black is a pawn up. **34.Kg3 Rxa2 35.Bxc6 a5 36.Bd5** -4.75/19

[⌓36.Bf3 -3.37/19]

36...Re2 Black is clearly winning. **37.Re4**



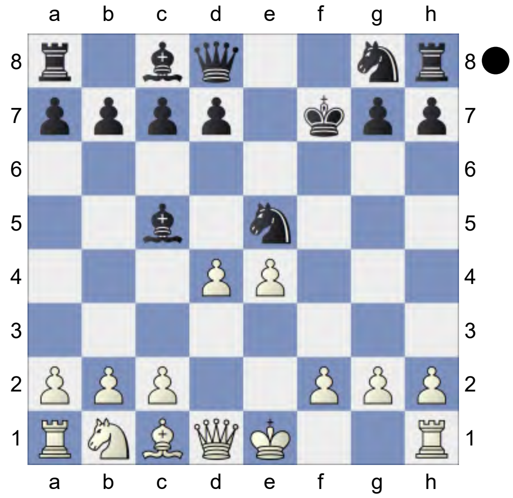
Rxe4 38.Bxe4 Bb5 39.c4 Be8 40.Kg4 Kh6 and ...Bh5+ would now be decisive **41.Kg3 Bh5 42.Bc2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.14 (very

precise) **42...g6**
0-1

671 **C50**
☐ **Dammer,Axel** **2389**
■ **Mantau,Jan** **1991**
corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

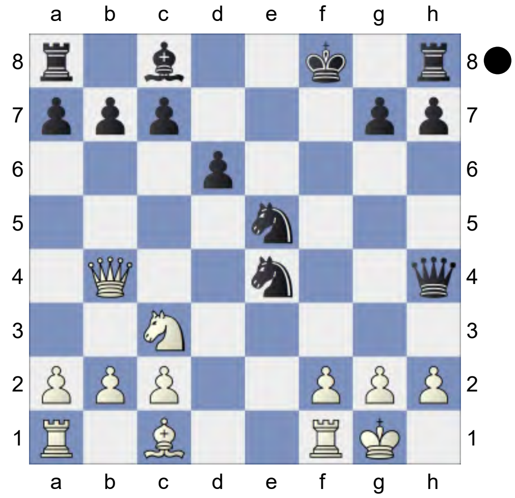
[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]



6...Bxd4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S. 00008 1997 (6)]

7.Qxd4 d6 8.Qd5+ Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Kf8 9.Qb3 Qh4 10.Nc3 Nf6 11.0-0 Nxe4 12.Qb4**

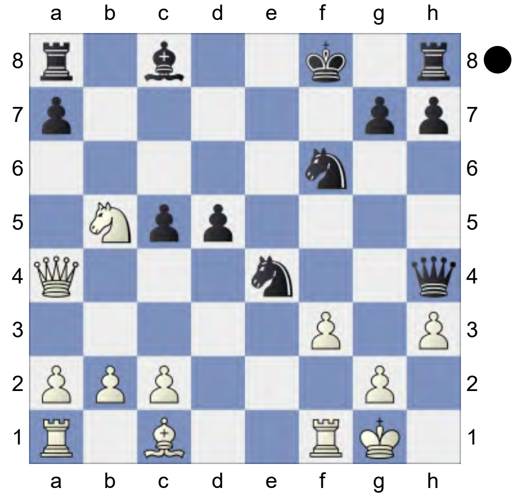


Ng4? -0.22/22 **13.h3= Ngf6** White must now prevent ...c5.

[13...Nexf2? 14.hxg4 Qxg4 15.Rxf2+ Kg8 16.Rf4+- *(16.Qxg4 Bxg4 17.Bd2 Re8+-)*]

[13...Nxc3!? 14.bxc3 Qh5 15.hxg4 Qxg4=]

14.f3 c5 15.Qc4 Pin **15...b5! 16.Nxb5 d5 17.Qa4**



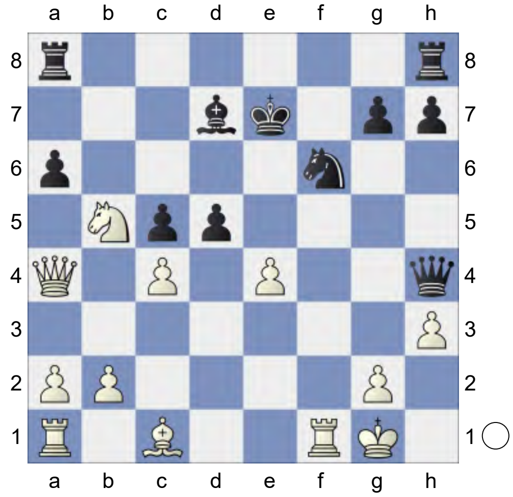
Pin **17...Bd7?** 1.19/19 **18.fxe4± a6 19.c4** 0.82/21

[White should play 19.Qb3! 1.56/22 Bxb5 *(19...axb5? 20.Qxd5 Re8*

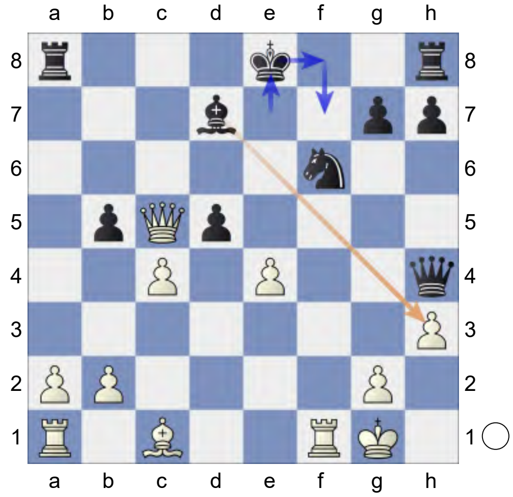
21.Qxd7+-) 20.Qxd5 Bxf1 *(20...Re8? 21.c4+-)* 21.Qxa8+ Kf7 22.Qb7+ *(22.Qxh8 Qg3=)* 22...Kg6 23.Kxf1]

19...Ke7 1.72/18

[19...Bxh3± 0.82/21 20.Nc3 *(20.cxd5 Bd7∓* Pin; *20.exd5 Bxg2* Decoy *21.Kxg2 Qg4+ 22.Kf2 Re8=)* 20...Bxg2 Decoy 21.Kxg2 Qg4+ 22.Kf2 d4]



20.Qa3!+- axb5 21.Qxc5+ Ke8



22.Bd2! Some like it hot **22...Rc8** 1.97/19

[22...Qxe4? 23.Rae1+- *(23.cxb5 Rc8=)*]

[22...dxc4 23.Bb4 Kd8 *(23...Qxe4? 24.Rae1+-)* 24.e5]

[22...Nxe4? 23.Qxd5 Nxd2 24.Qxa8+ Ke7 25.Rae1+ *(25.Qxh8 Qd4+ 26.Rf2 Bf5+-)* 25...Kd6 26.Qd5+ *(26.Qxh8 Kc7+-)* 26...Kc7 27.Qxd2+-]

[22...bxc4 23.Bb4 Kd8 *(23...Qxe4? 24.Rae1+-* Pin *)* 24.e5 Bxh3 *(24...Ne4 25.Qxd5 Kc7 26.Qxc4+ Kb8 27.Bd6+ Ka7 28.Rf3+-)* 25.Qb6+ *(25.exf6 Bxg2 26.Qe7+ Kc8+-)* 25...Ke8 26.exf6 gxf6 27.Rxf6+- *(27.gxh3? Rg8+ 28.Kh2 Qg3+* Deflection *29.Kh1 Qxh3#)*]

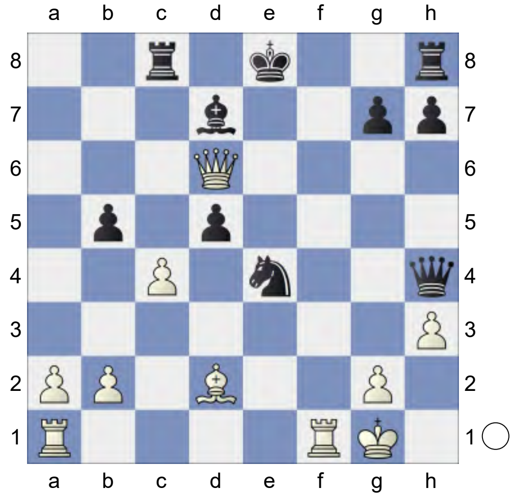
[22...dxe4 23.Qe5+ *(23.cxb5 Qh5⩲)* 23...Kf7 24.Rf4 *(24.cxb5 Rhe8∓; 24.Bg5 Qh5+-)*]

[22...Bxh3± 1.47/18 23.Qc6+ Kf7 24.Qc7+ Kg8 25.gxh3 dxe4 *(25...Qxh3 26.Rf2⩲)*]

23.Qd6 Nxe4 3.41/21

[23...Qxe4 24.Rae1 Rxc4 25.Rxe4+ dxe4 26.Qe5+ Kf7 27.Bh6+-]

[⌓23...Bxh3 2.26/18 24.gxh3 Qxh3]



24.Rae1! Rxc4

[24...dxc4? 25.Bb4+- *(25.Qe5+ Qe7+-)*]

[24...bxc4? 25.Qxd5 Rc6 26.Rxe4++-]

25.Qxd5 Rf8 26.Rxf8+ Kxf8 27.Qxd7 Qf2+ 28.Kh2 Strongly threatening Bc3. **28...h6**

[28...Qxd2? 29.Rf1++- *(29.Qxb5? Qb4-+)*]

29.Bc3

[29.Qxb5 Qg3+ 30.Kg1 *(30.Kh1 Nf2+ 31.Kg1 Nxh3+ 32.Kh1 Nf2+ 33.Kg1 Nh3+ 34.Kh1 Nf2+ 35.Kg1 Nh3+=)* 30...Qf2+ 31.Kh1 Qxd2 32.Rf1+ Nf2+ 33.Rxf2+ Qxf2⩲]

29...Rxc3 30.Qd8+ White is clearly winning.

[30.Rxe4 Qg3+ *(30...Qxb2 31.Re8#)* 31.Kh1 Rc1+]

30...Kf7 31.Qd5+

[31.Rxe4 Qg3+ *(31...Qxb2 32.Qe8+ Kf6 33.Qe6+ Kg5 34.h4+ Kh5 35.Qg4#)* 32.Kh1 Rc1+]

31...Kf8 32.Qa8+

[Weaker is 32.Qxe4 Rc8 33.Qe7+ Kg8 34.Qe6+ Kh7 35.Qxc8 Qxe1 36.Qf5+ Kg8 37.Qxb5 Qe4 38.Qb8+ Kf7+-]

32...Kf7 (→ ...Rxh3+) Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.64 **33.Qxe4** [Event "RSRANDOM-225"]

[33.Rxe4? gets mated. Qg3+ *(33...Qxb2 34.Qe8+ Kf6 35.Re6+ Kg5 36.Qg6+ Kh4 37.Qg4#)* 34.Kh1 Rc1+]

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672 **C51**

☐ **Firsching,Guenter** **2433**

■ **Moeller,Dirk** **2187**

corr Remote Schach server Partie

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 exd4 8.Qxd4 Nf6 9.e5! Nc6 10.Qh4 Nd5** The position is equal. **11.Qg3 g6 12.Bh6N** -0.09/22

[12.0-0 0.27/20 was preferable. Nb6 *(12...0-0 13.Bh6 Re8 14.c4 Nb6 15.Nc3 d6 16.c5 Nd7 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.exd6 Bf6 19.Ng5 Nd4 20.Nxf7 Nxe2+ 21.Nxe2 Kxf7 22.Qb3+ Re6 23.Nf4 Nc5 24.Nxe6 Bxe6 25.Qf3 Qxd6 26.Rad1 Qe7 27.Rfe1* 0-1 Warlick,J (2565)-Zimina,O (2410) Deutschland 123/161 2014 (3)*)* 13.c4 d6 14.Rd1 Nd7 15.Bh6 Ncxe5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Nc3 Rodriguez,A-N,N URS-ch Soviet Union 1983 f6 18.c5 Nf7 *(18...Bd7)* 19.cxd6 cxd6 20.Qe3 Nxh6 21.Qxh6 Bf8 22.Qe3+ Kf7 23.Nd5 Be6 24.Nf4 Qe7 25.Re1 1-0 10.♔b1 b5 11.c5_13795_15163 (2805)-Buchicchio,G (2715) 85/187 Voronezh 2002]

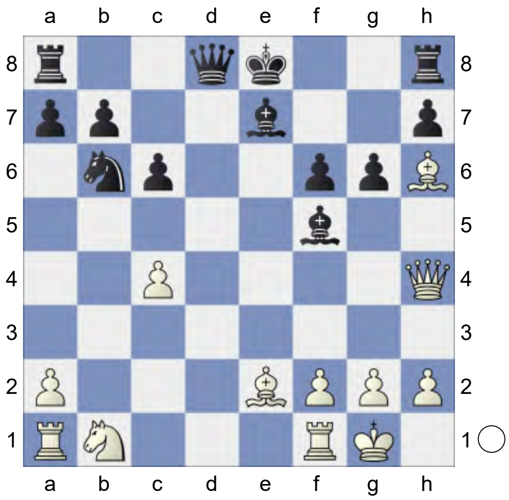
12...d6 13.0-0! dxe5! 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Qxe5 f6 16.Qe4 White has compensation. **16...c6 17.c4** Black is now going downhill. **17...Bf5** 0.94/19

[17...Nb4⩲ 0.57/22]

18.Qh4± Nb6 1.32/18

[18...g5⩲ 0.69/20 19.Bh5+ Bg6 20.Bxg5 Kf7]

(Diagram)



19.Bg7! Kf7 20.Bxh8 Qxh8 21.Nd2 Kg7 22.Nb3 Qf8 23.a4 Strongly threatening a5. **23...Bc5** 2.35/18

[23...a5± 1.27/17 keeps fighting.]

24.Bg4+- Bd3 25.Nxc5 Qxc5 26.Rfd1 Bxc4 27.a5 Nd5 28.Rac1 Re8 29.Bh3

[29.Bd7 Re7 30.Bxc6 *(30.Qxc4 Qxc4 31.Rxc4 Rxd7+-; 30.Rxc4 Qxa5 31.Re4 Rxd7∓)* 30...Qxc6+-]

29...b5 30.axb6 Nxb6 31.g3

[31.Rd4? Bd3 32.Qf4 *(32.Rxc5? Re1#)* 32...Nd5 33.Rxd5 cxd5-+ *(33...Qxd5 34.Qc7+ Kh8 35.g3∓)*]

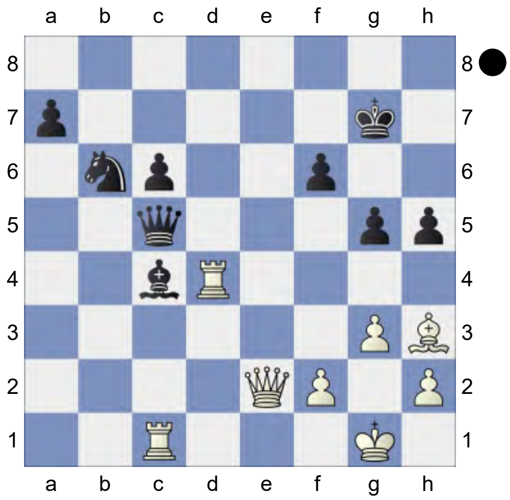
31...Re2 32.Rd4 g5 33.Qg4

[33.Rcxc4? Qa5 34.Bf1 *(34.Rd7+? Nxd7 35.Qd4 Ne5-+)* 34...gxh4-+]

33...h5 34.Qxe2

[34.Qxh5? perishes. Qxd4 35.Rf1 Qe5-+]

(Diagram)



Pin **34...Qxd4 35.Qxh5 Qe5 36.Qg4 Bd5 37.Bg2 Bxg2 38.Kxg2** Endgame KQR-KQN **38...c5 39.h4 c4 40.hxg5 fxg5 41.Qf3 Kg6 42.Qb7 Qd4 43.Qxa7 c3 44.Kg1 c2** Repels Rb1 **45.Re1**

[Not 45.Rxc2 Qd1+ 46.Kg2 Qxc2+-]

45...Qd6 Inhibits Re6+. **46.Qa2 c1Q** 7.19/20

[⌓46...Qd1 4.14/18 47.Qe6+ Kg7 48.Qe7+ Kg8 49.Qe8+ *(49.Qxg5+ Kh7+-)* 49...Kg7]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.01 (flawless) /Black=0.34 **47.Qg8+**

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673 C50

□ **Claridge,John Bleddyn 2392**

■ **Bortnik,Eligiusz 2243**

FRA AJEC 70 jub op sf02 email 01.03.09

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3 Bd7 11.Qd2 Ne6**

[11...Nxe4?! 12.Bxf7+ Qxf7 13.Rxf7 Nxd2 14.Re7+ Kf8 15.Rxd7 N4f3+

16.gxf3 Nxf3+ 17.Kh1 Nxg5 18.Nc4±]

12.Bxf6 Black is better. **12...gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Kh1N**

[14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

14...b6 15.c3 -1.28/21

[⌓15.Nb5 -0.85/20]

15...0-0-0∓ 16.Nc2 Nc5 -0.79/21

[⌓16...a5 -1.15/21 17.Qf3 Ng5 18.Qxf6 Qxf6 19.Rxf6 Rg6 *(19...Nxe4 20.Rxf7 Nd6 21.Ba6+ Kb8 22.Re7∓)* 20.Rxg6 fxg6 *(20...hxg6 21.Ne3∓)*]

17.b4 Na4 18.Bb3 -1.14/22

[18.Bd5∓ -0.62/21]

18...Bc6 -0.64/21

[Black should play 18...f5!∓ -1.14/22 White must now prevent ...f4. 19.exf5 Bc6]

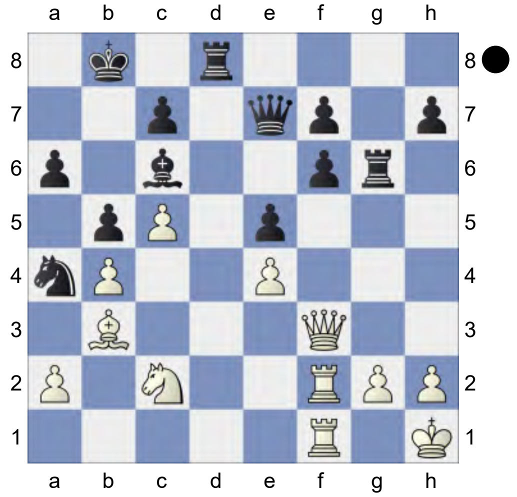
19.Rf2∓ a6 20.c4 -1.24/19

[Better is 20.Raf1∓ -0.51/20]

20...Kb8!∓ 21.c5 b5!

[21...bxc5 22.Rb1 Ka8 *(22...cxb4? 23.Bxa4 Bxa4 24.Nxb4+-)* 23.Rc1=]

22.Raf1 Rg6 23.Qf3



f5! 24.Bd5 f4 25.Ne1 Bxd5 26.exd5 f5 27.Qb3 Qg7 -1.11/19

[⌓27...Rh6 -1.50/21 28.Kg1 Qf7]

28.Rd2 Rh6 29.Kg1 -1.77/18

[29.h3∓ -1.22/18]

29...e4-+ 30.Rxf4 Nc3 31.d6 cxd6 32.Rxf5 d5 33.Rdf2 Rg6 -0.97/17

[33...e3-+ -1.84/19 34.R2f3 d4]

34.g3 -1.96/17

[34.Rf7∓ -0.97/17 Qh8 35.Nc2]

34...e3 35.R2f3 Qd4 36.Qa3 Rc8! Black has more active pieces. **37.Qa5 Ne2+!**

[37...Qe4 38.Rf8 Qe7 39.R8f7∓]

38.Kf1 Qc4! Dancing on a razor blade. **39.Kg2** and Rf6! would now be decisive

39...Qe4!↑ White is under pressure.

[39...Nd4 40.Rf6 Nxf3 *(40...Rxf6 41.Rxf6 Qe2+ 42.Kh3=)* 41.Qb6+ Ka8 42.Qxa6+ Kb8 43.Qb6+ Ka8 44.Qa6+ Kb8 45.Qb6+ Ka8 46.Qa5+ Kb8 47.Rb6+ Rxb6 48.Qxb6+ Ka8 49.Qa6+ Kb8 50.Qb6+ Ka8 51.Qa6+ Kb8 52.Qb6+=]

White does not recover from this. **40.Qa3?** -2.08/17

[40.a4!= 0.05/18]

40...Re6!

[40...Nd4 41.R5f4 Nxf3 42.Rxe4 Nxe1+ 43.Kf1±]

41.c6

[Wrong is 41.Qd3? Nd4 42.a3 *(42.Qxe4? dxe4 43.R3f4 Nxf5-+)* 42...Nxf3 *(42...Nxf5? 43.Qxe4* Remove Defender *Rxe4 44.Rxf5-+)* 43.Rxf3 Rce8-+ *(43...d4? 44.Qxe4 Rxe4 45.Nd3-+)*]

41...Rcxc6 42.Rf8+

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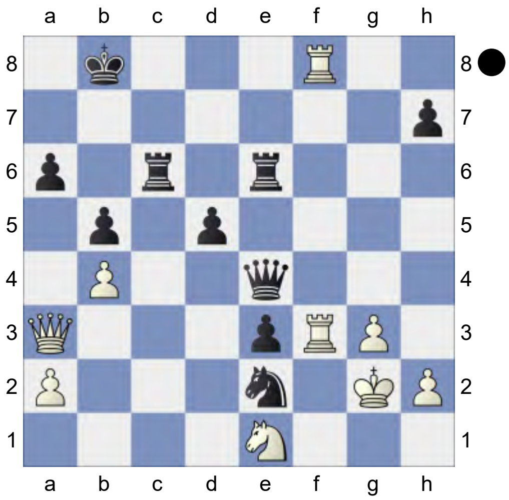
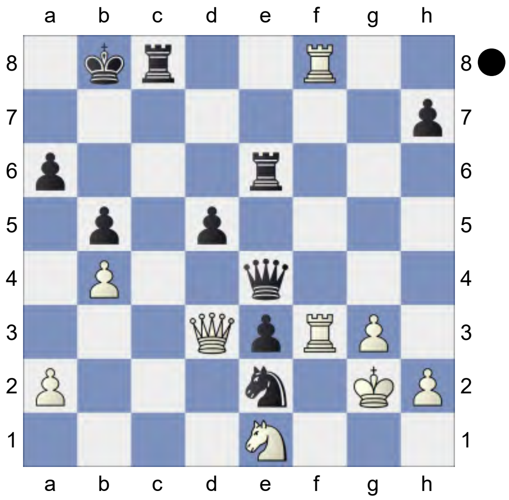


Rc8! 43.Qd3



Qxd3!

[43...Rxf8 44.Qxe4 Rxe4 45.Rxf8+ Kc7 46.Rf7+ Kd8 47.Rxh7=]

44.Nxd3 Nd4 45.Rxc8+ Kxc8 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **46.Rf8+ Kc7 47.Rf7+ Kb6 48.Rxh7 e2 49.g4** -3.34/24

[49.Ne1 -2.17/18 is a better defense.]

49...e1Q Black has a decisive advantage. **50.Nxe1 Rxe1 51.h4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.09 (flawless) **51...Re8**

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674 C50

☐ Wunder,Stefan 2306

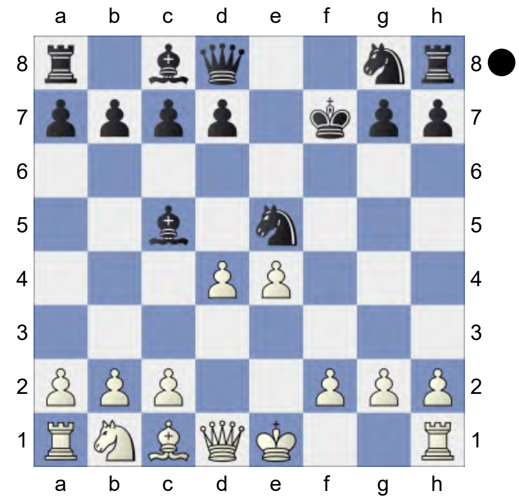
■ Langschmidt,Dirk 1956

corr RSRANDOM-225 18.08.2016

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.d4**

[6.Qh5+ Ke6 7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4 Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 So,W-Delmonico,N Eljanov Memorial final 6th 2021]

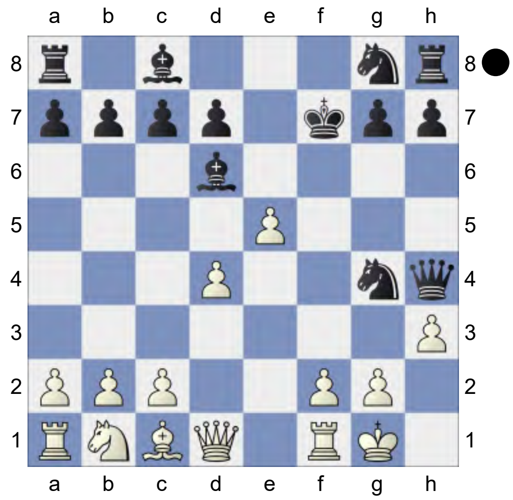


6...Qh4N

[6...Bd6 7.dxe5 Be7 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 g6 10.e6+ Kg7 11.f5 Nf6 12.Nc3 c6 13.Bg5 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qc7 15.fxg6 hxg6 16.Bxf6+ Bxf6 17.Rxf6 Kxf6 18.Qd4+ Kxe6 19.Qxh8 Rb8 20.Rf1 Qe7 1-0 Pammer,A (1590)-A: 5 e4 Ng6 6 Nf3 (1759) IECG CP.1996.S.00008 1997 (6)]

7.0-0 Ng4 8.h3 Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Bd6 9.e5**

(Diagram)



Nxe5 0.00/21 **10.dxe5= Bxe5 11.Qd5+ Kf6 12.Nd2** -0.55/21

[12.Re1= 0.00/21 d6 13.Re4 *(13.Rxe5 dxe5 14.Qd8+ Ne7∓)*]

Loses the game. **12...d6?** 3.43/18

[12...Qd4∓ -0.55/21 stays ahead. 13.Qf3+ Ke7]

13.f4!+- Ke7 4.99/22

[13...Bxf4? is the wrong capture. 14.Nf3 *(14.Ne4+ Kg6+-)* 14...Ne7 15.Qd4+ *(15.Nxh4 Nxd5 16.Bxf4 Nxf4±)* 15...Ke6 16.Nxh4+-]

[13...Bd4+ 3.43/20 might work better. 14.Qxd4+ Kf7]

14.fxe5 Be6 7.22/18

[⌓14...Nf6 4.89/16 15.exf6+ gxf6]

15.exd6+ Kd7 16.Qb5+ Kxd6 17.Nf3 Repels Qd4+ **17...Bd5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.10 (very precise) / Black=1.60 **18.Nxh4** [Event "RSRANDOM-225"]

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675 **C50**

☐ **Langheld,Werner** **1983**

■ **Zielinski,Sergej** **2265**

corr Open2015/Rd.1/Gr.12 (1) 01.10.15

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Nd2** -0.74/21

[10.Qd3= -0.24/19 remains equal.]

[10.c3 Be6 11.Na3 Nc6 12.Kh1 Rd8 13.Qe2 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Rf2 Rg8 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Nc2 Kf8 18.Ne3 Nb8 19.Qh5 Kg7 20.Qf3 Kh7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 e4 23.Qf4 Rd6 24.Re2 Nd7 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

10...h5N

[10...Ne6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Qf3 Nf4 13.g3 Rg8 14.Kh1 Bg4 15.Qf2 Ne6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd8 *(17...Rg6)* 18.Bxe6 Bxe6 19.Rf2 Ke7 Delgado Serrano,A-Markus,R 14th Open Manhattan 1996]

[10...Be6 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.b4 Rg8 15.Kh1 Nf4 16.g3 Qe6 17.Ne3 Rxg3 0-1 Brussels,C-Ghent BEL Cities corr3536 1935]

11.Nb3 Ne6 12.Bxe6 Black is slightly better. **12...Bxe6** -0.52/22

[12...Qxe6∓ -0.96/22 13.a4 b6 *(13...Nxe4 14.Qd8#)*]

13.Qd3∓ Bd7 Inhibits Qb5. **14.Qf3 b6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6**

[16...Rg8 feels hotter. 17.Nd2 Be6 18.Rf2 Qxf6 19.Rxf6 Rd8]

17.Rxf6 Rd8 18.Raf1 Bb5 19.R1f5 Rd1+ 20.Kf2 Bc4 21.Rxe5+ Be6 22.Ke2 Rb1 23.Nd4 Rxb2 24.Kd3

[24.Nxe6?! fxe6 *(24...Ke7 25.Rff5∓)* 25.Rfxe6+ *(25.Rexe6+ Kd7±)* 25...Kd8⩲]

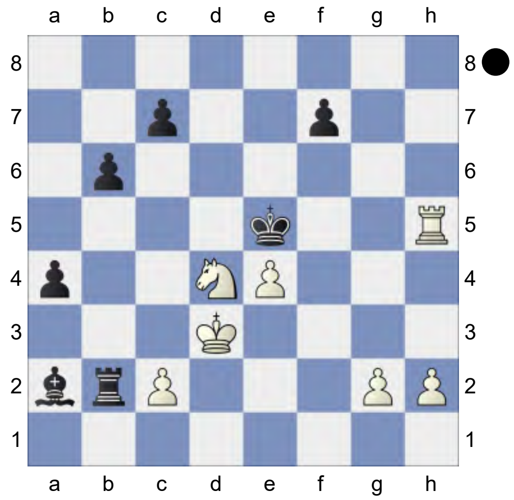
24...Ke7 25.Rff5 h4 26.Rh5 Rxh5 27.Rxh5 Bxa2 28.Rxh4 Endgame KRB-KRN **28...a5 29.Nf5+ Ke6** -0.16/21

[29...Kd7∓ -0.69/23 30.Rh8 Rb1]

30.Rh6+ Ke5 Threatening ...Rb4. **31.Rh5** -1.32/20

[31.Rc6= -0.10/23]

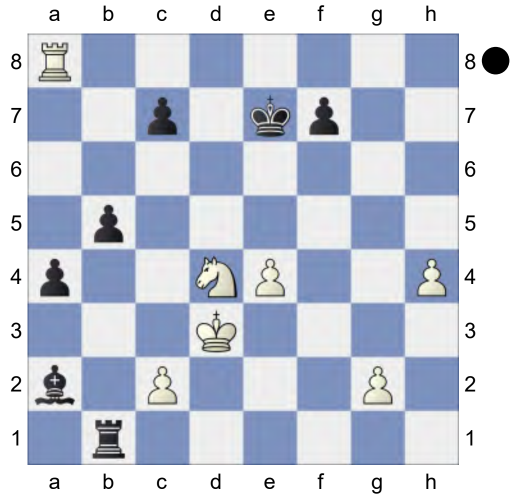
31...a4∓ 32.Nd4+



Kf6! 33.Rh6+ Ke7 34.h4 Rb1 -0.55/19

[34...a3∓ -1.39/24 35.Rc6 Kd7]

35.Rh8!∓ b5 36.Ra8



c5! 37.Nf5+ Kf6 -0.33/20

[Black should play 37...Kd7∓ -1.18/22 and ...Rh1 should not be overlooked 38.h5 Rh1]

38.Ne3 Rb4 39.Ng4+ Kg7 40.h5 Rb1 41.Ne3 Be6 -0.06/19

[41...Kh6!∓ -0.44/20 42.Rh8+ Kg7]

42.Ra5!= The position is equal. **42...Kh6 43.Nd5 Kxh5 44.Kd2 Bxd5 45.exd5 Kg5 46.c4 Rb4 47.cxb5 Kf5 48.Ra6 Rxb5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.14 (very precise) **49.Rxa4**

½-½

677 C50

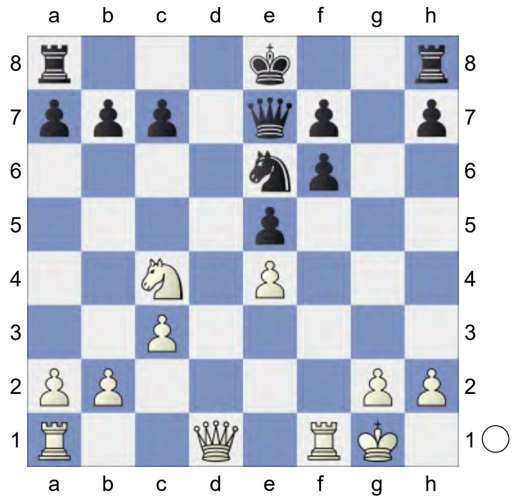
☐ **Ilonen,Ilmari 2073**

■ **Knittel,Martin 2077**

corr FIN-GER 2015/S 14.07.2015

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6** White has an edge. **12...gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6**



...Qc5+ is the strong threat. **14.Ne3** White has compensation.

[14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7

19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)]

14...Qc5! 15.Qd2

[15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 29.b5 d3 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25)]

15...Rd8 16.Qf2 Rg8N 0.53/23

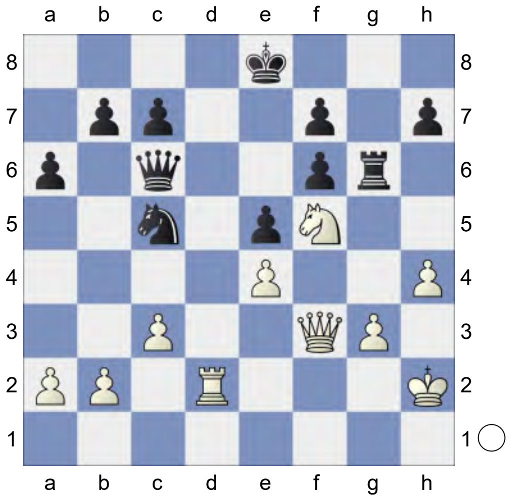
[16...f5= 0.11/22 should be considered.]

[16...Ng5 17.Rae1 Nxe4 18.Qh4 Nd6 19.b4 Qc6 20.c4 #1 Theory 1A2: 7... d6-A2: 7...d6 9.fxe5]

17.Kh1!⩲ Rg6 18.Rad1 Black is on the road to losing. **18...Rxd1** 0.93/23

[18...a5⩲ 0.48/21]

19.Rxd1± Kf8 20.Qf3 Qc6 21.h4 Rh6 22.Nf5 Rg6 23.Kh2 a6 24.g3 Ke8 25.Rd2 White is more active. **25...Nc5**



26.Rd5! b6 27.b3 1.66/22 Repels Qa4

[27.Qe2± 1.17/21]

27...Ne6+- 28.a4 a5 2.47/24

[28...b5 1.91/20]

29.Qd3→ White has strong attack.

29...Qa8? 4.29/26

[29...h6 2.28/24 30.Qa6 Kf8 31.Rxa5 Qe8]

30.Rd7 Qc8 31.Re7+ Kf8 32.b4 h5 33.Qd5 Qd8 4.69/26

[33...Rg4 3.16/21 was necessary. 34.Qc6 (*34.bxa5 bxa5 35.Qc6 Qd8±*) 34...Qd8]

34.Qxd8+ White is clearly winning.

[Less strong is 34.bxa5 bxa5 35.Qxd8+ (*35.Qxa5?* is the wrong capture. *Qd2+ 36.Kh1 Qd1+ 37.Kh2 Qc2+ 38.Kg1 Rxg3+ 39.Nxg3 Nf4-+*) 35...Nxd8 36.Rxc7 Rg4+-]

34...Nxd8 35.Rxc7 Endgame KRN-KRN **35...Rg4 36.Kh3 Rg6 37.Ra7 Ke8 38.bxa5 bxa5 39.Nd6+ Kf8 40.Rxa5 f5 41.Nxf5 Rc6 42.c4 Rc8 43.Rxe5 Ra8 44.Nd6 Nc6 45.Rxh5** Strongly threatening Rh8+. **45...Rxa4 46.Rc5 Ra6 47.h5 Nd8 48.e5 Kg7 49.Rc7 Ra5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.35 **50.c5**

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676 **C50**
☐ **Ilonen,Ilmari** **2073**
■ **Knittel,Martin** **2077**
FIN-GER email 14.07.2015
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.06/24

[9...Qe7∓ -0.37/19]

10.Na3= Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6! White has an edge. **12...gxf6 13.Nxc4**

Ne6 Strongly threatening ...Qc5+.
14.Ne3 White has compensation.

[14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 0-1 Bolon,K (2018)-Monpeurt,C (2166) FRA-chT Top 12 2019 (8.8)]

14...Qc5! 15.Qd2

[15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 29.b5 d3 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25)]

15...Rd8 16.Qf2 Rg8N 0.42/22

[16...f5= 0.04/23 was preferable.]

[16...Ng5 17.Rae1 Nxe4 18.Qh4 Nd6 19.b4 Qc6 20.c4 #1 Theory 1A2: 7... d6-A2: 7...d6 9.fxe5]

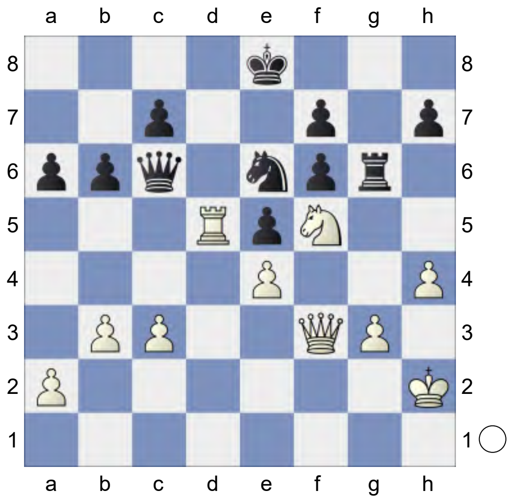
17.Kh1!± Rg6 18.Rad1 Black is now going downhill. **18...Rxd1 19.Rxd1 Kf8 20.Qf3 Qc6 21.h4 Rh6 22.Nf5 Rg6 23.Kh2 a6 24.g3 Ke8 25.Rd2** White is more active. **25...Nc5 26.Rd5 b6** 1.70/23

[26...Ne6± 1.09/23]

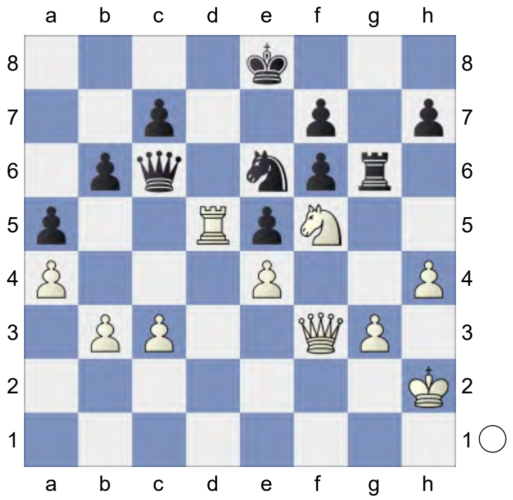
27.b3 Ne6 2.07/20

[27...a5± 1.39/19]

(Diagram)



28.a4!+- a5



29.Qd3!→ White has strong attack.
29...Qa8? 4.27/22

[29...Rg4 1.61/21 is a better defense. 30.Qe2 (*30.Qa6 Kf8±*) 30...h5]

30.Rd7 White wants to mate with Re7+.
30...Qc8 31.Re7+ Kf8 32.b4 h5 33.Qd5 Qd8 34.Qxd8+ Overworked Piece

[Weaker is 34.bxa5 bxa5 35.Qxd8+ (*35.Qxa5?* perishes. *Qd2+ 36.Kg1 Qe1+ 37.Kh2 Qe2+ 38.Kg1 Rxg3+* Decoy *39.Nxg3 Qe3+ 40.Kh2 Qf2+ 41.Kh1 Qf3+ 42.Kh2 Qf2+ 43.Kh1 Qf3+ 44.Kh2 Nf4-+*) 35...Nxd8 36.Rxc7 Rg4+-]

34...Nxd8 35.Rxc7 Endgame KRN-KRN.

White is clearly winning. **35...Rg4 36.Kh3 Rg6** 6.20/25

[⌓36...Ke8 4.42/23 37.Nd6+ Kf8]

37.Ra7 Ke8 38.bxa5 bxa5 39.Nd6+ Kf8 40.Rxa5 f5 41.Nxf5 Rc6 42.c4 Rc8 43.Rxe5 Ra8 44.Nd6 Nc6 45.Rxh5 Rh8+ would now be deadly. **45...Rxa4 46.Rc5 Ra6 47.h5 Nd8 48.e5 Kg7 49.Rc7 Ra5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.41 **50.c5**

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678 **C54**

☐ **Om,Prakash R R** **2183**

■ **Gupta,Aniruddha Dutta** **1946**

corr AICCF 4495 12.01.2016

[Kitty Kat]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bb6 5.a4 a6 6.c3 Nf6 7.d3 d6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne7 10.Bb3 Ng6 11.Nc4**

[11.a5!? Ba7□ 12.Nc4=]

11...Ba7 12.a5 h6N

[12...Be6 13.Be3 Bxc4 14.Bxc4 c6 15.Bb3 d5 16.exd5 Bxe3 17.fxe3 cxd5 18.c4 e4 19.dxe4 dxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxe4 21.Qb3 Qe7 22.Rad1 Rac8 23.Nd4 Ne5 24.Nf5 Qc7 25.Qb2 Nf6 26.Bd5 Rcd8 27.e4 1-0 Iljiushenok,I (2524)-Ojasuo,A (2626) 99/64 Cuba 2007]

13.Ne3 -0.18/19

[13.Be3 0.28/21 deserves consideration.]

13...Nf4 0.37/20

[Black should play 13...c6= -0.18/19]

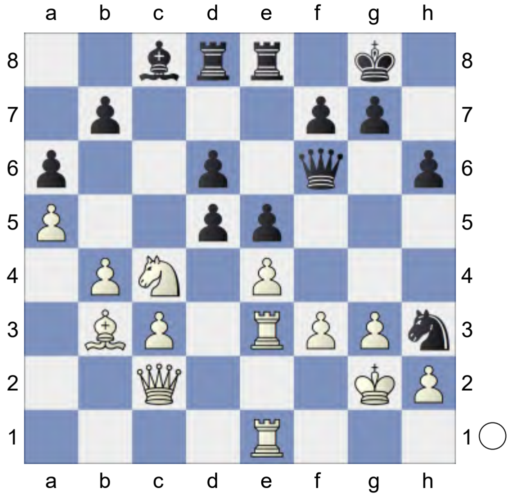
14.Re1± Re8 15.Nf1 Ng6 16.Be3 c6 17.Bxa7 Rxa7 18.Ne3 Ra8 19.Qd2 Qc7 20.Qc2 Ng4 21.d4 Nxe3 22.Rxe3 Nf4 23.g3 Nh3+ 24.Kg2 Bg4 25.Nd2 Rad8 26.f3 Bc8 27.Nc4 Qe7 28.Rae1 Qf6 1.40/20

[28...Qg5± 0.70/21]

29.d5 0.82/18

[⌓29.Nb6 1.40/20 Black must now prevent Nxc8. Ng5 30.d5]

29...cxd5±



30.Nb6 Ng5 1.58/20

[⌓30...d4 0.84/18 31.cxd4 exd4]

31.Nxd5 Active counter play!

[31.Bxd5 Bh3+ 32.Kf2 Qg6±]

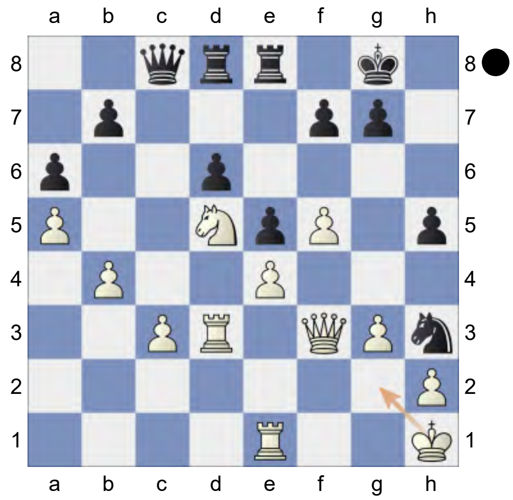
31...Qg6 32.Kh1 Nh3 2.43/19

[32...Nh7± 1.54/20 was worth a try. 33.Nc7 Rf8]

33.Ba4+- Bd7 34.Bxd7 Rxd7 35.f4 Prevents Ng5. **35...Qg4 36.Qg2 Rdd8 37.Rd3 Qc8 38.Qf3 h5 39.f5**

[39.Qxh5? too greedy. Nf2+ 40.Kg1 Nxd3-+]

(Diagram)



39...Qc4 and ...Qxd3! should not be overlooked **40.Rde3 Ng5 41.Qd1**

[41.Qxh5 Nxe4 42.Rxe4 Qxd5±]

41...Qc6 42.h4

[Not 42.Qxh5 Nxe4 43.Rxe4 Qxd5±]

42...Nh7 43.Qxh5 Rc8? 5.25/20

[43...Nf6 3.16/17 44.Nxf6+ gxf6]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.08 (flawless) /Black=0.26 (precise) **44.g4 1-0**

679 **C51**

☐ **Schulz,Joerg** **2427**

■ **Milde,Lars** **2205**

corr Remote Schach 15.03.2008

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2 d6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qa4+ c6! and ...Qc7 should not be overlooked. The position is equal. **10.Nxe5 Nf6 11.0-0 b5 12.Qc2 Be6N**

[12...0-0 13.a4 Qc7 *(13...b4 14.cxb4 Bxb4 15.Rd1* 5...♗e7 6.d4 ♘a5 7.♗e2 *)* 14.Nf3 a6 15.Bg5 Bg4 16.Nbd2 Nb7 17.h3 Bh5 18.Rae1 Nc5 19.Nd4 Bg6 20.f4 Ncxe4 21.Nxe4 Bxe4 22.Bd3 Bxd3 23.Qxd3 Rfe8 24.Re5 Qd7 25.Qf3 Nd5 26.axb5 axb5 27.Bxe7 ½-½ (33) Short,N (2683)-Svidler,P (2672) KC Internet Grand Prix 2000]

[12...Qc7 13.Bf4 Bd6 14.Nxf7 Kxf7 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.a4 Nc4 17.axb5 cxb5 18.Rd1 Qe6 19.Na3 Nxa3 20.Rxa3 Bb7 21.f3 Rhd8 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Qa2 a6 24.c4 b4 25.Ra4 Qb6+ 26.c5+ Qe6 27.Qxe6+ ½-½ (32) Reprintsev,A (2253)-James,S (1928) Titled Tuesday intern op 16th May Late blitz 2023 (2)]

13.Rd1 Qb6 14.Be3 Qb7 15.h3 0-0 16.Nd2 a6 17.Nb3 Nxb3 18.axb3 c5 19.Bf3 Rad8 20.Nd3 Qc8 21.c4 bxc4 22.bxc4 Nd7 23.Be2 Bf6 24.Ra5 0.75/22

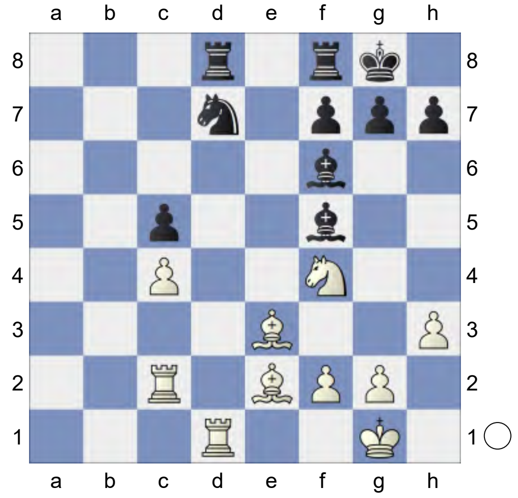
[24.Rac1 1.26/19]

24...Qc7± 25.Rxa6 Qb7 26.Ra2 0.72/17

[26.Nxc5? Nxc5 27.Bxc5 Rxd1+ *(27...Qxa6? 28.Bxf8 Rxd1+ 29.Bxd1-+)* 28.Qxd1 Qxa6-+]

[26.Qa2 1.24/20]

26...Qxe4 27.Nf4 Qxc2 28.Rxc2 Bf5



29.Rcd2 g5 1.61/23

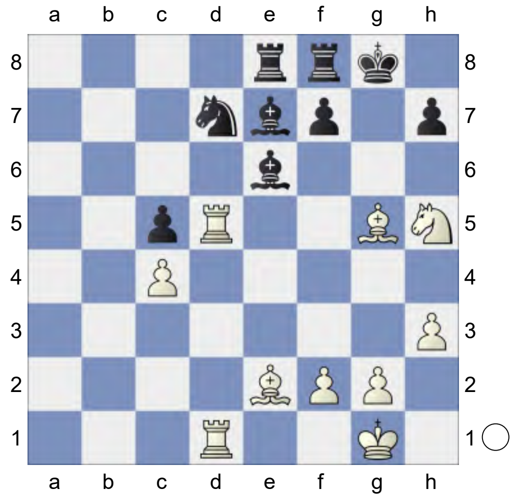
[29...Nb6± 1.05/22]

30.Nh5 1.19/21

[White should play 30.Nd5+- 1.61/23 and Nxf6+ would now be decisive Rc8 31.h4]

30...Be7 31.Rd5↑ White is on the roll. **31...Be6 32.Bxg5** White is much more active. A mistake that costs the game. **32...Rde8** 2.70/20

[32...f6± 1.13/21 is a better defense. 33.Bh6 Bxd5 34.Bxf8 *(34.Rxd5 Rf7±; 34.cxd5 Bd6±)* 34...Kxf8]



33.Bxe7!+- Rxe7 34.Rg5+ Kh8 35.Rd6 Ra8 36.f4 Ra1+

Weighted Error Value: White=0.11 (very precise) /Black=0.24 (precise)

37.Kf2

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680 **C56**

☐ **Gorbatov,A.** **2377**

■ **Steiner,B.** **2180**

IMB3 Marianske Lazne CZE (3) 18.01.10

[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)) 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)) 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

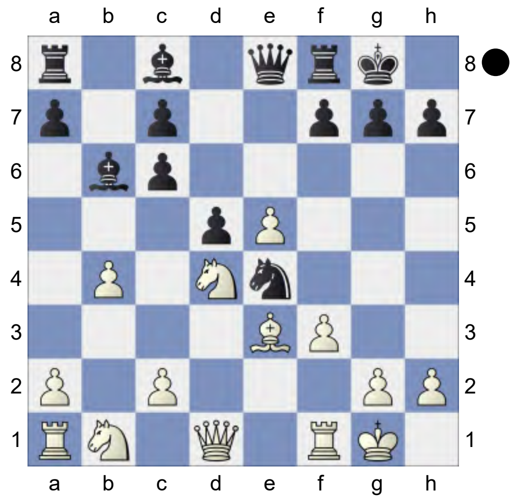
6.e5 d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.Nxd4 0-0 9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.b4 Bb6

[10...Bxb4? 11.Nxc6 Qe8 12.Nxb4+-]

11.Be3 Qe8 12.f3 -1.46/19

[12.Nd2∓ -0.63/17]

(Diagram)



12...Nf6 -0.48/22 **13.Qd2 Qxe5 14.Nc3! a5 15.Na4 Ba7 16.Nc5** A dynamic duo of knights. **16...Bb6** ...axb4 would now be deadly. **17.c3**

[17.Nxc6? Qd6 18.Nd4 *(18.Nxa5? Rxa5 19.bxa5 Bxc5-+)* 18...axb4-+]

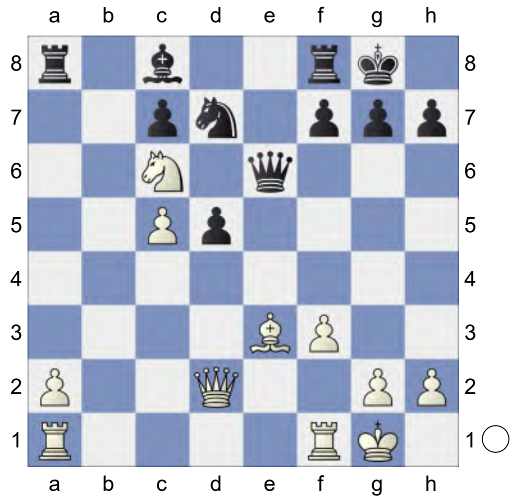
17...axb4 0.36/17

[Black should try 17...Nd7= -0.17/20 18.Nxc6 Qd6 19.Nxd7 Bxd7 20.Bxb6 Remove Defender cxb6]

18.cxb4⩲ Bxc5 19.bxc5 Nd7 1.08/19

[19...Ra4⩲ 0.61/19]

20.Nxc6⩲ Qe6



21.Nb4 Strongly threatening Rfe1!. White is more active. A mistake that costs the game. **21...Ra3** 2.54/19

[21...Ne5⩲ 1.17/21 keeps fighting. 22.Qxd5 *(22.Nxd5 Nc4=)* 22...Ra4]

22.Rfe1+-

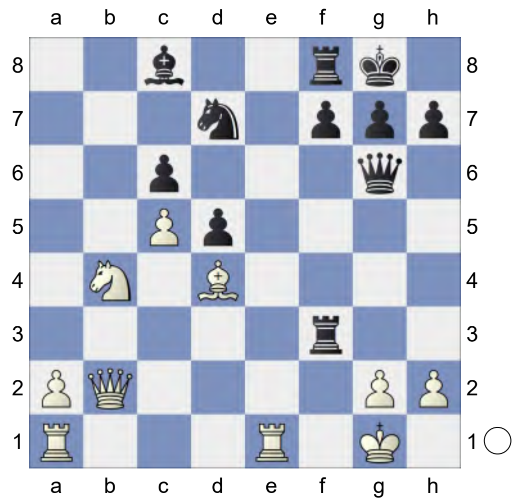
[Not 22.Nxd5 Bb7 23.Nc3 *(23.Nxc7? Qxe3+ 24.Qxe3 Rxe3-+)* 23...Rfa8⩲]

22...c6 23.Bd4 Qg6 24.Qb2↑ 1.41/19 White is really pushing.

[24.h4+- 1.83/19]

24...Rxf3 2.77/19

[24...Ra4⩲ 1.41/19 25.Re2 Rd8]



25.Nxc6! Qxc6 26.gxf3 Nxc5 4.44/19 Black is weak on the dark squares

[⌓26...f6 2.83/17 27.Rac1 h6]

27.Qc2

[27.Bxg7 Nd3 *(27...Qg6+? 28.Kh1+-)* 28.Qd4 *(28.Qf6 Qxf6 29.Bxf6 Nxe1⩲)* 28...Qg6+ *(28...Nxe1 29.Rxe1 Re8 30.Rxe8+ Qxe8 31.Kf2⩲)* 29.Kh1 Nxe1 *(29...Qxg7?* perishes. *30.Rg1+-* Pin *)* 30.Rxe1 Bg4 *(30...Qxg7? 31.Rg1+-* Pin *)* 31.Qxd5 Kxg7⩲ *(31...Be6? 32.Qd1+-)*]

27...Bh3 28.Bxc5

[28.Qxc5 Qg6+ 29.Kf2 Qg2+ 30.Ke3 Re8+-+]

28...d4 29.Rac1 Qxf3 30.Qf2 Qg4+ 31.Qg3 d3? 6.83/20

[31...Ra8 3.88/18 32.Qxg4 Bxg4

33.Bxd4 h6]

32.Qxg4 Bxg4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.51

33.Bxf8

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681 **C50**

☐ **Nogal,Jan** **2360**

■ **Bucsa,Ioan** **2085**

corr Champions League 2010 C Group 2

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.77/17

[10.Kh1= -0.27/20]

10...Bd7 11.Qe1

[11.c3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qf3 Nf4 14.Kh1 f5 15.exf5 0-0-0 16.Ba6 c6 17.Qe3 Qg5 18.Rf2 bxa6 19.Qxa7 Bxf5 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Na5 Rd7 22.Qa8+ Kc7 23.Qxh8 Be4 24.Qa8 Nf4 25.Qb7+ Kd8 1-0 Can,E (2578)-Volokitin,A (2687) Terme Catez 152/(40) 2022]

11...Ne6 Excellent horsemanship.

12.Bh4N Black is slightly better.

[12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Qe3 Rg8 14.Rf2 Rg6 15.Raf1 Nf4 16.Kh1 a6 17.g3 Nh3 18.Rd2 Bg4 19.Be2 Bxe2 ½-½ Laznicka,V (2659)-Pavasovic,D (2579) EU-ch 11th Rijeka 2010 (6)]

12...Bc6 -0.01/17

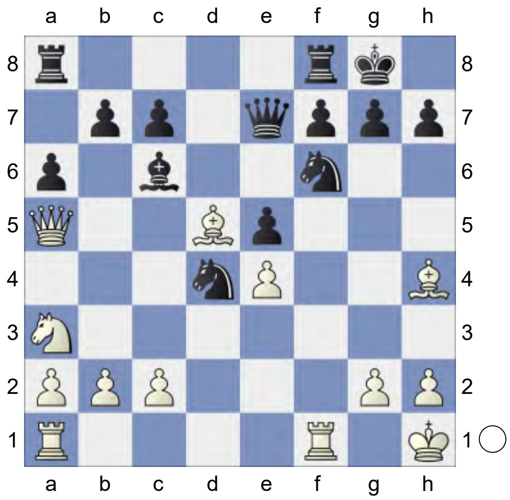
[12...b6∓ -0.48/17]

13.Qa5= Nd4 14.Bd5 0-0 0.39/21

[14...Qd7!= -0.03/21 15.Bxf6 gxf6]

15.Kh1± a6 1.65/20

[Black should try 15...Qd7± 0.51/21 16.Bxf6 gxf6]



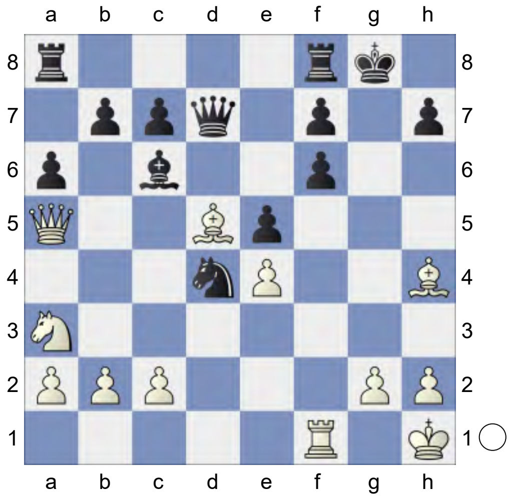
16.Rxf6!+- gxf6

[16...Bxd5 17.exd5]

17.Rf1 aiming for Qe1. Loses the game.

17...Qd7 2.61/20

[17...Bxd5± 1.21/19 18.exd5 Qd7]



18.Qe1! Qg4 aiming for ...Bxd5. **19.h3 Qg6** 3.08/20

[19...Qh5 2.14/21 was called for.]

20.Bxc6

[20.Rxf6 Qg7 21.Nc4 a5]

20...bxc6

[20...Nxc6 21.Rf3 Qh6 22.Qg3+ Qg6 23.Qf2]

21.Bxf6 c5 22.c3

[22.Bxe5 Rae8 23.Nc4 f6-+ *(23...Nxc2 24.Qc1=)*]

22...Rfe8? 4.66/22

[22...Ne6 2.30/17]

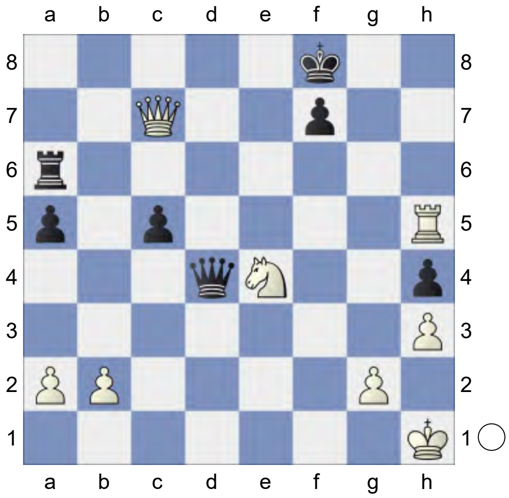
23.cxd4 White is clearly winning. **23...exd4 24.Rf4 Re6 25.e5**

[Not 25.Rg4 Qxg4 26.hxg4 Rxf6+-]

25...h5 26.Qf2 a5 27.Rf5 Raa6 28.Qf3 d3 29.Nc4 h4 30.Rh5 Rxf6 31.exf6 d2 32.Nxd2

[32.Rxc5? Qb1+ (*32...Qxf6?* loses. *33.Qg4+ Kf8 34.Nxd2+-*) 33.Kh2 d1Q-+ (*33...d1B? 34.Rg5++-*)]

32...Qxf6 33.Qg4+ Kf8 34.Qc8+ Ke7 35.Qxc7+ Kf8 36.Ne4 Qd4



37.Rf5! f6 38.Qc8+ Ke7 39.Qxa6 Threatening mate with Rxf6!. **39...Qxe4 40.Qxf6+ Kd7 41.Qg7+ Kd6 42.Qg6+ Qe6 43.Rf6 Qxf6 44.Qxf6+ Kd5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=1.11 **45.Qxh4**

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☐ **Tyulenko,Yuri Viktorovich** **2423**
■ **Vidyakin,Sergey Grigorievich** **0**
CupTurgenev/sf2 31.12.2015
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Sokolov,I: 'Inf 91/283' Lukacs: 'LesEchecs.com: 'C50: Partie italienne (gambit Evans refusé) ''

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 0.39/15

[5...Ba5∓ -0.33/13]

6.0-0 White has compensation. **6...Nf6 7.d4! 0-0**

[7...Nxe4 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Re1 Nxc4 10.Rxe4+ Be7 11.Rxc4±]

8.Re1 White is slightly better. **8...h6 9.Nbd2 Re8 10.Qb3**

[10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Nc4 bxc3 13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Nfxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Rxe5 16.Bf4 Re7 17.e5 Ne8 18.Qd3 d5 19.Qxc3 Bf5 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.a5 c6 22.Qxc6 Rc8 23.Qa4 Nc7 24.Be3 Ne6 ½-½ Short,N (2712)-Sokolov,I (2690) Sarajevo Bosnia 34th 2004 (7)]

10...Qe7 11.Bd3 Rb8N

[11...Na5 12.Qc2 (*12.Qa4 b6 13.Nf1 Bb7 14.Ng3 Qf8 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Rxe5 17.f4 Ree8 18.e5 d6 19.Ba3 Bc6 20.Qd1 Nd7 21.Qg4 Nb7 22.Nf5 Kh8 23.Re3 Nbc5 24.Rae1 Nxd3 25.Rxd3 Re6 26.Qh4 Rg6* 1-0 Felgaer,R (2593)-Harikrishna,P (2646) Dos Hermanas-A 2005 (4)) 12...b6 13.Rb1 Bb7]

[11...b6 12.Nc4 #4 1) Evans Gambit-Evans Gambit: 4...Bxb4]

12.a4 b6 13.Nc4 Bb7 14.Bd2 Na5 15.Nxa5 bxa5 16.Qc2 Nh5 17.g3 Nf6 18.Nh4 Qd8 19.Rab1 Bf8! 20.Rb5 a6 21.Rb2

[21.Rxa5 c5 22.c4 (*22.dxe5? Ng4∓*) 22...exd4∓ (*22...cxd4 23.c5∓*)]

21...Ba8 and ...Rxb2 would now be decisive **22.d5 Rxb2 23.Qxb2 Bc5 24.Nf5 d6 25.Kg2 c6 26.c4 h5 27.Bg5 g6 28.Nh4 Kg7 29.Qc1 Qd7 30.f4 Ng4** 1.13/18

[Black should play 30...cxd5± 0.63/18 31.Bxf6+ Kxf6 32.exd5 Kg7 *(32...Qxa4 33.fxe5+* Remove Defender *Rxe5 34.Qf4+ Ke7 35.Rxe5+ dxe5 36.Qxe5+ Kd7 37.Qg7±)*]

31.f5!± cxd5 32.exd5 Qxa4 2.25/21

[32...e4± 1.35/17 is a better defense. 33.Bxe4 Qxa4 34.fxg6 Qa2+ 35.Bd2 fxg6]

33.h3 Qb3 34.hxg4 Qxd3 35.fxg6! fxg6 36.gxh5 gxh5 2.12/18

[36...Rh8!± 0.63/17]

37.Bd8!+- Decoy **37...Kh7** 1.05/19

[37...Rxd8? 38.Qg5+ Kf7 39.Qxh5+ Kf6 *(39...Ke7? 40.Nf5+ Kf6 41.Qh6+ Kxf5 42.Qh7+* Skewer *Kg5 43.Qxd3+-)* 40.Qh6+ *(40.Rf1+ Qxf1+ 41.Kxf1 Rf8+-)* 40...Ke7 41.Qe6+ Kf8 42.Rf1++-]

[37...Bxd5++- 2.12/20 38.cxd5 Qxd5+ *(38...Rxd8? 39.Qg5+ Kf7 40.Qxh5+ Kg8 41.Qg4+ Kf8 42.Rf1++-)* 39.Kh2 e4 *(39...Rxd8? 40.Qg5+ Kf7 41.Qxd8+-; 39...Qa2+ 40.Ng2±)*]

38.Qg5± Really sharp! **38...Bxd5+**

[38...Qc2+ 39.Kh3 Rg8 40.Qxh5+ Kg7 41.Nf5++- *(41.Bxa5 Bb7+-)*]

39.cxd5 Qxd5+ 40.Nf3! Qa2+ 41.Nd2 Rxd8 42.Qe7+

[42.Qxh5+ Kg7 43.Qg5+ Kf7∓]

42...Kh6

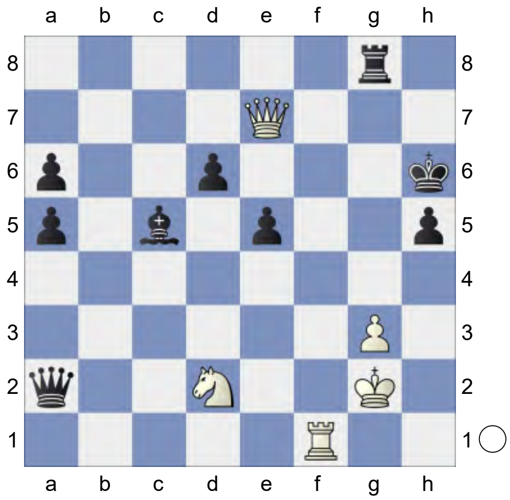
[42...Kg6 43.Rf1 Qxd2+ 44.Kh3+-]

43.Rf1! White threatens Rf6+ and mate.

[43.Qf6+ Kh7 44.Qe7+ *(44.Qf5+ Kh8=)* 44...Kh6 *(44...Kg6? 45.Rf1+-)* 45.Qf6+ Kh7 46.Qe7+=]

43...Rg8

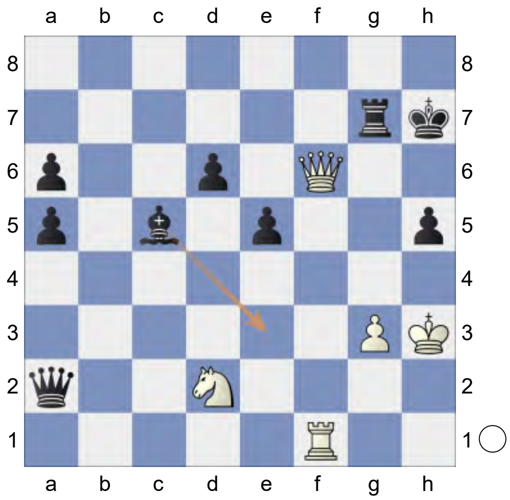
[43...Qxd2+ 44.Kh3 Bf2 *(44...Rg8 45.Rf6+ Kg5 46.Rxd6+ Kf5 47.Qh7+ Kg5 48.Qxg8+ Kf5 49.Qg6#)* 45.Qxd8+-]



44.Kh3! Rg7

[44...Qxd2 45.Rf6+ Kg5 46.Rf8+ *(46.Rxd6+ Kf5 47.Qh7+ Kg5 48.Qxg8+ Kf5 49.Qg6#)* 46...Kg6 47.Qe6+ *(47.Rxg8+ Kf5+-; 47.Qf6+ Kh7 48.Rf7+ Rg7 49.Qxg7#)* 47...Kh7 48.Qxg8+ Kh6 49.Rf6#]

45.Qf6+ Kh7



46.Rf5! Qf7

[Worse is 46...Qxd2 47.Rxh5+ Kg8 48.Qd8+ Kf7 49.Qd7+ Kf8 50.Rh8+ Rg8 51.Qf5+ *(51.Qd8+ Kf7+-)* 51...Ke8 52.Rxg8+ Ke7 53.Rg7+ Ke8 54.Qc8#]

47.Qxf7 Rxf7 48.Rxf7+ Kg6 49.Rc7 Bb4 50.Nc4 Kf5 51.Kh4 d5 52.Nb6

d4 53.Kxh5 Strongly threatening g4+.
53...d3? 4.18/18

[53...e4 2.12/17]

54.g4++- Ke6? 5.38/20

[54...Kf4 2.71/17 55.g5 d2 56.Rf7+ Ke3 57.Nc4+ Kd3 58.Nxd2 *(58.Nxe5+ Ke2∓)* 58...e4 59.Rd7+ Ke3 60.Nc4+ Ke2]

55.Rc6+ Ke7? 6.75/21

[55...Kf7 3.97/19 56.Nd5 d2 57.Rf6+ *(57.Rxa6?* loses. *d1Q-+)* 57...Kg7]

56.Nd5+ Kd7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.05 (flawless) /Black=0.29 (precise) **57.Nxb4**

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683 **C50**

☐ **Lopez Silva,H.** **2353**

■ **Rodi,L.** **2243**

It Pinamar ARG (8) 31.03.2004

[Kitty Kat]

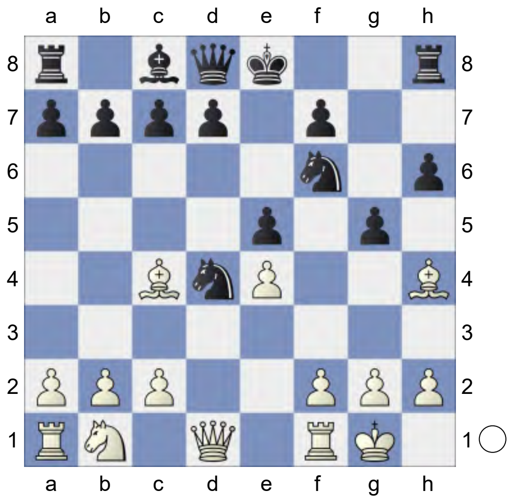
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 h6** -0.62/22

[7...Ne6= -0.21/23 8.Bxe6 fxe6]

8.Bh4∓ g5 0.48/21

[8...Qe7!∓ -0.70/22]

(Diagram)



9.f4!± d5

[9...gxh4 10.fxe5 d5 11.Qxd4 *(11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Qxd4 Be6±)* 11...Nxe4 12.Bxd5± *(12.e6 f6+-)*]

[9...gxf4? 10.Rxf4 exf4 11.Qxd4+-]

10.exd5 White is slightly better.

10...Nxd5 0.93/21

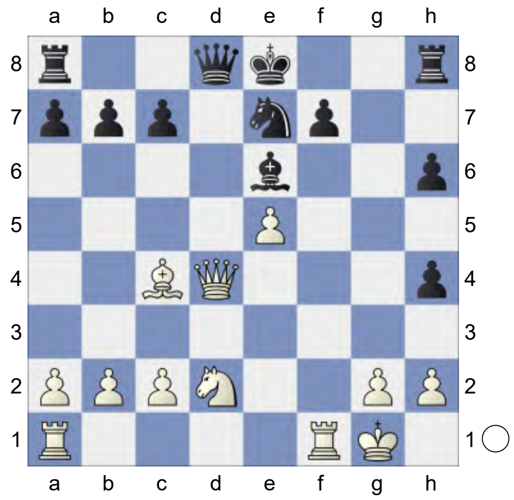
[10...gxh4± 0.47/21 11.fxe5 Nf5]

11.fxe5 0.31/25

[11.Qe1!± 0.93/21 Qd6 12.Bxd5 *(12.fxg5 Be6=; 12.fxe5? Qc5-+; 12.Qxe5+? Qxe5 13.fxe5 c6-+)* 12...Qxd5 13.Nc3]

11...gxh4 12.Qxd4 Be6 13.Nd2 Ne7N 1.84/21

[13...Nb6!= 0.08/20 and Black stays safe. 14.Qe4 *(14.Qxd8+ Rxd8 15.Bd3 h3 16.g3 Nd5 17.a3 Ne3 18.Rf2 Ng4 19.Re2 h5 20.Nf3 Ke7 21.Rf1 Rhg8 22.Re4 c6 23.Rf4 Rg7 24.Re1 Rd5 25.Rb4 b5 26.Rf4 h4 27.Be4 Rc5 28.Nxh4 Nxe5* 1-0 Janik,I (2515)-Avramidou,A (2298) EU-ch Rapid Skopje 2024 (3)*)* 14...Nxc4 *(14...Qxd2? 15.Bxe6 0-0 16.Qg6+ Kh8 17.Qf6+ Kh7 18.Rf4+-)* 15.Nxc4 Qd5 16.Qxd5 *(16.Qxh4? Qxc4 17.Rf4 Qxc2-+)* 16...Bxd5]



14.Qxh4!+- Qd7 2.46/20

[14...Qxd2 15.Bxe6 Qe3+ *(15...fxe6? 16.Qh5+ Kd7 17.Rad1+-)* 16.Kh1 fxe6 17.Qf6±]

[⌓14...Nf5 1.84/23 15.Qf2 Qd4 16.Bb5+ Ke7]

15.Bxe6 Qxe6 16.Nb3 0-0-0 17.Rae1 Rhg8 18.Qf2 Qg4 19.Qf3

[19.Qxa7? Qxg2#]

19...Qg6 2.24/20

[⌓19...Qxf3 1.75/21 20.Rxf3 Rg7]

20.Rf2

[20.Qxf7? Qxg2#]

20...Qb6 21.Kh1

[21.Qxf7? Rgf8 22.e6 Ng6-+ *(22...Rxf7 23.exf7 Ng6 24.Re8∓* Back Rank *)*]

21...Nc6 3.12/21

[⌓21...Ng6 2.22/19 22.c3 *(22.Qxf7? Rgf8-+)* 22...Kb8]

22.Qxf7 a5 23.Qf5+ Kb8 24.e6 a4 25.Nc5 Nd4

[25...Rg5 26.Nd7+ *(26.e7 Nxe7±* Pin *)* 26...Rxd7 27.Qf8+ Rd8 28.e7+- *(28.Qxh6 Qxf2 29.g3 Rd2 30.Qh8+ Ka7)*]

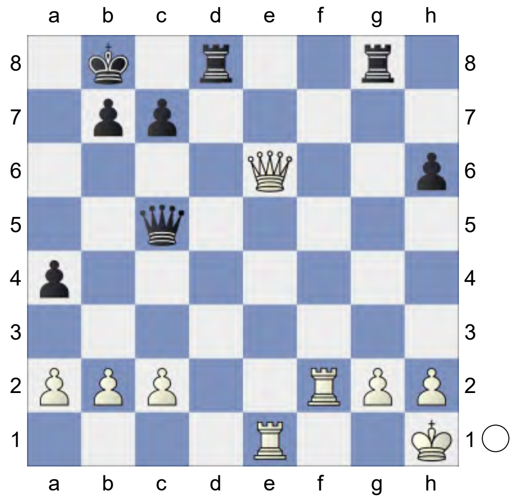
26.Qe5 0.70/17

[26.Qh5+- 2.87/25 Nxe6 27.Rxe6 Qxc5 28.Qxc5 Rd1+ 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Qg1 Rxg1+ 31.Kxg1]

26...Nxe6!± Deflection **27.Qxe6**

[27.Nxa4 Qxf2 28.Qe4 Rxg2]

27...Qxc5



28.Rfe2 Rgf8 1.39/24

[⌓28...Rge8 0.73/22 29.Qf6 *(29.Qxh6? Rxe2 30.Qc1 Rxe1+* Deflection *31.Qxe1 Qxc2-+; 29.Qxe8 Rxe8 30.Rxe8+ Ka7+-)* 29...Rh8]

29.h3 0.87/21

[White should play 29.Qxh6 1.39/24 and Qe3 would now be decisive Qb5 30.Qe3]

29...Rd6 30.Qe4 Qb5 31.b3 axb3 1.73/20

[31...a3± 0.68/21]

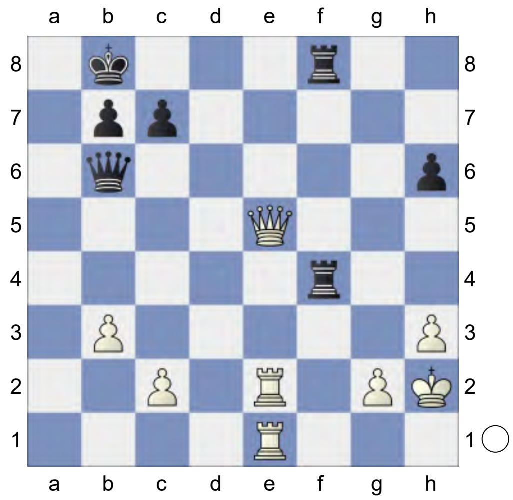
32.axb3+- Rdf6 33.Kh2 Rf4 2.95/21

[⌓33...b6 2.01/19 34.Ra1 Qc6]

34.Qe5 Qb6 5.49/22

[34...Qxe5 2.88/21 35.Rxe5 R8f6]

(Diagram)



35.Qxf4!! Deflection **35...Rxf4 36.Re8+ Ka7 37.Ra1+ Qa6 38.Rxa6+ bxa6** Endgame KR-KR. White is a pawn up. **39.Re6 Rf2 40.Rc6 Kb7 41.Rc4 Kb6 42.Kg3 Rd2 43.Kf3 c5 44.g4 Kb5 45.h4 a5 46.g5 hxg5 47.hxg5 a4 48.g6?** 0.22/22

[48.Rxa4+- 6.88/25 Rxc2 49.g6]

48...axb3? 6.19/23

[48...a3= 0.22/22]

49.g7

[49.cxb3 Rd3+ 50.Kf2 Rd8]

49...Rxc2 50.Rg4 White mates.

[50.g8R? perishes. Kxc4 51.Rb8 b2-+]

50...Rc3+ 51.Kg2 Rc2+ 52.Kh3 Rc3+ 53.Kh4 Rc4 54.g8Q

[Worse is 54.g8R Rxg4+ 55.Kxg4 Kb4=]

54...Rxg4+ 55.Kxg4 c4 56.Kf3 Kb4 57.Ke3 b2 58.Qg1 Kb3 59.Qd1+ Kc3 60.Qb1 Kb3 61.Kd4 c3 62.Kd3 c2 Weighted Error Value: White=0.31/Black=0.59 **63.Qxc2+**

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684 C56
☐ Beliaev,Va 2064
■ Ospennikov,D. 2243
II Nezhmetdinov Mem (3) 02.06.2010
[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001

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6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Bg5 Qd6 2.95/21

[9...f6= 0.00/18 and Black has nothing to worry. 10.Bh6 Be6]

10.Re1++- White has a decisive advantage. **10...Be6 11.Nbd2 Qd5 12.Ne4 Be7 13.Bxe7** 1.13/18

[13.Bf6!+- 2.50/21 is the precise move to win.]

13...Kxe7± 14.Nfg5 0.00/20

[White should try 14.Qd2± 1.11/20 Qh6 would now be deadly. Rxg7 15.Qf4]

14...Rxg7= 15.Qf3 -1.41/20

[15.Qh5= 0.00/20 Qf5 *(15...Rag8 16.Qh4±)* 16.h4]

15...Rag8!∓

[15...Rxg5 16.Qf6+ Kd7 17.Qxg5 *(17.Nxg5 Rg8±)* 17...Qxg5 18.Nxg5±]

16.Qf6+ -1.91/23

[16.h4∓ -1.09/18 is a better defense.]

16...Kf8?? 1.75/20

[16...Kd7-+ -1.91/23 17.Qxg7 Rxg7 18.Nf6+ Kc8 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Re8+ Kd7]

17.Qh6 1.05/18

[17.f4+- 1.75/20]

17...Ke7± 18.Qh4 Ne5? 2.76/20

[18...Rxg5± 1.25/21 19.f4 Pin h6]

19.Nf3+?? -1.75/18 Excellent horsemanship.

[19.Nf6+- 2.76/20 and life is good for White. Nf3+ *(19...Kxf6? 20.Nxh7+* Discovered Attack (Double Check) *Kf5 21.Qf6+* Deflection *Kg4 22.Rxe5+-)* 20.Nxf3 *(20.gxf3? Rxg5+ 21.Kf1 Kxf6-+)* 20...Rxg2+ 21.Kf1 Qxf3 22.Nxg8+ Discovered Attack (Double Check) Kf8 23.Qd8+ Kg7 24.Qf6+ *(24.Qxd4+ Kxg8 25.Qd8+ Kg7=)* 24...Qxf6 25.Nxf6 Rxh2 26.Kg1 Kxf6 27.Rxe6+ Clearance *(27.Kxh2 Bf5+-)* 27...Kxe6 28.Kxh2]

19...Kf8-+ 20.Nxe5 -3.92/18

[20.Ng3 -1.68/19 Nxf3+ 21.gxf3]

20...Rxg2+ 21.Kh1 Qxe5 22.Ng3

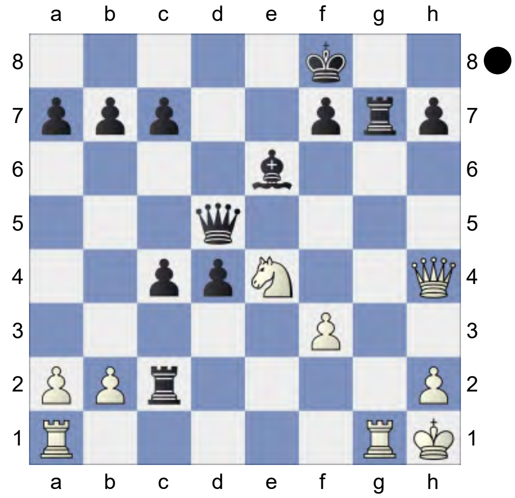
[22.Qxh7? Qf4-+ *(22...Rh8? 23.Qxh8+ Qxh8 24.Kxg2-+)*]

[22.Nf6 Rxh2+ 23.Qxh2 Bd5+ *(23...Qxf6? 24.Rg1-+)* 24.f3 Bxf3+ *(24...Qxf6 25.Re8+* Decoy *Kxe8 26.Qe2+ Kd8 27.Rf1 Qh6+ 28.Qh2 Bxf3+* Deflection, Back Rank *29.Rxf3 Qc1+ 30.Rf1 Qxf1+ 31.Qg1 Qxg1#)*]

22...Qd5 23.Ne4 -6.75/20

[⌓23.Re4 -4.44/17 Rxf2 24.Rd1]

23...R8g7 24.f3 Rxc2 25.Rg1



Rg6

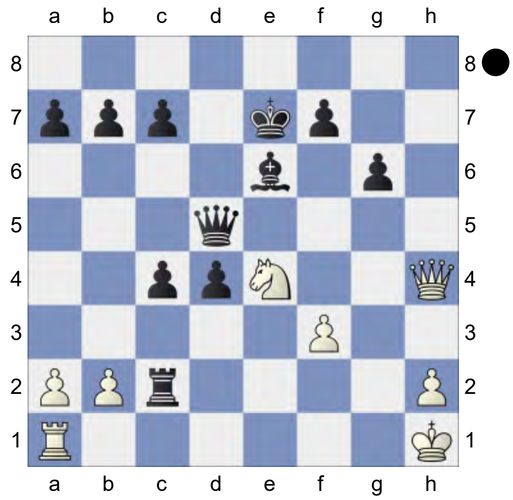
[25...Rxb2 26.Rxg7 Kxg7 27.Rg1+ Kf8 28.Rg8+ Kxg8 29.Nf6+ Kf8 30.Nxd5+-]

26.Rxg6 hxg6

[Weaker is 26...fxg6 27.Re1 Qe5 *(27...Rxb2? 28.Qf6+ Bf7 29.Ng5+-)* 28.Qd8+ Kg7 29.Qe7+ Kh8 *(29...Kh6? 30.Qf8+ Qg7 31.Qf4+ g5 32.Nxg5+-* Discovered Attack*)* 30.Qe8+ Kg7 31.Qe7+ Kh8 32.Qd8+ Kg7 33.Qe7+=]

27.Qh8+ Ke7 28.Qh4+

(Diagram)



g5! 29.Nxg5

[29.Qg3 Kd8]

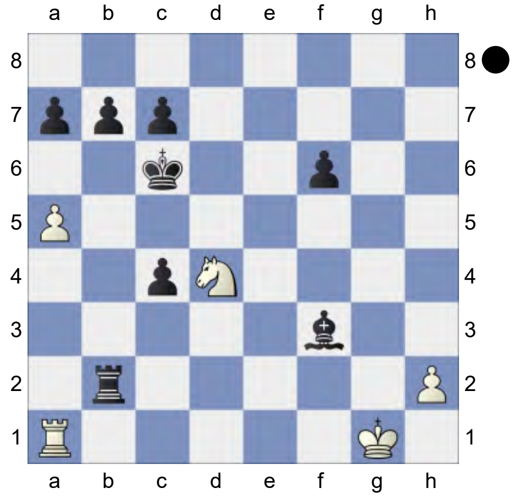
29...Kd7 30.Ne4 Kc6

[30...Rxb2? is the wrong capture. 31.Nf6+ Kc6 32.Nxd5+-]

31.Qf4 Qf5 32.Qg3 Qh3 33.Qxh3 Bxh3 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is two pawns up. **34.Ng5 Bg2+ 35.Kg1 f6 36.Ne6 Rxb2 37.Nxd4+ Kc5 38.Ne6+ Kb6 39.a4 Bxf3** -2.80/15

[⌓39...Ka5 -5.98/17 40.Rc1 Kb4 *(40...Bxf3? 41.Rxc4 c6 42.Rf4-+)*]

40.a5+ Kc6 41.Nd4+



Weighted Error Value: White=0.70/ Black=0.68 **41...Kd5!**

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685 C50

☐ Slezak,Robert 2159

■ Udvari,Norbert 2018

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[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Na3** -0.76/19

[10.Nc3⩱ -0.34/20 deserves consideration.]

10...Be6 0.21/25

[10...Ne6⩱ -0.76/19 11.Bxf6 gxf6]

11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6! The position is equal. **12...gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Qa4+** White has compensation.

[14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

[14.b4 Rg8 15.Rf2 Ng5 16.Qa4+ c6 17.Re2 Rd8 18.Qxa7 Qd7 19.Qe3 Qd3 20.Qxd3 Rxd3 21.Rc1 Ke7 22.a4 Nh3+ 23.Kf1 Nf4 24.Rec2 Rgd8 25.Nb2 Rd2 26.Nc4 R2d7 27.Ne3 Rd3 28.Nf5+ Ke6 0-1 Sole Pijuan,F (2018)-4.f3 d5 5.a3 ♗d6 (2166) 42/259 Nikea 1986 (8.8)]

14...c6 and ...b5 would now be decisive **15.Kh1 Nc5 16.Qc2 Qe6N** 0.64/20

[16...0-0-0= 0.24/22 17.b4 Ne6 Italian Deutz Gambit-Italian Deutz Gambit,O]

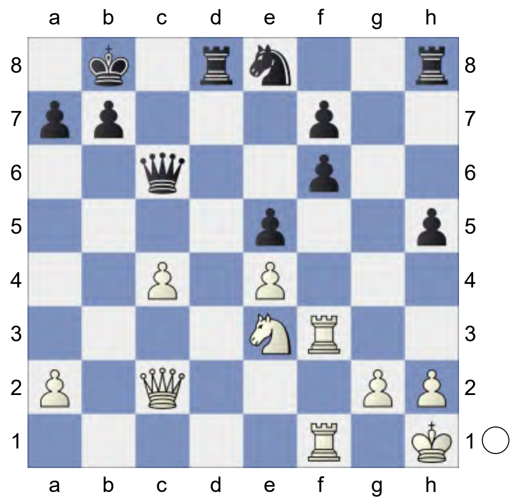
17.Ne3⩲ 0-0-0 18.b4 Na6 1.21/22

[18...Nd3⩲ 0.57/23]

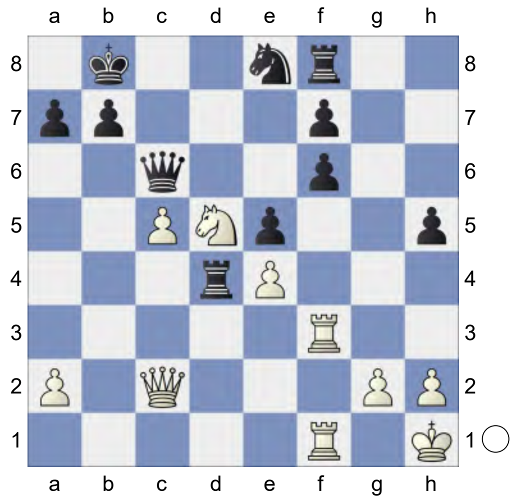
19.Rf3 Nc7 20.Raf1 0.83/21

[⌓20.h3 1.29/22]

20...Ne8 1.60/19
[⌓20...Qd7 0.83/21]
21.c4± h5 1.57/21
[21...Rd4⩲ 0.70/18]
22.b5 Kb8 23.bxc6 Qxc6



24.c5! Rd4 25.Nd5 Rf8 1.56/18
[Better is 25...f5 1.11/25]



26.h3! White is more active.
[26.Nxf6 Nxf6 27.Rxf6 Qxe4∓]
26...h4 27.Kh2
[27.Nxf6 Nxf6 28.Rxf6 Qxe4 29.Qxe4 Rxe4∓]
27...Nc7 28.Rxf6
[28.Nxf6?! Ne6±]
28...Qa4 2.16/20
[28...Nxd5± 1.03/20 was called for. 29.Rxc6 Ne3]
29.Qb1+- Nxd5 30.exd5→ Black is in trouble. **30...Rxd5** 3.50/21
[⌓30...Qb4 2.43/20 31.Rxf7 *(31.Qxb4 Rxb4 32.Re1 Rb2⩲)* 31...Rxf7 32.Qxb4 Rxb4 33.Rxf7 Rd4]
31.c6
[31.Rxf7 Rxf7 32.Rxf7 Rd7 33.Rf8+ Kc7±]
31...b6 32.Qh7 Prevents Rc5.
[32.Rxf7 Rxf7 33.Rxf7 Qxc6±]
32...Rdd8 33.Qf5
[33.Rxf7 Rxf7 34.Rxf7 Qxc6±]
33...Rfe8 34.Rc1 Prevents Qc4.
[34.Rxf7 Qxc6 35.Qh7 e4=]
34...Ka8 35.Rxf7
[35.c7 Rc8 36.Qd3 *(36.Rxf7 Kb7+-)* 36...Qd4+-]
35...Qf4+ 36.Qxf4 exf4 37.Rxf4 Endgame KRR-KRR. White is a pawn up. **37...Rd2 38.a4**
[38.Rxh4 Rxa2 39.Rd4 Rg8+-]
38...Kb8 39.Rxh4 Rg8 40.Rg4 Rxg4 41.c7+ Kc8 42.hxg4 KR-KR. White is two pawns up. **42...Rd4?** 7.00/21
[42...Rd7 3.07/20 43.Kh3 Rxc7]
43.Kg3 White is clearly winning.
[Weaker is 43.g5 Rd5 44.g6 Rd6+-]
43...Rxa4 44.g5 g6 would now be deadly. **44...b5 45.Rc5**
[Stronger than 45.g6 Ra6=]
45...Ra6 46.Rxb5 Kxc7 47.Kh4 Kd7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.53 **48.Kh5**
1-0

686 **C52**

☐ **Elison,Kari** **2304**

■ **Hegoburu,Pedro Federico** **2507**

Iceland-Argentina match 9599 (3) 1995

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 Elison Elison: 'Elison Elison' **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.dxe5 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5** -0.01/20

[9...dxe5∓ -0.61/20 10.0-0 Na5]

10.Qc2=

[RR 10.Qb4 Elison Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Bc5 12.Qb3 Ne7 13.0-0 0-0 14.exd6 cxd6 15.Ba3 Qc7 16.Nd4 Bxa3 17.Nxa3 Nc6 18.Rfe1 Qe7 19.Rab1 Ne5 20.c4 a6 21.Nac2 Be6 22.Ne3 b5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Qf6]

10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4 d5 12.exd5 -0.30/18

[12.Ncd2 0.09/20 was preferable.]

[RR 12.Bg5 Elison]

[RR 12.Ne3 Elison]

[RR 12.Nxb6 Elison axb6 Elison 13.0-0 dxe4 14.Qxe4 Qg4 15.Qe3 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.h3 Qg6 18.f4 c5 19.Nb5 Rd8 20.Nd6 Nf5 21.Nxc8 Raxc8 22.Qf3 h5 23.Qxb7 Rc6 24.Qa6 c4 25.Qa4 Rd3 26.Rb1 Rxh3]

12...Qxd5 13.Qa4+

[RR 13.Ne3 Elison]

13...Bd7 14.Nxb6 cxb6 15.Qb4 -0.31/18

[15.Qb3!= 0.21/20 Qe4+ 16.Be3]

[RR 15.Qd4 Elison

A) RR 15...Qxd4 16.Nxd4 Rc8 17.Kd2 *(RR 17.Bd2)* 17...Ne7 18.Ba3 Nd5 19.Rhc1 Rc4 *(RR 19...b5)*;

B) RR 15...Bc6;

C) 15...Ne7 16.Ba3 Be6 17.0-0 Qxd4 18.Nxd4 Nd5 19.Nb5 a6 20.Nd6+ Kd7 21.c4 Nc3 22.f4 g6 23.Rf3 Na4 24.Nxb7 Rhc8 25.Rd3+ Kc6 26.Nd6 Rc7 27.Rc1 Rd8 28.Bb4 a5 29.Ra3 Nb2 Carlsson,L (2367)-Haug,J (2480) Norway 2023 1-0 (33)]

15...Bb5∓ 16.Nd4 Elison: '!' '!'

[16.Bg5 h6 17.Nd4 Bd7 18.Be3 Ne7 19.0-0 Qc5 20.Qb3 Qxe5 21.Rae1 Qf6 22.Nb5 0-0 23.Bd4 Qg5 24.f4 Qxb5 25.Rxe7 Qxb3 26.axb3 Bc6 27.Rfe1 f6 28.Kf2 b5 29.b4 Rf7 30.R7e6 a5 0-1 Kurnosov,I-Sargissian,G EU-ch 6th Warsaw 2005 (5)]

16...Qxe5+

[Elison: 'RR' 16...Ba6 17.Qa4+ b5 18.Qb4 Qxg2 19.Ba3 Qe4+ 20.Kd2 0-0-0 21.Rhe1 Qf4+ 22.Kc2 Qxh2 23.e6 fxe6 24.Nxe6 Qxf2+ 25.Kb3 Nf6 26.Nxd8 Rxd8 27.Rad1 Nd7 28.Re7 Qf3 29.Rd4 b6 30.Bc1 Qf6 31.Ka3 1-0 Elison,K (2275)-Hanison,B (2010) TG/2/94/S2 corr ICCF 1999 Elison: 'Elison,K-Niemand,G corr 2000 UltraCorr3a [Elison] 1-0 (40)' Bb7 32.Qd6 Qxd6+ 33.Rxd6 Nc5 34.Rxd8+ Kxd8 35.Rxg7 h5 36.Bf4 a6 37.Bc7+ Ke8 38.Bxb6 Nd7 39.Bd4 Be4 40.Rg5 1-0 Elison,K-Niemand,G ICCF Thematic semi-final 2000-2001]

17.Be3 Ba6N

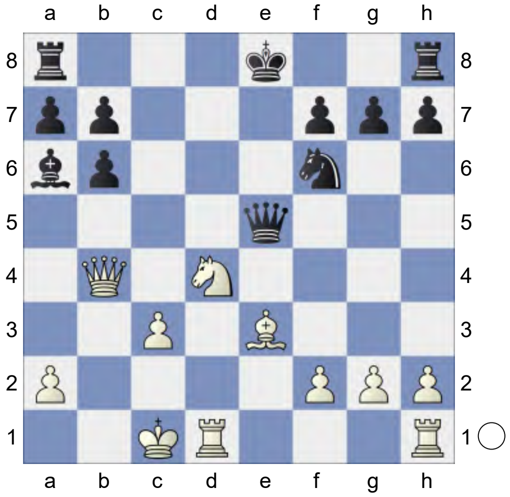
[Elison: 'In the game Pedro Rodriguez-Luis Valdes, Cuba 1990, was played' Elison: 'RR' 17...Bd7 Elison: 'with complications. The ... ♗a6 move is an interesting try by the famous ICCF researcher Hegoburu...' Elison: 'with complications. The ... ♗a6 move is an interesting try by the famous ICCF researcher Hegoburu... with complications. The ...♗a6 move is an interesting try by the famous ICCF researcher Hegoburu...' 18.0-0 Qc5 19.Rfe1 *(RR 19.Qb1 Elison Ne7 20.Re1 Qd6 21.Qe4 Qd5 22.Qh4 Ng6 23.Bc1+ Be6 24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Qa4+ b5 26.Qa3 Kf7 27.Be3 Rhd8 28.Rab1 Kg8 29.Qb2 a6 30.Qe2 Qe4 31.Rb4 Qd3 32.Qg4 Qf5 33.Qg3 Rac8)* 19...Ne7 *(RR 19...Qxb4 Elison)* 20.Ne6 Qxb4 21.Nxg7+ Kf8 22.cxb4 h5 23.Rad1 Bc6 24.Rd6 Rh7 25.Bd4 Rc8 26.h4 a6 27.Bb2 Nd5 28.Nf5 Nxb4 29.Bc1 f6 30.Rxf6+ 1-0 Mestdagh,F (2275)-Relyea,A USSR (ch) 33/278 1981 Elison: '1-0 (30) Elison,K (2275)-Baumann,H corr ICCF thematic 1994 UltraCorr3a [Elison]']

18.0-0-0 aiming for Rhe1.

[18.Qa4+ simplifies b5 19.Qb4 Ne7 20.0-0]

18...Nf6 1.25/13

[18...Ne7!= -0.15/20 keeps the balance.]



Elison: 'But now comes a real surprise. [#]' Elison: 'But now comes a real surprise. [#] But now comes a real surprise. {#} ' **19.Nf5!** Elison: 'This sacrifice is the start of a forceful ice-fire attack.'

[Note that White was not winning with 19.Nf3 (Elison) instead, e.g. Qe7 20.Rhe1 Qxb4 21.Bc5+ Qe4! etc.]

19...Qxf5 20.Rhe1 Ne4 21.f3? -1.48/3

[21.Bxb6± 1.18/3 Qg5+ 22.Be3]

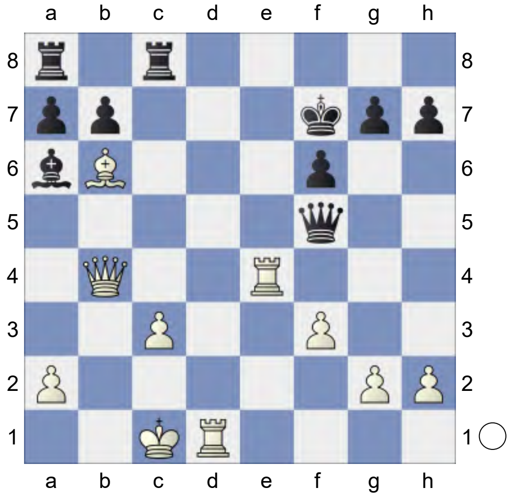
21...f6? 1.61/20 **22.Bxb6** 0.61/15 Elison: '!' '!'

[White should try 22.Bf2!+- 1.61/20 Kf7 23.Qb3+ Kg6 24.Rxe4]

22...Kf7!± Elison: '!' '!' Elison: 'The best defence. White now has to find razor-sharp lines to continue the attack.'

23.Rxe4 Rhc8!

[23...axb6 24.Qe7+ Kg6 25.Rg4++-]



Elison: '[#] {#} ' **24.Bd8** 0.00/19 Elison: '!' '!' Elison: 'This nice move keeps Black under pressure, but with his answer he fails already.' **24...Qg5+?** 3.58/17

[24...Rxd8? 25.Qe7+ Kg6 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Qxd8 Qg5+ 28.Qd2 Qxd2+ 29.Kxd2+-]

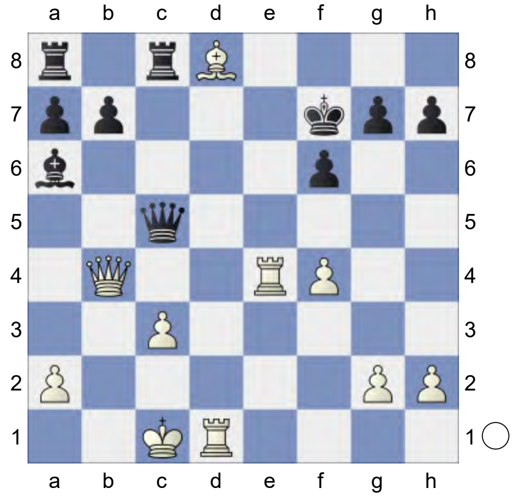
[24...Kg6!= 0.00/19 and Black is okay.]

[The correct defence seems to be 24...h5! (Elison) where I could not find a clear win for White. But well... 25.g4! seems winning.]

25.f4!+- Qc5 3.69/5

[25...Qxg2 26.Rd7+ Kg6 27.f5+ Kxf5 28.Rf4+ Kg6 29.Rxg7+ *(29.Rg4+ Kh5 30.Rh4+ Kg6 31.Qb1+* Skewer *f5 32.Rd6+* Deflection *Kf7 33.Qxf5+ Kg8 34.Qe6+ Kh8 35.Qe8#)* 29...Kxg7 30.Qe7+ *(30.Bxf6+ Kh6∓; 30.Rg4+ Qxg4 31.Qxg4+ Kf7±)* 30...Kg8 31.Qe8+ *(31.Qe6+ Kh8 32.Qe8+ Kg7 33.Bxf6+ Kh6 34.Rh4#)* 31...Kg7 32.Bxf6+ Kh6 33.Rh4#]

[25...Qf5± 1.18/5 26.g4 Rxc3+ *(26...Qxg4? 27.Qe7+ Kg6 28.f5+ Kh5 29.Qf7++-)* 27.Kb2 Qb5 *(27...Qxg4? 28.Qe7+ Kg6 29.f5+ Kh5 30.Rxg4+-)* 28.Qxb5 *(28.Kxc3 Kg8+-)* 28...Bxb5 29.Kxc3 h5 30.gxh5 Rc8+ 31.Kb2 Bc6 32.Re7+ Kf8]



26.Rd7+! Kg6

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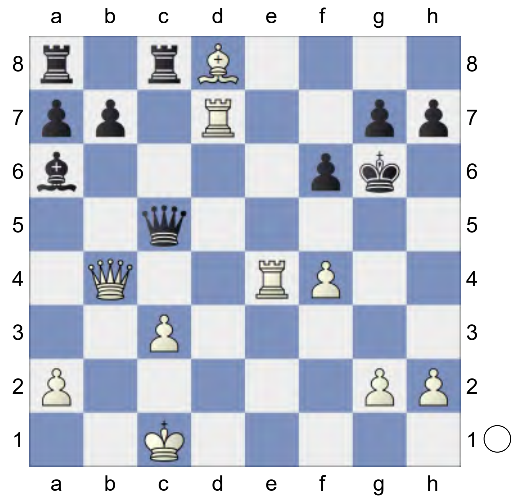


aiming for ...Qxb4. **27.f5+!** Elison: 'After this pawn sacrifice, White is winning.'

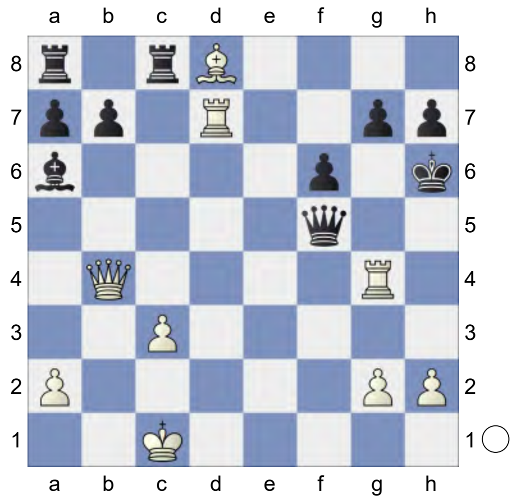
[27.Qxc5 Rxc5 28.Ree7 Rxc3+ 29.Kb2 Rd3 30.Rxg7+ Kf5 31.g4+ Kxf4 32.Rxd3 *(32.Bxf6 Rxd7 33.Rxd7 Kxg4±)* 32...Bxd3 33.Bxf6 b5=]

27...Qxf5? 3.99/12

[Elison: 'Hopeless is' 27...Kxf5± 1.40/3 28.Rf4+ Kg5 29.Rg4+ *(29.Rxg7+ Kh6+-)* 29...Kh6 30.Rh4+ *(30.Rdxg7? Qxb4-+)* 30...Qh5 31.Qf4+ *(31.Rxh5+ Kxh5 32.g4+ Kh4 33.Bxf6+ Kh3 34.Qf4 Rxc3+* Back Rank *35.Bxc3 Kg2 36.Qg3+ Kf1 37.Rf7+ Ke2 38.Qf3#)* 31...Kg6 32.Rg4+ Skewer Qxg4 33.Qxg4+ Kh6 34.Qxg7+ Kh5 35.Rd5+ Kh4 36.Bxf6#]

28.Rg4+ Kh6

(Diagram)



29.Rgxg7→ White wants to mate with Qh4+. White has strong attack. **29...Qf1+ 30.Kb2** -0.09/2 Some like it hot. White has more active pieces.

[30.Rd1± 0.78/4 Qxd1+ Remove Defender *(30...Rxc3+? 31.Qxc3 Qf4+ 32.Kb2±)* 31.Kxd1 Rxd8+ *(31...Kxg7 32.Qe7+ Kg8 33.Qe6+ Kf8 34.Be7+ Kg7 35.Bxf6+ Kg6 36.Be5+ Kg5 37.h4+* Decoy *Kxh4 38.Bf6+ Kg3 39.Qh3+ Kf2 40.Bd4+ Kf1 41.Qh1#)* 32.Kc1 Kxg7 33.Qe7+ Kg6 34.Qe4+ f5 35.Qe6+ Kg5 36.Qe7+ Kf4 37.Qxh7]

30...Qe2+ 13.65/3

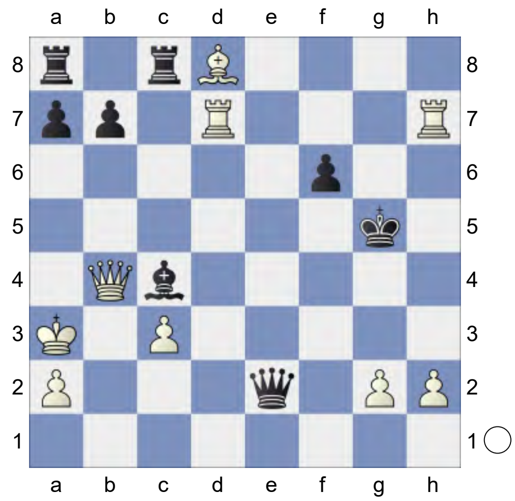
[Stronger than 30...Rxd8 31.Qh4#]

[30...Qf2+= -0.09/2 31.Ka3 Bc4 *(31...Rxd8 32.Rxh7+ Kg5 33.Rdg7+ Kf5 34.Rh5+ Ke6 35.Re7#)* 32.Rxh7+ Kg5 33.Rdg7+ *(33.Rxb7? Qxa2#)* 33...Kf5 34.Rh5+ *(34.Rxb7? Qxa2#)* 34...Ke4 35.Qb1+ *(35.Qxb7+ Kf4+-)* 35...Ke3 36.Re7+ Kd2 37.Qb2+ Skewer Kd1 38.Qxf2 Be6 39.Rd5+ Back Rank Bxd5 40.Re1#]

31.Ka3 Bc4

[Or 31...Rc4 Elison 32.Rxh7+ Kg6 33.Rh6+! Kxh6 34.Qf8+ Kh5 35.Rh7+ Kg4 36.Rh4+! Kxh4 37.Qxf6+ with mate next move.]

32.Rxh7+ White mates. **32...Kg5**



33.Rd5+!! Elison: '!' '!' **33...Kg6**

[33...Kg4 34.Rg7+]

[33...Bxd5 Elison 34.Qh4+ wins.]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.30/ Black=0.82 **34.Qb1+**

[34.Rxb7? Qxa2#]

1-0

687 **C50**
☐ **Haas,Uwe** **2131**
■ **Delport,Wolfgang** **2364**
corr freechess.de 13.09.2005
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Nd2**

[10.c3 Be6 11.Na3 Nc6 12.Kh1 Rd8 13.Qe2 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.Rf2 Rg8 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Nc2 Kf8 18.Ne3 Nb8 19.Qh5 Kg7 20.Qf3 Kh7 21.Nd5 Bxd5 22.exd5 e4 23.Qf4 Rd6 24.Re2 Nd7 1-0 Movsesian,S (2751)-Adams,M (2712) Corus Wijk aan Zee 2009 (2)]

10...Bd7N

[10...Ne6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Qf3 Nf4 13.g3 Rg8 14.Kh1 Bg4 15.Qf2 Ne6 16.Qxf6 Qxf6 17.Rxf6 Rd8 *(17...Rg6)* 18.Bxe6 Bxe6 19.Rf2 Ke7 Delgado Serrano,A-Markus,R 14th Open Manhattan 1996]

[10...Be6 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.b4 Rg8 15.Kh1 Nf4 16.g3 Qe6 17.Ne3 Rxg3 0-1 Brussels,C-Ghent BEL Cities corr3536 1935]

11.Nb3 Ne6 12.Bxf6 Black is better. **12...gxf6 13.Bxe6 Bxe6** -0.49/18

[13...Qxe6 14.Nc5 Qe7 15.Qxd7+ *(15.Nxb7? Bc6-+)* 15...Qxd7 16.Nxd7 Kxd7 17.Rxf6±]

[Black should play 13...fxe6∓ -1.06/21 14.Qh5+ Qf7 15.Qxf7+ Kxf7]

14.Qd2 -1.45/19

[14.Qf3∓ -0.49/18]

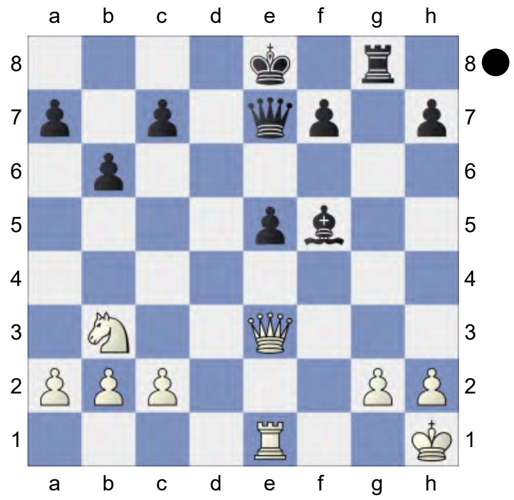
14...Rg8∓ 15.Qe3 b6 Dodges Nc5 **16.Rad1 Rd8 17.Kh1** -1.91/20

[17.Rxd8+∓ -1.51/18 was worth a try. Qxd8 18.Nc1]

17...Rxd1-+ 18.Rxd1 f5 -1.51/18

[18...Qb4-+ -1.96/19 19.Qd2 Qxd2 *(19...Qxe4 20.Qd8#)* 20.Nxd2 Ke7 *(20...Bxa2 21.b3±)*]

19.exf5∓ Bxf5 20.Re1



f6

[20...Bxc2 21.Nd4 Ba4 22.Qf3∓]

21.Nd4 Bd7 22.Qf3 Qb4 -1.21/15

[22...Qd6-+ -1.68/20 Hoping for ...Rg6!. 23.Nf5 Bxf5 24.Qxf5 Qc6]

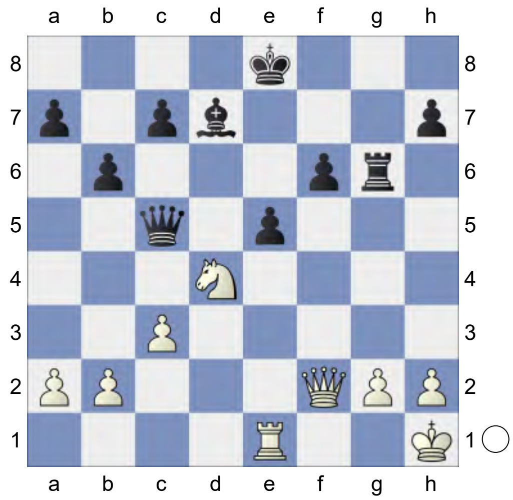
23.Qf2 -2.23/19

[23.c3∓ -1.21/15 Qd6 *(23...Qxb2 24.c4∓)* 24.Qe2]

23...Rg6-+

[23...Qxb2? too greedy. 24.Qxf6 Qxd4 25.Rxe5++-]

24.c3 Qc5



Pin **25.Qh4 h6→** Black wants a kill. **26.Nc2** -2.28/18

[26.Nf3∓ -1.50/21 Kf7 27.Rf1]

26...Qd5 27.Qf2 Qxa2 28.Ne3 Qe6 29.Rd1 f5 30.Nd5 Kd8 31.Qh4+ Rg5 32.Qc4 c6 33.Nxb6 -3.78/20

[33.Ne3 -2.31/20 was the only defense. Ke8 *(33...Qxc4 34.Nxc4 e4 35.Ne5∓)* 34.Qd3]

33...Ke8 34.Rxd7 Qxc4 Deflection. Black is clearly winning. **35.Nxc4 Kxd7 36.Nxe5+** Endgame KR-KN **36...Kc7 37.g3 Rg8 38.Nc4 Rb8 39.Kg1 Rb5 40.b4 c5 41.bxc5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.40/Black=0.09 (flawless)

41...Kc6

0-1

688 **C56**
☐ **Hohlstein,Walter** **2081**
■ **Schuster,Peter** **2446**
corr RSS7E pro 14.10.2004
[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 *(9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1) *)* 10.Na3 Qe7 *(10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001 (7)]

6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.Re1+ Be7 10.Bg5 Be6 11.Bxe7 Kxe7 12.Re4

[12.c3 is interesting. dxc3 13.Qa4 cxb2 14.Qa3+]

12...f5 13.Rh4 Rxg7 14.Nxd4 Nc3 would now be deadly. White is slightly better. **14...Qd7** 1.62/19

[14...Ke8!= 0.22/20 15.Qh5+ Bf7 16.Qe2+ *(16.Qxf5? Qxh4 17.Nxc6 Rg5-+; 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Qf3 Bd5=)* 16...Kf8 17.Nxf5 Qf6]

15.Na3 0.93/17

[15.g3+- 1.62/19]

15...Bd5 16.f3 0.63/17

[16.g3± 1.21/17]

16...Rag8 1.12/19

[16...Kf8⩲ 0.63/17]

17.g3± Ke8 18.Rf4 Re7 19.Qd2 0.72/19

[⌓19.Nxf5 1.59/19 Rf7 20.Nxc4 *(20.Nd6+? Qxd6 21.Rxf7 Kxf7-+)* 20...Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Qxf5 22.Ne3 Bxf3 23.Nxf5 Bxd1 24.Rxd1]

19...Ne5 20.Rf1!

[20.Rxf5? Qxf5 21.Nxf5 Nxf3+ *(21...Bxf3? 22.Nxe7 Bh5 23.Qe3+-)* 22.Kf2 Nxd2-+]

20...c3 Discovered Attack **21.bxc3**

[21.Qxc3 Ng6 22.Rxf5 Nh4 23.Rxd5 Qxd5=]

21...Bxa2 22.Rxf5 a6 23.Qf4 Ng6 24.Qc1 0.41/18

[24.Qg5± 0.79/18]

24...Nh4 0.79/19

[24...Rf8⩲ 0.41/18 is superior. 25.Rxf8+ Kxf8]

25.Rg5! Rxg5 26.Qxg5 Ng6 27.f4 Qd6 28.Nb1 Bc4

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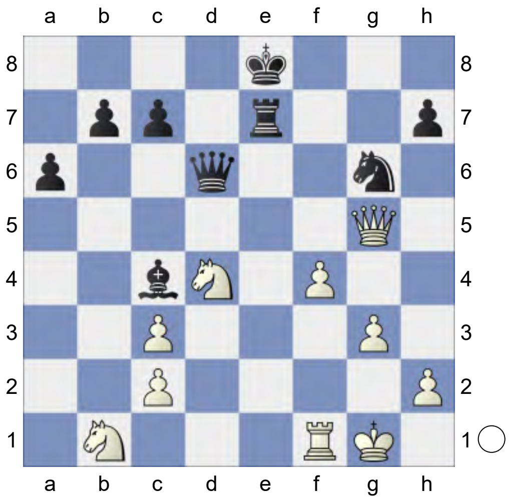


29.Rd1 -0.23/18

[29.Rc1!± 0.72/24]

29...c5!= 30.Nd2! Be2 31.Nf5 Qd8 32.Nxe7 Nxe7

[32...Bxd1 33.Nd5 Qxg5 34.fxg5 Bxc2 35.Ne3±]

[32...Bxd1 simplifies 33.Nxg6 Qxg5 34.fxg5 hxg6 35.Ne4 a5]

33.Rb1 Qxd2 34.Qxc5 Bf3

[34...Qxc2? 35.Re1+- (*35.Rxb7? Qc1+ 36.Kf2 Qf1+ 37.Ke3 Qg1+* Skewer, Double Attack *38.Kxe2 Qxc5-+*)]

35.Qf2 Qxc3 36.Re1 -0.51/22 Dodges Be4

[36.Rb3= -0.14/21 Qa1+ 37.Qf1 Qxf1+ (*37...Qd4+ 38.Qf2∓*) 38.Kxf1]

36...Bg4↑ Black has the initiative. **37.Re3 Qc4 38.Re1 Kf7** Dodges f5 **39.Qb6 Be6** -0.34/19

[39...Qxc2 40.Qxb7 Be6 41.Qxa6 Qc5+ 42.Kg2]

[39...Nd5∓ -0.77/20 40.Qxb7+ Kg6]

40.c3 -0.97/19

[40.Re5!∓ -0.34/19]

White is on the road to losing. **40...Qc6∓**

[40...Qxc3 41.Qxe6+ (*41.Rxe6 Nd5=*) 41...Kg7 42.Qxe7+ Kg8 43.Qe8+ Kg7 44.Re7+ Kh6 45.Qf8+ (*45.Rxb7 Qd4+ 46.Kf1 Qd1+ 47.Kf2 Qc2+ 48.Qe2 Qxe2+ 49.Kxe2 Kg6+-*)]

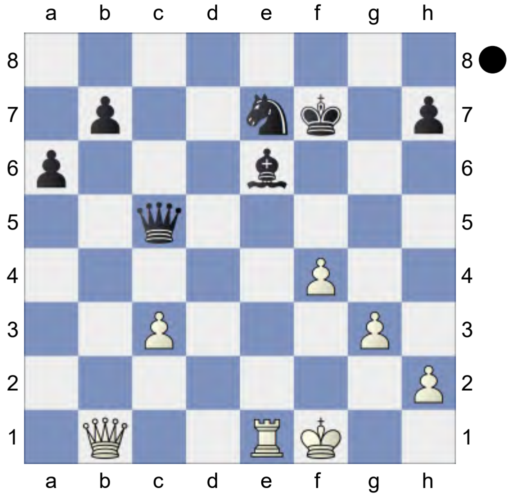
41.Qb1 -1.29/19

[41.Qxc6∓ -0.66/18 Nxc6 42.Kf2]

41...Qc5+

[41...Qxc3? 42.Qxh7+ Ke8 43.Rxe6+-]

42.Kf1



Bc4+!

[42...Qxc3? 43.Qxh7+ Ke8 44.Rxe6+-]

43.Kg2 Kg7 Really sharp! **44.Re5** -1.47/18

[Better is 44.Qd1 -0.91/18]

44...Qd6 45.h3 -2.77/18

[45.Qxb7? perishes. Qxe5 (*45...Bd5+? 46.Rxd5 Qxd5+ 47.Qxd5-+*) 46.fxe5 Bd5+-+]

[45.h4∓ -1.33/18]

45...b5-+ 46.Qe1 -3.32/20

[46.Kh2 -2.25/17 keeps fighting.]

46...Ng6 47.Re3 a5 48.Kg1 a4 49.f5 Nh8 50.Rf3 a3 Black is clearly winning. **51.f6+ Kf7 52.Kh2 a2 53.Rf2 Ng6 54.Qa1 Qd5 55.Qe1 Ne5** aiming for ... Nf3+. Active counter play! **56.Rf5 Nf3+ 57.Rxf3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.11 (very precise) **57...Qxf3**

0-1

689 C52

☐ **Ferron Garcia,Carlos 2310**

■ **Suba,Mihai 2520**

Foment op Barcelona 1992

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 Rogozenko **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.0-0 Nf6 7.d4 0-0 8.Nxe5 Nxe4 9.Nxf7**

[9.Qh5 Nxe5 10.Qxe5 Nd6 11.Bb3 b5 12.Bg5 Qe8 13.Be7 Nc4 14.Bxc4 bxc4 15.Re1 Bb6 16.Nd2 d6 17.Qg3 Qc6 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Re3 Bf5 20.Rae1 Bd3 21.Qh4 Kg8 22.Qe7 h6 23.Rg3 Rb8 1-0 Gunston,W-Stainsby,F Fraser CC tourneys ca.1891-6]

9...Rxf7 10.Bxf7+ Black is slightly better. **10...Kxf7 11.d5!**

[11.Qh5+ Kf8 12.Qxh7 Nf6∓]

11...Ne7N

[11...Bxc3? 12.Qh5+ Kg8 13.Nxc3 Nxc3 14.dxc6 dxc6 15.Bb2+-]

[11...Ne5 12.Qd4 Bxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxc3 14.Qxc3 d6 15.Bb2 g5 16.f4 gxf4 17.Rxf4+ Kg8 18.Qg3+ Ng6 19.Rf6 Bf5 20.Rxf5 1-0 Thompson,T-Bertolette,L Maryland Chess Review tourney 75-6 1875]

12.Qd4? -2.50/17

[12.Qa4!∓ -0.33/19 Bxc3 13.Nxc3 Nxc3 14.Qc4 Ncxd5 15.Bg5]

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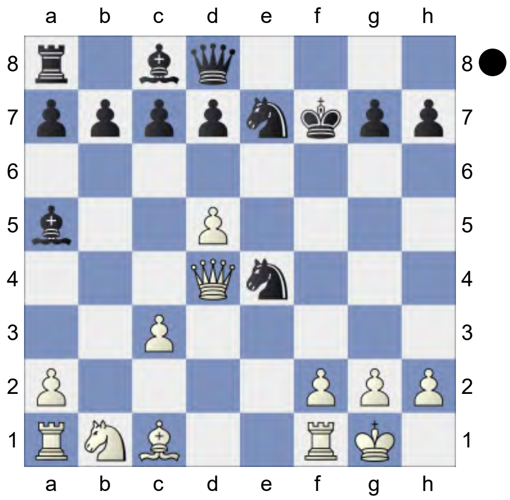


Prevents d6 **12...Bxc3??** 3.11/17 **13.Nxc3+-**

[13.Qxe4? Bxa1 14.d6 cxd6-+]

13...Nxc3 14.Qc4 -0.37/24 Dodges Ne2+ Rogozenko: '+-'

[14.Qxc3+- 2.95/22 Nxd5 15.Qa5]

14...Nexd5 0.39/19

[14...Ncxd5∓ -0.37/24 15.Bg5 b5 16.Qxd5+ Nxd5 17.Bxd8 Bb7]

15.Bd2!± b5 16.Qb3 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 c6 18.Qf3+ Nef4! 19.Bxf4 Qf6! 20.Qh5+ Qg6 21.Qe5 0.37/19

[21.Qh4= 0.00/24]

21...Qf6!↑ Black has good play. **22.Qh5+ Qg6 23.Qh4 Qe4! 24.Qh5+ Qg6 25.Qe5 Qf6 26.Bg3** -0.75/16

[26.Rfe1± 0.32/22 Qxf4 27.Qe8+ Kf6 28.Rad1]

26...Qxe5∓ 27.Bxe5 b4 0.32/19

[27...Bb7∓ -0.94/18]

28.Rfe1 -1.02/21

[28.a3!± 0.32/19 keeps the upper hand.]

28...Ba6 29.Bd6 Bd3 Inhibits Re4. **30.Rad1 Bf5 31.Re5 Be6 32.h3 a5 33.f4** -1.94/19 **Nf6** -0.89/19

[33...Nxf4? 34.Rf1+-]

[33...Nc3-+ -1.94/19 is more deadly. 34.Rde1 g6 *(34...Nxa2 35.f5±; 34...Bxa2 35.Re7+ Kg8 36.Rxd7±)*]

34.g4 -1.83/21

[34.a3∓ -0.89/19]

34...Bxa2 35.Re7+ Kg8 36.g5 -2.87/20

[36.Ra1∓ -1.49/18 b3 37.Ba3]

36...Ne8-+ 37.f5? -4.47/21

[37.Be5 -2.32/18 Be6 38.Bd4]

37...Nxd6

[37...Bd5+? 38.Rxd5 cxd5 39.Be5∓]

38.Rxd6 Endgame KRR-KRB **38...Bd5+ 39.Kh2 b3**

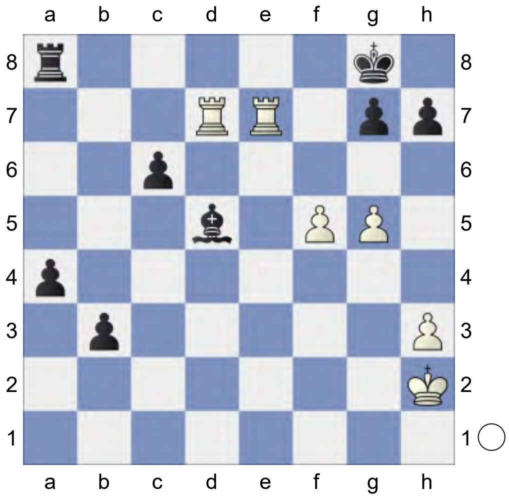
[39...Rd8 Rogozenko]

40.Rdxd7

[40.Rexd7 a4 41.g6 hxg6 42.Rxg6 Bf7-+]

40...a4?? #20/25

[40...Kf8-+ -2.34/22 41.f6 (*41.Rxg7?* perishes. *b2-+*) 41...Rb8 42.Rxg7 (*42.fxg7+? Kg8-+*) 42...b2]



41.Rxg7+ Kf8 42.Rxh7 b2 43.Rb7 4.38/20

[⌓43.Rh8+ #5/15 Rogozenko: ' ♕' Bg8 44.g6 (*44.Rb7 Ra7+-*) 44...Ra7 (*44...b1Q* Rogozenko *45.Rf7+ Ke8 46.Rxg8#*) 45.Rxa7 b1Q 46.g7+ Deflection (*46.Rf7+* Rogozenko *Ke8 47.Rxg8#*) 46...Ke8 47.Rxg8#]

43...b1Q 7.90/19 Rogozenko: '+-'

[⌓43...Bg8 4.38/20]

44.Rxb1+- Hoping for Rbb7. **44...Bg8 45.Rh6 a3 46.Rf6+ Ke7** 16.66/18 Rogozenko: '+-'

[⌓46...Ke8 4.99/19 47.Rxc6 a2]

47.Rb7+ Ke8 48.Rg7

[48.Rxc6 Bd5 49.Rbb6 (*49.Rh6? Bxb7 50.Re6+ Kd7-+*) 49...Bxc6 50.Rxc6 a2-+]

48...Bd5 Rogozenko: '½-½ Potkin,V (2481)-Frois,A (2354)/Linares 2002'

49.Rh6 White threatens Rh8+ and mate.

49...Kf8 Both players deserved the win here. Weighted Error Value: White=0.64/Black=1.02 **50.f6**

1-0

690 **C50**

☐ **Kasper,Mike** **1966**

■ **Hansen,Marc** **1882**

GER HS-066 email 18.10.2009

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.c3**

[8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

8...Bg4N -0.36/21

[8...Ne6∓ -0.82/22]

[8...Nc6 9.Qe1 (*9.f5 Bd7 10.Bg5 Qe7 11.Nd2 0-0-0 12.b4 Rdf8 13.a4 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.a5 Rfg8 16.b5 Nb8 17.b6 a6 18.bxc7 Kxc7 19.Qb3 Bc6 20.Rab1 Nd7 21.Bxf7 Rg7 22.Bd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Nc5* 1-0 Brkic,A 69/157 Las Vegas 1997

24.Nc4 Rhg8 25.Rf2 Qd7 26.Rb6 Qa4 27.Qxd6+ Kc8 28.Qxc5+ Kb8 29.Qd6+ Ka8 30.Rxa6+ 1-0 Aldebol, N-N,A Chess Club, 2001*)* 9...0-0 10.Nd2 exf4 11.Rxf4 Ne5 12.Be2 Re8 13.Nc4 Ng6 14.Rf1 Nxe4 15.Be3 d5 16.Rd1 c6 17.Na3 Qe7 18.Nc2 Ne5 19.b4 Bg4 20.Bd4 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Qg5 22.Ne3 Ng6 23.Rf5 0-1 Maggiolo,E (1954)-Saliba, C (1808) Buenos Aires Masters op 2023 (8)]

9.Qd2!∓ Be6

[9...Nxe4? 10.Qe3+-]

10.Bd3 Black is slightly better. **10...Nc6** Excellent horsemanship. **11.f5 Bd7 12.Qg5 0-0** 0.34/20

[12...Qe7∓ -0.54/18]

13.Rf3 White has compensation. **13...Kh8 14.Qh4 Ne7** 0.63/19

[14...Ng8!= 0.20/20 15.Bg5 f6]

15.c4± White is more active. **15...c6 16.Nc3 Qb6+ 17.Kh1 d5 18.g4! dxe4** 1.57/20

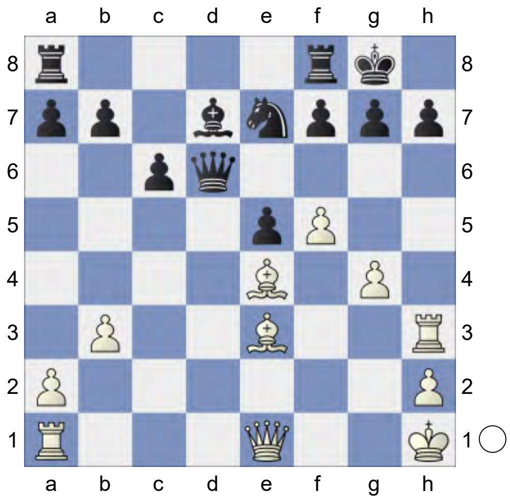
[⌓18...Ng6 0.73/16 19.fxg6 fxg6]

19.Nxe4± Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Qd4 21.Qe1 Qxc4 22.b3 Qc5 23.Rh3→ aiming for Qh4. White is out for blood. **23...Kg8** 2.86/19

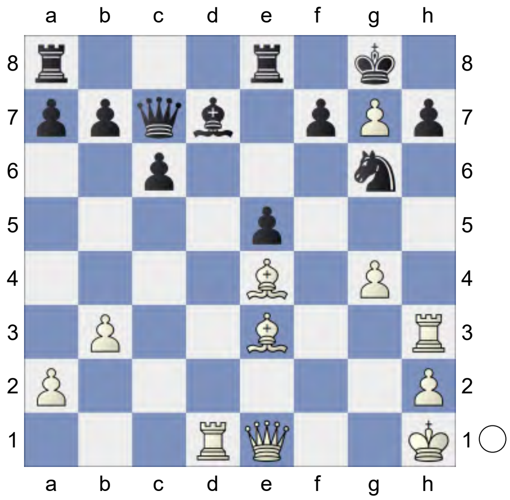
[23...Qd4 1.77/20 was necessary.]

24.Be3+- Qd6

(Diagram)



25.f6! Ng6 26.Rd1 Qc7 27.fxg7 Rfe8



Black is weak on the dark squares **28.Bxg6! fxg6 29.Qh4 h5 30.Rg3 Be6 31.gxh5 Bd5+ 32.Kg1 Re6** 5.49/21

[32...Re7 2.97/17 33.h6 *(33.Rxg6 Rxg7+-)* 33...Rf7 34.Rxg6 Kh7]

33.hxg6

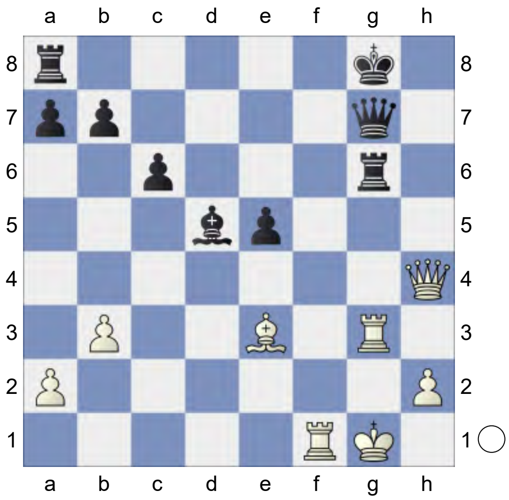
[33.Rxg6 Rxg6+ 34.hxg6 Qxg7+-]

33...Qxg7 34.Rf1

[34.Bh6 Qe7 35.Qh5 Rf6+-]

34...Rxg6

(Diagram)



35.Rf5! White is clearly winning. **35...Rxg3+ 36.hxg3 Re8 37.Rg5** Pin

[Not 37.Bxa7 Bf7⩲]

37...Re7 38.Bxa7 Re6 39.Rxg7+ Kxg7 40.Bc5 Rf6 41.Qg5+ Kf7 42.Qxe5 Re6 43.Qf5+ Ke8 44.Qf8+ Kd7 45.Qg7+ Ke8 46.Qxb7 Kd8 47.a4 Re1+ 48.Kf2 Re6 49.a5 Rf6+ 50.Ke2 Rf7 Dodges Be7+ **51.Qb8+ Kd7** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.09 (flawless) /Black=0.59 **52.a6**

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691 C54

☐ Wang,Yue

■ Shen,Yang

All China Games 4th rapid (7) 19.05.10

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 *(RR 6...d6)* 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 *(RR 11...Qd6)* 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 *(RR 11.b4 Be7)* 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 *(RR 10...Qe7)* 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 *(RR 10...Re8)*

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 *(RR 11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+)* 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 *(RR 12...fxe5 13.Ng5)*

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 *(RR 15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3)* 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+

18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1*) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5*) 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6*)]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6

Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Bxd2+ 8.Nbxd2 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Qb3 Nce7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rfe1 c6 13.a4

[13.Ne4 Nb6 14.Bd3 Ned5 15.Nc5 Rb8 16.Rac1 Nf4 17.Bb1 Qf6 18.Ne5 Qg5 19.Qf3 f6 20.Ned3 Nbd5 21.Nxf4 Nxf4 22.h4 Qh6 23.g3 Nd5 24.Be4 Nb6 25.Qb3+ Kh8 26.Qa3 Ra8 27.Qe3 Qxe3 7.♘g5 e6 8. ♘f3 ed5 (2599)-Strick,E (2690) corr LADAC 2004 CBM 158 Extra [Lekander,Rolf] 0-1 (57) 28.Rxe3 Re8 29.Rce1 Nc4 30.R3e2 Nd6 31.Bd3 Rxe2 32.Rxe2 Kg8 33.Bc2 b6 34.Bb3+ Kf8 35.Ne6+ Bxe6 36.Rxe6 Nf5 37.Rxc6 Nxd4 38.Rc7 Nxb3 39.axb3 Rd8 40.Rxa7 Rd3 41.Ra3 b5 42.b4 Rd4 7.♕c4 0-0 8. ♗f4 ♘a6-Bengtsson,E ICCF server 2004 200 Traps In The Opening [Haugen,Arild(Übersetzt Herbert Bellmann)] 0-1 (57)]

13...a5N

[13...Qb6 14.a5 *(14.Qa3 Ng6 15.a5 Qd8 16.a6 b6 17.Rac1 Be6 18.Bd3 Ngf4 19.Bb1 Rc8 20.Ne4 Nf6 21.Qd6 Nxe4 22.Qxf4 Nf6 23.Ne5 Qd6 24.Rc3 Rfd8 25.Rg3 Nh5 26.Qh6 Nxg3 27.Qxh7+ Kf8 28.hxg3 Qxd4* Chapter Games 1-17-Game 16 Game 16 (65)*)* 14...Qxb3 15.Nxb3 Rb8 *(15...Rd8 16.Nc5 Rb8 17.Ne5 Kf8 18.Rac1 f6 19.Nf3 Nc7 20.h3 Ned5 21.Bd3 g6 22.Be4 Re8 23.Nd2 Nf4 24.Nc4 Rd8 25.Rcd1 Nb5 26.a6 b6 27.Nb7 Bxb7 28.axb7 Nxd4 29.Rxd4 Rxd4 30.Bxc6* 8.♕d2 ♗e6 9.000 Qd7_64457-Pulanu Rio de Janeiro 1982 ZUS C73 [John Watson] 1-0*)* 16.Ne5 Rd8 17.h3 Kf8 18.Kf1 f6 19.Nd3 b6 20.g4 h5 21.f3 hxg4 22.hxg4 Ng6 23.Kf2 Ngf4 24.Nxf4 Nxf4 25.Kg3 g5 26.axb6 axb6 27.Re3 Re8 28.Rxe8+ 6.bc3 ♘e7 7. ♘f3-Thomas,H Madrid 1976 ZUS C73 [John Watson] ½-½ (37)]

14.Ne4 Nb4 15.Ne5

[Much worse is 15.Bxf7+ Rxf7 16.Nfg5 Nbd5 17.Nxf7 Kxf7∓]

15...Ned5 16.Rac1 White has an edge. **16...Rb8 17.Nc5 Qd6 18.Qf3 g6 19.h4 Bf5 20.g4 Be6 21.Qg3** &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed. **21...Kg7** 1.11/21

[21...Rfe8± 0.57/20]

22.Ned7 0.72/25 **Qxg3+± 23.fxg3 Bxg4**

[23...Bxd7? 24.Nxd7 Rbd8 25.Nxf8+-]

24.Nxf8 Kxf8 25.Be2 Bc8 26.Nd3

[26.h5 is more complex. gxh5 27.Rf1 b6 28.Nd3]

26...Bf5 27.Nxb4 Nxb4 28.g4 Be6 29.g5 Rd8 30.Bc4 Bf5 31.Red1 0.01/23

[31.Re5!± 0.39/22]

31...Kg7 0.81/24

[31...Re8= 0.01/23]

32.Rd2 Rd7 33.Kf2 h6 34.Kg3 f6 35.gxh6+ Kxh6

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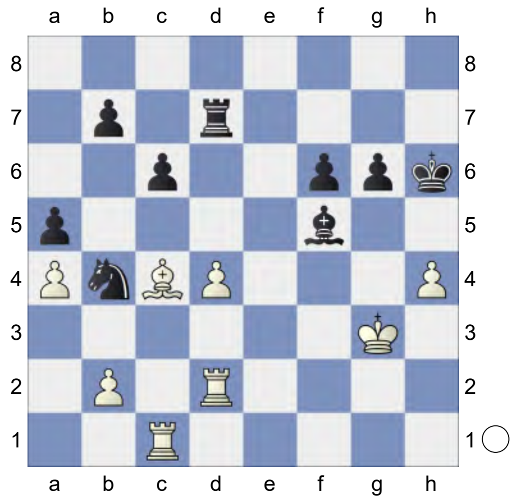
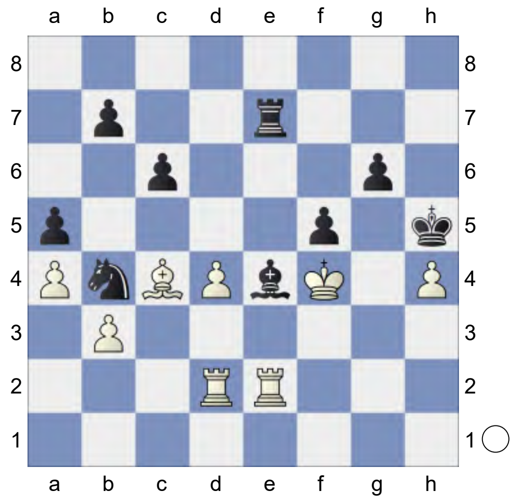


36.b3 0.22/23
[36.Rf1!± 0.92/21]
36...Be4= 37.Re1 f5 38.Kf4 Re7 39.Ree2 Kh5? 1.83/24
[39...b5!= 0.02/24 and Black stays safe. 40.axb5 cxb5 41.Bxb5 Nd5+ 42.Kg3 Nc3]



40.d5!+- cxd5

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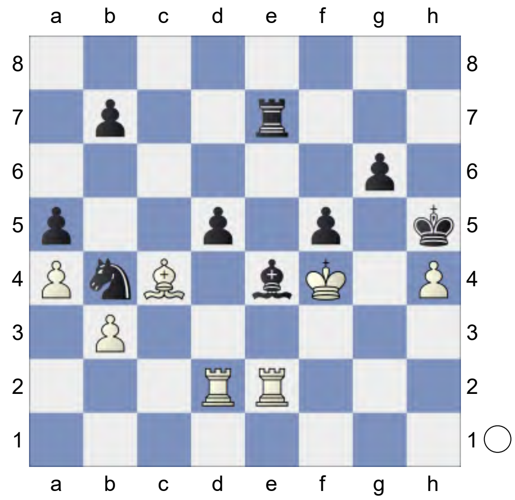

41.Bxd5 Nxd5+ 42.Rxd5 Endgame Pin. KRR-KRB **42...b6?** 4.17/26
[42...Bxd5 1.98/26 43.Rxe7 Kh6]
43.Rd6 Rc7 44.Re1 Against Rc7-c1. Threatens to win with Re1-g1.
[Resist 44.Rxb6?! Rc1 45.Rd2 Rh1+-]
44...Rc3? 4.83/24
[44...Rc2 2.55/24 was called for. 45.Rxb6 Rg2]
45.Rg1 Rf3+ 46.Ke5 Rd6-d8 would kill now. **46...Rxb3 47.Rgxg6?** 3.81/26
[47.Rd8 #8/18 mates Bg2 48.Rxg2 Re3+ 49.Kf6 Re6+ 50.Kxe6 Kh6 51.Kf6 Kh7 52.Rxg6 b5 53.Rg7+ Kh6 54.Rh8#]
47...Bc2 48.Rxb6? 1.99/25
[48.Rg5+ 5.09/21 Kxh4 49.Rg2]
48...Rxb6 2.42/25
[48...Re3+ 1.99/25 was worth a try. 49.Kf6 Re8]
49.Rxb6 Strongly threatening Rb6-f6.
49...Bxa4 KR-KB **50.Ra6?** 0.28/31
[50.Kf4+- 2.38/33]
50...Bc2 0.87/32
[50...Kxh4= 0.28/31 keeps the balance. 51.Kxf5 (*51.Kf4 Kh5=*) 51...Kg3]
51.Rxa5 0.15/36
[51.Kf4± 0.87/32]

51...Kxh4 The position is equal. **52.Kf4** White wants to mate with Ra5-a2. **52...Kh5 53.Ra6 Be4 54.Rd6 Bc2 55.Rd8 Be4 56.Rg8 Kh6 57.Ke5 Kh5** Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.48 Black defended with fortune. Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.48

½-½

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☐ **Da Silva Filho,Alcindo Luz Bastos**

■ **Weber,Karlheinz 2405**

ICCF email 1998

[Kitty Kat]

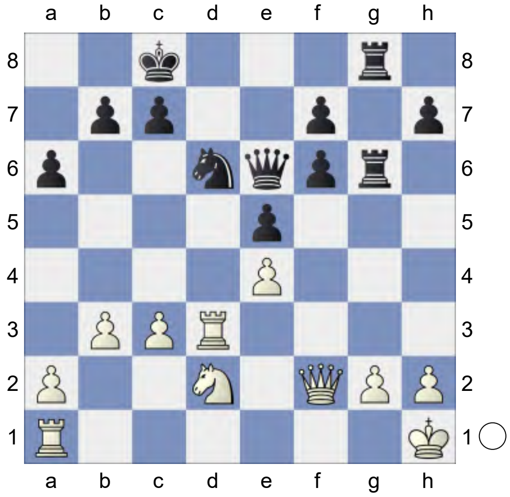
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bxe6 Qxe6 12.Bxf6** Black is slightly better. **12...gxf6 13.c3 Nb5 14.Qe2N**

[14.Qa4 c6 15.Nd2 0-0-0 16.Rf2 Kb8 17.Qc2 Rhg8 18.a4 Nd6 19.b4 Nc4 20.Nxc4 Qxc4 21.Rxf6 Rd3 22.Rf3 Rgd8 23.Raf1 Rd2 24.Qb1 Qe2 25.R3f2 Qxf2 26.Rxf2 Rxf2 27.h3 Rdd2 28.Qb3 Kc7 0-1 5...0-0 6.e5 de5-Dorval,O BCF-chT 0910 (4NCL) 2009 (2) 29.Qc4 Kd6 30.Qc5+ Ke6 31.Qxa7 Rxg2 32.Qxb7 Kf6 33.Qxc6+ Kg5 34.Qc8 Kf4 35.Qf5+ Ke3 36.Qxe5 Rge2 37.Qg5+ Kd3 38.Qg1 Kxc3 39.a5 Kc2 40.a6 Rd1 41.b5 Rxg1+ 42.Kxg1 Re1+ 43.Kf2 Ra1 0-1 Bidjarano,S-Grodner,C Paris-ch 1953 (1) 44.Ke3 Kc3 45.Kf4 Kc4 46.e5 Kxb5 47.Kg5 Rxa6 48.h4 0-1 Bickenbach-Beni,A Wien KDF-Reichsturnier Aufstiegsklasse 1943 (2)]

14...Nd6 15.Nd2 Inhibits Qc4. **15...Rg8 16.Rf3 a6 17.Qf2 Rg6 18.b3 0-0-0 19.Rd3** -1.26/20

[⌓19.Re1 -0.72/18]

19...Rdg8



20.Rg1 Kb8 -0.97/19 Prevents Qa7+.

[⌓20...b6 -1.37/21 21.Rf3 Rd8]

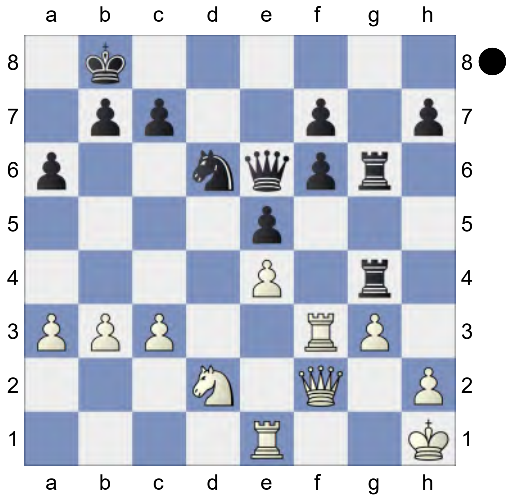
21.Rf3∓ Rh6 22.Re1 Rg4 -0.67/21

[22...Rg5∓ -1.16/20 23.c4 b6]

23.a3 -1.56/21

[23.h3∓ -0.67/21]

23...Rhg6 Black is more active. **24.g3**



h5 -0.50/19

[24...R4g5!∓ -1.28/17 25.Rf1 Qg4]

25.h3!∓ Prevents f5. **25...R4g5 26.h4** -1.26/21

[⌓26.Kh2 -0.78/22]

26...Qh3+ -0.76/19

[⌓26...Rg4 -1.26/21 27.c4 Rg8]

27.Qh2∓ Qxh2+ 28.Kxh2 Rg4 29.a4 -1.32/20

[⌓29.c4 -0.76/19]

29...b6↑ Black has strong initiative.

30.Rd3 -1.63/20

[30.b4∓ -1.05/20]

30...a5 31.Kh3 Ka7 -0.83/20

[⌓31...Kb7 -1.50/22 32.Kh2 Rg7]

32.Rf3 -1.46/21

[⌓32.b4 -0.83/20]

32...c6 -0.16/20

[32...Kb7∓ -1.46/21 Strongly threatening ...Kc6. 33.Kh2 Kc6]

33.Rd3= Kb7 34.Re2 -1.11/22

[34.Rxd6= 0.00/21 Rxg3+ 35.Kh2]

34...Kc7∓ 35.Rf3 -1.57/27

[⌓35.Rf2 -1.17/21]

35...Kd7 36.Rd3 And now Nc4 would win. **36...Ke6 37.Re1 Rg7 38.Kh2 Ke7 39.Kh3 Rg8** Now White is beyond hope. **40.c4?** -3.30/19

[40.Rf3∓ -1.42/19]

40...Nb7-+ 41.Re2 Nc5 42.Rde3 Rd8 43.Rf3 Rgg8 44.Nf1 Rd4 45.Ne3 Ke6

[45...Nxe4? 46.Nf5+ Kd7 47.Nxd4 Nxg3 48.Rxg3+-]

[45...Rxe4 46.Ref2]

46.Nf5 Rd7

[46...Rxe4 47.Rd2 Nb7 48.Kg2-+]

47.Nh6 Rg6 48.Nf5 Rd1 49.Kh2 Rg4 50.Kg2 Nxe4

[50...Rxe4 51.Ng7+ Ke7 52.Rxe4 Rd2+ *(52...Nxe4 53.Nxh5 Nd6 54.Rxf6∓)* 53.Kg1 Rd1+ *(53...Nxe4? 54.Nxh5 Rd1+ 55.Kg2∓)* 54.Kg2 Rd2+ 55.Kg1 Nxe4 56.Nxh5-+]

51.Ne3 Rd2

[Not 51...Nc3? 52.Ref2+-]

52.Rxd2 Nxd2 53.Nxg4? -5.52/21

[53.Rf2 -2.32/17 Rd4 *(53...Nxb3? 54.Nxg4 hxg4 55.h5+-)* 54.Nf5]

53...Nxf3 Black is clearly winning.

[53...hxg4? too greedy. 54.Rd3 Ne4 55.Rd8+-]

54.Kxf3 hxg4+ 55.Kxg4 Endgame KP-KP. Black is a pawn up. **55...f5+ 56.Kf3 Kf6 57.Ke3 c5 58.Kf3 Kg6 59.Ke3 Kh5 60.Kf3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.19 (very precise) **60...f6**

0-1

693 **C50**

☐ **Hnilicka,Michal** **2090**

■ **Necesany,Zdenek** **2215**

corr Czech Republic 0MCR_3DE_1L_2S

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Qe7** 0.50/20

[Black should try 8...c6= -0.25/20]

9.f5± White has compensation.

[9.Na3 Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)]

9...h6N

[9...d5 10.Bxf6 *(10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 24.Rxg7 Ne4* ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)*)* 10...Qxf6 11.Bxd5

Qh4 12.c3 Nc6 13.Nd2 Bd7 14.Qb3 Nd8 15.a4 a5 16.Nc4 Qe7 17.Kh1 Rb8 18.Ne3 Qc5 19.Ng4 c6 20.Rad1 0-0 21.Bxf7+ Nxf7 22.Rxd7 h5 23.f6 1-0 7.♘a3 b5 8.♘d5 ♗e7-Gislard,G Traunsee 101/355 2007]

10.Bh4 White is slightly better. **10...Bd7 11.c3 Nc6 12.a4 a5 13.Nd2 0-0** 0.97/19

[13...Nb8⩲ 0.43/20]

14.Kh1 0.26/23

[14.Rf3± 0.97/19]

14...Kh7= 15.Qf3 Nb8! 16.b3 -0.50/21

[White should try 16.g4!= 0.18/23]

16...Bc6∓ 17.Qe2 -0.93/21

[17.Qe3∓ -0.34/22]

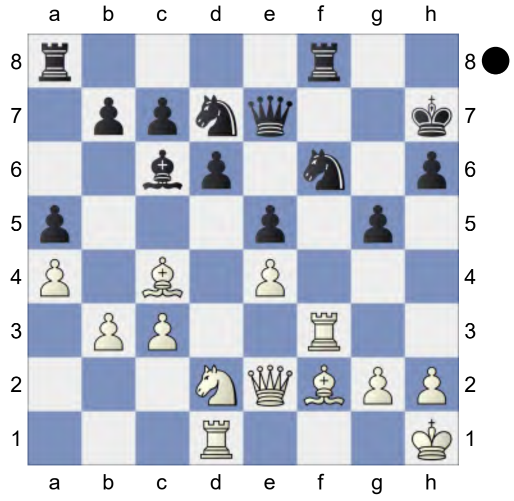
Black keeps a firm grip on the game. **17...Nbd7∓ 18.Rad1** -1.20/20

[⌓18.Bb5 -0.81/21]

18...g5 19.fxg6+ fxg6 20.Rf3 -1.76/20

[20.Bb5∓ -1.17/20]

20...g5-+ 21.Bf2



Nh5! 22.Bg1 -2.21/19

[22.Rxf8 -1.71/21 Rxf8 23.g3]

22...Nf4 23.Qe3 Nf6 24.Rdf1 Qe8 25.Qe1 -2.71/20

[⌓25.g3 -1.90/20 N4h5 26.Bd3]

25...Qg6 26.Re3 b6 27.h3 g4 28.h4 N6h5 29.Bh2 Rf6 30.Rg1 Raf8 31.Rf1 Ng7 32.Bg3 Qh5 33.Rg1 Kh8 34.Bh2 Ng6 35.g3 Ne6 36.Rf1 Nef4 37.b4 -3.20/23

[⌓37.Bg1 -2.20/19]

37...axb4 38.cxb4 d5

[38...Nh3 39.Rxf6 Rxf6 40.a5∓]

39.exd5 Nxd5

[39...Bxd5+ 40.Bxd5 Nxd5 41.Rxf6 Rxf6 42.Re4∓]

40.Rxf6 Nxf6+ 41.Kg1 Qf5

[41...Bxa4 42.Ra3 Bd7 43.Ra7∓]

42.a5 bxa5 43.bxa5 e4 44.Nb3 Ne5 45.Nd4 Qd7 46.Nxc6 -5.35/21

[46.Qb4 -3.58/17 was called for. Qxd4 47.Qxf8+ Kh7 48.Kg2 *(48.Qe7+? Kg6-+)* 48...Qd2+ *(48...Qxe3? 49.Qe7+ Kg6 50.Qxe5-+; 48...Nxc4? 49.Qf7+ Kh8 50.Bg1-+)* 49.Kh1 Qxe3 50.Qe7+ Kg6 51.h5+ Nxh5 *(51...Kxh5 52.Qxe5+ Kg6 53.Bg1=)* 52.Qxe5 Qe1+ *(52...Qc1+? 53.Bg1-+)* 53.Bg1 e3+ *(53...Nxg3+? 54.Kg2-+)* 54.Bd5 Nxg3+ *(54...Qxg3 55.Qe4+ Kg7 56.Qe7+ Kg6 57.Qf7+ Kg5 58.Qe7+ Kg6 59.Qe4+ Kg7 60.Qe7+ Kg6=; 54...Bxd5+? 55.Qxd5 Nxg3+ 56.Kg2-+)* 55.Kg2 Bxd5+ *(55...Qxa5?* is the wrong capture. *56.Qe6+ Kh5 57.Qxc6+-)* 56.Qxd5 Qd2+ 57.Qxd2 exd2 58.Kxg3]

46...Qxc6

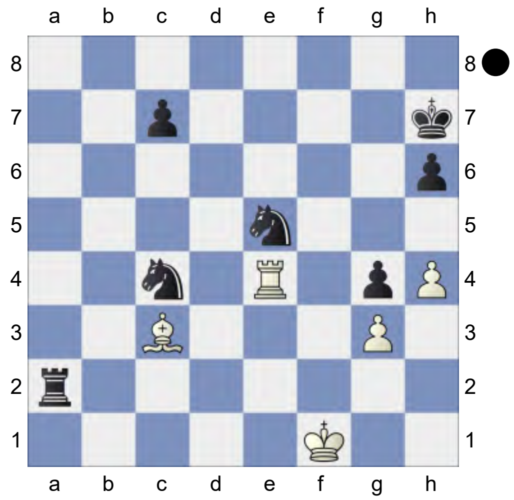
[46...Nxc4? 47.Qb4 Qf7 *(47...Nxe3 48.Qxf8+ Ng8 49.Qd8∓; 47...Qd1+? 48.Re1+-)* 48.Rc3-+]

47.Qb4 Nfd7

[47...Qxc4 48.Qxf8+ Ng8 49.Kg2 Qa2+ 50.Qf2 Qxa5 51.Re2⩲ *(51.Rxe4 Qa8=)*]

48.Qb5 Qxc4 49.Qxc4 Nxc4 Excellent horsemanship. **50.Rxe4 Nde5 51.Kg2 Ra8 52.Bg1 Rxa5 53.Bd4 Kh7 54.Bc3 Ra2+ 55.Kf1**

(Diagram)



Ra3! 56.Rxe5

[56.Bb4 Ra4]

56...Nxe5 57.Bxe5 Endgame KR-KB **57...c5 58.Ke2 Kg6 59.Bd6 Rc3 60.Kd2 Rf3 61.Bxc5 Rxg3** and ...Rb3 would now be decisive **62.Ke2 Kh5 63.Bf8 Rf3 64.Be7 Rf7 65.Bd8 g3 66.Ba5 g2 67.Bb6 Rf1 68.Bf2 g1Q**

[Stronger than 68...g1B 69.Kxf1 Bxf2 70.Kxf2=]

69.Bxg1 Rxg1 70.Kf2 Rg4 71.Ke3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.16 (very precise) **71...Kxh4**

0-1

694 **C50**

☐ **Clifford,Stephan**

■ **Stanulis,Juozapas**

corr Champion's League Q03 bd04

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.c3**

[8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

8...Nc6 A dynamic duo of knights. **9.f5!**

[9.Qe1 0-0 10.Nd2 exf4 11.Rxf4 Ne5 12.Be2 Re8 13.Nc4 Ng6 14.Rf1 Nxe4 15.Be3 d5 16.Rd1 c6 17.Na3 Qe7 18.Nc2 Ne5 19.b4 Bg4 20.Bd4 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Qg5 22.Ne3 Ng6 23.Rf5 Qe7 0-1 Maxwell,A (1954)-5.0-0 ♘d4 6.♘d4 cd4_42043 (1808) IND-chT 42nd 2023 (8)]

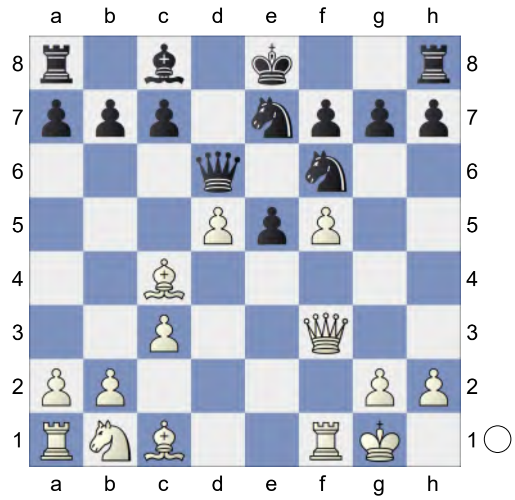
9...Ne7N

[9...Nxe4?! 10.Qd5 Ng5 11.Bb3=]

[9...Bd7 10.Bg5 Qe7 11.Nd2 0-0-0 12.b4 Rdf8 13.a4 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.a5 Rfg8 16.b5 Nb8 17.b6 a6 18.bxc7 Kxc7 19.Qb3 Bc6 20.Rab1 Nd7 21.Bxf7 Rg7 22.Bd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Nc5 24.Nc4 1-0 Brkic,A-N,N 69/157 Las Vegas 1997 Rhg8 25.Rf2 Qd7 26.Rb6 Qa4 27.Qxd6+ Kc8 28.Qxc5+ Kb8 29.Qd6+ Ka8 30.Rxa6+ 1-0 Brkic,A 69/157 Las Vegas 1997]

10.Qf3 Black is slightly better. **10...d5 11.exd5 Qd6**

[11...Nexd5 12.Bg5=]



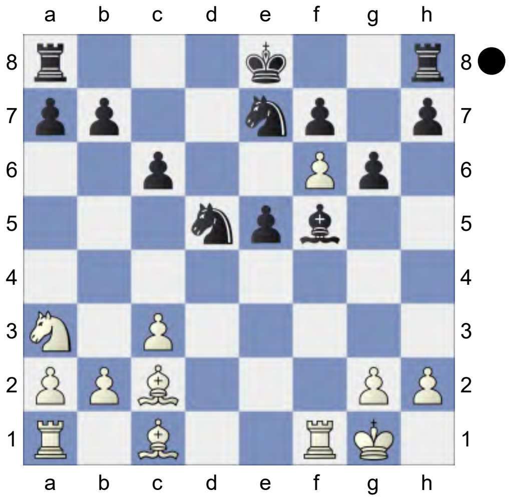
12.Bb5+ -1.22/20
[12.Bb3∓ -0.38/18]

12...c6∓ 13.Ba4 Qxd5
[13...Nxf5 14.dxc6 b5 15.Bc2± *(15.Bxb5? Qc5+ 16.Rf2 Qxb5-+)*]

14.Qxd5 Nfxd5 15.Bc2 g6 -0.70/19
[15...f6∓ -1.08/19 16.Bd2 b5]

16.f6 -1.48/20
[16.c4∓ -0.70/19 Nb4 *(16...Bxf5? 17.Bxf5 Nxf5 18.cxd5+-)* 17.fxg6]

16...Bf5!↑ Black is on the roll. **17.Na3** -1.84/23
[17.fxe7 Bxc2 18.Bh6 Bd3∓ *(18...Kxe7 19.c4∓; 18...Nxe7 19.Bg7∓)*]
[17.Bb3∓ -1.22/20 Nxf6 18.Re1]



17...Nxf6 -0.79/20
[17...Bxc2!-+ -1.84/23 is more deadly. 18.Nxc2 Nf5]

18.Nc4 Bxc2 19.Rxf6 Nd5 20.Rf2 Bf5 21.Nd6+ -1.55/21
[⌓21.Nxe5 -0.78/21 h5 22.Bd2]

21...Ke7 22.Nxf5+ -2.21/17
[22.Nxb7∓ -1.56/19 keeps fighting. Rab8 23.Nc5]

22...gxf5-+ 23.Rxf5 Ke6 24.Rh5 Rag8 25.Bd2 Rg6 26.Re1 f5 -1.00/18
[26...f6-+ -1.79/20 27.h3 Rg3]

27.Rf1∓ Rhg8 -0.47/21
[27...Ne7∓ -0.89/18 28.Rf2 Rg7]

28.g3!∓ f4 -0.13/20
[28...Nf6∓ -0.55/20 deserves consideration. 29.Rhxf5 h5]

29.Re1!= And now c4! would win.

29...fxg3 30.Rexe5+ Kd6 Hoping for ...gxh2+. **31.Re2** -0.77/23
[31.h3= 0.01/19]

31...gxh2+ Black is better. **32.Kxh2 Nf6 33.Bf4+** And White is the lucky defender. Weighted Error Value: White=0.22 (precise) /Black=0.19 (very precise)

33...Kd7

0-1

695 **C52**
☐ **Novikovas,Anatolijus** **2465**
■ **Hoppe,Ronald** **0**
ICCF Jubilee P002 email 01.09.2001
[Kitty Kat]

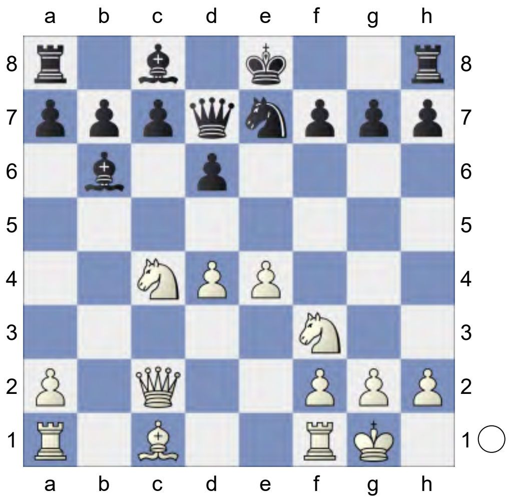
C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 NOTE: Blitz chess is played with a very fast time limit. Both sides typically have five minutes each on the chess clock to complete the game. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.0-0 Bb6! 9.Nbd2**
[9.dxe5 feels hotter. Na5 10.Bb5 Nxb3 11.Bxd7+ Bxd7 12.axb3]

9...Na5 10.Qc2 Nxc4 -0.04/18
[10...f6∓ -0.45/18]

11.Nxc4= exd4 1.09/19
[11...Qc6!= -0.22/19 12.Nxb6 axb6]

12.cxd4± Ne7

(Diagram)



13.a4!↑ White is on the roll. **13...c6 14.e5 0-0N**

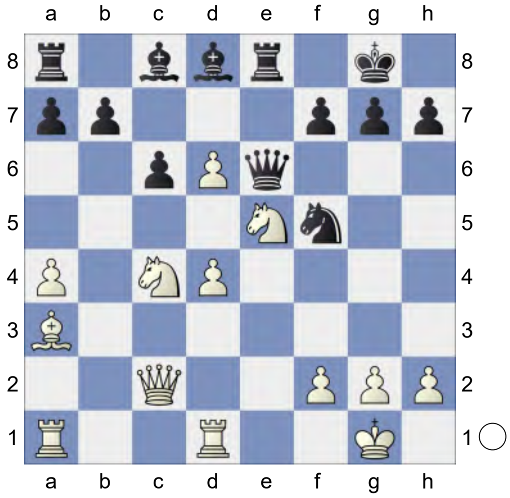
[14...Bc7 15.exd6 Bxd6 16.Nxd6+ Qxd6 17.Ba3 Qg6 18.Qb3 b6 19.Rfe1 Be6 20.Qb4 Qf6 21.a5 b5 22.Nd2 Rd8 23.Ne4 Qh4 24.g3 Nd5 25.gxh4 Nxb4 26.Bxb4 Rxd4 27.Bc3 1-0 Zhigalko,S (2572)-Kim,S (2295) Titled Tuesday intern op 06th Dec Early blitz 2022 (4)]

[14...dxe5 15.Nfxe5 Qd8 16.Ba3 0-0 17.Rfe1 Be6 18.Rad1 Nf5 *(18...Bc7 19.Nxf7 Rxf7 20.Rxe6 Nf5 21.Qe4 Qd7 22.d5 cxd5 23.Rxd5 Qxa4 24.g3 g6 25.Bb2 Ng7 26.Re7 Re8 27.Rxf7 Rxe4 28.Rxg7+ Kf8 29.Rxc7 Re7 30.Ba3 Qxa3 31.Rc8+* 1-0 Ganguly,S-Aleksandrov,A 7: World Blitz Championship 2014*)* 19.Bxf8 Qxf8 20.Qb2 Qd8 21.a5 Bxd4 22.Qxb7 Rb8 23.Nxc6 Rxb7 24.Nxd8 Re7 25.Nxe6 fxe6 26.Re4 Bc5 27.Rd8+ Kf7 28.Ne5+ Kf6 29.Nd7+ 1-0 (45) Zhigalko,S (2572)-Shvedova,A (2219) Titled Tuesday intern op 24th Sep Early blitz 2024 (3)]

15.exd6 Nf5 1.06/19

[15...Qf5⩲ 0.62/19 might be stronger. 16.Qb3 Nd5]

16.Rd1 Bd8 17.Nfe5 Qe6 18.Ba3 Re8



19.Re1! f6 1.50/22

[⌓19...Qd5 0.96/19]

20.Nf3 0.69/21 A dynamic duo of knights.

[20.Nd3± 1.50/22 Qf7 21.Rxe8+ Qxe8 22.Re1]

20...Qf7⩲ 21.Rxe8+ Qxe8 22.Qb3 Rb8 23.Nb6+ -0.52/20

[Better is 23.Re1± 0.72/21 Qf7 24.Qc3]

23...Qf7∓ 24.Qxf7+ Kxf7 25.Nxc8 Rxc8 26.Re1 h5 27.h3! h4 28.g4 hxg3 29.fxg3 Ba5!

[Weaker is 29...Nxg3 30.d7 Ra8 *(30...Rc7 31.Bd6±)* 31.Re8±]

30.Rb1 And now g4 would win. **30...Rb8**

[30...Nxg3 31.Rxb7+ Ke6 32.Rxg7+- *(32.Rxa7 Bd8±)*]

31.g4 Ne3 32.d7 Nc4 Against Bd6 **33.Bc5 b6** And now ...Rd8 would win. **34.Rxb6?** -6.41/16

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.16 (very precise)

34...axb6 Trapped Piece

0-1

696 **C50**

☐ **Kovalsky,Vadim V**

■ **Kireenko,Yu F**

corr 20sf Lviv obl t-149L 2001

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Qe7** 0.43/23

[8...c6= -0.06/22 should be considered.]

9.Bxf6

[9.Na3 Bd7 10.c3 Ne6 11.fxe5 Nxg5 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Qd4 Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Ke7 16.Raf1 Rg6 17.Rxg6 hxg6 18.h4 Ne6 19.Nc2 Rh8 20.g3 Be8 21.Ne3 c6 22.Kg2 Nc5 23.Rf4 Rh5 1-0 Riofrio,M (2399)-Fernandez,A (2397) Bastia (m/1-rapid) 96/74 2005 (6)]

[9.f5 d5 10.c3 Nxf5 11.exf5 Qc5+ 12.Kh1 Qxc4 13.Nd2 Qc5 14.Nf3 Ne4 15.Bh4 f6 16.Nxe5 0-0 17.Nd3 Qb5 18.Nf4 Rd8 19.Nh5 Qd7 20.Rf4 Kh8 21.Qd3 c6 22.Rd1 Nd6 23.Rg4 Qxf5 ½-½ Herrera Idarraga,K (1668)-Valencia Quinchia,I (1865) COL-ch 20 Girls 2025 (6)]

9...gxf6 10.c3 -0.27/24

[10.f5⩲ 0.40/21]

10...Nc6 0.33/22

[10...Ne6!= -0.27/24 11.f5 Nc5]

11.Nd2N -0.30/19

[11.f5!⩲ 0.33/22 Bd7 12.Qh5 3. 5...Bxd4-5...Bxd4 #10: 6... Nxd4]

11...Bd7 0.34/20

[Black should play 11...exf4!= -0.30/19 12.Rxf4 Ne5]

12.Qh5 -0.34/21

[12.f5!⩲ 0.34/20]

12...Na5 0.40/23

[12...exf4∓ -0.34/21 13.Rxf4 Ne5]

13.Be2⩲ White has compensation.

13...c5 1.05/21

[13...Nc6⩲ 0.41/20]

14.a3 b5 15.Qh6 White is more active.

15...0-0-0 16.b4 Nb7 17.c4 0.95/19

[⌓17.f5 1.49/21]

17...a6 1.84/21

[17...f5± 0.95/19]

18.Rab1 1.29/20

[18.f5+- 1.84/21]

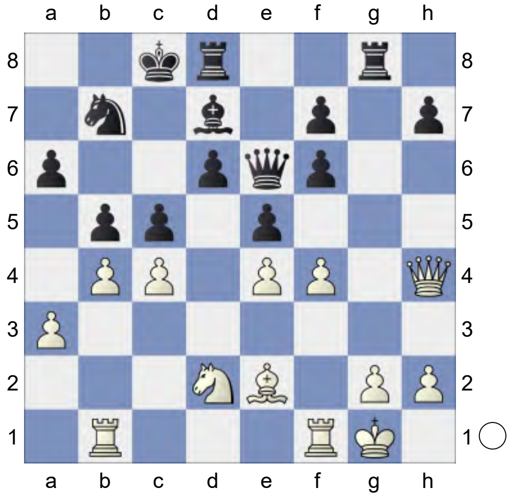
18...Rhg8 19.Qh4 1.09/20 Prevents f5

[19.Qxh7? Rh8-+]

[White should try 19.f5 1.54/21]

This costs Black the game. **19...Qe6** 2.41/18

[19...exf4± 1.09/20 20.Qxf4 f5]



20.f5!+-

[20.Qxh7? Rh8-+]

20...Qe7 21.Rfc1

[21.Qxh7? Rh8-+]

21...Kb8 22.Nf1

[22.Qxh7? Rh8-+]

22...Ka8 3.47/22

[⌓22...Rc8 2.39/19 23.Ne3 *(23.Qxh7? Rh8-+; 23.cxb5 axb5 24.Ne3 Qd8+-)* 23...Qd8 *(23...cxb4? 24.Nd5+-)*]

23.cxb5

[23.Qxh7? Rh8 24.Qg7 Rdg8-+]

23...Bxb5 4.21/19

[23...axb5 2.79/19 was necessary. 24.Ne3 (*24.Qxh7? Rh8-+*) 24...Rc8]

24.Bxb5 axb5 25.Ne3

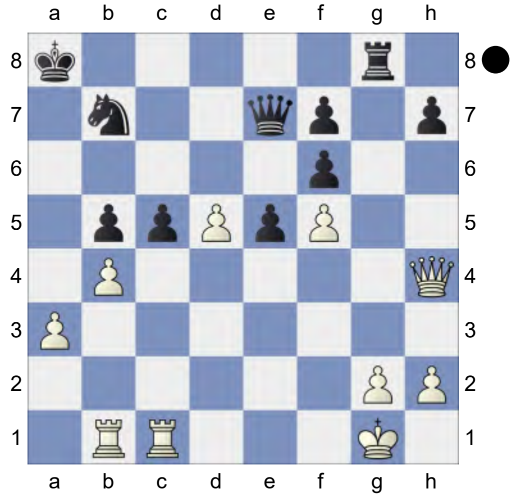
[25.Qxh7? Rh8 26.Qg7 Rdg8-+]

[25.bxc5 Nxc5 26.Rxb5 Qa7 27.Rcxc5 (*27.Qxf6? Nxe4+-+*) 27...dxc5 28.Qxf6 Rc8± (*28...Qxa3 29.Qc6+ Ka7 30.Qb7#; 28...c4+ 29.Kh1±*)]

25...d5 26.Nxd5

[Weaker is 26.exd5 Rc8 27.a4 (*27.Qxh7?* too greedy. *Rh8-+*) 27...cxb4+-]

26...Rxd5 27.exd5



and bxc5 would now be decisive **27...c4 28.a4**

[28.Qxh7 Re8 29.a4 e4+-]

28...Nd6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) /Black=0.56 **29.axb5**

[29.Qxh7 Qa7+ 30.Kh1 Re8+-]

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697 **C52**

☐ **Elison,Kari**

■ **Niemand,Gerhard**

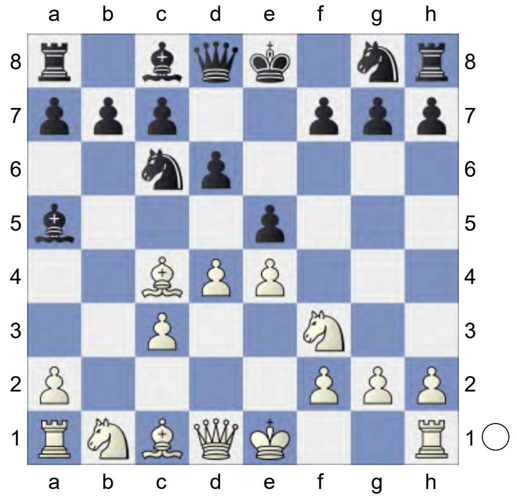
ICCF Thematic semi-final 2000-2001

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 Elison **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 d6**

Elison: 'Diagram



' **7.Qb3 Qd7 8.dxe5 Bb6 9.Nbd2 Na5** -0.07/17

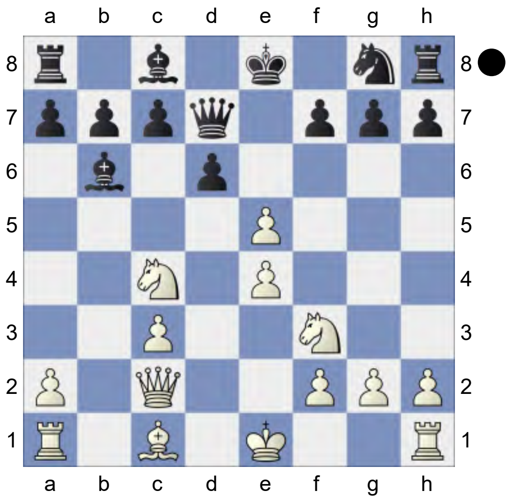
[9...dxe5∓ -0.58/8 10.Bb5 f6]

10.Qc2=

[10.Qb4 Elison Nxc4 11.Nxc4 Bc5 12.Qb3 Ne7 13.0-0 0-0 14.exd6 cxd6 15.Ba3 Qc7 16.Nd4 Bxa3 17.Nxa3 Nc6 18.Rfe1 Qe7 19.Rab1 Ne5 20.c4 a6 21.Nac2 Be6 22.Ne3 b5 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Qf6]

10...Nxc4 11.Nxc4

(Diagram)



Elison: '!?' **11...d5 12.exd5** The position is equal.

[12.Nxb6 Elison axb6 13.0-0 dxe4 14.Qxe4 Qg4 15.Qe3 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.h3 Qg6 18.f4 c5 19.Nb5 Rd8 20.Nd6 Nf5 21.Nxc8 Raxc8 22.Qf3 h5 23.Qxb7 Rc6 24.Qa6 c4 25.Qa4 Rd3 26.Rb1 Rxh3 27.e6 Rxe6 28.Qxc4 Qg3 *(28...Qg3 29.Rb5 Qh2+ 30.Kf2 Rf3+ 31.Kxf3 Qg3#)*]

12...Qxd5 13.Qa4+ Bd7 14.Nxb6 cxb6 15.Qb4

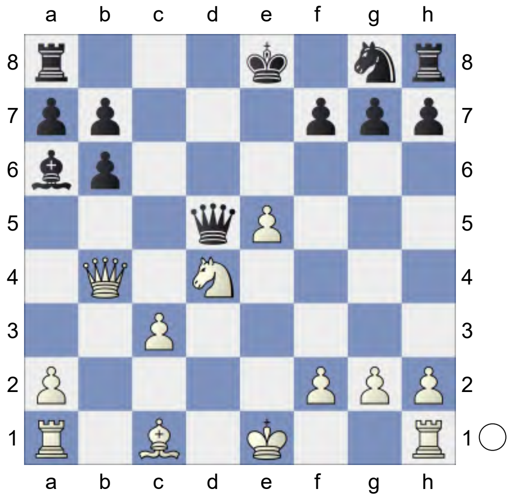
[15.Qd4 simplifies Qxd4 16.Nxd4 Rc8 17.a4]

15...Bb5 16.Nd4

[16.Bg5 h6 17.Nd4 Bd7 18.Be3 Ne7 19.0-0 Qc5 20.Qb3 Qxe5 21.Rae1 Qf6 22.Nb5 0-0 23.Bd4 Qg5 24.f4 Qxb5 25.Rxe7 Qxb3 26.axb3 Bc6 27.Rfe1 f6 28.Kf2 b5 29.b4 Rf7 30.R7e6 a5 0-1 Kurnosov,I-Sargissian,G EU-ch 6th Warsaw 2005 (5)]

16...Ba6 Elison: '?' Elison: 'Diagram Elison: 'Now suddenly White gets a winning king-hunting attack.'

[16...Qxe5+ 17.Be3 Ba6 *(17...Bd7 18.0-0 Qc5 19.Rfe1 Ne7 20.Ne6 Qxb4 21.Nxg7+ Kf8 22.cxb4 h5 23.Rad1 Bc6 24.Rd6 Rh7 25.Bd4 Rc8 26.h4 a6 27.Bb2 Nd5 28.Nf5 Nxb4 29.Bc1 f6 30.Rxf6+* 1-0 Elison,K-Bohlin,J Nordbalt Cup-1 1996 *)* 18.0-0-0 Nf6 19.Nf5 Qxf5 20.Rhe1 Ne4 21.f3 f6 22.Bxb6 Kf7 23.Rxe4 Rhc8 24.Bd8 Qg5+ 25.f4 Qc5 26.Rd7+ Kg6 27.f5+ Qxf5 28.Rg4+ Kh6 29.Rgxg7 Qf1+ 30.Kb2 Qe2+ 31.Ka3 1-0 Mestdagh,F (2304)-Walker,D (2507) 78/450 Wijk aan Zee 2000 (3)]



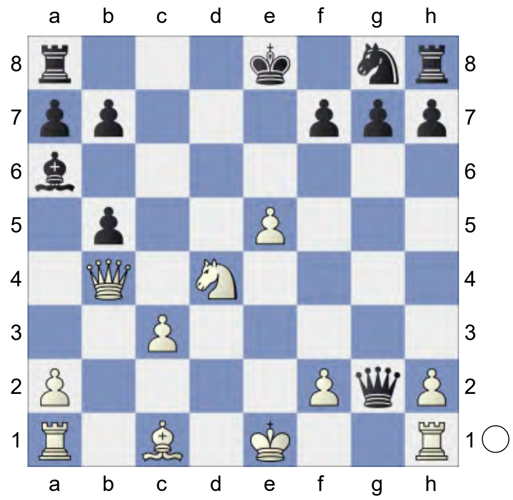
' **17.Qa4+N**

[17.f3 Qxe5+ 18.Kf2 0-0-0 19.Re1 Qc5 20.Be3 Rd7 21.a4 Ne7 22.Nb5 Qxb4 23.cxb4 Nd5 24.Nxa7+ Kb8 25.Nb5 Nxb4 26.Red1 Rhd8 27.Bf4+ Ka8 28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.Kg3 Nd5 30.Rd1 Nf6 31.Nc7+ Ka7 ½-½ Clarizza,J-Zattera,J Especial Miguel Najdorf 2001 (6)]

17...b5 18.Qb4 Elison: '!' **18...Qxg2** 0.26/11

[18...Qxe5+ -0.28/13 19.Be3 Ne7]

(Diagram)



19.Ba3! Qe4+! 20.Kd2 0-0-0

[20...Qxe5? 21.Rhe1 *(21.Qf8+ Kd7+-)* 21...0-0-0 22.Rxe5+-]

21.Rhe1↑ White has the initiative. **21...Qf4+ 22.Kc2 Qxh2?** 2.02/19

[22...Nh6= 0.13/17 and Black has nothing to worry.]

23.e6+-

[23.Nxb5 Qxf2+ 24.Kb3 Bxb5 25.Qxb5 Nh6∓]

23...fxe6 24.Nxe6

[24.Nxb5? Qxf2+ 25.Kb3 Kb8 26.Rxe6 Nf6 27.Rxa6 bxa6-+]

24...Qxf2+ 25.Kb3 Nf6 1.72/18 **26.Nxd8** Elison: '!'Elison: 'If now 26... gxh2+ 27 ♔xh2 and then 28 ♕g3 mate.' Elison: 'The game Elíson-Teeriaho (FIN), continued' **26...Rxd8 27.Rad1** Threatening mate with Rxd8+. **27...Nd7 28.Re7** White has strong compensation. **28...Qf3?** 3.10/2

[28...Qc5± 1.35/12 29.Kb2 *(29.Qxc5+ Nxc5+ 30.Kc2 b4+-; 29.Rxg7 Qxb4+ 30.Bxb4 Nc5+ 31.Kc2 Rxd1+-)* 29...Qxb4+ 30.Bxb4 b6 31.Rxg7 Bb7]

29.Rd4? 0.64/12

[29.Qd4+- 3.10/2]

29...b6!⩲ 30.Bc1 Chess con chili.

[30.Rxg7 Nc5+ 31.Kc2 Qf5+ 32.Kb2 Nd3+ 33.Rxd3 Rxd3 34.Qf8+ Qxf8 35.Bxf8 Rd2+ 36.Kc1 Rd7∓ *(36...Rxa2 37.Rxa7 Rf2 38.Ra8+ Kc7 39.Bg7∓)*]

30...Qf6 And now ...Nc5+ would win. Elison: '!' **31.Ka3** Black must now prevent Rd6!. **31...Bb7 32.Qd6** 0.23/19 White has more active pieces.

[32.Bf4⩲ 0.61/23 was preferable.]

32...Qxd6+= 33.Rxd6 Nc5! Elison: '0-1 (from the Nordic country 5-land team tournament 2001-2002)' **34.Rxd8+ Kxd8 35.Rxg7** KRB-KBN **35...h5 36.Bf4 a6** 1.68/20

[Better is 36...h4⩲ 0.54/20]

37.Bc7++- Ke8 2.04/20

[37...Kc8± 1.35/19]

38.Bxb6 Nd7 39.Bd4 Be4 2.92/21

[39...Bd5± 1.55/10 keeps fighting. 40.Rg6 a5]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) /Black=0.38 **40.Rg5**

1-0

698 **C52**

☐ **Mularczyk Jerzy** **2442**

■ **Jablonski,Jerzy** **2232**

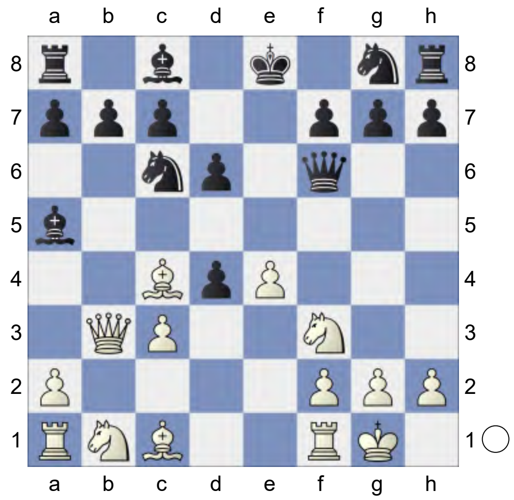
corr_144110 1987

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Era 14 July 1867 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 d6 8.Qb3 Qf6** 0.93/19

[8...Be6!= 0.24/21]

(Diagram)



9.e5! -0.07/17 **dxe5=** **10.Re1!** **Bd7** 0.56/18

[10...Bb6= -0.04/18 11.Bg5 Qf5 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.f4 dxc3+ 14.Kh1 Bd4 15.Nxc3 Nh6 16.Red1 0-0 17.Nd5 Nc6 18.Bxh6 gxh6 19.Rxd4 Nxd4 20.Qc3 Nc6 21.Nf6+ Kh8 22.Bxf7 Qxf4 23.h3 Qd4 24.Qf3 Ne5 0-1 Meyer-Fritsch,W USSR corr 1982]

11.Bg5!± White is slightly better. **11...Qf5** **12.Qxb7N**

[12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.f4 f6 14.fxe5 (*14.Qxb7 Rd8 15.fxe5 fxg5 16.Rf1 Qxe5 17.Nd2 Ne7 18.Rae1 Qc5 19.Bf7+ Kf8 20.Bg6+ Bf5 21.Bxf5 Nxf5 22.Ne4 Qb6 23.Rxf5+ Kg8 24.Nd6 dxc3+ 25.Kh1 h6 26.Qd5+ Kh7 27.Qe4 Kg8 28.Qe6+ Kh7* 1-0 Joao Caldas Vianna-De,A Rio de Janeiro 1900) 14...Qxg5 15.Qxb7 Rc8 16.e6 Ba4 17.e7 Qf5 18.Be6 Qxe6 19.Rxe6 Bd7 20.Re4 Nxe7 21.Qd5 Bb6 22.c4 Kd8 23.Qf7 Nf5 24.Nd2 c6 25.Nb3 c5 26.a4 a5 1-0 Newburgh-New York New York-Newburgh match 1867 (1)]

12...Rb8

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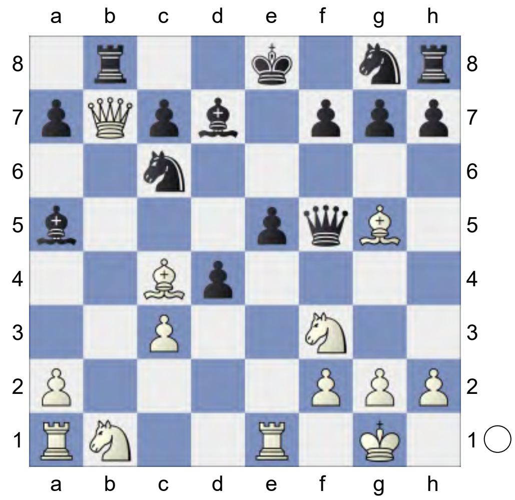


13.Rxe5+! **Qxe5** **14.Qxb8+** 0.04/18

[14.Bxf7+± 0.91/21 Kf8 15.Qxb8+ Nxb8 16.Nxe5]

14...Nxb8= **15.Nxe5** **Be6** **16.Bb5+** **Kf8** Black wants to play ...f6. **17.Bd2** **f6** **18.Nd3**

[18.cxd4? Bxd2 19.Nxd2 fxe5-+]

18...Bb6 Wards off Nc5 **19.a4** **a6** **20.Nf4** **Bf7** **21.a5** **Ba7** **22.Be2** **Ne7** **23.Ra4** -0.67/20

[23.cxd4= -0.09/19 Bxd4 24.Nc3]

23...Nec6∓ **24.cxd4** **Bxd4** -0.30/20

[24...Nxd4∓ -0.79/19 25.Bf1 Ke7]

25.Nc3 **g5** -0.05/20

[25...Ke7∓ -0.51/18]

26.Nfd5= **Be5** **27.f4** **gxf4** **28.Bxf4** **Nd4** **29.Bh6+**

[29.Nxc7? Bxf4 30.N7d5 Nxe2+ (*30...Bxd5? 31.Nxd5 Nxe2+ 32.Kf2-+*) 31.Nxe2 Be5-+]

29...Ke8 **30.Bd3** -0.36/22

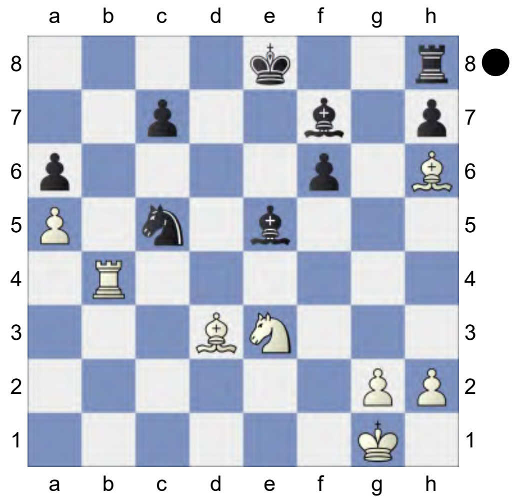
[30.Bg7= 0.03/19 Bxd5 (*30...Nxe2+ 31.Nxe2 Bxd5 32.Bxh8=*) 31.Bh5+ (*31.Bxh8 Bb3±*) 31...Bf7 32.Bxf7+ (*32.Bxh8? Bxh5 33.Nd5 Bd1-+*) 32...Kxf7 33.Bxh8]

30...Ne6 **31.Ne4** **Nd7** **32.Ne3** -0.77/22

[32.Bc4= -0.28/20]

32...Ndc5 **33.Nxc5** **Nxc5** **34.Rb4**

(Diagram)



Kd7!

[34...Nxd3 35.Rb8+ Kd7 36.Rxh8±]

35.Bf5+ Be6 36.Bg4 -1.42/19

[36.Bc2 -0.71/18]

36...Bxg4∓ 37.Nxg4 Ke6 -0.72/20

[⌓37...Kc6 -1.42/18 38.Nxe5+ fxe5]

38.Nxe5 fxe5 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **39.Kf1** -1.48/19

[White should play 39.Be3 -0.71/19 Kd5 40.Bxc5 Kxc5 41.Rb7]

39...Rd8 -0.34/16

[39...Kd5∓ -1.48/19 And now ...Ne6 would win. 40.Ke2 Ne6]

40.Be3∓ Kd5 White does not recover from this. **41.Ke2?** -2.24/20

[41.Bxc5!∓ -0.41/18 Kxc5 42.Rb2]

41...Ne6-+ 42.Rh4 -3.52/19

[⌓42.Kd3 -2.07/17]

42...Rd7 43.Kd3 c5 Prevents Rb4. **44.Rh6 Rb7 45.Kc3 Rb5 46.Rxh7 Rxa5 47.Kb2** -4.14/21 Against Ra2+

[⌓47.Rd7+ -2.74/20 Ke4 48.Bh6]

47...Rb5+ 48.Kc1? -4.35/19

[48.Kc3 -1.91/18 was the only chance.]

48...Rb3 49.Bh6 Nd4 50.Ra7 -6.33/21

[⌓50.Re7 -4.02/19 Rc3+ 51.Kb1]

50...Kc4 51.Rxa6 -7.44/19

[⌓51.Re7 -4.30/19 Kd3 52.Rxe5 Ne2+ 53.Rxe2 Kxe2 54.Kc2]

51...Kd3 (→ ...Ne2+) **52.Rd6 c4 53.Rd5 Rb5**

[But not 53...e4? 54.Bg7+-]

54.Rxb5 Nxb5 KB-KN **55.g4 e4** -3.97/19

[⌓55...Nd4 -9.15/22 56.g5 Ne2+ 57.Kb1 Nf4]

56.h4? -13.22/20

[56.g5 -3.97/19 Nd6 *(56...e3? 57.g6-+)* 57.g6]

56...Nd4 57.h5 c3 Black mates.

[57...e3 58.Bxe3 Ne2+ *(58...Kxe3 59.h6=)* 59.Kb2 c3+ *(59...Kxe3 60.h6=)* 60.Kb3 Kxe3 61.h6-+]

58.Bg5 e3 59.Bxe3 Kxe3 60.h6 Kd3 61.h7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/ Black=0.35 **61...Ne2+**

0-1

699 C50

☐ **Phillips David,A. 2325**

■ **Birkbeck,Brian F 0**

corr BCC9495 1995

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.c3** -0.94/19

[8.fxe5∓ -0.37/20 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

8...Bg4N -0.49/20

[8...Nc6∓ -0.94/19 9.Qe1 *(9.f5 Bd7 10.Bg5 Qe7 11.Nd2 0-0-0 12.b4 Rdf8 13.a4 h6 14.Bxf6 gxf6 15.a5*

Rfg8 16.b5 Nb8 17.b6 a6 18.bxc7 Kxc7 19.Qb3 Bc6 20.Rab1 Nd7 21.Bxf7 Rg7 22.Bd5 Bxd5 23.Qxd5 Nc5 1-0 Brkic,A 69/157 Las Vegas 1997 *24.Nc4 Rhg8 25.Rf2 Qd7 26.Rb6 Qa4 27.Qxd6+ Kc8 28.Qxc5+ Kb8 29.Qd6+ Ka8 30.Rxa6+* 1-0 Aldebol,N-N,A Chess Club, 2001*)* 9...0-0 10.Nd2 exf4 11.Rxf4 Ne5 12.Be2 Re8 13.Nc4 Ng6 14.Rf1 Nxe4 15.Be3 d5 16.Rd1 c6 17.Na3 Qe7 18.Nc2 Ne5 19.b4 Bg4 20.Bd4 Bxe2 21.Qxe2 Qg5 22.Ne3 Ng6 23.Rf5 Qe7 0-1 Maggiolo,E (1954)-Saliba,C (1808) Buenos Aires Masters op 2023 (8)]

9.Qd2!∓ Nc6 Threatens to win with ... exf4. A dynamic duo of knights.

[9...Nxe4? 10.Qe3+-]

10.f5 Black has an edge. **10...Na5** 0.73/20

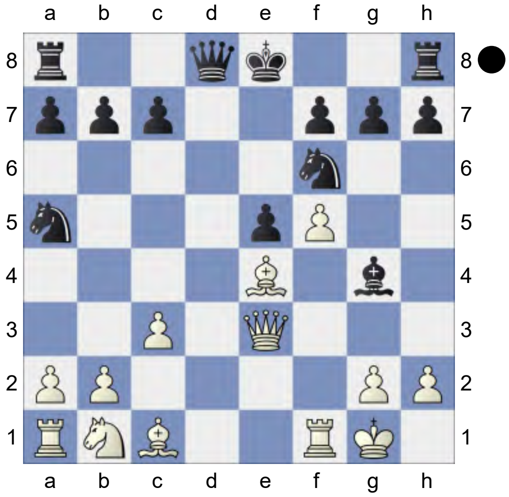
[10...Nxe4 11.Qd5 Ng5 12.Na3]

[10...Ne7= -0.22/20 11.h3 Nxe4]

11.Bd3± d5 12.Qe3 -0.36/17

[12.Qf2± 0.67/19]

12...dxe4∓ 13.Bxe4



Qd6 0.52/20

[13...Nc4!= -0.06/19 14.Qe1 Qe7]

14.Na3 0.03/24

[14.Bc2!± 0.52/20 is more appropriate.]

14...Qb6⇄ Black puts up resistance

15.Qxb6 axb6 16.Bc2 Nc6 1.50/24

[16...0-0-0!= 0.06/19 remains equal.]

17.h3 1.00/24

[17.Rf2 1.50/24]

17...Be2 18.Re1 Rxa3! 19.bxa3 Bb5 1.56/19

[19...Bc4± 0.70/20]

20.Bb3 0.28/21

[20.a4± 1.56/19 Ba6 21.Bf4]

20...Nd7 21.a4 White is more active.

21...Bd3 22.g4 h5 23.Re3! Ba6 24.Ba3 0.06/23

[White should try 24.g5!± 0.58/19]

24...hxg4= 25.hxg4 and Rd1 should not be overlooked **25...Rh4 26.Rg3 Na5 27.Re1 Bc4 28.Bd1 Bxa2** 0.18/20

[⌓28...Bd5 -0.21/20]

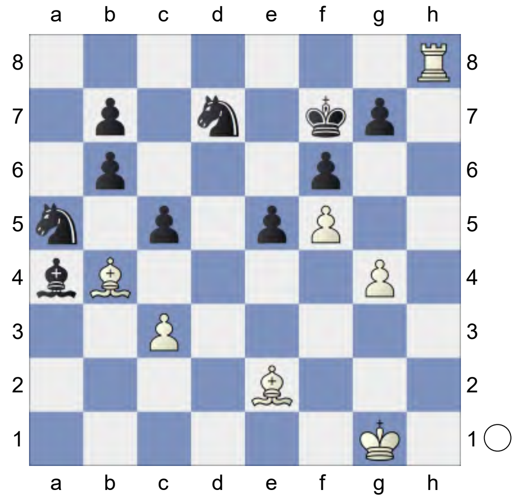
29.Bb4 -0.45/20

[29.Re2= 0.18/20 Bb1 30.Rh2 Rxh2 31.Kxh2]

29...f6 0.11/20

[29...Bd5∓ -0.45/20]

30.Ree3 Bb3! 31.Be2 Bxa4 32.Rh3 The position is equal. **32...Rxh3 33.Rxh3 Kf7 34.Rh8 c5**



35.Ra8! cxb4 36.cxb4 g6 37.Bd3 gxf5 38.Bxf5 Bc6 39.bxa5 bxa5

40.Rxa5 Ke7 41.Bxd7 Bxd7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.25 (precise) /Black=0.24 (precise) **42.g5**
½-½

700 **C54**
☐ **Waitzkin,J.**
■ **Xie,J.**
Pan-Pacific Tournament (4) 1995
[Mon Hokmome]

The 90s saw the emergence of the first grandmasters from Red China, which finally embraced Western chess. In 1990 Xie Jun spearheaded their women's team to third place in the biennial Olympiad. In 1991 she captured the women's world championship, breaking the Russian grip on this coveted title, which she defended in 1993. Here she outplays young Joshua Waitzkin, subject of the book and movie "Searching For Bobby Fischer." C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Inf 94/(237) Lukacs: 'RR: 'Inf 94/(237)" **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3** This is currently considered the standard way to play this opening, replacing the older 5. d4 exd4 6. cxd4 Bb4+ 7. Bd2 Bxd2+ 8. Nbxd2 d5 leading to early simplifications. **5...d6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Bb3 a6 8.Re1 Ba7 9.h3 Be6** Offering a trade to limit White's attacking prospects. Black welcomes the doubled pawns which would strengthen the center and open the f-file after 10. Bxe6 fxe6 11. Qb3 Qd7 12. Qxb7?? Rfb8 13. Qxa6 Bxf2+ and Rxa6 next. **10.Nbd2 Bxb3**

[10...h6 11.Nf1 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.N1h2 Qd6 14.Ng4 Bxg4 15.hxg4 Rad8 16.g5 h5 17.Qe2 Rd7 18.Bd2 Nde7 19.Bc2 Ng6 20.Rad1 Qd5 21.a3 Re7 22.Bc1 Rfe8 23.Qe4 Qd7 24.Bb3 Kf8 25.Be3 Almasi,Z (2628)-Korchnoi,V (2619) Paks 2005 Informant 94 [RR] (42)]

11.Qxb3 Rb8

[11...Qd7 12.Nf1 Rfe8 13.Bg5 Nh5 14.Rad1 h6 15.Bh4 a5 16.a4 Nf4 17.Bg3 Ne6 18.Ne3 Bxe3 Chapter 5: 6...e5-Main line 7...a5 [GM Davorin Kuljasevic]]

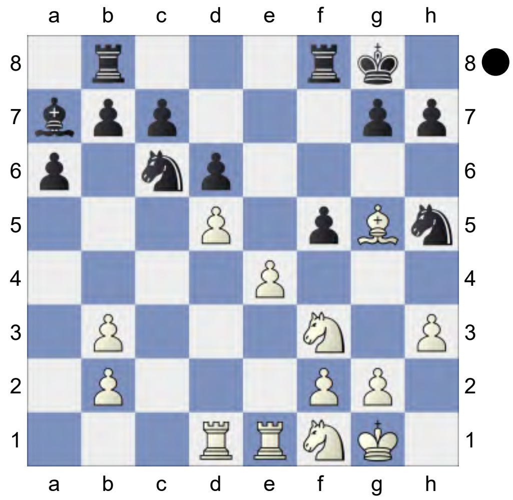
12.Nf1 The position is equal. **12...Nh5N** Stops Ng3 and eyes f4 for the knight.

[12...Qd7 13.Ng3 Rfe8 14.Bg5 Qe6 15.Qc2 h6 16.Bxf6 Qxf6 17.Rad1 g6 18.Qd2 Qf4 19.Qxf4 exf4 20.Ne2 g5 21.g3 fxg3 22.Nxg3 Kh7 23.d4 f6 24.h4 Rg8 25.h5 Rbf8 26.Nh2 g4 27.Nf5 Deiler,P-Markus,R Moscow 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] Rf7 28.Kg2 Ne7 29.Nf1 1 Chapter 8 Part 1-Game 1 Game]

13.Bg5 Qd7 14.Rad1 Qe6 15.d4 White should start thinking defensively with 15. Qxe6 fxe6 16. Be3 with equal chances. **15...exd4 16.cxd4** -0.63/23

[16.Nxd4= 0.01/22 Qg6 17.Be3]

16...Qxb3∓ 17.axb3 f5 18.d5



Ne5 0.27/25 Allows White to equalize by

19. Nxe5 dxe5 20. Be3. First 18...fxe4 19. Rxe4 Ne5 20. N1h2 transposes to the game.

[18...fxe4!∓ -0.73/24 19.Rxe4 Ne5]

19.N1h2 -1.43/25

[19.Nxe5= 0.27/25 dxe5 20.Be7]

19...fxe4∓ &Nero is more active. **20.Rxe4 Rbe8 21.Rb4** Misplaces the rook. Relatively best is 21. Ree1. **21...b5 22.Kf1** -2.20/26

[⌓22.Rh4 -1.64/25 Ng3 23.Be3 Ne2+ 24.Kf1 Ng3+ 25.Kg1 Bxe3 26.fxe3]

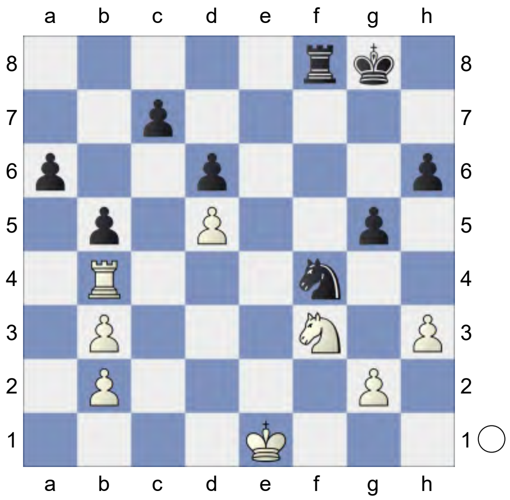
22...h6→ Black attacks with force. **23.Bc1 g5** The winning move. It takes h4 away from the rook and threatens Bc5. Now 24. Re1 loses to Nd3. White is now all tied up and gives up a pawn to survive for a few more moves. Prevents Rb4-h4. **24.Be3** -2.99/23

[24.h4 -1.87/24 keeps fighting. Bc5 25.Rg4]

24...Bxe3 25.fxe3 Nxf3 26.Nxf3 Rxe3 27.Re1 -3.32/24

[27.Kf2 -2.37/25 was worth a try. Rfe8 28.Rd2]

27...Rxe1+ 28.Kxe1 Nf4



The triumphant culmination of Black's strategy that began with 12...Nh5. And now ...Nf4-d3+ would win. **29.Rd4** Prevents Nf4-d3+. **29...Nxg2+ 30.Ke2 Nf4+** White Resigns. Weighted Error Value: White=0.53/Black=0.12 (very precise)

0-1

701 **C52**

☐ **Harding,Dan**

■ **Elburg,John**

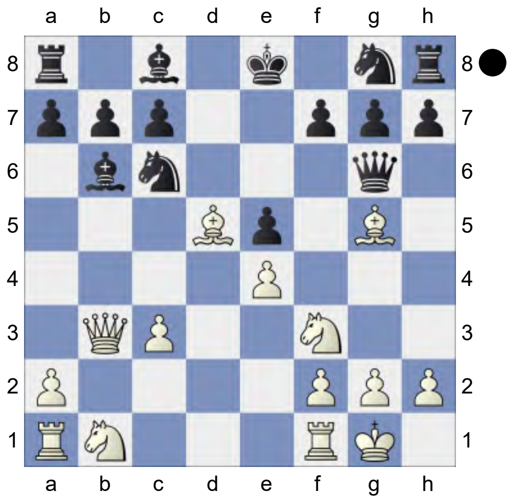
corr_111293 1989

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 Bb6 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Qb3 Qf6 10.Bg5 Qg6 11.Bd5 -1.12/21

[11.a4!∓ -0.64/20 should be considered.]



11...Nge7 -0.76/20

[⌓11...f6! -1.12/21 12.Be3 Nge7]

12.Bxe7∓ Kxe7 13.Bxc6 Black is slightly better. **13...Qxc6 14.Nxe5 Qe6**

[14...Qxe4? 15.Qxf7+ Kd6 16.Nd2+- (*16.Qxg7? Qxe5 17.Qh6+ Be6-+*)]

15.Nc4 -1.13/18

[15.Qa3+∓ -0.64/20 c5 16.Nd3]

15...Bd7 -0.30/19

[15...Qxe4?! 16.Nbd2 Qf5 17.Ne4=]

[15...Bc5∓ -1.13/18 16.Nbd2 Re8]

[15...Rd8 16.Qa3+ Ke8 17.Nxb6 cxb6 Chess Informant Eco-N,N Chess Informant ECO C5 2006]

16.Nbd2= Rhd8 Active counter play! **17.Kh1N**

[17.Nf3 h6 18.Rad1 Kf8 19.Nfe5 Be8 20.Rfe1 f6 21.Nxb6 Qxb3 22.Nbd7+ Bxd7 23.Nxd7+ Rxd7 24.axb3 Rad8 25.Rxd7 Rxd7 26.Kf1 Rd3 27.Rc1 Rd2 28.Ke1 Rb2 29.b4 Ke7 30.Rd1 Rc2 31.Rd3 g5 0-1 Hanison,B (2010)-Elison,K (2275) TG/2/94/S2 corr ICCF 1999]

17...Qc6 -0.01/20

[17...Kf8∓ -0.49/20]

18.f4 -0.84/19

[18.Ne5= -0.01/20 Qf6 19.Ndc4]

18...Qa4∓ 19.Nxb6 -1.27/22

[19.f5 -0.86/19]

19...Qxb3 -0.51/20

[19...axb6∓ -1.27/22 20.Qb1 Kf8]

20.axb3∓ axb6 21.Nf3 -1.32/21

[White should play 21.Kg1∓ -0.43/21]

21...Bc6 -0.87/24

[⌓21...c5 -1.32/21 22.Kg1 f6]

22.Rxa8 Rxa8 23.e5? -2.56/24

[23.Re1∓ -0.67/21]

23...Bxf3 24.gxf3-+ Endgame KR-KR **24...Ra2 25.Rd1 Rb2 26.b4 Rc2** -1.21/21

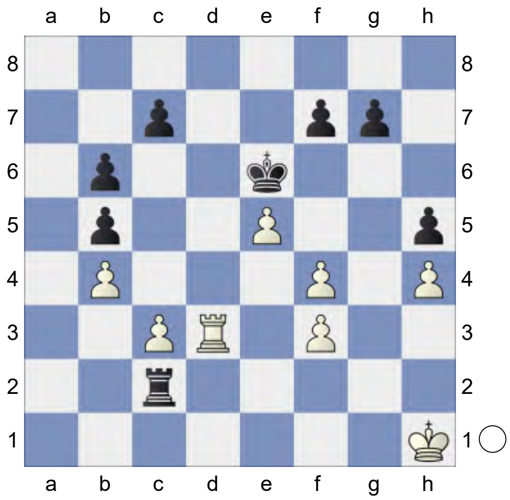
[26...g6-+ -1.99/23 27.Rd4 Rf2]

27.Rd3∓ Ke6 28.Kg1 h5 29.h4 b5 30.Kh1? -3.50/23

[30.Kf1∓ -1.41/19 was the only defense.]

30...b6-+

(Diagram)



31.Kg1 f6 -1.30/21

[31...c6-+ -2.45/25 32.Rd6+ Kf5 33.Rxc6 Kxf4 34.Rxb6 Kg3 *(34...Rxc3 35.Kg2=; 34...Kxe5 35.Rxb5+ Kf4 36.Rxh5=)*]

32.Re3∓ Rd2 -0.20/23

[Black should play 32...g6∓ -1.56/26 33.f5+ gxf5 *(33...Kxf5?* is the wrong capture. *34.e6+-)* 34.exf6+ Kxf6]

33.exf6+= Kxf6 34.Re5 Rd3 35.Rxb5 -1.06/23

[35.Kf2= -0.22/23]

35...Rxc3 -0.35/24

[35...Rxf3∓ -1.06/23 Threatens to win with ...g6. 36.c4 Rxf4]

36.Rxh5? -2.36/25

[36.Kf2!∓ -0.35/24]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.49/Black=0.43 **36...Rxf3**

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703 **C52**

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Evans Gambit Thematic 8891 1988

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1.e4 Fritz 6 (5s) Dublin Evening Mail 30 July 1891 **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4** '!?'

[6...d6! Alapin]

7.0-0

[RR 7.Qb3 Qf6 8.0-0

A) RR 8...d6;

B) RR 8...Nge7 9.cxd4

B1) RR 9...d6 10.Bg5 Qg6 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.Bxe7 Kxe7 14.Qa3+ Kd8 15.d6 *(RR 15.Qxa5 Bh3)* 15...Bb6 16.dxc7+ Kxc7 17.Nc3;

B2) RR 9...Bb6 10.e5 Qg6 11.Bd3 Qh5 12.d5 Nd8 13.Ba3;

B3) RR 9...Nxd4 10.Nxd4 Qxd4 11.Bxf7+ Kf8 *(RR 11...Kd8 12.Bb2)* 12.Bh5 d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Rd1;

B4) 9...0-0

B4a) RR 10.Bb2 d6

B4a1) RR 11.Nc3 Nxd4 12.Nd5 *(RR 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Rad1 Qb6)* 12...Nxf3+ 13.Qxf3 Qxb2 14.Nxe7+ Kh8 15.Rab1 Qd4;

B4a2) RR 11.Rd1 Bg4 12.Rd3 Bb6 13.Nbd2 Na5 14.Qc2;

B4a3) 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.f4 Bb6+ *(RR 13...Qb6+)* 14.Kh1 Qg6;

B4b) 10.e5;

C) RR 8...Bb6;

D) RR 8...d3;

E) RR 8...b5;

F) 8...Nh6 9.cxd4 Bb6 10.e5 Qg6 11.Bd3]

7...dxc3 '?!' **8.Qb3 Qf6 9.e5 Qg6**

[RR 9...Nxe5 10.Re1 d6 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.Qb5+]

10.Nxc3 Nge7

[RR 10...b5 11.Nxb5 Rb8 12.Qe3

A) RR 12...a6 13.Bd3 Qh5 *(RR 13...Qg4 14.h3 Qh5 15.Nbd4)* 14.Nbd4;

B) 12...Nge7 13.Qe2 Qh5 14.Ba3 Bb7 15.Rad1 Nf5 *(RR 15...Rd8 16.Nd6+ cxd6 17.exd6; RR 15...Ng6 16.Rxd7)* 16.Rxd7 Kxd7 17.e6+ Kc8 18.exf7 Ba8 19.Nxa7+ Nxa7 *(RR 19...Kb7 20.Nxc6 Kxc6 21.Ne5+)* 20.Qe6+ Kd8 21.Rd1+ Nd6 22.Bxd6]

[RR 10...Bxc3 11.Qxc3

A) RR 11...b6 12.Bd3 Qg4 13.e6;

B) RR 11...Nd8 12.Be3 Nh6 13.Rfe1 b6 14.Nh4 Qg4 15.Bxh6 Rg8 16.Bd3 gxh6 17.Bxh7 Rg5 18.Re4;

C) RR 11...Nge7 12.Ng5 Nd8 13.Re1 h6 14.Ne4 0-0 15.Ba3 Re8 16.Nf6+ gxf6 17.exf6 Ndc6 18.fxe7 *(RR 18.--)*;

D) 11...Nge7]

[RR 10...Bb6 11.Ba3 Na5 12.Qa4 Nxc4 13.Qxc4 Qe6 14.Qh4 Ne7 15.Ng5 Nf5 16.Nxe6 Nxh4 17.Nxg7+ Kd8 18.Nd5 Ng6 19.Rad1]

[RR 10...b5 11.Nxb5 Rb8 12.Qe3 Nge7 13.Qe2 Qh5 14.Ba3]

[RR 10...Nh6 11.Nd5 0-0 12.Bd3 Qe6 13.Ng5 Qxe5 14.Bf4 Qe8 15.Nxh7]

[RR 10...Bxc3 11.Qxc3 --]

11.Ba3

[RR 11.Ne2 b5 12.Bd3 Qe6 13.Qb2 Ng6 14.Nf4

A) RR 14...Qe7 15.Nd5 Qe6 16.Qxb5 0-0 17.Ba3 (RR *17.Nf4 Nxf4 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Bxf4 g6*) 17...Rb8 18.Qc5 Bb7;

B) 14...Nxf4 15.Bxf4 h6 (RR *15...a6 16.a4;* RR *15...0-0 16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.Bb1*) 16.Rfd1 (RR *16.Nh4 0-0 17.Nf5;* RR *16.Qxb5 Rb8 17.Qc5 Bb6 18.Qa3 Bb7*) 16...a6 17.Rac1 Bb7 18.Be4 Bb6 19.Nh4 0-0-0 20.a4 Qg4]

[RR 11.Re1

A) RR 11...Rb8 12.Nh4 Qh5 13.Re4 Bxc3 (RR *13...g5 14.Nf3 h6 15.Bb2*) 14.Qxc3 (RR *14.Be2 Qxe2 15.Rxe2 Nd4*) 14...Qd1+ 15.Bf1 Qd5 16.Qc2 Nxe5 17.f4 N5c6 18.Bb2;

B) 11...b5 12.Nxb5 Rb8 13.Bd3 (RR *13.Ng5 0-0 14.Bd3 Qh5*) 13...Qe6]

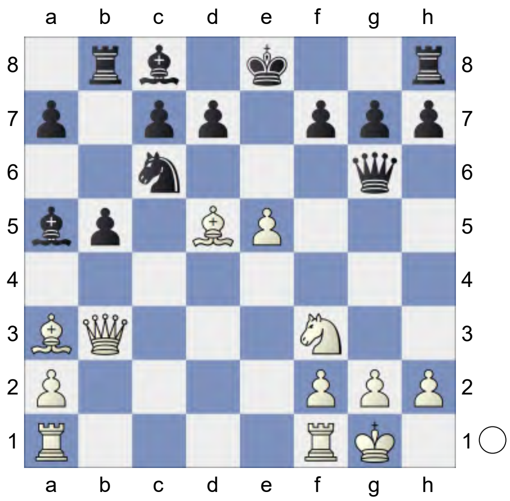
[11.Nh4 Qh5 12.Nf3 0-0∓]

11...0-0

[11...Rb8 With the idea ...b5!. With the idea ...b5!. 12.Nd5

A) RR 12...Nxd5 13.Bxd5 b5 (RR *13...Nd8 14.Rad1 b5 15.Rd4 b4 16.Nh4 Qb6 17.Bb2 Ne6 18.Nf5 g6 19.Bxe6 fxe6 20.Ng7+ Kd8 21.Nxe6+*) 14.e6 (RR *14.Rad1 b4 15.e6 fxe6 16.Bxc6 dxc6 17.Ne5 Qf5 18.Nxc6 0-0 19.Ne7+*) 14...fxe6 15.Bxc6 dxc6 16.Ne5 Qe4 17.Qg3 g6 (RR *17...Rg8 18.Qg5 b4 19.Rad1 Bb7 20.Rd7*) 18.Qg5 (RR *18.Rad1*) 18...b4 19.Rad1 0-0 20.Bb2 Rb5 21.Nf7 e5 22.Nh6+ Kh8 23.Rd8 Kg7 24.Rxf8 Kxf8 25.Qf6+ Ke8 26.Ng8;

B) 12...Nxd5 1.49/18 13.Bxd5± b5 2.54/17 (*13...Nd8!?± 1.56/18* Zukertort-Mortimer, London 1883 '!?')



14.e6!+- fxe6 15.Bxc6 dxc6 16.Ne5 Qe4? 4.96/20 (*16...Qg5 2.75/19*) 17.Qg3+-

B1) 17...Rg8 18.Qg5 b4 19.Rad1 Bb7 #5/16 (*19...Qxe5+- 5.13/18 20.Qxe5 Rb5*) 20.Rd7 1-0 Ruvolo-Durante, corr.1977;

B2) 17...g6 18.Qg5 b4 19.Rad1 0-0 20.Bb2 Bb6 21.Ng4 e5 22.Nf6+ Rxf6 23.Qxf6+- Romaschkewitsj-Bething, corr.]

[RR 11...b5 12.Nxb5 Rb8 13.Bxe7 Kxe7 (RR *13...Nxe7 14.Nd6+*) 14.Qe3 Bb6 (RR *14...Bb7 15.Rad1*) 15.Qa3+ Kd8 16.Rfe1 Bb7 (RR *16...Qc2 17.Rac1 Qxf2+ 18.Kh1 Qc5 19.Qd3*) 17.Rad1 Qc2 18.e6 Ne5 (RR *18...Qxc4 19.Ng5*) 19.Nfd4 (RR *19.Rxe5 Qxd1+ 20.Re1 Qc2 21.e7+ Ke8 22.Qc5*) 19...Nxc4 20.Nxc2 Nxa3 21.Rxd7+ Kc8 22.Ncxa3 fxe6 23.Rxg7 a6 24.Nxc7 Rf8 25.Rc1 Bxf2+ 26.Kh1]

[RR 11...Bxc3 12.Qxc3 0-0 13.Rad1 Re8 (RR *13...d5 14.exd6 cxd6 15.Rxd6 Qh5 16.Re1 Ng6 17.Rxg6 Qxg6 18.Bxf8 Bh3 19.Nh4 Qg5*

20.Qxh3 Rxf8 21.Bxf7+) 14.Rfe1 Rb8 (RR *14...a6 15.Bd3 Qh5 16.Re4 Ng6 17.g4 Qh3 18.Bf1 Qh6 19.Bc1)* 15.Bd3 f5 (RR *15...Qh6 16.Bc1 Qh5 17.Re4)* 16.exf6 Qxf6 17.Qb3+ Kh8 (RR *17...d5 18.Qxd5+ Nxd5 19.Rxe8+ Kf7 20.Rf8+ Ke6 21.Bc4)* 18.Bb2 Qf8 19.Ng5]

[RR 11...a6 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 b5 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxc6 dxc6 16.Ne5 Qe4 (RR *16...Qf6 17.Nxc6)* 17.Qg3 g6 18.Rad1 b4 19.Rfe1 Qf5 20.Nxc6 bxa3 21.Qxa3 Qf6 22.Rd8+ Kf7 23.Rxh8 Qxh8 24.Qe7+ Kg8 25.Qd8+ Kg7 26.Qd4+]

[RR 11...Rb8 12.Nd5 b5!= 0.08/19 remains equal. remains equal. 13.Nxe7 bxc4 (RR *13...Nxe7 14.Bxe7 Kxe7 15.Qa3+)* 14.Qxb8 Nxb8 15.Nxg6 hxg6 16.Rfc1]

12.Rad1

[RR 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 (RR *13.Bxf8 Nf4)* 13...d6 (RR *13...Re8 14.Ng5)* 14.exd6 (RR *14.Rad1 Rd8)* 14...cxd6]

[RR 12.Ne2 d6 13.Bd3 Bf5 14.Nh4 Qe6 15.Nxf5 Nxf5 16.Qc2 Ncd4 17.Nxd4 Nxd4 18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Qd3 Qxe5]

12...Rb8N 1.64/21 N

[12...Re8 13.Bd3 Qh5 14.Ne4 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Bb2 Qe6 17.Qb5± Lasker RR Bb6 (RR *17...Nc6 18.Ng5 Qh6 19.Bxh7+ Kf8 20.Be4 Bb6 21.Rfe1)* 18.Qh5 h6 19.Ng5 Qxa2 20.Bh7+ Kf8 21.Bb1 Qc4 22.Nh7+ Kg8 23.Qe5]

[RR 12...b5 13.Bd3 (RR *13.Nxb5 Rb8 14.Bd3 Qh5 15.Qa4 Re8 16.Nxa7 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Nxc8 Nc6 19.Nd6 cxd6 20.Bxd6 Rb4 21.Bxb4 Bxb4 22.Bb5 Bd6 23.g3 Qc5 24.Bxc6 dxc6 25.Rc1 Qb5 26.Qc4 Qxc4 27.Rxc4* 1-0 Smith,A-Vincent,F William Nash's tourney? 1884 *)*

A) RR 13...Qe6 14.Bxh7+ Kh8 15.Nd5 b4 16.Ng5 Qg4 (RR *16...Qxe5 17.Qh3)* 17.Bc1 Ba6 18.h3;

B) RR 13...Qg4 14.h3 Qe6 (RR *14...Qh5 15.Ne2)* 15.Nd5 b4 16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.Ng5 Qxe5 18.Bc1;

C) 13...Qh5 14.Ne4 b4 15.Ng3 Qg4 16.h3 Qe6 17.Bc4 bxa3 (RR *17...Qg6 18.Bc1)* 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Kh2 Bb4 20.Nd4 a5 21.Nxc6 Nxc6 22.f4 Be7 23.Ne4 Rb8 24.Qg3 Rb4 25.f5 exf5 26.Nf6+ Kh8 27.Nd5 Nicholls,W-Woollett,M corr 1891 UltraCorrX [Dublin Evening Mail 30 July 1891] 1-0]

[RR 12...a6 13.Nd5 (RR *13.Bd3 Qh5 14.Ne2)* 13...Nxd5

A) RR 14.Bxf8 Nf4 (RR *14...Kxf8 15.Bxd5 Kg8 16.Bxc6 bxc6 17.Qa3)* 15.Nh4 Qh5 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 (RR *16...Qxh4 17.Bf6 Qh5 18.Qg3+ Ng6 19.Bb3)* 17.Qg3+ Ng6 18.Nxg6 Qxg6;

B) 14.Bxd5 Re8 15.Ng5 Nd8 (RR *15...Qxg5 16.Bxf7+ Kh8 17.Bxe8;* RR *15...Nxe5 16.Qe3 Bb6 17.Nxf7 Bxe3 18.Nxe5+ Qe6 19.Bxe6+ Rxe6 20.fxe3)* 16.f4 (RR *16.Qg3 Ne6 17.f4 f6 18.Kh1 fxg5 19.f5 Qh5 20.fxe6 dxe6 21.Be4)* 16...Qb6+ 17.Qxb6 (RR *17.Kh1 Qxb3 18.axb3 h6)* 17...Bxb6+ (RR *17...cxb6 18.Ne4)* 18.Kh1 h6 (RR *18...Rb8)* 19.Ne4 Rb8 20.g4 (RR *20.Rf3 d6 21.exd6 c6)* 20...Ba7 (RR *20...d6 21.exd6 Bxg4)* 21.g5 (RR *21.Rc1*

Nc6 22.g5) 21...hxg5 22.fxg5 Ne6 (RR *22...c6 23.Nd6 Rxe5 24.Nxf7 Rxd5 25.Rxd5 cxd5 26.Nxd8;* RR *22...Rxe5 23.g6 Rxd5 24.Rxd5 d6)* 23.Rd3 (RR *23.Rc1 Bb6)* 23...b5 24.Nf6+ (RR *24.Kg2)* 24...gxf6 25.gxf6 Kh7 (RR *25...Ng5 26.Rf5 Nh7 27.Rh5 Bf2 28.Be4;* RR *25...Kh8 26.Rh3+;* RR *25...Bb7 26.Rg3+ Kh8 27.Bxb7 Rxb7 28.Rf5)* 26.Rh3+ Kg8 (RR *26...Kg6 27.Bc1 Nf4 28.Rg3+ Kh7 29.Rxf4 Rxe5 30.Rh4+ Rh5 31.Rxh5#)* 27.Rg3+ Riemann,F (2450)-Anderssen,A (2600) Breslau 1874 [Fritz 6 (5s)] 1-0 (RR *27.Rf5 Ng7 28.Rg5 Re7 29.Rxg7+ Kf8 30.Rh8#)* RR 27...Kh8 28.Rf5 Nf8 29.Rh5+ Nh7 30.Rg7 Rxe5 31.Rhxh7#]

[RR 12...Re8 13.Ne2 Bb6 14.Bd3 Qh5 15.Ng3 Qg4 16.Rfe1]

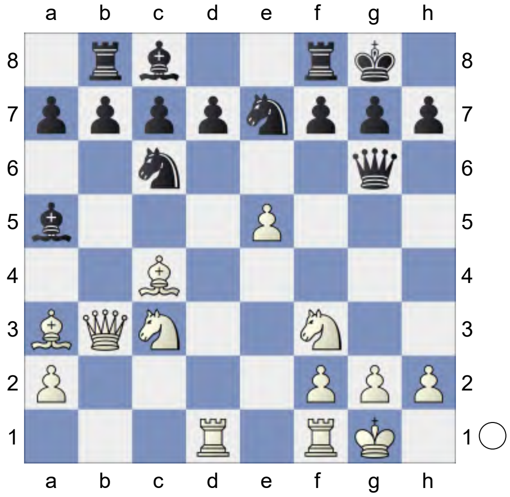
[RR 12...b5 13.Bd3 Qh5 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.Qxd5 b4 16.Bb2 Rb8 17.Rfe1 Bb6 18.Re4 Ne7 19.Qb3]

[RR 12...Rd8 13.Bxe7 Nxe7 14.Qa3 Nc6 15.Nd5]

[RR 12...Re8 0.68/19 12...Bb6 0.31 12...Bb6 0.31 13.Bd3 Qh5 14.Ne4! Black must now prevent Ng3. Black must now prevent Ng3. Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Bb2 Qe6 White must now prevent ...Qxb3. White must now prevent ...Qxb3. 17.Qb5± Lasker Qb6 18.Qh5 Ng6 (RR *18...Qxb2 19.Ng5 Ng6 20.Qxh7+ Kf8 21.Bxg6 fxg6 22.Qxg6 Qxa2 23.Rd4)* 19.Ng5 h6 20.Nxf7 Kxf7 21.Bd4 (RR *21.Qf5+ Ke7 22.Bxg7 d5)* 21...c5 (RR *21...Qe6 22.Bf5 Qc6 23.Rd3;* RR *21...Qc6 22.Qxa5 Kg8 23.Rfe1)* 22.Bxc5 Qf6 23.Bc4+ Re6 (RR *23...d5 24.Rxd5 Be6 25.Rd7+ Kg8 26.Bd4)* 24.Rd5 Kg8 25.Rf5 Nf4 26.Qg4 1-0 (26) De Bortolo,P (1800)-Do Amaral e Silva,L (1378) Florianopolis 2023 1-0 Ng,S-9. ♘f3 ♘c6 10.♖b1 a6 ICC-ch blitz fin 2002]

[RR 12...b5 13.Bd3 Qg4 14.h3 Qe6 15.Bxh7+ Kh8 16.Nd5 f6 (RR *16...b4 17.Bc1 Nxd5 18.Rxd5 Ne7 19.Be4 Bb7 20.Nd4 Bxd5 21.Qg3 Bxe4 22.Nxe6 fxe6 23.Qh4+ Kg8 24.Qxe4)* 17.Be4 b4 18.Nxe7 Qxb3 19.Ng6+ Kg8 20.axb3 bxa3 21.Bd5+ Rf7 22.Bxc6 Rb8 23.e6 dxe6 24.Rd8+ Kh7 25.Be4 f5 26.Nfh4]

[12...Bb6± 0.49/20]



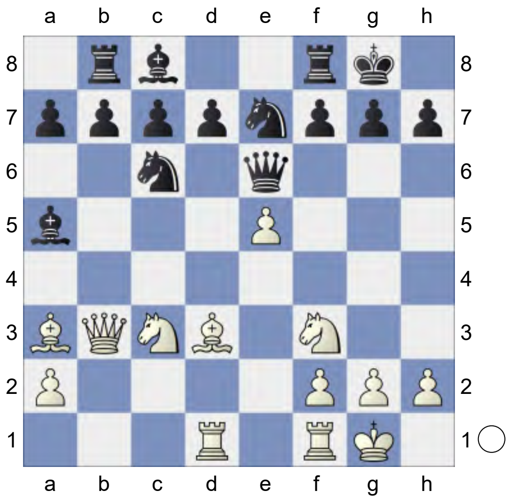
N N N [#] N **13.Bd3** 0.93/19

[13.Nd5!+- 1.64/21 Nxd5 14.Rxd5]

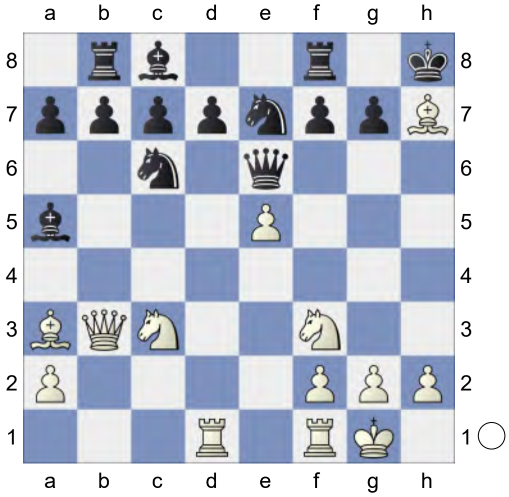
13...Qe6? 2.58/19

[13...Qh5± 0.93/19]

(Diagram)



14.Bxh7+!+- Decoy Decoy '!' **14...Kh8**
[14...Kxh7 4.11/22 14...Kh8 2.62 14...Kh8 2.62 15.Ng5+]



15.Nd5!± '±' **15...d6**
[15...Nxd5 16.Rxd5 Re8 17.Bc2 Qg4 18.e6 Δ Rg5±→ /\ Rg5+/-->]

16.exd6 Nxd5 17.Rxd5 Rd8
[17...cxd6 18.Ng5! *(18.Bxd6?! Ne7∞)* 18...Qg4 *(18...Qh6 19.Bxd6 Be6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Rd3+-)* 19.Bxd6+-]

18.Ng5 Qe8 8.02/18 #
[⌓18...Qg4 4.90/16 19.Bb1 *(19.Nxf7+ Kxh7 20.Nxd8 Bf5+-)* 19...Rf8 20.dxc7 Discovered Attack Discovered Attack Bxc7 21.Bxf8 Qf4]

19.Rxa5! Promotion Promotion

19...Nxa5 20.Nxf7+ Kxh7 21.Qc2+
[21.dxc7 Nxb3 22.cxd8Q *(22.cxb8B? perishes. perishes. Qxf7 23.Bad6 Nd2-+; 22.Ng5+ Kg6=)* 22...Qxd8 23.Nxd8 Nd4±]

21...g6 6.63/18
[⌓21...Kg8 4.44/17]

22.dxc7+- '+-' **22...Bf5 23.cxb8Q**
[Weaker is Weaker is 23.cxd8R Bxc2 24.Rxe8 Rxe8±]
[23.Nxd8 Rxd8 24.cxd8R *(24.cxd8Q Qxd8 25.Qc3 Nc6+-)* 24...Qxd8]

23...Rxb8 Black is weak on the dark squares Black is weak on the dark squares **24.Qc7 Nc6 25.Ng5+ Kh6 26.Qf4 Qe2** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=1.47White took control after the opening.
Weighted Error Value: White=0.33/Black=1.47

27.Ne6+
[27.Ne6+ Kh7 28.Qc7+ Kh6 29.Qg7+ Kh5 30.Qh7+ Kg4 31.h3# Cimmino]

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■ **Szilagyi,Sandor**
Evans gam theme corr 1988
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 Ripperger **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5**
[RR 5...Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Nxe5 Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Qxd5 10.Ne3]

6.d4

[RR 6.0-0 Qf6 7.d4 Nh6 8.Bg5 Qd6 9.d5 Nd8 10.Qa4 Bb6 11.Na3 c6 12.Be2 Bc7 13.Nc4 Qf8]

6...d6 7.Qb3 Qd7

[7...exd4 8.Bxf7+ Kf8 9.e5! dxe5 10.0-0]

[7...Qf6?? 8.d5 Nd4 9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Qb5+]

[7...Nxd4 8.Nxd4 exd4 9.0-0! dxc3 *(9...Bb6 10.Bxf7+ Kf8 11.Bxg8 Rxg8 12.cxd4 Bxd4 13.Nc3)* 10.Bxf7+ Kf8 11.e5]

8.dxe5

[RR 8.a4 Bb6 9.a5 Nxa5 10.Rxa5 Bxa5 11.dxe5 Nh6 12.0-0 *(RR 12.e6 fxe6 13.Ng5 c6 14.Bxe6 Qe7 15.0-0 Bb6 16.Bd2 Bd7 17.Na3 0-0-0 18.Nc4 Bc5 19.Na5 Bxe6 20.Nxe6 Rd7 21.Rb1 Re8 22.Ng5 Rc7)*]

8...dxe5

[RR 8...Bb6 9.exd6 *(RR 9.Nbd2 Na5 10.Qc2 Nxc4 11.Nxc4 d5 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.0-0 dxe4 14.Qxe4 Qg4 15.Qe3 Ne7 16.Nd4 0-0 17.h3 Qg6 18.f4 c5 19.Nb5 Rd8)* 9...Na5 10.Qb5 Nxc4 11.Qxc4 Qxd6 12.Ba3 *(RR 12.0-0 Be6 13.Qb5+ Qd7 14.Qxd7+ Bxd7 15.Re1 Nf6 16.Be3 Bxe3 17.Rxe3 0-0-0 18.Nbd2 Rhe8 19.h3 h6 20.Rb1 Re6 21.Rb2 c5)* 12...Be6 13.Qb5+ Qd7 14.Qxd7+ Bxd7 15.0-0 0-0-0 16.Nd4 Nh6 17.Re1 Rhe8]

9.0-0 -0.15/6

[9.Ba3 0.22/19 might be stronger.]

9...Bb6= 10.Rd1

[RR 10.Bb5]

10...Qe7

[10...Na5? 1.83/20 10...Qe7 -0.01 11.Bxf7+!

A) 11...Kf8? 3.66/20 11...Qxf7 1.77 12.Qc2!

A1) ⌓12...Qe7 2.21/18 13.Ba3 c5 *(13...Bc5? 4.11/19* 13...c5 1.89 *14.Bxc5 Qxc5 15.Rd5)* 14.Bd5;

A2) 12...Qxf7 3.22/17 13.Rd8+!+- Ke7 14.Bg5+ Nf6 15.Rxh8;

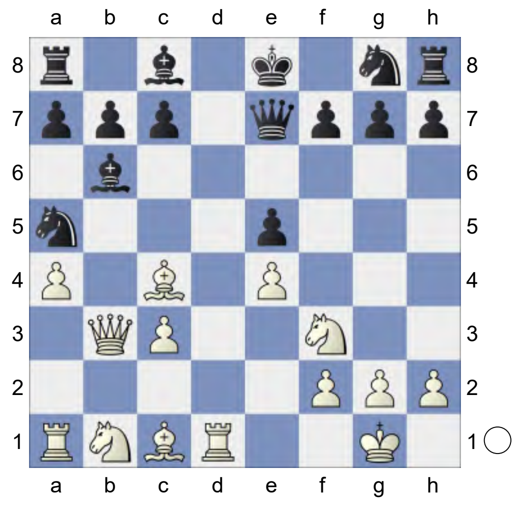
B) 11...Qxf7 12.Rd8+! Ke7 13.Bg5+ Nf6 14.Qxf7+ Kxf7 15.Rxh8]

11.a4 The position is equal.

[RR 11.Rd5 a6 12.Nbd2 Qf6 13.Nf1 Be6 14.Ng3 Bxd5 15.exd5 Nb8 16.Bg5 Qg6 17.Re1 f6 18.d6 Nh6 19.dxc7]

11...Nh6 0.69/19

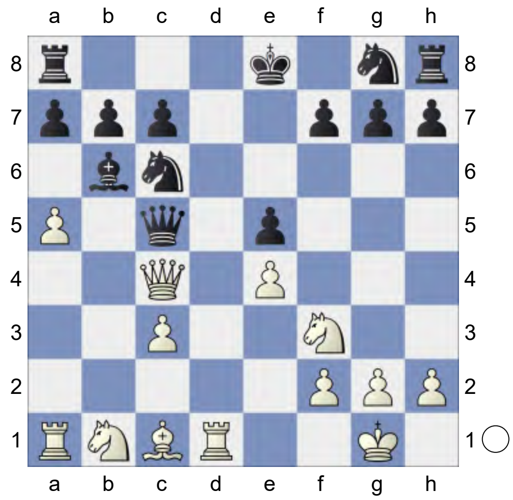
[11...Na5? 1.69/14 11...Bc5 -0.72



12.Bxf7+!]

[11...Be6 12.a5! Bxc4 1.00/19 *(12...Bxf2+= -0.01/22 13.Kh1 Rd8 14.Rxd8+ Nxd8)* 13.Qxc4± Qc5

(Diagram)



14.Qf1! and Be3 should not be overlooked Nxa5 15.Rd5 Qc4 16.Rxe5+ Ne7 and ...Qxf1+ should not be overlooked 17.Raxa5]

[11...Bc5!= -0.25/21 12.Bd5 -0.79/20 Nf6∓ 13.Na3 -1.54/19 (*⌓13.Ba3* -0.79/20 *0-0 14.Bxc5 Qxc5 15.Nbd2*) 13...0-0 -0.54/18 (*13...Nd8!∓* -1.54/19 *14.Re1 Bg4*) 14.Nc4!∞ '∞']

[11...Bg4 12.a5! Bxf3 13.gxf3 Nxa5 14.Rxa5 Bxa5 15.Qa4+ 1.40/19 (*15.Ba3+-* 3.39/20 Threatening mate with Qxb7!. *Bb4 16.cxb4*) 15...c6± 16.Qxa5∞]

[11...Nf6 12.Ba3 Bc5 13.Bxc5 Qxc5 14.Bxf7+ Ke7 15.Bd5]

[11...a5 12.Bd5 (*12.Ba3!? Qf6□ 13.Ng5∓*) 12...Bg4 1.58/13 (Better is *12...Bc5⩲* 0.49/12) 13.Rd3!± 0-0-0 1.15/18 (*⌓13...Bxf3* 1.58/19 *14.Rxf3 Nf6*) 14.Nbd2± Nf6 15.Nc4 Bc5 1.77/19 (*15...Nxd5⩲* 0.45/9 *16.exd5 e4 17.Nxb6+ cxb6*) 16.Rb1± 0.81/17 Larry Evans (*16.Bg5!+-* 1.77/19)]

[RR 11...a6 12.a5 (RR *12.Ba3 Qf6 13.a5 Ba7 14.Bd5 Nge7 15.Ra2 0-0 16.Bxc6 bxc6 17.Rad2;* RR *12.Bd5 Na5 13.Bxf7+ Kf8 14.Qa2 Nf6 15.Ba3 c5 16.Bd5 g6 17.Nbd2 Kg7 18.Rab1 Bc7 19.Nc4 Nxd5 20.Rxd5 Nxc4 21.Bxc5 Nd6 22.Rxe5 Qf7*) 12...Bc5 13.Bg5 (RR *13.Ba3 Bxa3 14.Nxa3 Nf6 15.Bd5 0-0 16.Nc4 Bd7*) 13...Nf6 14.Bd5 0-0 15.Nbd2 Nd8 16.Nf1 Ne6 17.Bh4 Nf4]

12.a5!⩲ Bxa5

[12...Nxa5? 13.Rxa5 Bxa5 14.Ba3+-]

13.Ba3 0.33/16 White is much more active.

[⌓13.Bg5 0.69/22 f6 14.Bxh6 gxh6 15.Nh4]

13...Qf6 14.Bb5 White has compensation. This move loses the game for Black. **14...Bd7** 1.92/21

[14...a6!⩲ 0.66/18 15.Bxc6+ Remove Defender Qxc6]

15.c4 1.41/21

[RR 15.Rxd7 Kxd7 16.Qd5+ Kc8 17.Bxc6 Qxc6⩲ 18.Qxa5]

[15.Rd5+- 1.92/21]

15...0-0-0± 16.Rd5!↑ White has strong initiative. White has strong initiative. '!'

16...Bb6 1.99/11

[16...Be6 2.53/19 16...Ng4 1.12 17.Bxc6 Bb6 18.Rxd8+ 1.13/18 (*18.c5+-* 2.62/18 and White stays clearly on top. *bxc6* Pin *19.cxb6 cxb6 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Qa4*) 18...Rxd8± 19.Bd5]

[16...Nd4 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Bxd7+]

[16...a6± 1.39/20]

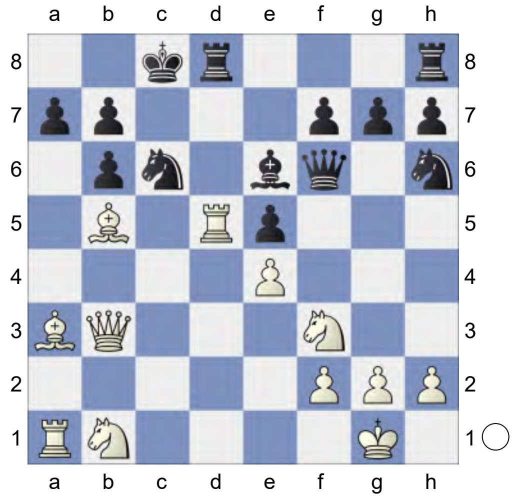
17.c5+- Be6? 3.72/18

[17...Ba5 2.00/16 18.Bb2 (*18.Bc1 Qe6*)]

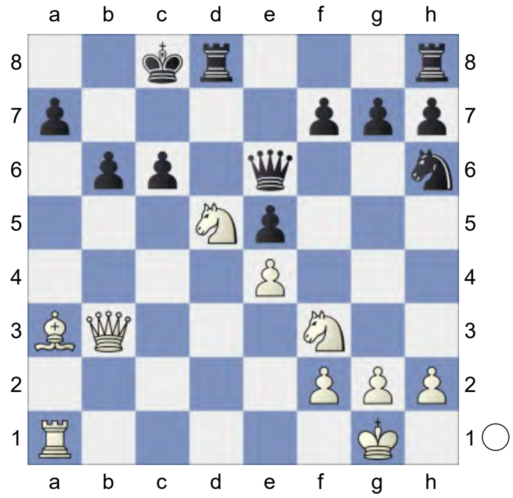
18.cxb6 cxb6N

[RR 18...Bxd5 19.exd5 axb6 20.dxc6 bxc6 21.Be7 Qg6 (RR *21...Qf4 22.Bxd8 cxb5 23.Ra8+ Kb7 24.Qd5+ c6 25.Qd7+ Kxa8 26.Qxc6+ Ka7 27.Bxb6+ Ka6 28.Bc7+ Ka7 29.Qb6+ Ka8*

30.Qa6#) 22.Nxe5 1-0 (22) Perez Perez,A-Hernandez,M Cuba 1994 CR97-94 [Ripperger]]



19.Nc3 Bxd5 4.44/18
[19...Ng4 3.17/5 might work better. 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8]
[19...Nd4 20.Nxd4]
20.Nxd5 White is clearly winning.
20...Qe6 21.Bxc6?!
[21.Bb2±]
21...bxc6



22.Nxb6+ Demolition **22...axb6**
23.Qxb6 Qd7
Weighted Error Value: White=0.14 (very precise) /Black=0.69
24.Rc1? 0.02/22 Loss on time!?
[24.Rc1? 0.03/23 24.Rb1 5.12 Qb7! 25.Rxc6+ Kb8 (-> ...Rd1+) 26.Bd6+ Rxd6! 27.Rxd6 Qxb6 28.Rxb6+ Kc7=]
[24.Nxe5? is a self mate. Qd1+ Back Rank 25.Rxd1 Rxd1#]
[24.Rb1+- 5.26/20 Qd1+ 25.Ne1 Qxb1 26.Qxb1]
1-0

704 **C54**
☐ **Short,Nigel D**
■ **Korchnoi,V.**
Zagreb 1987
[Mon Hokmome]

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C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Inf 42/(387) **1.e4** Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3** The Giuoco Piano, an ancient opening. The original idea was to get in d2-d4 as fast as possible, often at the cost of a pawn or two. Nigel chooses a more modern treatment here, expanding on the Queenside.
[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1

Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4

20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.b4N

[RR 5.d4 exd4 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5*) 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47)]

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1*) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

[RR 5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 (RR *8...exd4 9.cxd4 Nxe4 10.Bd5 Bf5 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.a5 c5 13.Re1 Re8 14.axb6 axb6 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.dxc5 bxc5*) 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte 2022 0-1]

5...Bb6 6.d3 a6

[6...d6 7.0-0 (*7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.Nbd2 Ng6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bb3 d5 12.Ba3 Re8 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Ne4 Ndf4 15.Nfg5 Be6 16.Nxe6 Nxe6 17.g3 Kh8 18.Qf3 f6 19.h4 Ngf8 20.Rad1 Qd7 21.Rfe1 Rad8* Jonsson,H-Aziz Ortego,O Salou ESP 2018 CBM 85 ext [Lane, CCYB6]) 7...Ne7 8.Nbd2 c6 9.Re1 0-0 10.a4 Ng6 11.a5 Bc7 12.Bb3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Ne4 h6 15.Bc4 Bf5 16.Bd2 b6 17.axb6 axb6 18.Rxa8 Qxa8 19.b5 cxb5 20.Bxb5 Ndf4 21.Bc4 Alexander Alekhine (2505)-11.♗d2_10022 (2725) chess24.com (Int.-m1/3-rapid) 151/118 1988 Telechess CBM 89 [HB] (68)]

7.0-0 0-0N

[7...d6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.Bb3 (*9.a4 h6 10.a5 Ba7 11.Re1 Kh8 12.h3 Be6 13.Qb3 Qd7 14.Nf1 Rae8 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.Nxe3 Ne7 17.Qd1 Ng6 18.Bb3 Nf4 19.Ba4 c6 20.Bc2 Nh7 21.d4 f6 22.d5 Bf7* Lau,R (2455)-Short,N (2615) Solingen 1986 CI1-130 [RR]) 9...Ne7 10.Re1 Ng6 11.h3 Be6 12.Nc4 Ba7 13.Be3 Bxe3 14.Rxe3 h6 15.d4 Qe7 16.Qe1 Nh7 17.Rd1 Rad8 18.Na5 Bc8 19.Kh2 Nf4 20.dxe5 dxe5 21.Nc4 Rxd1 22.Qxd1 Chapter 12-Game 3 Game 3 (64) Rd8 23.Qc2 Ng6 24.Rd3 Rxd3 25.Qxd3 Nf6 26.g3 Bd7 27.Ne3 Bb5 28.Bc4 Bc6 29.Nd2 Ne8 30.Bd5 Bxd5 31.exd5 Nf6 32.Ne4

Nxe4 33.Qxe4 Nf8 34.Nf5 Qf6 35.c4 h5 36.Kg2 g6 37.Ne3 Silva,J-Machado Escanio,M Game 5 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson] (64)]

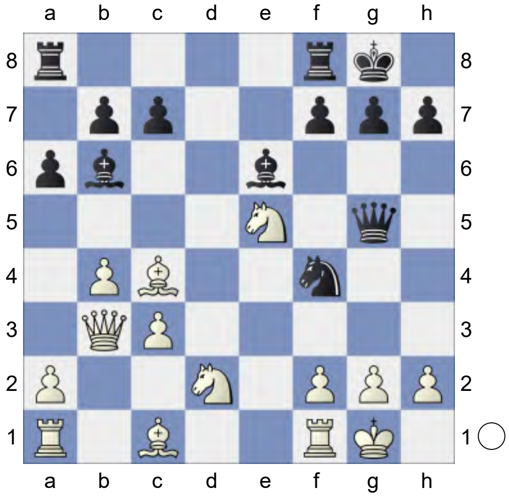
8.Nbd2 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 White is slightly better. **10.Qb3 Nf4 11.d4** -0.40/22

[11.Ne4!= -0.09/23 should be considered.]

11...Be6 0.05/24 The experienced Korchnoi prefers to finish development rather than speculate on the position after 11...exd4.

[11...exd4∓ -0.40/22 12.Ne4 Ng6]

12.dxe5= Nxe5 1.07/25 **13.Nxe5±** Black must now prevent Nd2-f3. **13...Qg5**



14.g3 Threatens to win with Nd2-f3. **14...Ne2+ 15.Bxe2** Collecting three minor pieces for the Queen. **15...Bxb3 16.Ndf3 Qf6** ...Bb3-d5 is the strong threat. **17.axb3** aiming for Bc1-g5. **17...Rae8** 1.71/23 Three minors are usually more than a match for a Queen, but the presence of other pieces can muddy things up a bit. Also, the placing of the pieces is critical.

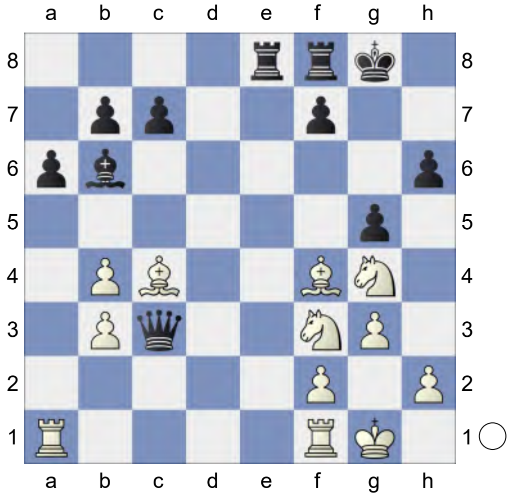
[17...h6± 1.18/24]

18.Bf4+- h6 19.Bc4 g5 2.34/25

[⌓19...Re7 1.62/23 20.Rae1 Rfe8]

20.Ng4 Qxc3 4.19/23

[20...Qg7 2.20/24 21.Be5 Rxe5 22.Ngxe5 (*22.Nfxe5 h5±*) 22...g4]



21.Nxh6+ Kg7 22.Nxg5 Chess con chili.

[Weaker is 22.Nf5+ Kg6 23.Nxg5 Kxf5=]

22...Qxb4 23.Nhxf7 Pair of Knights! White is clearly winning. **23...Bd4 24.Rad1 Qc3 25.Rd3 Qb2 26.Bc1 Bxf2+ 27.Kg2 Qa1** Black Resigns. Black Resigns. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.51 Black Resigns. Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.51

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705 **C50**

☐ **Mergel,Hans Werner**

■ **Scriba,P.**

M corr BdF 1982

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Be3 Nc6 8.Re1N** -0.96/21

[8.f4∓ -0.50/18 Qe7 (*8...exf4 9.Bxf4 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Ne5 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14.Nc3 0-0-0 15.Nd5 h5 16.Qd4 Kb8 17.Nxf6 Qc6 18.c3 h4 19.h3 Rh6 20.Rf5 Qb5 21.Rd1 Rc8 22.b3 Rg6 23.Rd2* 1-0 Predke,A (2673)-Eljanov,P (2706) ITA-chT GpA 55th 2024 (6.1)*)* 9.Nc3 d6 10.f5 Bd7 11.Bg5 Qf8 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nd5 0-0-0 14.b4 Qh6 15.a4 Rde8 16.Rf3 Ne7 17.Nxe7+ Rxe7 18.b5 Kb8 19.a5 Bc8 20.b6 Rd8 21.bxc7+ Rxc7 22.Bd5 Qf8 23.Rb3 1-0 Maldonado Gonzales,S (1638)-Ramirez Pereales,J (1514) ch M/ME-63 corr 1963 (3) Rc5 24.a6 Rd7 25.axb7 Bxb7 26.Qb1 Qc8 27.Qa2 a5 28.Rab1 Rcc7 29.c4 Qe8 30.Qxa5 Qe7 31.Ra3 Rc8 32.Rxb7+ Rxb7 33.Qa8+ Kc7 34.Qxb7+ Kd8 35.Qxc8+ Kxc8 36.Ra8+ Kc7 37.Ra7+ Kd8 38.Rxe7 1-0 David,S (1638)-Pilonieta Forero,A (1514) COL-ch U18 Bogota 2023 (3)]

8...d6∓ Black is better. **9.Nd2 0-0 10.a3** -1.40/19

[White should try 10.f3 -1.00/18]

10...Re8 -0.86/20

[⌓10...Ng4 -1.40/19 11.Nf1 h6]

11.Bg5 Be6 12.b4 a6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Nf3 Rf8 15.h3 Qe8 16.c4 Qg6 17.Bxf6 Rxf6 -0.65/21

[17...Qxf6∓ -1.16/18 18.Re3 a5]

18.Ra2 -1.25/21

[18.b5∓ -0.65/21 Na5 19.bxa6]

18...Raf8 Black is more active. **19.Re3 Qh5** -0.58/20

[Black should try 19...Rf4∓ -1.05/22 20.b5 Na5]

20.Qd3∓ Qf7 21.Ng5 Qe7↑ Black is pushing. **22.Nf3** Wards off Nd4 **22...b6 23.Nh2** -1.64/19

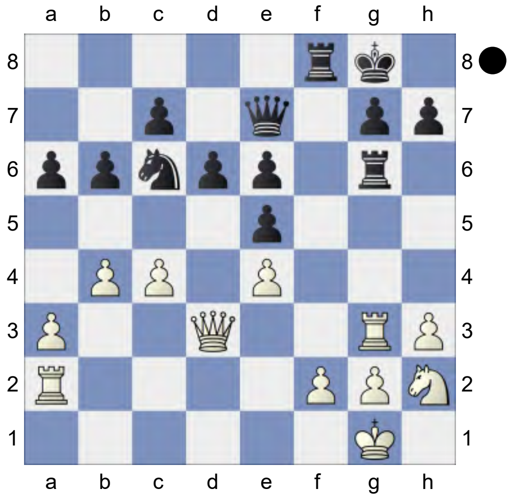
[23.Qc3∓ -0.51/20]

23...Rg6 -0.56/18

[23...Nd4-+ -1.64/19 Threatens to win with ...h5. 24.c5 dxc5 (*24...bxc5 25.bxc5 Qf7 26.f3∓*) 25.Qxa6 h5 (*25...cxb4? 26.axb4 Qxb4 27.Ng4-+*)]

White does not recover from this. **24.Rg3?** -2.13/18

[24.Nf3∓ -0.56/18]



Dodges h5 **24...Rxg3-+ 25.Qxg3 Nd4 26.Ng4 Qg5 27.Ne3 Qf4 28.Qxf4**

[28.Qg4 Qh6]

28...exf4 Endgame KRN-KRN. Black is a pawn up.

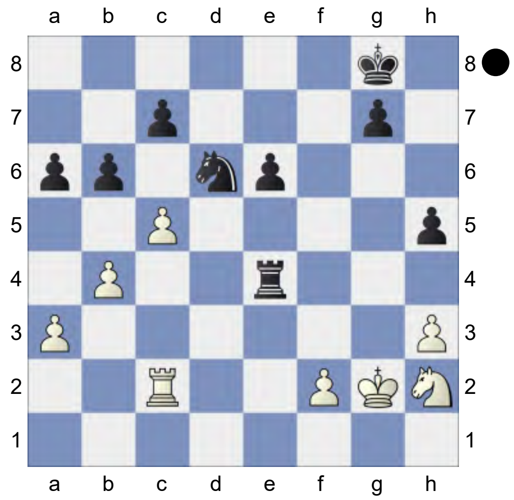
[28...Rxf4 29.f3∓]

29.Ng4 f3! 30.g3

[30.e5 h5 31.Nh2 dxe5 32.gxf3 Nxf3+ 33.Nxf3 Rxf3 34.Kg2 Rc3 35.Re2 g6! 36.Rxe5 Kf7 37.c5 Kf6]

[30.gxf3 Rxf3 31.Kg2 Rf4 32.e5! dxe5 -1.39/21 (*32...h5-+ -3.13/21 is more deadly. 33.Ne3 dxe5*) 33.Nxe5∓ Re4 34.Ng4? -2.64/18 (*34.Rd2∓ -0.84/21*) 34...Nf5-+ 35.Rc2 h5 36.Nh2 Nd6 37.c5

(Diagram)



Rc4! 38.Re2 bxc5 39.bxc5 (*39.Rxe6? -3.25/23 39.bxc5 -1.68 cxb4 40.axb4 Rxb4*) 39...Ne4]

30...Ne2+ 31.Kf1 Nc3 32.Rd2 Nxe4 33.Rd4 Ng5 34.h4 e5 35.Rd5 Ne6 36.Ke1? Nd4 -2.27/17

[⌓36...Kf7 -3.96/20 37.Rd1 Nd4]

37.Kd2? -4.80/21

[37.c5 -2.27/17 was the only defense. bxc5 38.bxc5 Nc2+ 39.Kd1 Nxa3 40.cxd6 cxd6 41.Rxd6]

37...Kf7 38.a4 -5.95/18

[38.Nxe5+ -4.12/20 keeps fighting. dxe5 39.Rd7+ Ke6 40.Rxg7]

38...Ke6 Black is clearly winning. **39.b5 axb5 40.axb5 Ra8 41.Kd3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.39/Black=0.19 (very precise) **41...Ra2**

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706 C50

☐ **Ku,John**

■ **Banszky,Janos**

corr 1980

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6** 0.23/22

[⌓9...Qe7 -0.29/17 10.Nc3 c6]

10.Bxf6 -0.19/20

[10.Na3! 0.23/22]

10...gxf6= 11.Bxe6

[11.Na3 keeps more tension. Rg8 12.Rf2 Rg6 13.c3]

11...Nxe6 12.Nc3 Black has an edge. **12...c6** Against Nd5. Threatening ...Qb6+. **13.Qf3N**

[13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxf6 Ke7 15.Raf1 Rdf8 16.g3 Rhg8 17.R6f5 f6 18.Nd1 Rg4 19.Nf2 Rg6 20.Nd3 a5 21.Kg2 c5 22.b3 b5 23.Nb2 Rd8 24.Nd1 b4 25.R5f2 Rd4 26.Ne3 Rxe4 27.Nd5+ Kd6 1-0 Lange,M-Anderssen,A Breslau m2 1859 28.Nxf6 Re3 29.Nxh7 Rg7 30.Nf6 1-0 Rosa,F-2.c4 e5 Sevilla 1987]

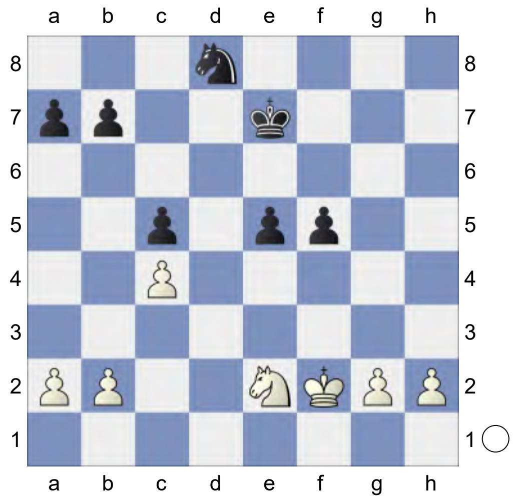
13...Rg8 14.Qxf6 Qxf6 15.Rxf6 Rg6 16.Rxg6 -0.52/25

[16.Rf5= -0.10/20 deserves consideration.]

16...hxg6 Endgame KRN-KRN **17.Rd1 Nd4 18.Rd2 Rd8 19.Kf2** Prevents Nf3 **19...Ke7 20.Ne2 c5 21.c3 Ne6 22.Rxd8 Nxd8** KN-KN **23.c4 f5** 0.93/23

[23...Nc6= 0.16/23 remains equal.]

24.exf5± gxf5

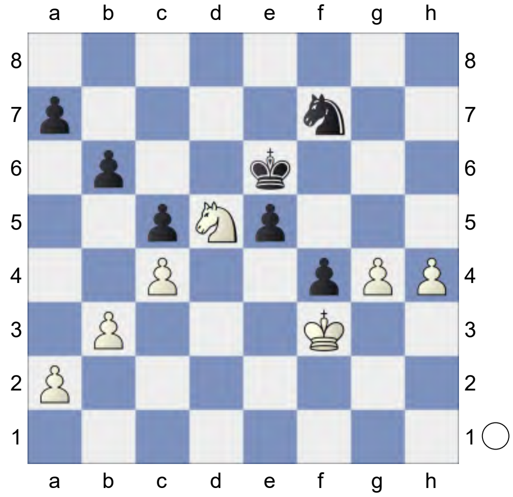


25.g4! f4 26.Kf3 0.55/27

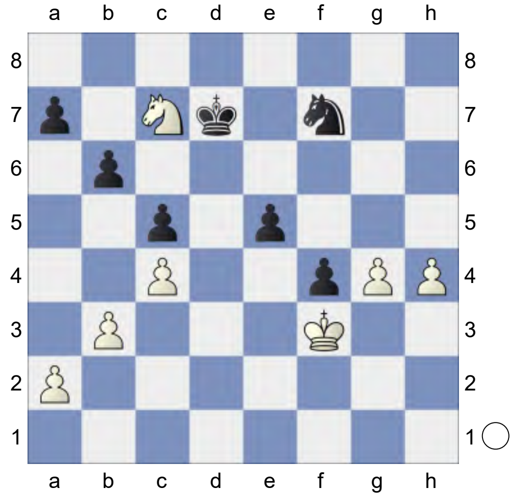
[26.Nc3± 1.20/27]

26...Ke6± 27.h4 Nf7! 28.Nc3 and Ne4 would now be decisive **28...Nd6 29.b3 b6 30.Nd5** This costs Black the game. **30...Nf7?** 2.86/26

[30...Ne8± 1.16/22 was worth a try.]



31.Nc7+!+- Kd7



32.Nb5 a6 33.Nc3 Kd6 5.44/22

[⌓33...Nd6 3.65/21 34.g5 Ke6]

34.g5 Ke6 35.Kg4 Nd6 36.Nd5 Ne4 6.40/22

[⌓36...b5 4.02/20 37.h5 bxc4]

37.h5 Nd2 38.h6 Kf7 39.Kf5 White mates. **39...f3 40.g6+**

[Worse is 40.Kxe5 f2 41.Ne3 *(41.Nxb6? f1Q-+)* 41...Kg6=]

40...Kf8 41.g7+

[41.Nxb6 f2 42.Ke6 *(42.Kxe5? f1Q-+; 42.Nd7+? Ke7-+)* 42...f1Q+- *(42...f1B 43.Nd7+ Ke8 44.h7 Bh3+ 45.Kd6 Ne4+ 46.Kc7 Bxd7 47.h8Q+ Ke7 48.Qg7+ Ke8 49.Qf7#)*]

41...Kf7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.06 (flawless) /Black=0.68 **42.Nf6**

[42.Nxb6? loses. f2 43.Kxe5 f1Q-+ *(43...f1R 44.Nd7∓)*]

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707 **C51**

☐ **Estrin,J**

■ **Angelov**

corr_146652 1973

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 ChessCalisthenics: 'C42: Petroff Defence: 3 Nxe5 and unusual White 3rd moves' C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 ChessCalisthenics: 'C42: Petroff Defence: 3 Nxe5 and unusual White 3rd moves' **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 d6 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 Bg4 10.Bb5!** White has compensation. **10...Kf8 11.Be3 Nge7** 0.81/20

[11...Nf6± 0.40/17]

12.a4 a5 White is slightly better. **13.Bc4 Qe8!?N** 1.17/18

[13...Bh5! 14.Kh1 *(14.Rc1 Qd7 15.Bb5 Qc8 16.Be2 h6 17.d5 Bxe3 18.fxe3 Na7 19.Nd4 Bxe2 20.Qxe2 Qd7 21.Qf2 Ng6 22.Ncb5 Nxb5 23.Nxb5* 1-0 Cagalinec,M-Sinkovic,D SVK-ch U14 Komarno 1999 1-0 Cagalinec,M-Sinkovic,D SVK-ch

U14 Komarno 1999) 14...Nb4 15.d5 Ng6 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.Rc1∞ Pinski]

[13...h6⩲ 0.66/21]

14.Nb5±

[Cafferty suggested 14.Bb5 threatening d5]

[14.d5]

[14.Re1 idea Nd5]

14...f5?! 2.38/18

[⌓14...Qd7 Pinski]

[14...Nb4± 1.38/18]

15.h3+- h5!? 16.hxg4

[16.exf5!? △Nxf5 17.Re1 Qg6 18.Bd3 Bxh3 19.Nh4+- Cafferty]

[16.Re1! Pinski]

16...hxg4 17.Ng5

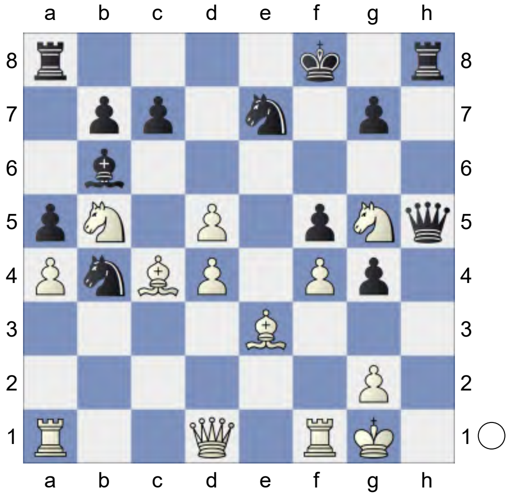
[17.Nh2 Qh5 18.Bf4 g5 19.Bg3 f4 20.Qxg4 Nxd4 21.Qxh5 Rxh5 22.Bxf4 gxf4∓]

17...d5 18.exd5 Qh5 19.f4

[19.dxc6? Qh2#]

[19.Ne6+ Kg8 20.f4 *(20.dxc6? Qh2#)* 20...Nb4+-]

19...Nb4



20.Nxc7 0.99/18

[20.Kf2 Cafferty?]

20...Bxc7±

[20...Qh2+? 21.Kf2 Bxc7 22.Ne6+ Kg8 23.Nxc7+-]

21.Ne6+ Kf7! 22.Nxc7 Nc8! ...Nd6! would now be deadly. **23.d6+ Kg6** 2.12/19

[23...Kf6± 1.07/18]

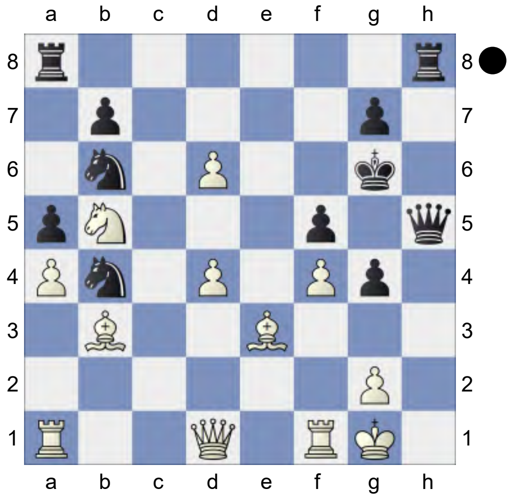
24.Nb5? -1.00/19 White misses several wins says Pinski, e.g.

[24.Bf7+! Kxf7 25.Qb3+ Kf8 26.d7 Nd6 27.Nxa8 see Pinski p97]

[24.Nxa8+- 2.12/19 aiming for Bf7+!. Nxd6 25.Qb3]

24...Nb6∓ Really sharp! **25.Bb3??** -7.68/18

[25.Be6!∓ -1.58/15 N6d5 26.Ra3∞ is best chance, at least not a clear win for Black says Pinski *(26.Bxd5 Nxd5 27.Re1 Qh2+ 28.Kf1 Qg3∓)*]



25...Nd3!-+ 26.Qxd3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.25 (precise)

Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.25 (precise)

26...g3

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708 **C51**

☐ **Muir,Walter Gabriel**

■ **Huuskonen,Veli Matti**

FIN jub10-A corr7174 1971

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** ChessBase II **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7 6.d4 Na5 7.Be2** One of the earliest games with this move later made famous by Kasparov. ChessBase II: 'One of the earliest games with this move later made famous by Kasparov.' **7...exd4 8.0-0N** -0.62/19

[8.Qxd4= 0.20/19 Nf6 *(8...d6 9.Qxg7 Bf6 10.Qg3 Ne7 11.Bg5 Ng6 12.h4 h6 13.Be3 Qe7 14.h5 Ne5 15.Nfd2 Be6 16.f4 Nec4 17.Bf2 0-0-0 18.0-0 Rhg8 19.Qd3 Bh4 20.Nb3 Nb2 21.Qf3 Nac4 22.f5 Ne5 23.Qh3* ½-½ Priyanka,N (2293)-Koneru,H (2553) FIDE World Cup (Women) 2023 (2.2)*)* 9.e5 Nc6 10.Qh4 Nd5 11.Qg3 g6 12.0-0 0-0 *(12...Nb6 13.c4 d6 14.Rd1 Nd7 15.Bh6 Ncxe5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Nc3 f6 18.c5 Nf7 19.cxd6 cxd6 20.Qe3 Nxh6 21.Qxh6 Bf8 22.Qe3+ Kf7 23.Nd5 Be6 24.Nf4 Qe7 25.Re1* 1-0 10. ♔b1 b5 11.c5_13795_15163 (2805)-Buchicchio,G (2715) 85/187 Voronezh 2002*)* 13.Bh6 Re8 14.c4 Nb6 15.Nc3 d6 16.c5 Nd7 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.exd6 Bf6 19.Ng5 Nd4 20.Nxf7 Nxe2+ 21.Nxe2 Kxf7 22.Qb3+ Re6 23.Nf4 Nc5 24.Nxe6 0-1 Warlick,J (2565)-Zimina,O (2410) Deutschland 123/161 2014 (3)]

8...Nf6∓ 9.e5 Ne4 Black is slightly better. **10.Qxd4 f5** -0.22/18

[10...Nc5∓ -0.58/20]

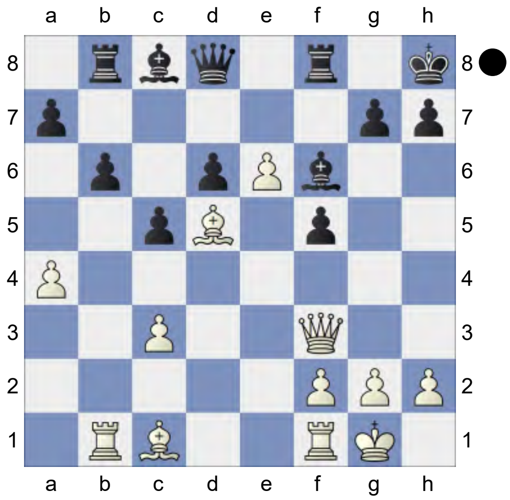
11.Nbd2= c5 0.31/21

[11...Nc5= -0.22/20]

12.Qe3↑ White has some pressure. **12...Nxd2 13.Nxd2 0-0 14.Nc4 Nxc4 15.Bxc4+ Kh8 16.Bd5** White has compensation. **16...d6 17.e6** ChessBase II: '!?' **17...Rb8 18.a4 b6 19.Qf3** White is more active. **19...Bf6 20.Rb1?** -1.68/20

[20.Qxf5? Bxc3 21.Qe4 Bxe6∓ *(21...Bxa1? 22.e7∓)*]

[20.Qd3!± 0.34/22 stays ahead.]



20...Be5!-+ 21.Qd3 -2.00/17

[21.Re1 -1.61/20]

21...Qf6 22.e7 Re8 23.Bd2 f4 is the strong threat.

[23.f4 Bxc3 24.Kh1 Rxe7-+]

23...f4!

[23...Rxe7? 24.f4+-]

[23...Qxe7 24.Rfe1 Qd8 25.a5∓]

24.Be4 g6

[24...Qxe7 25.Bxh7 Qh4 26.Be4∓]

25.a5 Rxe7

[25...Qxe7 26.axb6 axb6 *(26...Rxb6 27.Rxb6 axb6 28.Qb5∓)* 27.c4∓]

26.axb6 axb6

[26...Rxb6 27.Rxb6 axb6 28.Rb1∓]

27.c4 Bf5 28.Rfe1 Bxe4 29.Qxe4

Ra7 30.Qc6 Ra2 31.Red1 -2.44/17

[⌓31.Qd5 -1.81/17]

31...Qf7 32.Rxb6 Rxb6 33.Qxb6 Qxc4 34.Qd8+ Kg7 35.g3! Qb3 36.Qe7+ Qf7 37.Qh4 -2.26/4 ChessBase II: '!'

[37.Qg5 -3.82/19 is a better defense. h6 38.Qg4]

37...fxg3 -1.13/3

[Black should play 37...Bd4-+ -2.26/4 38.Qxf4 Qxf4 Remove Defender 39.Bxf4 Bxf2+ *(39...Rxf2? 40.Rxd4+- Remove Defender)* 40.Kh1 Kf6 41.Rxd6+ Kf5]

38.hxg3 -2.47/13

[38.Bh6+∓ -1.13/3 Kh8 39.Qd8+ Qg8 40.Qxg8+ Kxg8 41.hxg3]

38...h5 39.Qg5 c4 40.Qe3 Qf6 41.Qb6 -2.88/3

[41.Rb1∓ -1.58/4 g5 42.Rb7+ Kh6 43.Qe4]

41...c3 42.Qc7+ Kh8 43.Rb1 Rb2

[43...Rxd2 44.Rb8+]

44.Ra1 Threatening mate with Ra8+.

44...Qg7

[44...Rxd2 45.Ra8+]

45.Qd8+ Kh7

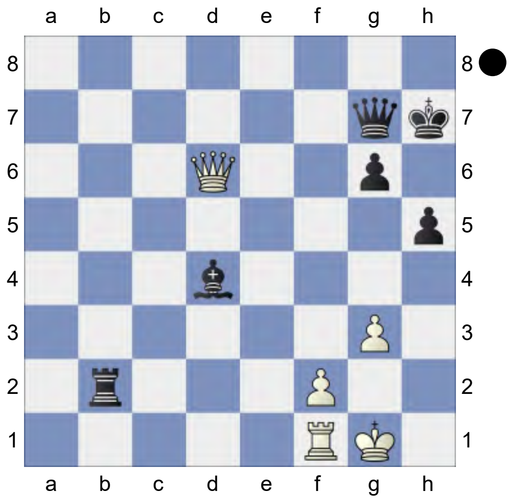
[45...Qg8 46.Qg5 Qg7 *(46...cxd2 47.Qh6+ Qh7 48.Ra8+)* 47.Bc1-+]

46.Bxc3 -8.25/19

[46.Be3 -2.91/17]

46...Bxc3 47.Qxd6 Bd4 48.Rf1

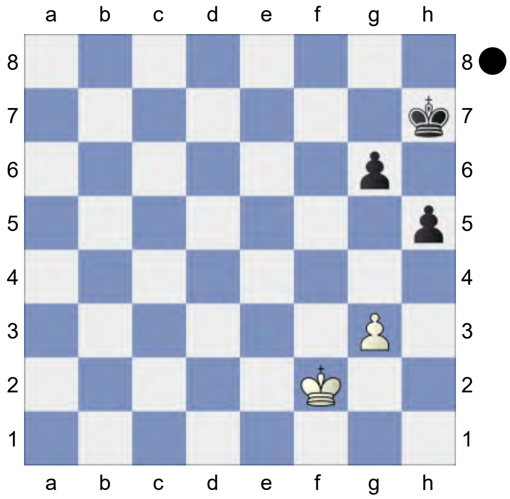
(Diagram)



Rxf2! 49.Rxf2 Endgame KQR-KQB **49...Qa7!**

[49...Bxf2+ 50.Kxf2 Qa7+ 51.Kf3=]

50.Qf4 Bxf2+ 51.Qxf2 Qxf2+ 52.Kxf2



Kh6! 53.Kg2 g5? 0.00/60

[53...Kg5 (→ ...Kg4) 54.Kh3 Kf5? 0.00/56 *(54...Kf6 -#31/45 mates 55.g4 Kg5 56.gxh5 Kxh5 57.Kg3 Kg5 58.Kh3 Kf4 59.Kg2 Kg4 60.Kh2 Kf3 61.Kh1 Kg3 62.Kg1 g5 63.Kh1 g4 64.Kg1 Kh3 65.Kf2 g3+ 66.Kf1 Kh2 67.Ke2 g2 68.Kd3 g1Q 69.Kc4 Qc1+ 70.Kd4 Kg3 71.Kd5 Kf4 72.Kd4 Qc6 73.Kd3 Qc5 74.Kd2 Ke4 75.Ke2 Qc2+ 76.Ke1 Kf3 77.Kf1 Qf2#)* 55.Kh4= Kf6 and ...Kf5 would now be decisive

56.g4]
[53...Kg5 -#32/40 54.Kh3 Kf6 55.Kh4 Kf5 56.Kh3 Kg5]

54.Kf3 Kg6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.58/Black=0.23 (precise) **55.Ke4 ½-½**

736 C50

☐ **Nimzowitsch,Aron**

■ **Kostic,Boris**

Goteborg SSK 40th Anniversary Group A..

[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 0-0**

[9...Ne7 10.Ne3 0-0 11.0-0 Ng6 12.d4 Bb6 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.Rad1 Re8 16.Rfe1 Nf8 17.Nd5 c6 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.Re3 Ng6 20.a3 Kf8 21.h3 f6 22.Kh2 Ke7 23.Bb3 Be6 24.Bxe6 ½-½ Li,E (2615)-Pina,J (2625) open San Bernardino 1991 (5)]

[9...a6 10.d4 Ba7 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Qe2 Bc5 13.0-0-0 Bd6 14.Rd2 0-0 15.Rhd1 Qe8 16.Nh4 b5 17.Bb3 Na5 18.Nb6 Nxb3+ 19.axb3 cxb6 20.Rxd6 Qe7 21.Qh5 Jonsson,H-Huzman,A X Open Salou ESP 2008]

10.b4 Bb6 11.a4 Strongly threatening a5. **11...a6N**

[11...a5 12.Nxb6 cxb6 13.bxa5 Nxa5 14.Bd5 Qc7 15.c4 Bg4 16.0-0 Kh8 17.h3 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 Nb3 19.Ra2 Nc5 20.Qd1 Qd7 21.f4 f6 22.d4 exd4 23.Qxd4 Rxa4 24.Rxa4 Qxa4 25.Kh2 b5 26.Rb1 11 Juan Lepp,J (2520)-Buchicchio,G (2610) corr URS-chT10 board 1991]

12.b5 0.01/22

[12.Nxb6⩲ 0.37/19 was preferrable. cxb6 13.0-0]

12...Ne7 13.Nxb6 cxb6 14.bxa6 bxa6 15.0-0 Ng6 16.Kh1 -0.19/18

[⌓16.Re1 0.19/19]

16...Kh8 17.Bd5 Rb8 18.Qd2 Nf4 19.c4 f5

[19...Bg4 with more complications. 20.Qe3 b5 21.axb5 axb5 22.Rfb1 Nxd5 23.exd5 bxc4 24.dxc4 Bxf3 25.Qxf3 Rxb1+ 26.Rxb1 Qa5]

20.Ng1 -0.38/20

[20.Qe3= -0.01/20]

20...Ne6 0.01/21

[20...Qg5⩱ -0.38/20 21.f3 b5 22.axb5 axb5]

21.Ne2= Nc5 22.Qc2 Wards off Nb3 **22...fxe4 23.Bxe4** -0.90/20

[23.dxe4= 0.01/21 Qg5 24.f3]

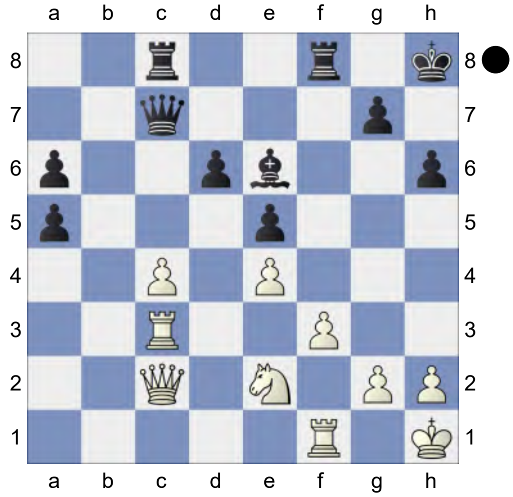
23...Nxe4⩱ 24.dxe4 Be6 25.Ra3 -1.46/22

[Better is 25.f3 -0.95/19]

25...Rc8 26.Rc3 Qc7 27.a5 bxa5

[Worse is 27...Bxc4 28.axb6 Qf7 29.Rb1±]

28.f3



Qc5 -0.88/23

[28...Bxc4? perishes. 29.Rc1+-]

[⌓28...Qd7! -1.60/22 29.f4 exf4

30.Nxf4 Qe8]

29.Rc1 -1.58/21

[⌓29.Ra1 -0.88/23]

29...Rb8 Black is more active. **30.Ng3** -2.11/22

[30.Ra1∓ -1.49/22]

30...Rb4-+ 31.Nf1 -2.99/26

[⌓31.Ra1 -2.02/21]

31...Rfb8 White must now prevent ...a4. **32.Ne3 Rb2 33.Qd1 Bd7** -1.21/23

[Black should try 33...Ra2-+ -2.28/24 aiming for ...a4. 34.R1c2 Ra3]

34.Rd3? -3.74/23 White does not recover from this.

[34.h3∓ -1.21/23]

34...a4 35.Nc2 R8b6

[Less strong is 35...Qxc4 36.Na3 Qb4 37.Nc2-+]

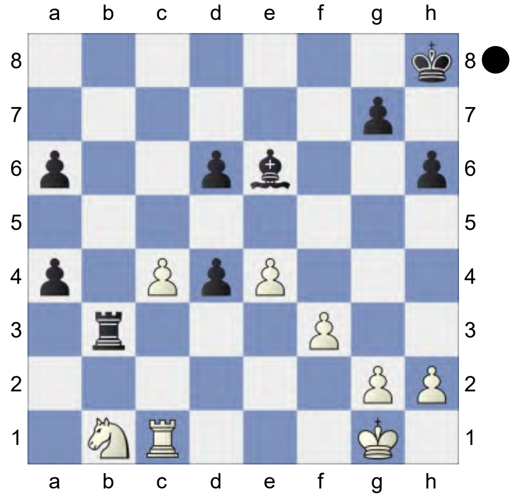
36.Na3 -4.43/22

[⌓36.h3 -3.04/22]

36...R2b3 37.Nb1 Be6 Against Rd5 **38.Rdc3?** -6.23/22

[38.Nc3 -3.81/22 Qxc4 (*38...Bxc4? 39.Nxa4 Rxd3 40.Qe1-+*) 39.h3]

38...Qd4 Black is clearly winning. **39.Qxd4 exd4 40.Rxb3 Rxb3 41.Kg1**



Bxc4! Deflection **42.Rxc4** Rc1 is the strong threat.

[42.Nd2 Rc3]

42...Rxb1+ KR-KR **43.Kf2 a3 44.Ra4 Rb2+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.52/ Black=0.28 (precise) . Loses game: White=1 --- Mistake: White=10 Black=3 Inaccurate: --- Black=2 OK: White=14 Black=11

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735 **C50**

☐ **Tarrasch,Siegbert**

■ **Bogoljubow,Efim**

Six-Masters Hastings 1922

[Naruemon]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 d6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Be3 Bb6 7.Qd2 Bg4 8.0-0-0 Ba5**

[8...Nd4 9.Bxd4 Bxd4 10.h3 (*10.Nxd4 Bxd1 11.Nf5 Bg4 12.Nxg7+ Kd7 13.d4 exd4 14.Qxd4 Nh5 15.Nxh5 Bxh5 16.Qd5 Bg6 17.Qxb7 Qg5+ 18.Kb1 Rhb8 19.Bb5+ Qxb5 20.Qxb5+ Rxb5 21.Nxb5 Bxe4 22.f3 Bc6 23.Nd4 Rg8 24.g3 Re8 ½-½* Bier,M-Tarrasch,S Tarrasch consultation Hamburg 1913) 10...Bh5 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 c6 13.Bb3 Qb6 14.c3 Bxf2 15.Qxf2 Qxf2 16.Rhf1 Qxg2 17.Rde1 Bxf3 18.h4 Bh5 0-1 Trujillo Castaneda,M (1180)-Lucuara Alvarez,M (1166) Rivera Huila Hernandez Memorial-B 2023 (7)]

9.Qe2N

[9.h3 Nd4 (*9...Bxf3 10.gxf3 Nd4 11.f4 Qe7 12.fxe5 dxe5 13.f4 Bxc3 14.bxc3 Nc6 15.Kb1 0-0-0 16.Qf2 Na5 17.fxe5 Qxe5 18.Bd4 Qh5 19.Bxf7 Qxf7 20.Qf5+ Kb8 21.Qxa5 b6 22.Qa6 Rhf8 23.Ka1 Qh5 24.Rb1* 1-0 Vedral,O (2184)-Spalir,J

(2342) CZE-chT rap Pardubice 2017 (6.2)*; 9...Bh5 10.g4 Bg6 11.h4 h6 12.g5 Ng4 13.Rhg1 Bh5 14.d4 exd4 15.Bxd4 Nce5 16.Qe2 Nh2 17.Bxe5 Bxf3 18.Qd2 Bxd1 19.Qxd1 dxe5 20.Be2 Qxd1+ 21.Nxd1 h5 22.Rg2 Ng4 23.f3 Rd8 24.fxg4* 0-1 Puerta Uranga,I (1565)-Arechaga Zubelzu,M (1658) Gipuzkoako Banakako Txapelketa Tolosa 2011 (3.7)*)* 10.hxg4 Nxf3 11.gxf3 c6 12.d4 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 cxd5 15.dxe5 b5 16.Qxd5 Qxd5 17.Nxd5 Rd8 18.Bxa7 0-0 19.Rh2 Rfe8 20.f4 Rd7 21.Be3 Red8 22.Nc3 Bxc3 23.Rxd7 Rxd7 1-0 Roehrer,S (952)-Ramirez Gaviria,M (800) AUT-ch U10 Girls St Kanzian 2019 (1)]

9...Bxc3 10.bxc3 Black is slightly better. **10...d5 11.Bb3**

[11.exd5 feels hotter. Nxd5 12.Kb2 Qd6 13.Bd2]

11...Qd6 -0.01/21

[11...a5∓ -0.39/19 is more appropriate.]

12.h3= Bxf3 13.Qxf3 d4 14.cxd4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Qxd4 16.Qe3 Qc3 17.Qe1 Qa1+ 18.Kd2 Qd4 19.Qe3 Qd6 20.Rhf1 0-0 21.f4 Rad8 0.35/19

[21...Rae8= -0.01/18]

22.f5 -0.57/22 Active counter play!

[22.fxe5± 0.35/19 Qxe5 23.Ke2]

22...b5 23.Ke2 a5 -0.07/20

[23...c5∓ -0.55/20 might be stronger.]

24.a4! bxa4 25.Bxa4 Qb4 26.Ra1 Rd4 27.Kf3 -0.01/22

[27.Rfb1± 0.46/21 Qc3 28.Qc1]

27...Qc3 28.Rfe1 Rfd8

[28...Rb8!? 29.Qc1 Rb2± *(29...Rbb4 30.Ra3=)*]

29.Rec1 -0.45/21

[29.Bb3= -0.01/23 should be considered.]

29...h6 White is weak on the dark squares **30.Kf2 Rb4** ...Rdd4 would now be deadly. **31.Bb3! c5** 0.01/24

[Black should try 31...a4!∓ -0.54/25 32.Rxa4 Nxe4+ 33.Kg1 *(33.dxe4? loses. Rd2+ 34.Kf3 Rxb3-+)* 33...Rxa4 34.Bxa4 Rd4]

32.Qe1! Qd4+ 33.Qe3⇄ White is fighting back **33...Qc3! 34.Qe1! Qd4+ 35.Qe3**

[35.Kf3 looks sharper. a4 36.Bc4 Rxc4 37.dxc4 Qxc4 38.Qe2]

35...Ra8 36.Qxd4 Rxd4 1.31/23

[36...cxd4± 0.39/22 37.Ra2 Ra7]

37.Ke3 Kf8 38.Ra3 Rd7 39.Rca1 h5 2.21/26

[39...Rda7± 1.41/25 keeps fighting. 40.g4 Ke7]

40.Rxa5+- Rxa5 41.Rxa5 Endgame. KRB-KRN **41...Rc7 42.g3 h4** 2.41/28

[42...Ke7 1.89/23 might work better. 43.Ra6 Ne8]

43.gxh4 Nh5 44.Kf3 Ke7 45.Bd5 Nf4 46.Kg4 Ng2 47.Bb3 c4 48.dxc4

[Don't play 48.Bxc4?! Ne3+ 49.Kg5 Nxc4 50.dxc4 Rxc4±]

48...Ne3+ 49.Kf3 Nxc4 50.Bxc4 1.12/25

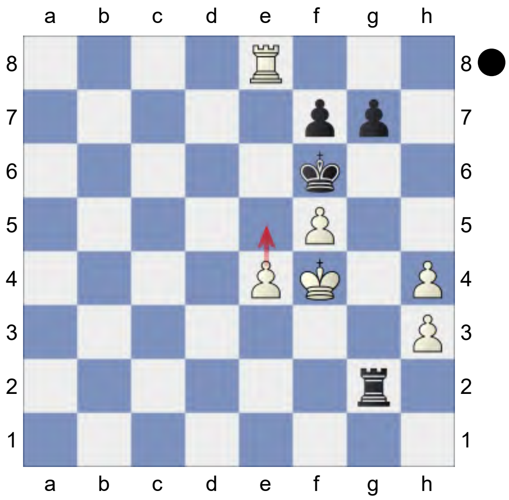
[White should play 50.Rb5 1.56/23]

50...Rxc4± 51.Rxe5++- KR-KR **51...Kf6 52.Re8 Rxc2 53.Kg4** 0.56/31

[53.Ra8± 1.18/26]

53...Rg2+!± 54.Kf4

(Diagram)



Rf2+ 55.Kg3 Re2 56.h5! Re1 57.Kf2

[57.Kg4!? Rg1+□ 58.Kh4=]

57...Rh1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.12 (very precise) /Black=0.15 (very precise) . Mistake: White=5 Black=7 Inaccurate: White=2 Black=3 OK: White=14 Black=19 Best: White=1 Black=3 Strong: White=5 Black=1

½-½

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☐ Saint Petersburg

■ Krasnoyarsk

Russia intercity telegraph 1886

[Mon Hokmome]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** various **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5**

[RR 5...Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Bb6 8.cxd4]

6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 Na5 10.Bg5 f6 11.Bf4

[Not 11.Qa4+? Bd7 12.Bb5 fxg5-+]

11...Nxc4 12.Qa4+ Qd7 The position is equal. **13.Qxc4 Qf7** 0.50/23

[13...Ne7= 0.16/19]

14.Nd5⩲ White has compensation.

14...Be6N

[14...g5 15.Bg3 Be6 16.Qa4+ Bd7 17.Qa3 Rc8 18.Rfe1 g4 19.Nxb6 axb6 20.Nd2 Be6 21.f4 gxf3 22.Nxf3 Ne7 23.e5 fxe5 24.dxe5 d5 25.Rf1 Nf5 26.Nd4 Qg6 27.Nxf5 Bxf5 28.Bh4 c5 29.Rf3 Chigorin,M-Steinitz,W London 1883 MainBase [Dell] 1-0 (38)]

15.Qa4+ Bd7 16.Qa3? -0.18/23 '?'

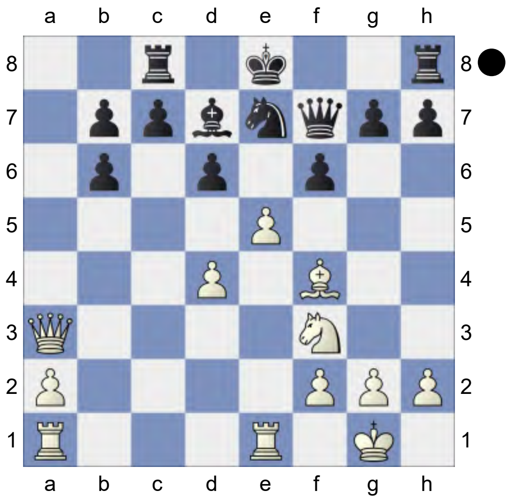
[RR 16.Qc2!⩲ 0.56/25 (Chigorin-Dorrer, corr 1884); Surprisingly, even the 20th century editions of the Handbuch do not mention this move, which apparently was unknown outside Russia until long after it was played by Chigorin. . Chigorin would have led the Petersburg team in the present game but perhaps was not yet sure which was the best move, or maybe he wanted to keep 16 Qc2 secret in case he needed it for an important OTB tournament. Another possibility is that he let his colleagues play the opening until a new position arose or they called on him for advice.]

[RR 16.Qc2]

16...Rc8!= 17.Rfe1 Ne7! 18.Nxb6 axb6 19.e5 -0.70/25 Diagram

[19.Qa7= -0.30/22 might be stronger.]

(Diagram)



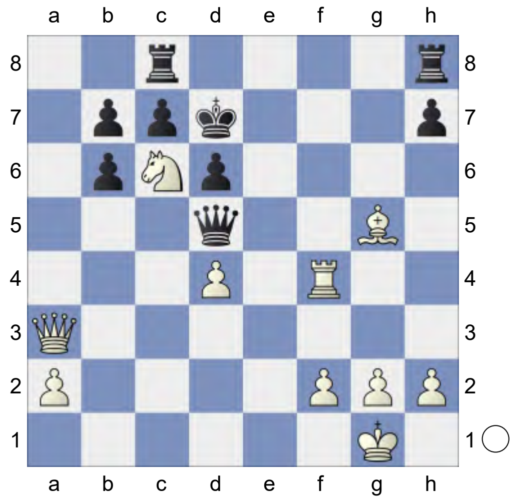
19...0-0N Black offers the pawn back to obtain a good position. Black offers the pawn back to obtain a good position. 'N'

[RR 19...fxe5 -0.42/26 19...0-0 -0.73

A) RR 20.Bg5 0-0! 21.Bxe7 (RR *21.dxe5 Nf5! 22.exd6 cxd6;* RR *21.dxe5 Nf5 22.exd6 cxd6*) 21...Qxe7 22.dxe5 Bc6 Romanov;

B) RR 20.Bg5 0-0 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.dxe5 Bc6;

C) 20.Bg3! e4 21.Rxe4 -0.77/22 (*21.Ng5∓* -0.33/24 *Qd5 22.Nxe4*) 21...Bc6 -0.46/24 (*21...0-0∓* -0.77/22 ...Ne7-f5 is the strong threat. *22.Ng5 Qf6 23.Qb3+ d5*) 22.Rf4 -1.03/25 (*22.d5∓* -0.46/24 *Bxd5 23.Rf4*) 22...Qd5? 1.34/25 (*22...Nf5!∓* -1.03/25 keeps the pressure on. Hoping for ...Qf7-d5. *23.Nh4 g6 24.Re1+ Kd7 25.Nxf5 gxf5*) 23.Re1± Kd7 Up to here was all analysis by Dr C.Schmid in Deutsche Schachzeitung 1895, page 34. The Handbuch states that Dr Schmid concluded his analysis here with the remark that "dem Nachziehenden ein Ungluck kaum mehr zustossen durfte". A Swedish (?) correspondence game followed up his analysis, continuing: 24.Rxe7+! Kxe7 25.Bh4+ Kd7 And now ...Rc8-e8 would win. 26.Ne5+! Ke8 27.Nxc6 Qa3-h3 would kill now. g5? 7.29/27 (RR *27...Qxc6 28.Qe3+; 27...Kd7* 2.56/24) 28.Bxg5! 2.11/24 (*⌓28.Qh3!* 7.29/27 *Ra8 29.Nb4*) 28...Kd7+- (RR *28...Qxg5 29.Qe3+ Kd7 30.Rf7+*)



aiming for ...Rc8-e8. 29.Ne5+! dxe5 30.Qh3+ Kc6 (RR *30...Qe6 31.Rf7+ Kd6 32.Rf6*) 31.Rf6+ Kb5 32.Qd3+ Ka4! (RR *32...Qc4 33.a4+*) 33.Qc2+ Kb5 34.Qe2+ Svenson,W-Svenson,C corr 1895 UltraCorrX [various] ½-½ (36) Ka4 35.Qc2+? -0.01/22 Kb5= 36.Qe2+

C1) RR 36...Ka4! According to the Handbuch (8th edition, page 379) the game W.Svenson-C. Svenson (Deutsche Schachzeitung, 1895, page 166) was broken off here without result, but 37.Rf3+- 3.73/23 would probably have forced the win.

C1a) RR 37...Qxd4 38.Qc2+ Kb5 39.Rb3+ Ka6 40.Be3 Qg4 (RR *40...Qa1+ 41.Rb1;* RR *40...Qa4 41.Rxb6+;* RR

40...Qd6 41.Rd3 Qb4 42.Bd2 Qg4 43.Ra3+ Kb5 44.Qd3+) 41.Ra3+ Kb5 42.Qd3+;

C1b) RR 37...exd4 38.Rf5 Qxf5 39.Qc4+;

C1c) 37...b5 38.Bd2 b4 39.Bxb4

C1c1) RR 39...Qxd4 40.Be1

C1c11) RR 40...c5 41.Rd3 Qf4 42.Bd2 Qf5 43.Rb3 c4 *(RR 43...Qd7 44.Qd1)*;

C1c12) 40...Rcd8 41.Rb3;

C1c2) RR 39...Kxb4 40.Qb2+;

C1c3) 39...exd4 40.Be7 c5 41.Rb3 c4 42.Qe1 c3 43.Qb1 Qxb3 *(RR 43...Rc5 44.Ra3+ Kxa3 45.Bxc5+)* 44.Qxb3+ Ka5 45.Qb4+ Ka6 46.Bc5;

C2) 36...Ka4 According to the Handbuch (8th edition, page 379) the game W.Svenson-C. Svenson (Deutsche Schachzeitung, 1895, page 166) was broken off here without result, but 37.Rf3 would probably have forced the win.]

[RR 19...fxe5 20.Bg3 e4 21.Rxe4 Bc6 22.Rf4 Qd5 23.Re1 Kd7 24.Rxe7+ Kxe7 25.Bh4+ Kd7 26.Ne5+ Ke8 27.Nxc6 g5 28.Bxg5 Kd7 29.Ne5+ dxe5 30.Qh3+ Kc6 31.Rf6+ Kb5 32.Qd3+ Ka4 33.Qc2+ Kb5 34.Qe2+ Svenson,W-Svenson,C corr 1895 UltraCorrX [various] ½-½ (36)]

20.exd6 Nd5 21.Bg3 c6 22.Nd2 b5 23.Ne4 b6 24.Qb2 f5 25.Nc3 f4 26.Nxd5! Qxd5 27.Bh4 Rf5

[Resist 27...Qxd6 28.Be7 Qg6 29.Bxf8 Rxf8 30.Qb3+ Kh8 31.a4±]

28.Be7 -0.76/23

[28.Re7∓ -0.43/20 was preferrable. Qxd6 29.d5]

28...c5∓ 29.dxc5 bxc5→ Black has strong attack. **30.Rad1 Qf7 31.f3 Rd5** -0.01/23

[Better is 31...c4!∓ -0.64/23 32.Qd4 Rcc5]

32.Rc1 -1.43/21

[32.Rxd5= -0.01/23 Qxd5 33.Re5 Qd1+ 34.Kf2]

32...h6 33.Re2 -1.49/22

[White should try 33.Bh4 -1.07/21 Rxd6 34.Red1 *(34.Re7 Qg6∓)*]

33...Rd3 34.Qe5 c4 35.Re4? -3.60/22

[35.Qe4∓ -1.44/19 is a better defense.]

35...c3!-+ Black's threats on the queenside are very dangerous. Black's threats on the queenside are very dangerous. '!' **36.Rxf4?** -6.49/23

[36.Re2 -3.59/22]

36...Qxa2 37.Bf8 Qa7+ BCM Jan 1890 p11 retells a story from La Strategie (1889 presumably). 'Some time afterwards one of the St Petersburgh [sic] players, having occasion to visit Krasnojarsk, challenged the local club to a match [Otb evidently], offering to play them all for the trophy they had won, or its value. He beat them and carried the trophy home in triumph.' BCM Jan 1890 p11 retells a story from La Strategie (1889 presumably). 'Some time afterwards one of the St Petersburgh [sic] players, having occasion to visit Krasnojarsk, challenged the local club to a match [Otb evidently], offering to play them all for the trophy they had won, or its value. He beat them and carried the

trophy home in triumph.'. Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.09 (flawless)

0-1

739 **C52**

☐ **Bird,Henry Edward**

■ **Wisker,John**

Match Bird-Wisker (3) +10-8=3 01.11.73

[Mon Hokmome]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 1)Deutsche Schachzeitung 1874, S. 26 2)Westminster Papers vol.6,p.153, 163,185. 3)De Felice: Chess results 1447-1900.p.58 **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3** 0.11/21

[7...Bxc3 8.Nxc3 dxc3 9.Re1=]

[7...Nf6∓ -0.52/21 8.e5 Ne4]

8.e5 -1.27/21

[8.Qb3!= 0.11/21 Qf6 9.e5 *(9.Bg5 Qg6=)* 9...Qg6 10.Nxc3 Nge7 11.Ba3 0-0 12.Rad1 a6 *(12...Bxc3 13.Qxc3 Re8 14.Rfe1 d6 15.exd6 cxd6 16.Rxd6 Qh5 17.Bb2 Qg4 18.h3* 1-0 (18) Dudarev,V-Gheorghiu, F Göteborg 1997 ZUS C73 [John Watson] *)* 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Re8 15.Ng5 Nd8 16.f4 Qb6+ 17.Qxb6 Bxb6+ 18.Kh1 h6 19.Ne4 Rb8 20.g4 Ba7 21.g5 hxg5 22.fxg5 Ne6 23.Rd3 b5 24.Nf6+ Schnieders,H (2450)-2.c4 e5 (2600) Cable USA 1874 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne] 1-0]

8...Nge7∓ 9.Qb3N

[9.Ng5 Nxe5 10.Nxf7 Nxf7 11.Bxf7+ Kxf7 12.Qh5+ g6 13.Qxa5 Nf5 14.Nxc3 d5 15.Nxd5 c6 16.Qxd8 Rxd8 17.Ne3 b6 18.Ng4 Ba6 19.Ne5+ Kg8 20.Nxg6 Bxf1 0-1 (20) Person,A-Sarwinski,M Logansport/ Kokomo 1879 ZUS D57 [Podgorny,J]]

9...0-0 10.Nxc3 Black is better. **10...Ng6** -0.82/23

[⌓10...d6 -1.22/21 11.Rd1 Bb6]

11.Ba3 -2.21/24

[11.Bg5∓ -0.82/23 Qe8 12.Rfe1]

11...Ngxe5 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.Bxf8 Qxf8 14.Ne4 -2.41/20

[⌓14.Be2 -1.91/20]

14...c6-+ 15.Be2 d5 16.Ng3 f5 17.f4 -2.43/23

[⌓17.Rfd1 -1.79/20]

17...Nf7 18.Nh5 -3.02/21

[⌓18.Bf3 -2.13/20]

18...Nd6 19.Rad1 b5 20.Bf3 Be6 21.Kh1 Nc4 Prevents Qb3-e3. **22.Rf2 Re8 23.a4 a6 24.Be2** -4.26/21

[⌓24.axb5 -2.80/23 axb5 25.Ra2]

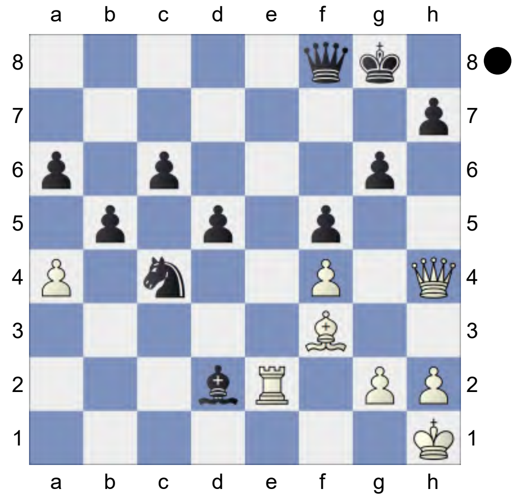
24...Bf7 25.Qh3 -6.10/21

[⌓25.axb5 -4.00/22 axb5 26.Ng3]

25...Bxh5 26.Bxh5 g6 27.Bf3 Re1+

[27...bxa4? 28.g4]

28.Rxe1 Bxe1 29.Re2 Bd2 30.Qh4



aiming for Re2-e7. **30...Be3!**

[Worse is 30...bxa4 31.Re7 h6 32.Re6=]

31.axb5 axb5 32.Ra2 b4 33.Ra6

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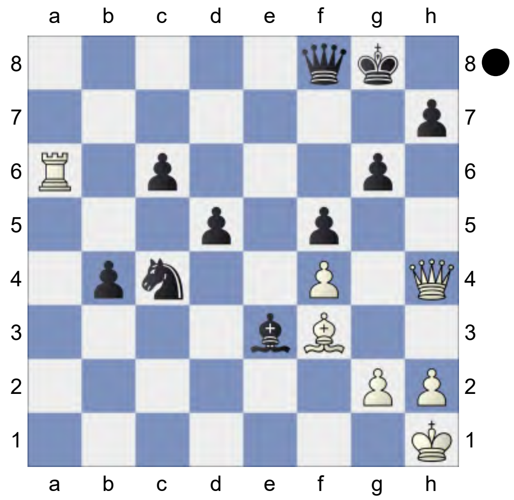

Bb6! 34.Qe1? -3.51/23
[34.Be2∓ -0.91/23 only move. Bd4 35.Qe1]

34...Kf7 35.Qa1? -7.45/25
[35.Qd1 -3.31/22 Qd6 36.Be2 Qxf4 37.Bxc4]

35...Qc5 White must now prevent ... b4-b3. **36.g4 Qf2 37.Qd1 b3 38.gxf5 Qd4?** 0.48/24
[38...b2-+ -12.98/24 39.Bxd5+ cxd5 40.Qxd5+ Kg7 41.f6+ Kxf6 42.Qg5+ Ke6 43.Rxb6+ Qxb6 44.Qg4+ Kf7 45.Qd7+ Kf6 46.Qd3 b1Q+ 47.Qxb1 Qxb1+ 48.Kg2 Kf5 49.h3 Kxf4 50.Kf2 Ne3 51.Ke2 Qd1+ 52.Kf2 Qf1#]

39.fxg6+ -0.21/22
[White should play 39.Qxd4± 0.48/24 Bxd4 40.Rxc6]

39...hxg6 0.59/25
[39...Kg7= -0.21/22 40.Qxd4+ Bxd4]

40.Qxd4± Bxd4 41.Rxc6 Endgame KRB-KBN **41...Ne3** Hoping for ... b3-b2. **42.Be2! b2 43.Bd3 Nc4 44.Kg2** 0.15/23
[Much weaker is 44.Rxg6 Nd2=]
[44.Bxg6+± 0.57/24 Ke7 45.Kg2]

44...Be3 0.94/25
[44...Nd2!= 0.15/23]

45.Rc7+ 0.41/26
[Don't take 45.Rxg6 Bxf4 46.Ra6 Be3=]
[Better is 45.Bxg6+± 0.94/25 Ke7 46.Kf3]

45...Kf6 46.Kf3 Bc1 1.85/24
[46...g5± 0.39/23]

47.Rc6++- Kf7 2.13/23
[47...Ke7± 1.57/23]

48.Rxg6? 0.26/25
[48.Bxg6++- 2.13/23 Ke7 49.h4]

48...Nd2+= 49.Kg4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.85/Black=0.62. Sensor Board Error (Ke4/e5)?
[49.Ke2!? b1Q 50.Bxb1 Nxb1 51.f5=]

1-0

738 **C50**

☐ **Bird,Henry Edward**
■ **Mason,James**
06.Congress USA-06.Congress New Yor..
[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 Be6**
[6...h6 7.Bxf6 Qxf6 8.Nd5 Qd8 9.c3 a6 10.b4 *(10.d4 Ba7 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Qe2 Bc5 13.0-0-0 Bd6 14.Rd2 0-0 15.Rhd1 Qe8 16.Nh4 b5 17.Bb3 Na5 18.Nb6 Nxb3+ 19.axb3 cxb6 20.Rxd6 Qe7 21.Qh5* Jonsson,H-Dos Santos,F Salou ESP 2018 CBM 85 ext [Nickel]*)* 10...Ba7 11.0-0 0-0 12.a4 Ne7 13.b5 c6 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Qe2 Qd8 16.h3 Kh8 17.d4 f5 18.Bd3 fxe4 19.Bxe4 d5 20.Bc2 e4 21.Ne5 Vaughan,D (2185)-Schneider,M (2310) Moscow 1994 Lessons with a GM [Keilhack/Schlenker] 0-1 (36)]

7.Nd5N

[7.Bb5 h6 8.Bh4 Bb4 9.d4 Bd7 10.0-0 Bxc3 11.bxc3 g5 12.Bg3 Nxe4 13.Bxc6 Bxc6 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.Bxe5 Qxd1 16.Raxd1 f6 17.Bd4 Kf7 18.Nd2 Rhe8 Meribanov,V-N,N Sarajevo 1992 200 Traps In The Opening [John Watson]]

[7.0-0 0-0 8.Nd5 Bxd5 9.Bxd5 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Bg3 Nxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.c4 f5 14.h3 f4 15.Bh2 Ng6 16.d4 exd4 17.Nxd4 Bxd4 18.Qxd4 Qf6 19.Qxf6 Rxf6 20.f3 Re8 21.Rfe1 Rxe1+ Smorodsky,A-Halfdanarsson,J Leipzig 1871 ZUS D57 [CCYB 11\125] 1-0 (54)]

[7.Bb3 h6 8.Bxf6 Qxf6 9.Nd5 Bxd5 10.Bxd5 0-0 11.Qe2 Ne7 12.Bb3 c6 13.0-0-0 a5 14.a4 b5 15.h4 bxa4 16.Bxa4 Rfb8 17.b3 Ba3+ 18.Kb1 Nc8 19.g4 Na7 20.g5 Qe6 21.Ka2 Nb5 Lescano,R-Dragon - 9...d5 - Part 1 29. German League 2000 200 Traps In The Opening [IainMackintosh] 0-1 (34)]

7...Na5 8.Bb3 0.04/20

[8.Nxf6+± 0.36/22 gxf6 9.Bxe6 fxe6 10.Bh4]

8...Nxb3= 9.axb3 -0.32/19

[9.Bxf6= 0.00/22 gxf6 10.axb3]

9...Bxd5∓ Black is slightly better. **10.exd5 h6 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Nd2 Qg6 14.Kh1 Rae8** -0.26/22

[14...a6∓ -0.64/21]

15.b4= Bb6 16.Nc4 e4 17.Ra3 Qf5 -0.34/24

[17...Re7 -0.69/23 was preferrable.]

18.dxe4 -0.65/23

[⌓18.Nxb6 -0.34/24 axb6 19.Rc3]

18...Qxe4 0.13/22

[18...Rxe4∓ -0.65/23 19.Qd3 Rf4 20.Qxf5 Rxf5]

19.Rc3 -0.56/22

[19.Nxb6= 0.13/22 axb6 20.Rc3]

19...Bd4 20.Nd2 Qe7

[Don't take 20...Qxd5 21.Rd3±]

21.Rf3 -0.77/21

[21.Rc4∓ -0.44/22 is more appropriate. Bb6 22.Re4]

21...Qe2 -0.38/23

[Black should play 21...a6∓ -0.77/21]

22.c3∓ Bb6 23.b3 Re7 24.g3 Rfe8 25.Kg2 Re3 aiming for ...Re3xf3. **26.Qxe2 Rxe2 27.Nc4 Ra2 28.Nxb6 axb6 29.c4 Ree2** -0.01/23

[29...b5∓ -0.37/21]

30.Rc1 The position is equal. **30...Red2 31.b5 Kf8 32.Re1 Re2** Weighted Error Value: White=0.15 (very precise) / Black=0.13 (very precise) . Loss on time!?

1-0

731 **C51**

☐ **Showalter Jackson**

■ **Bird,Henry Edward**

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[Naruemon]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 Bg4 10.Qa4**

[10.Bb5!?]

10...Kf8

[10...Bd7 11.Bg5 *(11.Qb3 Na5 12.Bxf7+ Kf8 13.Qc2 Kxf7 14.e5 h6 15.d5 Kf8 16.Re1 Ne7 17.Nh4 dxe5 18.Ba3 Kg8 19.Rxe5 Nc8 20.Rae1 Nc4 21.Be7 Qe8 22.R5e4 Qf7 23.g3 g5 24.Bxg5 hxg5 25.Rxc4 gxh4 Townsend,J (1751)-Draba,H (1646) Lechenicher SchachServer 2012 0-1 (35))* 11...f6 12.Bxg8 Na5 13.Qd1 fxg5 14.Bb3 Nxb3 15.axb3

0-0 16.Qd3 g4 17.Nd2 Qf6 18.Ne2 Rae8 19.Nc4 Bb5 20.Rad1 Ba6 21.Qc2 c6 22.Nxb6 axb6 23.f4 gxf3 24.Rxf3 Qg5 ½-½ (24) Schild,R-Doplmayr,F (2270) ICCF 1998]

11.Bg5N -0.86/20

[11.d5= -0.18/20 Nce7 *(11...Nd4 12.Nxd4 Bxd4 13.Qb3 Nf6 14.Re1 Nd7 15.Ba3 Qf6 16.e5 Qxf2+ 17.Kh1 Bf3 18.Rg1 Bxe5 19.Qb2 Qxb2 20.Bxb2 Nb6 21.Bb3 Bxc3 22.Bxc3 Bxd5* 0-1 (22) Zvan,Z (2100)-Bazant,P (2145) Mureck 1998*)* 12.Be2]

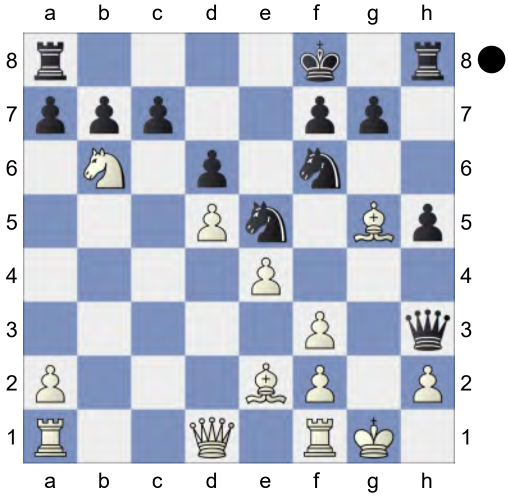
[11.Ng5 Nh6 12.d5 Ne5 13.Kh1 Bd7 14.Qb3 Nhg4 15.f4 Nxc4 16.Qxc4 Nf2+ 17.Rxf2 Bxf2 18.e5 Qe7 19.Nce4 Bc5 20.Bb2 h6 21.Nf3 b5 22.Qd3 b4 23.Qc4 a6 24.Nxc5 dxc5 25.a3 Bb5 Fraser,G-NN England 1856 1-0 (48)]

11...Qc8∓ 12.d5 Bxf3 Black is better. **13.gxf3 Ne5 14.Be2 Qh3 15.Qd1 Nf6 16.Na4 h5** -0.94/23

[Better is 16...h6 -1.59/23 17.Bc1 g5 18.Nxb6 axb6]

17.Nxb6?? -9.24/26

[17.Qb3∓ -0.94/23]



17...axb6? -0.47/23

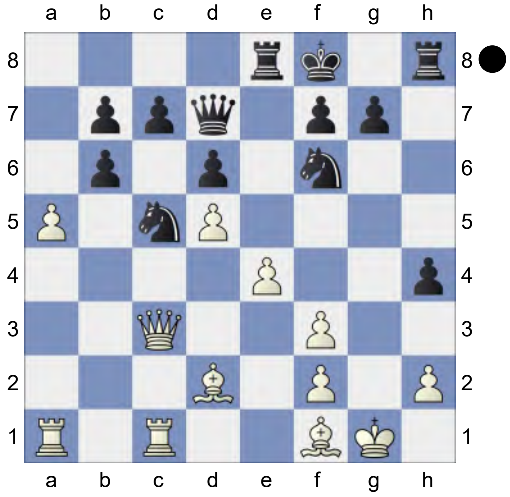
[17...Nfg4!-+ -9.24/26 18.Nd7+ *(18.fxg4 hxg4)* 18...Ke8 19.fxg4 hxg4]

18.Qb3!∓ Nh7 19.Bd2⇄ Strongly threatening f3-f4. White is fighting back **19...Nd7 20.Rfc1 Nc5 21.Qe3 Nf6 22.Bf1 Qd7 23.Qc3 Re8** -0.05/22

[23...h4∓ -0.72/21]

24.a4= h4 And now ...Nf6xe4! would win. **25.a5** -1.16/24

[25.Be3= -0.01/22]



25...Rh5? 0.75/22

[25...Nfxe4!∓ -1.16/24 stays on course. 26.fxe4 Qg4+ 27.Bg2 *(27.Kh1? Nxe4 28.Qe3 Ng3+ 29.fxg3 Rxe3-+)* 27...h3]

26.Be3 -0.06/23

[26.axb6± 0.75/22 cxb6 27.Re1]

26...h3 0.58/22

[26...bxa5= -0.06/23 27.Rxa5 *(27.Bxc5 dxc5 28.Qxc5+ Kg8=)* 27...b6]

27.Bf4 -0.37/22

[27.Bd4!± 0.58/22]

27...Rh4 0.13/22

[Black should play 27...bxa5∓ -0.37/22 28.Rxa5 Qe7]

28.Bg3 Rh6 29.axb6 cxb6 30.Rab1 Threatens to win with Bf1-b5. **30...Qd8**

31.Qb4 Nfd7 32.Bb5 Qf6 33.Qc3 Ra8 0.76/20

[33...Qxc3= 0.01/22 34.Rxc3 Ra8]

34.Bxd7 0.01/23 This bishop pair is nice.

[White should try 34.Qxf6± 0.76/20 Rxf6 35.f4]

34...Qxc3 35.Rxc3 Nxd7 36.Kf1 Ke7 0.68/24

[36...Nc5= 0.01/22]

37.Rc7⩲ White has compensation.
37...Kd8! 38.Rbc1

[But not 38.Rxb7 Kc8 39.Rxd7 Kxd7 40.Rxb6 g5∓]

38...Rb8 1.05/24

[⌓38...g5 0.71/24]

39.f4± &Bianco is much more active.
39...f6 1.77/24

[39...b5± 1.03/22 was worth a try.]

40.f5+- Ke7 41.Rb1 Kd8 42.Bxd6 Rc8 43.Rxb7 g6 44.fxg6 Rxg6 45.Bg3 2.26/21

[⌓45.Ra1 4.30/22]

45...Rg4 46.f3 Rxg3 47.hxg3 Rc2 (→ ...h3-h2) **48.Kg1 Rg2+?** 5.14/25

[48...Kc8 2.82/23]

49.Kh1 Black must now prevent Rb1-a1. White is clearly winning. **49...Rxg3 50.Rg1 Rxg1+ 51.Kxg1** Weighted Error Value: White=0.48/Black=0.59

1-0

730 **C54**

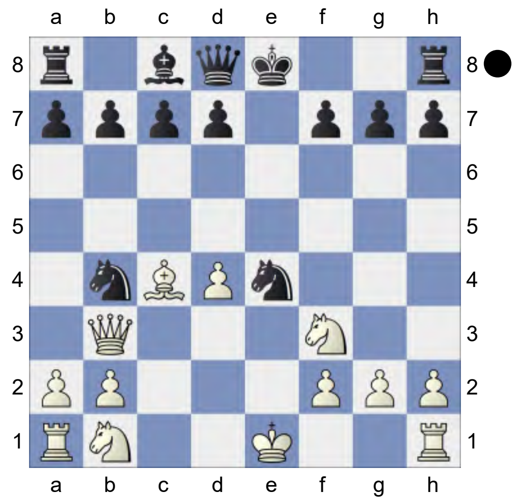
☐ **Richard Fenton**

■ **Blackburne,Joseph Henry**

London 1897

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Notes by Blackburne. **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Nxe4 8.Bxb4** If 8.Bxf7+ Kxf7 9.Qb3+ d5 10.Bxb4 and the game is about equal. **8...Nxb4 9.Qb3**



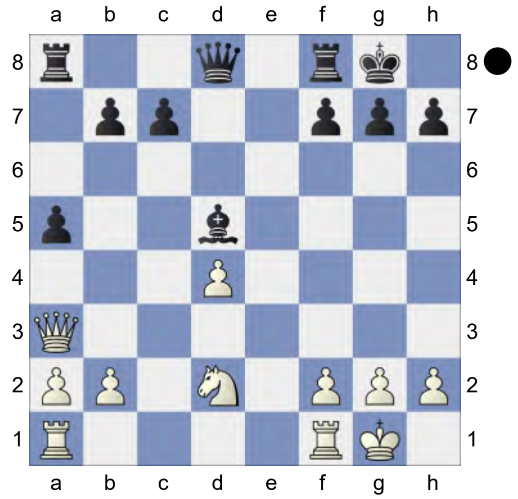
d5! 10.Qxb4 And now Bc4-d3 would win. **10...dxc4 11.Qxc4**

[11.0-0 looks sharper. Qd6 12.Qxc4 0-0 13.Re1]

11...0-0 aiming for ...Ne4-d6. Active counter play! The position is equal. **12.0-0N Be6 13.Qb4 Bd5 14.Nbd2** -1.21/25 c3 is a better square for the Knight.

[14.Nc3∓ -0.44/21]

14...a5∓ As will be seen, this is to drive the Queen away from the Knight. **15.Qa3 Nxd2 16.Nxd2**



Bxg2! 17.Kxg2 Strongly threatening Nd2-f3. **17...Qg5+** Mow the object of move 14 is apparent. **18.Qg3 Qxd2 19.Qxc7 Qxd4 20.Qxb7 Rab8 21.Qa6** -10.88/25 This is fatal. Qf3 would have prolonged the game.

[21.Qf3∓ -1.43/23]

21...Qg4+-+ Black is clearly winning. **22.Kh1 Qf3+ 23.Kg1 Rb4** Because if 24.Rfe1 Rg4+ 25.Kf1 Qh1+ 26.Ke2 Re4+ 27.Kd2 Rd8+ and Black must win a Rook. Black took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.02 (flawless)

0-1

732 **C51**
☐ **Bird,Henry Edward**
■ **Riviere,Jerome**
London 1858
[Naruemon]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Tartakower, S., & Du Mont, J. (1952). 500 Master Games of Chess. London: G. Bell & Sons, pp. 30-31. Renette, H., & Forster, R. (2016). H.E. Bird. Jefferson: McFarland & Co, pp. 82-84. An interesting feature of the following game is the nonchalance with which White, on two occasions, allows and even challenges the exchange of queens, relying, with good reason, on the asset of the open d-file, which asset, in fact, proves decisive. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.h3** White has compensation. **9...Nf6 10.Nc3 0-0** 0.35/19

[10...Ba5= -0.01/21 is superior. 11.Bb2 0-0]

11.Bg5!⩲ next Nc3-d5 is good for White. **11...Ne7?** 3.11/19

[11...h6= 0.15/21 12.Bxf6 Qxf6]

12.e5!+- dxe5 13.dxe5 Nd7 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxe6+ Kh8 16.Nd5 0.27/22

[16.Bxd7+- 2.50/21 Bxd7 17.Re1 *(17.Ne5 Be6∓)*]

16...Nf6= 17.Bxf6 -0.01/22

[17.Nxb6⩲ 0.41/22 axb6 18.Bb3]

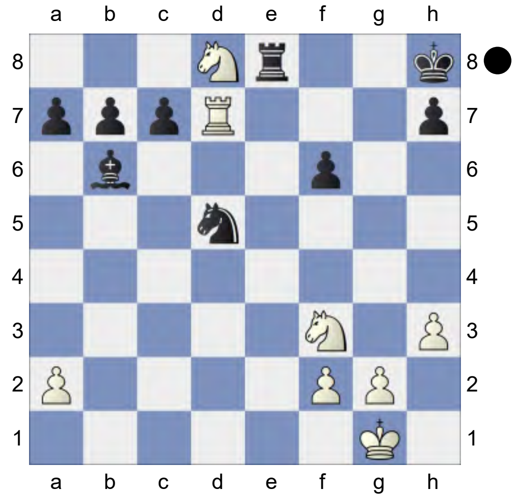
17...gxf6 18.Bxc8 Rxc8 19.Nf4 -1.01/19

[19.Nxb6= 0.01/20 axb6 20.Re1]

19...Qxd1!∓ 20.Raxd1 Rcd8 -0.22/20 Against Rd1-d7

[20...Ng6∓ -1.00/21 21.Nd5 Bc5]

21.Ne6= Pair of Knights! **21...Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Re8 23.Rd7!** Prevents Ne7-d5. **23...Nd5 24.Nd8**



Nf4 0.39/27

[24...Kg8!⩱ -0.33/20]

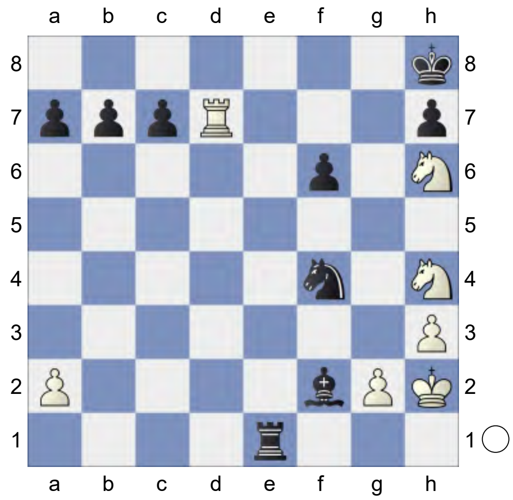
25.Nf7+⩲ Kg8 26.Nh6+ Kh8 27.Nh4 Re1+ 1.16/25

[27...Ne6= 0.01/20 remains equal.]

28.Kh2± White wants to mate with Rd7-d8+. **28...Bxf2?** #5/12

[28...Re8± 1.16/25]

(Diagram)



29.Rd8+N White mates. **29...Kg7**

[29...Re8 30.Rxe8+ Kg7 31.N4f5+ Kg6 32.Rg8+ Kh5 33.g4# Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.63 1-0 (33) Bird,H-De Riviere Jules London 1858 [Naruemon]]

30.N4f5+ Kg6 31.Rg8+ Kh5 32.g4#
1-0

734 **C51**
☐ **Anderssen,Adolf** **2600**
■ **Paulsen,Louis** **2550**
Int. 1868
[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Von Gottschall, Hermann: '(Source: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, pp. 515-516.) ' Von Gottschall,Hermann: '(Quelle: Adolf Anderssen, Altmeister Deutscher Schachspielkunst; Leipzig 1912, S. 515-516.) ' **1.e4** Fritz 6 (5s) **1...e5** Opening = C51 - Evans Gambit /Evans Gambit **2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.d5** White has compensation. **9...Nb8** 0.74/15

[9...Na5 10.Bb2 -0.17/23 (*10.Bd3!⩲* 0.42/17)

A) 10...Nf6 11.Bd3 c6 12.Nc3 0-0 13.Na4 -0.25/20 (*⌓13.h3* 0.30/18) 13...Bc7 14.h3 a6 15.Nc3 b5 16.Rc1 c5 17.Ne2 c4 18.Bb1 Qe7 1.09/4 (*18...Re8⩲* 0.38/21) 19.Ng3 Nb7 1.44/5 (*19...Re8* 0.91/11) 20.Nd4± Nc5 2.44/9 (*20...Re8* 1.74/11 *21.Nc6 Qf8*) 21.Ngf5 Bxf5 22.Nxf5 Qd8 23.Re1 0.85/18 (*23.e5+-* 1.76/19 has better winning chances. *dxe5 24.d6*) 23...Ncd7± 24.f4 0.58/10 (*24.g4⩲* 1.05/10) 24...Re8 25.Rc3 -0.35/12 (*25.Kh2⩲* 0.82/6) 25...Ba5 0.24/3 (*25...g6!⩱* -0.35/12 *26.Rg3 Ba5*) 26.Rg3= Bxe1? 3.27/5 (*26...g6=* 0.24/9 and Black is okay.) 27.Rxg7++- Kh8? 5.91/3 (*27...Kf8* 3.31/5) 28.Qxe1+- Ne5 29.Qh4 Prevents Nh5. Rg8 30.Qh6 Qf8 31.Qxf6 Rxg7 32.fxe5 Rc8 33.exd6 c3 34.Bxc3 Rxc3 35.Qxc3 Kg8 36.Qxg7+;

B) 10...Nf6!?;

C) 10...Ne7 11.Bd3 0-0 12.Nc3 Ng6 13.Ne2 c5 0.37/20 (*13...c6=* 0.00/20 is superior.)

C1) 14.Rc1 f6 15.Qd2 Rb8 0.46/4 (*15...Bd7=* -0.04/10) 16.Ng3 -0.39/12 (*16.Nf4⩲* 0.46/4) 16...Bc7⩱ 17.Nf5 b5 18.Kh1! c4 0.53/5 (*18...Ne5=* -0.22/4) 19.Bb1 -0.74/17 (*19.Bc2⩲* 0.53/5) 19...b4⩱ 20.Bd4 -1.16/20 (*⌓20.Qd1* -0.80/20) 20...Ba6 -0.28/20 (*20...c3⩱* -1.16/20 *21.Qc2 Bxf5 22.exf5 Ne5*) 21.Rfe1 -0.70/20 (*21.Qe2=* -0.28/20) 21...c3⩱ 22.Qd1 -1.15/18 (*22.Qc2⩱* -0.62/20)

22...Nc4∓ 23.N3h4 Nxh4 24.Nxh4 Bb6 25.Nf5 Bc8 -1.25/17 (*25...g6-+* -2.37/17 *26.Bxb6 Qxb6 27.Ne7+ Kh8*) 26.g4? -3.62/18 (*26.Bxb6∓* -1.25/17 *Rxb6 27.Nd4*) 26...Bxf5-+ 27.gxf5 Nd2 28.Be3 Bxe3 29.Rxe3 Nxb1 30.Rxb1 Qc7 31.Qc2 Qc4 32.Rg3 Rfc8 33.h4 a5;

C2) 14.Ng3± 0.37/20;

C3) 14.Qd2 0.01/15 14...f6 15.Kh1 Bc7

C3a) 16.Rac1 -0.45/12 16.Bc3 -0.01 Rb8! 17.Ng3 Rf7 18.Nf5 Bxf5 19.exf5 Ne5 20.Nxe5 -0.73/18 (*20.Bxe5=* -0.19/8 *dxe5 21.Rxc5*) 20...dxe5∓ 21.Be4 Qd6 22.Rc3 b5! 23.Qe2 c4 24.Rh3 h6 -0.48/10 (*24...Nb7!∓* -1.15/5 *25.Ba3 b4*) 25.f4 -1.80/14 (*25.Qg4∓* -0.48/10) 25...b4? 0.91/3 (*25...exf4-+* -1.80/14 *26.Bc2 Qxd5*) 26.Rff3? -2.58/13 (*26.fxe5±* 0.91/3 *fxe5 27.Rff3*) 26...c3 27.Bc1 Nb7 -1.20/9 (*27...Re7-+* -1.82/4 *28.fxe5 Qxe5*) 28.fxe5∓ fxe5?? 2.17/4 (*28...Qxe5-+* -2.03/14 and life is good for Black. *29.Re3 Bb6*) 29.Rfg3+- Kf8? 3.89/13 (*29...b3* 1.69/9) 30.Rg6+- Rf6 31.Bxh6 Rxg6? 8.14/17 (*31...gxh6* 3.40/17 *32.Rhxh6 Rxg6 33.Rxg6 b3*) 32.fxg6+- Threatening mate with Qf1+. gxh6 33.Qf3+ Ke7 34.Qf7+ Kd8 35.g7;

C3b) 16.Ng3 Rb8 17.Nf5 -1.01/18 (*17.Rab1∓* -0.42/20) 17...b5 -0.10/7 (*17...Bxf5∓* -1.01/18 *18.exf5 Ne5*) 18.Rac1 -0.75/12 (*18.N3h4=* -0.10/7) 18...c4 -0.10/11 (*18...Ne5∓* -0.75/12 *19.Nxe5 fxe5*) 19.Be2 -0.55/19 (*19.Bb1=* -0.10/11) 19...b4 20.Bd4 -1.29/19 (*20.Bxc4=* -0.28/16 *Nxc4 21.Rxc4 Bxf5 22.exf5*) 20...c3∓ 21.Qe3 0-1 Winawer,S-Zukertort,J/ Berlin 1871 (52) Bb6! 22.h4 -2.02/8 (*22.a3∓* -0.91/12 *Nb3 23.Rb1 Nxd4 24.N5xd4*) 22...Ne5 23.h5 -2.43/10 (*23.Bxb6∓* -1.23/9 *Qxb6 24.Qxb6 Rxb6 25.N5d4*) 23...Nac4 24.Qf4 Nxf3 25.gxf3 -2.55/10 (*⌓25.Bxb6* -1.78/6 *Qxb6 26.Ne7+ Kh8 27.gxf3*) 25...Bxf5 26.Bxc4 Bxd4 27.exf5 Be5 28.Qg4 -2.41/5 (*28.Qe4* -1.84/12) 28...h6 29.Rg1 -2.34/6 (*29.f4∓* -1.57/10 was called for. *Bd4 30.Rce1*) 29...Rf7 30.Qe4 -2.44/6 (*⌓30.Rge1* -1.62/10) 30...Qb6!-+ 31.Rg4 Qxf2 32.Rc2 Qc5 33.Bb3 Kf8 -1.47/18 (*33...Rc7-+* -1.96/19 *34.Kg2 a5*) 34.Qd3∓ Re8 -0.66/20 (*34...Re7∓* -1.30/19 *35.Re2 Qc8*) 35.Rc4 -1.43/19 (*35.Ba4∓* -0.66/20 *Rb8 36.Rc4*) 35...Qb6 -0.07/20 (*35...Qb5∓* -1.43/19 *36.Re2 Rc7*) 36.f4? -2.99/21 Anderssen,A-Zukertort,J/ Barmen 1869/0-1 (46) (*36.Ba4!=* -0.07/20 *Rc7 37.Bxe8 Rxc4 38.Qxc4 Kxe8 39.f4*) 36...Bxf4!-+ 37.Rxf4 Re1+ 38.Rf1 Rfe7! 39.Kg2

R1e3? -5.62/18 (*39...R1e4!* -2.67/19 *40.Qg3 Qd4*) 40.Qc4-+ R3e4 41.Qd3 Rg4+ 42.Kh1? -8.13/21 (*42.Kh3* -3.22/18 *Ree4 43.Rh2*) 42...Re3-+ 43.Qd1 Rd4 44.Qc1 Rh4+ 45.Rh2 Rxh2+ 46.Kxh2 Qd4 47.Rf2 Qh4+ 48.Kg1 Rg3+ -26.08/11 (*⌓48...Rh3* -#12/16 *49.Rh2 Qd4+ 50.Rf2 Rg3+ 51.Kf1 Qd3+ 52.Re2 Qf3+ 53.Rf2 Qh1+* Skewer *54.Ke2 Qxc1 55.Rf3 Qd2+* Deflection *56.Kf1 Rxf3+ 57.Kg1 Qf2+ 58.Kh1 Rh3#*) 49.Rg2-+ Qd4+ -6.94/5 (*⌓49...Rh3* -18.18/11 *50.Rh2 Qd4+ 51.Kh1 Qe4+ 52.Kg1 Rg3+ 53.Kf1 Qf3+ 54.Rf2 Qh1+* Skewer *55.Ke2 Qxc1 56.Rf3 Qd2+* Deflection *57.Kf1 Rxf3+ 58.Kg1 Qf2+ 59.Kh1 Rh3#*) 50.Kh1 Rh3+ 51.Rh2 Maroczy,G-Charousek,R/Budapest 1895/0-1 (57) Qe4+!? 52.Kg1 Rg3+∓]

[9...Qf6? 2.76/22 9...Nce7 0.11 10.Bd2? -1.17/12 (*10.dxc6!+-* 2.76/22 *Qxa1 11.Bxf7+* Decoy *Kxf7 12.Qb3+ Kf8 13.cxb7 Bxb7 14.Bb2 Qxb2 15.Qxb2*) 10...Bg4? 2.97/18 (*10...Nd4!∓* -1.17/12 *11.Ne1 Qh4*) 11.dxc6+- Qxa1? 5.31/17 (*11...bxc6* 2.93/18 *12.Bc3 Qg6*) 12.Bc3+- Qxb1 13.Qxb1]

[9...Nce7= 0.19/22]

10.Bb2 0.27/13

[10.Re1± 0.74/15]

10...Nf6= 11.Nc3 -0.38/19

[11.a4= 0.22/17]

[11.e5 dxe5 12.Nxe5 0-0 13.Nc3 Nbd7 14.Nf3 Re8 15.Ne2 Bc5 16.Ng3 a6 17.Qc2 b5 18.Bd3 Bd6 19.Ne4 Nxd5 20.Nxd6 cxd6 21.Bxh7+ Kh8 22.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 Bb7 24.Qf5 N5f6 25.Ng5 Bd5 ½-½ Anderssen,A (2600)-Gottschall,R Leipzig 1871]

11...0-0N Black is slightly better.

[11...Bg4 12.Bd3 Nbd7 13.Ne2 0-0 14.Qd2 Re8 15.Qf4 Bxf3 16.gxf3 Ne5 17.Rad1 Nh5 18.Qf5 Qh4 19.Kh1 g6 20.Rg1 Bxf2 21.Rg4 Nxg4 22.Qxg4 c5 23.Qg2 a6 24.Bc1 f6 25.f4 b5 26.Rf1 0-1 2.c4 e5-Lehtovaara,A West Europe 1937 c4 27.Bc2 Bc5 28.Bd2 Ng7 29.Rf3 Re7 30.Bc3 Rf8 31.a3 Ra7 32.Nd4 Bxd4 33.Bxd4 Rd7 34.Bf2 Qh6 35.Be3 Nh5 36.e5 fxe5 37.fxe5 Nf4 38.Qd2 dxe5 39.Bc5 Rdf7 40.Bxf8 Qxf8 41.Rg3 1-0 Anderssen,A-Schwarz,A Westdeutscher SB-12.Kongress 1878 (8)]

12.Nd4

[12.a4 Re8 -0.13/18 (Black should play *12...Bg4∓* -0.65/13) 13.a5 Bc5]

12...Nbd7 13.f4 -1.50/13

[13.Bb5 -1.03/14 13.f3 -0.54 Nc5 -0.45/19 (*13...Ne5∓* -1.03/14 *14.Rb1 h6*)]

[13.f3∓ -0.55/18]

13...Nc5 -0.85/21

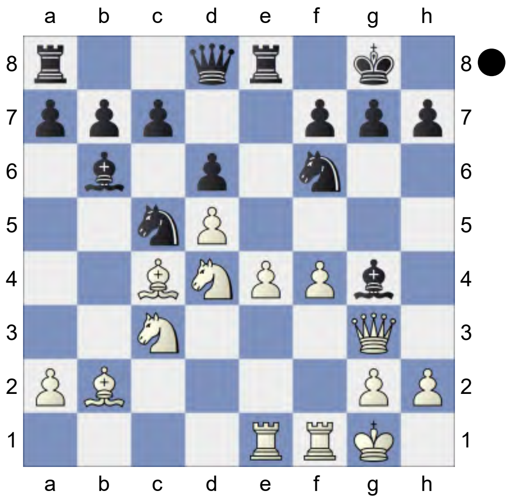
[⌓13...Re8 -1.50/13 14.Re1 Nc5]

14.Qf3 Re8 15.Rae1 Bg4 -0.11/19

[15...Bd7∓ -1.16/20 ...Ne6! is in the air 16.h3 (*16.e5? Nb3-+* Pin) 16...Ne6]

16.Qg3=

(Diagram)



Ne6!

[16...Ba5 Fritz 6 (5s)]

17.Ncb5 Nxd4 18.Nxd4 Bd7∓ -0.19/13

[18...Qd7⩱ -0.58/13 19.h3 Bh5]

19.Kh1!= Fritz 6 (5s): '∓'

[19.Qd3? -1.14/14 19.e5 0.67]

19...Bxd4⩱ 0.96/4

[19...Ba5? 1.08/16 19...Nxe4 -2.26 20.e5? -0.58/17 *(20.Re3!± 1.08/16)* 20...Bxe1⩱ 21.Rxe1 Nh5 *(21...c5!? 22.dxc6 bxc6=)*]

[19...Nxe4? 20.Rxe4 Qf6 *(20...Rxe4? 21.Ne6+- Double Attack)* 21.Rxe8+ Rxe8 22.Qd3+-]

[19...Rxe4?! 20.Ne6 fxe6 *(20...Nh5? 21.Qf3+-)* 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Rxe4 exd5 23.Bxd5+ Kf8 24.f5± *(24.Bxb7 Rd8±)*]

[19...Nh5!= -0.05/8 remains equal. 20.Qf3 Qh4]

20.Bxd4± Fritz 6 (5s): '∓' **20...c5** 1.56/22

[⌓20...c6 0.96/3]

21.dxc6 0.40/21

[21.Bc3 0.79/20 21.Ba1 1.47 Ba4? 3.72/17 *(21...Nh5± 0.79/20 22.Qf3 Nf6)*]

[Better is 21.Ba1± 1.56/22]

21...Bxc6⩲

[21...bxc6 1.32/6 21...Bxc6 0.49 22.e5 Nh5 23.Qf3]

22.Bd3 This pair of bishops is nice.

22...d5 1.06/7

[22...Rc8 23.Kg1 0.00/19 *(23.Re3⩲ 0.40/17)*]

[22...a6⩲ 0.32/5]

23.e5± White is much more active.

[23.exd5? -0.87/11 23.e5 1.59 Bxd5 -0.40/6 *(23...Rxe1∓ -0.87/11 24.Rxe1 Bxd5)* 24.Bxf6 Qxf6 25.Bxh7+! Kxh7 26.Qd3+ Qg6 27.Qxd5 Rxe1 28.Rxe1]

23...Ne4∓ 24.Qg4 Qd7 1.65/8

[24...Qe7 0.41/9 24...a6 0.96]

[24...a6!⩲ 0.46/18]

25.f5→ Black is in trouble.

[25.Qxd7? -0.27/4 25.f5 1.74 Bxd7 26.Bxe4 -0.63/20 *(26.f5= -0.24/17)* 26...dxe4⩱ 27.Rxe4 Rad8]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

25...Kh8⩱ 3.06/17

[25...Re7]

[25...Re7± 1.27/14]

26.Re3+-

[26.e6 1.42/17 26.Re3 2.82 fxe6⩱ 27.fxe6 Rxe6 aiming for ...Nf2+!. 28.Bxg7+! Qxg7 29.Qxe6]

26...f6

[26...Re7? 5.81/17 26...f6 1.66 27.Qh4∓ *(27.Bxe4 dxe4⩱ 28.Bb2 Kg8∓)* 27...Bb5 28.Rh3]

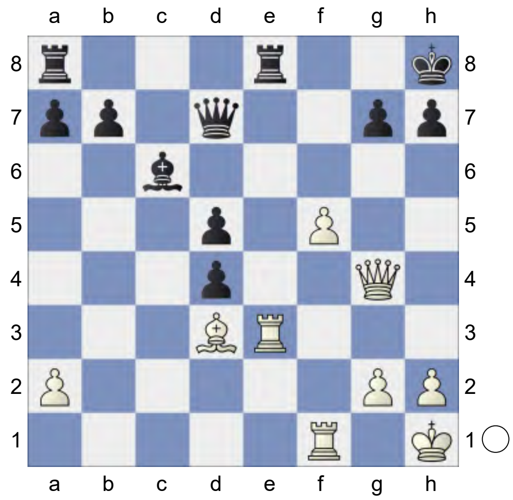
27.e6∓ 2.05/12

[27.Bxe4

A) 27...dxe4 28.exf6= ≤Kg8 6.06/17 *(⌓28...Qf7 3.97/18 29.fxg7+ Kg8)* 29.Qxg7+⩱ 1.00/5 *(29.Rg3+- 6.06/17 Rad8 30.f7+ Qxf7 31.Bxg7)* 29...Qxg7± 30.fxg7;

B) 27...fxe5 28.Bd3⩱ 1.47/14 *(28.Rh3+- 3.05/18 dxe4 29.Qg6)* ⌓28...exd4!?±

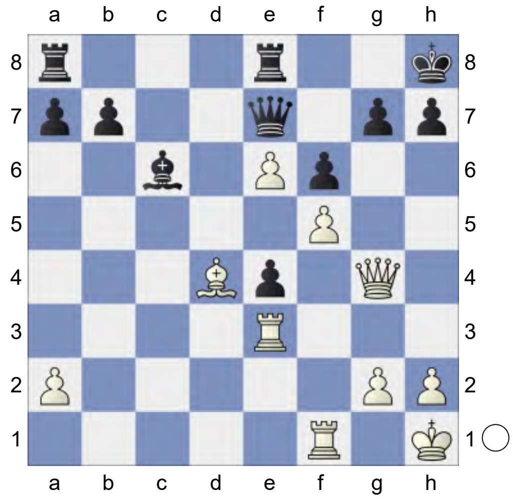
(Diagram)



Fritz 6 (5s): ' ⌓ -+!?' 29.Rxe8+? -0.96/7 (*29.Rh3!± 1.47/22* is forced if you want to stay better. Qg6! would now be deadly. *Re3 30.Rxh7+* Decoy *Kxh7 31.f6+ Kg8 32.Bh7+* Decoy *Kxh7 33.Qh5+ Kg8 34.f7+ Qxf7 35.Qxf7+ Kh8 36.h3*) 29...Rxe8∓ Fritz 6 (5s): '-+' 30.Qxd4?! Bb5 -0.13/13 (*30...Qe7∓ -0.98/13 31.f6 gxf6 32.Rxf6 Qe5 33.Qxe5 Rxe5*)]

[⌓27.Bxe4 4.32/20 fxe5 28.Rh3 dxe4 (*28...exd4? 29.Qg6+-*) 29.Qh5]

27...Qe7∓ 28.Bxe4 dxe4±



29.Rh3! h6 Black is weak on the dark squares

[29...Kg8]

30.Qg6

[30.Be3 5.31/11 30.Qg6 #10 Rac8∓]

30...Rf8 #7/10

[30...Rg8+- 4.67/11 31.Rf4 (*31.Rxh6+ gxh6 32.Qxh6+ Qh7+-*) 31...e3 32.Rfh4 (*32.Rxe3 Be8±; 32.Rxh6+ gxh6 33.Qxh6+ Qh7 34.Qxf6+ Rg7 35.Rh4* Pin *Kg8 36.Rxh7 Bxg2+ 37.Kg1 Rxh7 38.e7 Bh3 39.Qg6+ Rg7 40.Qxg7#*) 32...Bxg2+ 33.Kxg2 (*33.Qxg2 Rgf8 34.Qg6 Rf7*) 33...Qf8 34.Bxf6 Deflection (*34.Bxe3 Rd8 35.Bxh6* Demolition *gxh6 36.Rxh6+ Qxh6 37.Rxh6#*) 34...gxf6 35.Rxh6+ Qxh6 36.Rxh6#]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/ Black=0.79 **31.Rf4**

[31.Rf4 e3

A) 32.Rxe3? 1.08/18 32.Rfh4 #6 Bd5? 5.05/15 (*32...Be8± 1.08/18 33.Qg4 a5*);

B) 32.Bxe3 Rad8=;

C) 32.Rfh4+- ≤Rf7 33.Rxh6+∓ ⌓gxh6!? 34.Rxh6+ Rh7 35.Rxh7+ Qxh7 36.Bxf6+ Qg7 37.Qxg7#]

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733 **C54**

☐ **Nimzowitsch,Aron**

■ **Rikgof,Hubert**

Pernau (Germany) 1910

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.0-0 d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.a4 a6 9.Nbd2**

[9.Re1 Bg4 10.h3 Bh5 11.a5 Qd7 12.Nbd2 Nf4 13.Ne4 Nxh3+ 14.Kf1 Ba7 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.Qxh5 Nxc4

17.Qxh3 Qxh3 18.gxh3 Ne5 19.d4 Nd3 20.Re3 Nxc1 21.Rxc1 b6 22.Nd2 Rfe8 23.axb6 cxb6 Frisk,E (2343)-Janzek,J (2261) St Petersburg 2021 CBM 118 ext [John Watson] 1-0 (44)]

9...Bg4 0.53/19

[9...Nb6= 0.10/21 is superior.]

[9...Kh8 10.Re1 f6 11.d4 Ba7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 c6 15.Bg5 Qb6 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Be3 Qxb2 18.Bxa7 Rxa7 19.Qxd5 b6 20.Rab1 Qxc3 21.Rxb6 Raf7 22.Qxe5 Qxe5 23.Rxe5 Bg4 24.Re3 Hantel,T (2808)-10.♗a3 b6 11. ba5 ♘h5_1525 (2781) Wolfstein 2017 CB07_2023 [S&V #259; Alekhine Mem book] ½-½ (44)]

10.h3N White is slightly better.

[10.Ne4 Ba7 11.h3 Bh5 12.Ng3 Bg6 13.a5 Rb8 14.Bg5 f6 15.Be3 Bxe3 16.fxe3 Bf7 17.Re1 Kh8 18.Qc2 Qe8 19.Ne4 Qe7 20.Qb3 Rfd8 21.Qa3 Qe8 22.Nc5 f5 23.Bxd5 Bxd5 24.e4 fxe4 Pierre,O (2135)-Scheller,P (2171) corr Germany 2016 ½-½ (40)]

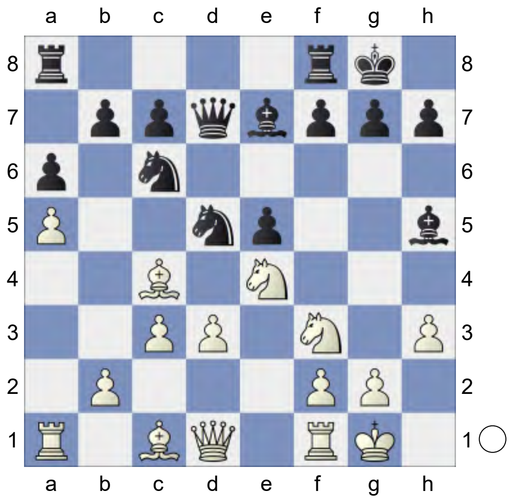
10...Bh5 11.Ne4 Be7 12.a5 0.33/22

[12.Re1 0.64/21 might be stronger.]

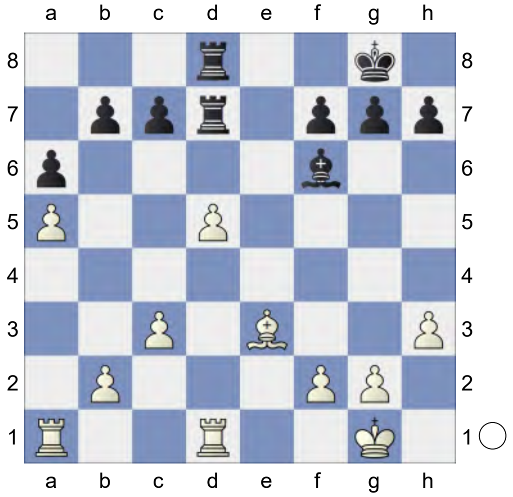
12...Qd7 1.55/22

[12...b5⩲ 0.33/22 13.axb6 Nxb6]

(Diagram)



13.Nxe5!± Nxe5 14.Qxh5 Nxc4 15.dxc4 Nf6 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Qd5 Qxd5 18.cxd5 Rfd8 19.Rd1 Rd7 20.Be3 Rad8



21.c4 Bxb2 2.83/23

[⌓21...Re8 1.75/20 22.Bd4 Bxd4 23.Rxd4 Re2]

22.Rab1+- Be5 23.f4 Bc3 24.Rxb7 f5 3.70/24

[⌓24...Bxa5 2.30/21 25.Ra1 Bc3 26.Rxa6 Re8]

25.Rb3 Bf6 26.Bc5 aiming for Rd1-e1. **26...Re8 27.Re3 Rxe3 28.Bxe3** Endgame And now Kg1-f2 would win. KRB-KRB **28...Bc3** 2.68/24

[28...Re7 1.87/23 is a better defense.]

29.Kf2 Kf7 30.Ke2 Bxa5 31.Ra1 Bc3 32.Rxa6

[Weaker is 32.Ra3 Bf6 33.Rxa6 h5+-]

32...Bf6 33.Kd3 Ke8 34.Bd4 Bd8 35.Be5 g5 36.Ra8 Kf7 37.Rc8 g4 38.Kd4 Bf6 39.Kc5 gxh3 40.gxh3 Bd8 41.Kc6 Ke8 42.Bxc7 Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.19 (very precise) / Black=0.66

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746 **C54**

☐ **Nimzowitsch,Aron**

■ **Elison,R.**

Nimzowitsch sim 28.11.1918

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d4**

[RR 5.d3 a5 6.h3 Nf6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bg3 Nh5 10.d4 Nxg3 11.fxg3 exd4 *(RR 11...Bb6 12.0-0 exd4 13.Nxd4 Ne5 14.Nd2 Qe7 15.Kh1 Bd7 16.Nf5 Bxf5 17.Rxf5 0-0-0)* 12.cxd4 Bb6 13.0-0 Be6 14.Bxe6 fxe6 15.Kh1 Qd7 16.d5 exd5 17.exd5 Ne7 18.Nc3 0-0-0 19.a4 Nf5 Guevara Munoz,J (1469)-De La Ossa,M (1529) Bogota 2024 0-1 (69)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Bd2N

[RR 7.Kf1 Ba5 8.Qb3 Qe7 9.d5 Ne5 10.Nxe5 Qxe5 11.Qb5+ Bd7 12.Qxa5 Ne7 13.Qe1 f6 14.Nc3 g5 15.Be3 a6 16.Rd1 Ng6 17.Qe2 h5 18.Qd2 h4 19.h3 Qe7 20.Be2 Ne5 21.Bd4 Ng6 Lasker,E-Howe,H Chicago sim 1902 1-0 (37)]

7...Bxd2+ 8.Nbxd2 Nf6

[8...Bg4 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.0-0 Nf6 11.Re1 0-0 12.e5 dxe5 13.dxe5 Nh5 14.Nb3 Nf4 15.Nc5 Be8 16.Qa4 Qc8 17.Qxf4 a6 18.Bc4 b5 19.Bd5 Rb8 20.e6 Kh8 21.e7 Rg8 22.Bxf7 Bxf7 23.Qxf7 1-0 Kadas,G (1476)-Tomcaniova,L (1252) corr VM2011/Rd.1/Gr.5 (3)]

9.0-0 0-0 10.d5N

[10.Re1 Bg4 11.h3 *(11.Qc2 Rc8 12.a3 d5 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Nxf3 Nf4 16.Rad1 Na5 17.Ba2 b6 18.Bb1 g6 19.b4 Nb7 20.Qe4 Nxg2 21.Kxg2 Nd6 22.Qe3 Nc4 23.Qc3 Nd6 24.Kh2 Nb5* 1-0 9.♕d1 ♘e6 10.♖c1 ♕a5-Van Daal,H Moscow-ch06 1925 (1)*)* 11...Bh5 12.e5 dxe5 13.dxe5 Nd7 14.e6 Nde5 15.exf7+ Bxf7 16.Bxf7+ Rxf7 17.Qe2 Nd7 18.Ne4 h6 19.Rad1 Qf8 20.Neg5 hxg5 21.Nxg5 Rf5 22.Qc4+ Rf7 23.Rxd7 1-0 Smith,T-The Exchange E3 (ch) Belarus 1994 1-0 Smith,T-The Exchange E3 (ch) Belarus 1994]

10...Ne5 11.Nxe5 dxe5 12.f4 -0.27/16

[White should play 12.Rc1± 0.71/18]

12...Qe7 0.09/19

[12...exf4 -0.27/16 might be stronger. 13.Rxf4 c6 14.dxc6 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qxc6]

13.f5 -0.40/20

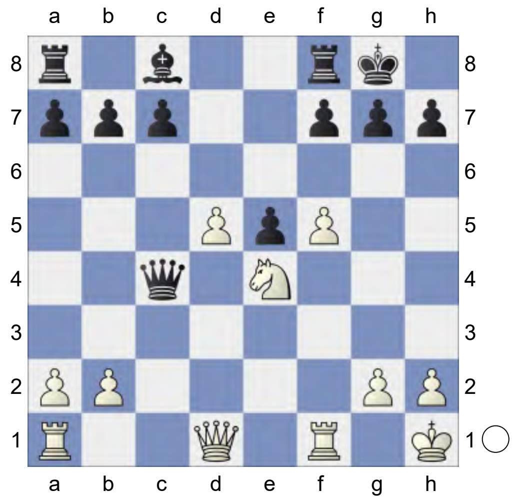
[13.fxe5= 0.09/19 Qxe5 14.Qc2]

13...Qc5+ 0.01/23

[13...Bd7∓ -0.40/20]

14.Kh1= The position is equal. **14...Nxe4** 0.83/22 **15.Nxe4± Qxc4**

(Diagram)



16.Qf3 Hoping for f6. **16...f6** 2.01/24

[16...Qxd5? 17.Nf6+ gxf6 18.Qxd5+-]

[16...Qd4± 0.96/18]

17.Rac1+- Qxa2 18.Rxc7 Threatening mate with Qg4. **18...Rf7 19.Rxf7 Kxf7 20.Qh5+ Ke7** 4.13/22

[20...Kf8 2.76/24 keeps fighting. 21.Rd1 *(21.Qxh7 Qxd5 22.Qh8+ Qg8=)* 21...Bd7]

21.d6+→ 2.35/19 White has strong attack.

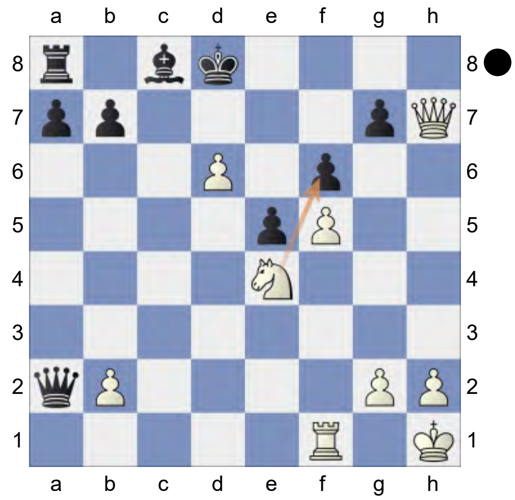
[∆21.Rd1 4.13/22 Qc4 22.d6+ Kf8 23.Qxh7]

21...Kd8? 17.85/23

[21...Kf8 2.35/19 22.Qxh7 a5 23.Nxf6 gxf6]

22.Qxh7

(Diagram)



Intending Nxf6! and mate. **22...Qf7 23.Qh8+** Black is weak on the dark squares **23...Qe8 24.Qxg7** Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=1.06. Mistake: White=2 Black=6 Inaccurate: --- Black=2 OK: White=5 Black=1 Best: White=1 Black=1 Weighted Error Value: White=0.42/Black=1.06. Mistake: White=2 Black=6 Inaccurate: --- Black=2 OK: White=5 Black=1 Best: White=1 Black=1

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745 **C51**

☐ **Steinitz,William**

■ **Bird,Henry Edward**

GBR tour sim 1870

[Mon Hokmome]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5... Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.Nc3 Na5 10.Bd3** White has compensation. **10...c5N** 1.56/20

[10...Bg4= -0.01/18]

[10...Ne7

A) 11.Na4 0-0 12.Nxb6 axb6 13.Nh4 f6 14.f4 f5 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qh6 d5 17.e5 Nb3 18.Nf3 Rf7 19.Ng5 Qf8 20.Nxf7 Nxa1 21.Bb1 Qxf7 22.Rf2 Ra4 23.Bb2 Rb4 24.Qh3 Bd7 25.Qa3 Nc6 2.c4 e5 (2600)-12.Nd2 g6 13,Bd7 Nd7 14 (2550) Daugavpils 1862 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne] 0-1 (34);

B) 11.d5 0-0 12.Bb2 Ng6 13.Ne2 f6 14.Qd2 Ne5 15.Nxe5 fxe5 16.Ng3 c5 17.Kh1 Bc7 18.f4 c4 19.Bc2 b5 20.fxe5 dxe5 21.Rxf8+ Qxf8 22.Rf1 Qe7 23.Bc3 Nb7 24.Nf5 Bxf5 25.Rxf5 a5 Kaminer-2.Nc3 Bb4 3.Nd5 a5 USSR 30/162 1901 CBM 118 ext [Stockfish14.1/ Kolanek(Übersetzt Bellmann)] 1-0 (40);

C) 11.e5 dxe5 *(11...d5 12.Ba3 Be6 13.Na4 0-0 14.Ng5 h6 15.Nxe6 fxe6 16.Qg4 Qd7 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.Bxe7 Qxe7 19.Qg6* 1-0 (19) Wessendorf,T-2.c4 e5 (2600) Poland 1864 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne]*)* 12.dxe5 Be6 13.Qc2 Qd7 14.Bb5 c6 15.Rd1 Nd5 16.Nxd5 Bxd5 17.Bd3 Bxf3 18.gxf3 Qe7 19.Bf5 Rd8 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Ba3 Qg5+ 22.Kh1 Qf4 23.Kg2 Nc4 24.Qd3 Qg5+ 25.Kf1 Nxa3 Wessendorf,T-2.c4 e5 (2600) Poland 1864 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne] ½-½ (41);

D) 11.Bb2 0-0 12.Ne2 Ng6 13.Ng3 Bd7 14.Qd2 a6 15.Rac1 Bb5 16.Nf5 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 Nc6 18.Kh1 d5 19.e5 Qd7 20.g4 Nd8 21.Ng1 Ne6 22.Ne2 c5 23.f4 cxd4 24.Ba3 Rfc8 25.Nd6 Wessendorf,T-2.c4 e5 Moscow 1865 Bilbao by Spyros Kapnisi [Dorner, Cranbourne] 0-1 (37)]

11.d5 0.64/20

[11.Bb5+± 1.56/20 Kf8 12.Bf4]

11...Bg4 1.48/19

[11...Ne7± 0.64/20]

12.Ne2 0.17/20

[12.Re1± 1.48/19]

12...Qf6 5.22/21 Inhibits e4-e5.

[12...c4= 0.17/20 and Black stays safe. 13.Bxc4 Nxc4 14.Qa4+ Qd7 15.Qxc4 Ne7]

13.Bg5+- Qg6 14.Nf4? -1.07/19

[14.e5]

[White must play 14.e5+- 6.64/22 Qh5 15.Qa4+ Kf8 16.Nf4 Bxf3 17.Nxh5 Bxh5 18.Qd7]

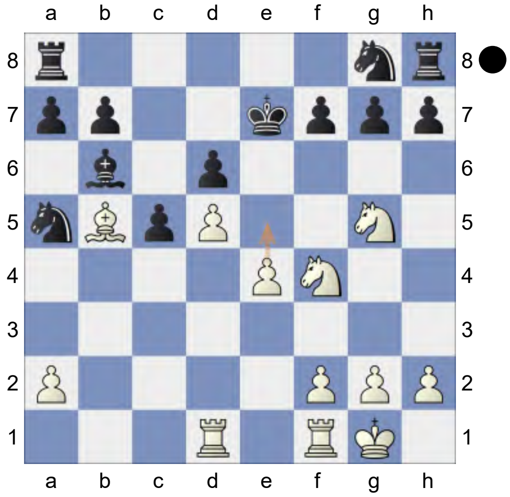
14...Qxg5!∓ 15.Bb5+ -1.63/22

[15.Qa4+∓ -1.03/21 is a better defense. Bd7 16.Qxd7+! *(16.Nxg5? Bxa4 17.Rae1 c4-+)* 16...Kxd7 17.Nxg5]

15...Ke7 -0.84/19

[15...Kf8-+ -1.63/22 16.Nxg5 Bxd1 17.Raxd1 *(17.Rfxd1 Nf6∓)* 17...Nf6]

16.Nxg5 Bxd1 17.Raxd1



Rf8? 1.11/22

[17...h6 -0.48/23 17...a7-a6 -0.96]

[17...a6!∓ -0.85/24 stays on course.

18.Ba4 Bc7]

18.Rde1? -1.48/21 &Bianco is much more active. The black rooks are badly placed.

[18.e5± 1.11/22]

18...h6? 0.60/23

[18...Nf6∓ -1.48/21 Strongly threatening ...a7-a6. 19.e5 dxe5 20.Rxe5+ Kd6]

19.Nge6⩲ aiming for e4-e5! Deflection

19...fxe6?? 3.04/21

[Better is 19...a6⩲ 0.45/22 20.Nxf8 Kxf8]

20.Ng6++- Kf7 3.77/24

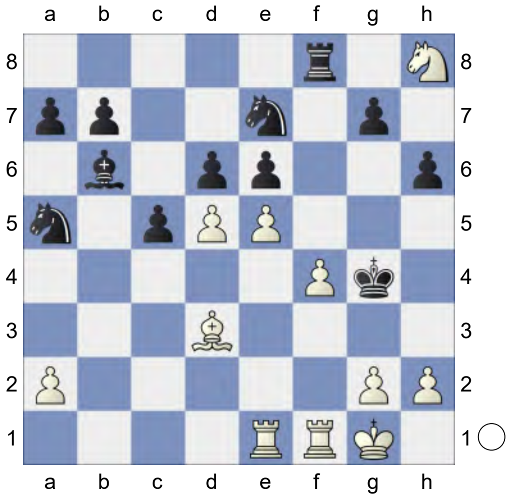
[20...Kf6 2.63/23 was worth a try. 21.Nxf8 exd5]

21.Nxh8+ Kf6 ...Ng8-e7 is the strong threat. **22.f4** Hoping for e4-e5+.

22...Ne7? 8.51/24

[22...g6 3.37/21 23.dxe6 c4+ 24.Kh1 Ne7]

23.e5+ Kf5 24.Bd3+ Kg4



25.Re3! Rxh8

[25...Rxf4 26.Rg3+]

26.Rg3+ Skewer **26...Kh5?** #2/6

[26...Kh4= -0.01/5 27.Be2 c4+ 28.Kh1 dxe5 29.Rh3#]

27.Be2+ Kh4 28.Rb3?? -5.02/22 Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=2.00. Loss on time!?

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747 **C51**

☐ **Nimzowitsch,Aron**

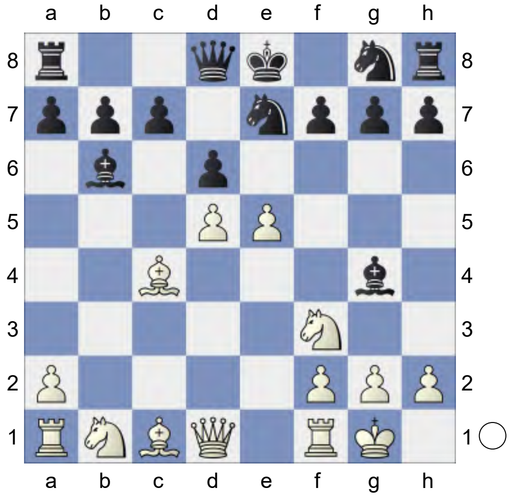
■ **Fleischmann,Leo**

B Barmen 1905

[Mon Hokmome]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.d5 Nce7 10.e5 Bg4** 0.81/20

[10...dxe5!= -0.04/21 11.Nxe5 Nf6]



11.h3 0.10/19

[White should try 11.Nc3!± 0.81/20]

11...Bxf3= 12.Qxf3 Bd4 Inhibits Bc1-b2. Black has an edge. **13.Nc3** Rf1-e1 is the strong threat. **13...Bxe5 14.Bb5+ Kf8 15.Bb2** -0.97/18

[15.Rb1= -0.22/20]

15...c6 -0.09/20

[15...a6∓ -0.97/18 16.Bd3 Ng6]

16.Bd3 -0.68/21

[Better is 16.dxc6= -0.09/20 bxc6 17.Bxc6 (*17.Bc4 Nf6∓*) 17...Nxc6 18.Qxc6]

16...Nf6∓ 17.Rae1 -1.66/21

[17.dxc6∓ -0.70/20 bxc6 18.Rab1]

17...Bxc3 -0.91/21

[17...Nfxd5 18.Nxd5 Nxd5 19.Bxe5 dxe5 20.Rxe5∓]

[17...Nexd5-+ -1.66/21 18.Nxd5 Bxb2]

18.Bxc3∓ Nfxd5 -0.17/21

[18...Nexd5∓ -0.97/21 19.Bd4 h5]

19.Ba1 f6 -0.01/20

[19...Qc7∓ -0.46/19]

20.Re6 -0.82/22

[20.h4= -0.01/20 remains equal.]

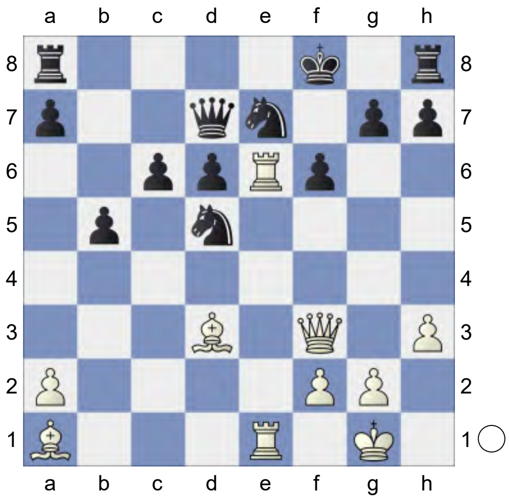
20...Qd7 -0.51/22

[20...Ng6∓ -0.82/22 White must now prevent ...Ng6-f4. 21.g3 Ne5 22.Bxe5 dxe5]

21.Rfe1∓ b5? 5.50/23

[Don't take 21...Kg8 22.Bc4 Ng6 23.Bxd5 cxd5 24.Qxd5±]

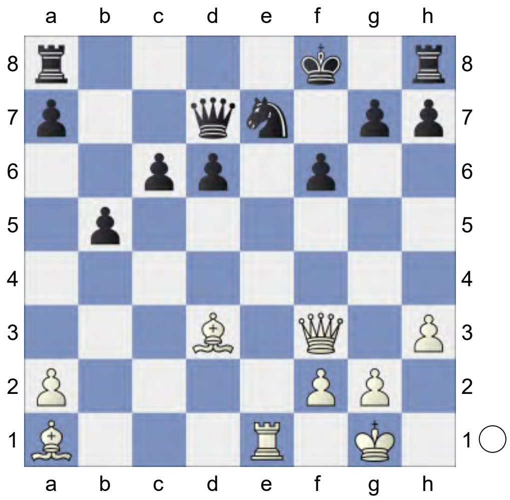
[21...Ng6!∓ -0.64/23 keeps the upper hand. 22.Bc2 *(22.Bxf6 gxf6 23.Bc4 Rc8∓)* 22...Rd8]



This costs Black the game. **22.Rxe7!+-** White is clearly winning. **22...Nxe7**

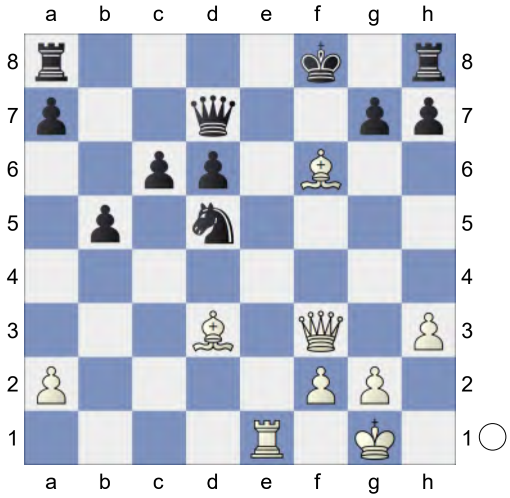
[22...Qxe7 23.Rxe7]

(Diagram)



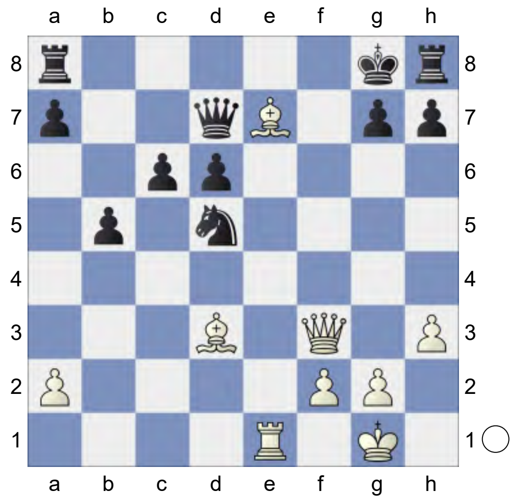
23.Bxf6! Nd5

[23...Re8 24.Bxe7+]



24.Be7+! This bishop pair is nice. **24...Kg8**

(Diagram)



25.Bf5! Qxf5N 26.Qxf5 Weighted Error Value: White=0.44/Black=0.79. Loss on time!?

0-1

749 **C54**

☐ **Wilhelm Steinitz**

■ **Lasker,Emanuel**

World Championship Match (3) 1896

[Mon Hokmome]

Lasker is the great apostle of common sense in chess. Faced with the dilemma of keeping an extra pawn with an edge or keeping an extra piece with an agonizing defense, he unhesitatingly renounces the greater material possession. Steinitz relaxes when the smoke clears and throws away a likely draw in an opposite colored bishop ending. Finally he falls prey to a positional paralysis known as Zugzwang. C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II Fritz 5.00 (5s) Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

[RR 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 (RR *7.Nxd4 Nf6 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.Qa4*) 7...dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6 9.e5 Qg6 (RR *9...Nxe5 10.Re1 d6 11.Bg5*) 10.Nxc3 Nge7 11.Ba3 0-0 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Re8 14.Ng5 Nxe5 (RR *14...Qxg5 15.Bxf7+ Kh8 16.Bxe8 Qxe5 17.Qf7*) 15.f4 c6 (RR *15...Qb6+ 16.Kh1 Qxb3 17.Bxb3 d5 18.fxe5 Be6 19.Nxe6 fxe6*) 16.Be4 Qh5 (RR *16...Nf3+ 17.gxf3 Rxe4 18.fxe4 d5*) 17.fxe5 d5 18.exd6 1-0 (18) Labatt,L-Lasker,E USA New Orleans, LA 1907 [Fritz 5.00 (5s)] (RR *18.Bxh7+ Kh8 19.Qg3 Bd8 20.Nxf7+ Kxh7 21.Nxd8 Rxd8*) RR 18...Be6 19.Nxe6 Bb6+ 20.Kh1 Rxe6 21.Rae1]

[RR 4.d3]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR

16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5)* 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6)*]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus, D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Sacrificing a pawn. Tamer and safer is 7. Bd2 Bxd2 8. Nxd2. **7...Nxe4 8.0-0 Bxc3 9.bxc3** The main line of the Giuoco Piano is 9. d5 to keep Black cramped, but the line has been defanged and is rarely seen in modern master practice.

[9.d5 Bf6 10.Re1 Ne7 11.Rxe4 d6 12.Bg5 Bxg5 13.Nxg5 h6 14.Qe2 hxg5 15.Re1 Be6 16.dxe6 f6 17.Re3 c6 18.Rh3 Rxh3 19.gxh3 g6 20.Qf3 Qa5 21.Rd1 Qe5 Gambits-1. e4 e5 [Kostana]]

9...d5 10.Ba3 -0.81/24 This sacrifice is unsound, but what else is there? Black stands well after 10. Bd3 O-O safely retaining the extra pawn. **10...dxc4∓ 11.Re1 Be6N** Returning the piece without a fight. Lasker senses danger and quickly rejects 11...f5 12. Nd2 Kf7 13. Nxe4 fxe4 14. Rxe4 with a dangerous attack. Even if Black has a decent defense, Lasker won't play into a prepared variation.

[11...Qd5 12.Nd2 Be6 13.Nxe4 0-0-0 #1 17. Italian Game - 4.c3 with - Giuoco Piano 6.cxd4]

12.Rxe4 Qd5 Black is slightly better. **13.Qe2 0-0-0! 14.Ne5 Rhe8 15.Nxc6 Qxc6 16.Re1 Rg8 17.Re5 b6 18.Bc1 g5** -0.01/23 Returning the pawn to open lines on the g-file for an attack. The wrong way to capture would be 19. Bxg5? h6!

[18...Rd5∓ -0.54/20]

19.Rxg5 -0.65/22

[White should play 19.Qh5= -0.01/23]

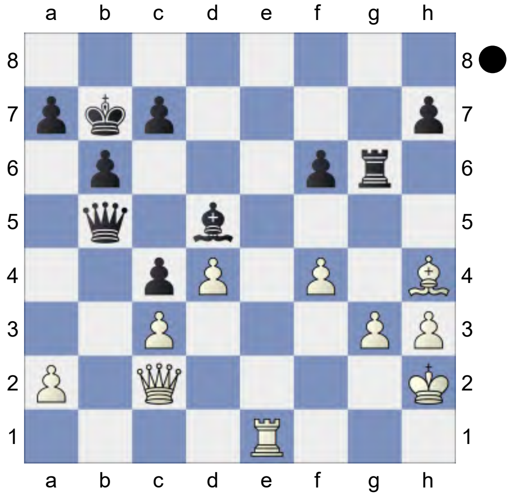
19...Rxg5∓ 20.Bxg5 Rg8 21.f4 Bd5 22.g3 Kb7 Material is even and White should be able to hold a draw.

[22...Qg6 is more complex. 23.Qe5 c6 24.Qe2 h6]

23.h3 -1.05/24

[23.Qe5∓ -0.56/22]

23...Qb5 24.Kh2 Rg6 And now ...Rg6-e6 would win. **25.Qc2 f6 26.Bh4**



Bc6 -0.55/25

[Better is 26...Rh6!∓ -1.15/27 27.Qb1 Qd7]

27.g4! Qd5 -0.01/26 Regrouping to create mating threats on the long diagonal.

[27...h5∓ -0.91/25 28.f5 Rg8]

28.Qf2 -1.22/25 Leads to trouble. Much better is 28. f5.

[28.f5!= -0.01/26 Rg8 29.Bxf6]

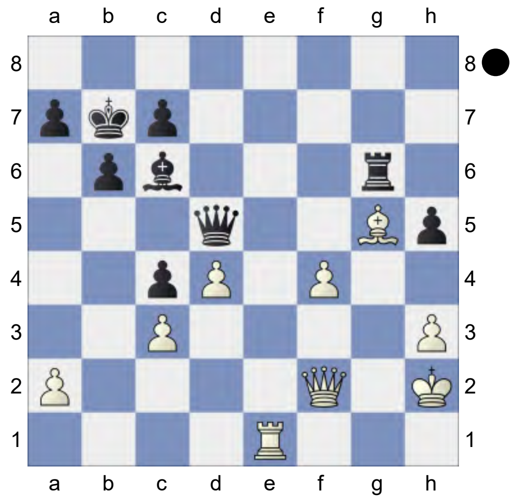
28...h5 -0.47/26

[28...Rh6∓ -1.22/25 ...Rh6xh4! is the strong threat. 29.Bg3 f5 30.gxf5 *(30.g5 Re6∓)* 30...Rf6]

29.g5 -1.94/24 This costs White the game.

[29.f5!∓ -0.47/26 Rg8 30.Kg3]

29...fxg5-+ 30.Bxg5



30. fxg5 was the last chance to fight for a draw. Now White is reduced to marking time. **30...h4! 31.Rf1** If 31. Rg1? Rxg5! 32. fxg5 Qd6 wins. **31...Rg8 32.Qd2?** -6.29/27

[32.Rd1 -2.55/25]

32...a5 Threatens to win with ...Rg8-e8. **33.a4?** -6.74/25

[33.Qf2 -3.53/25 Qf5 34.Bxh4]

33...Re8 Strongly threatening ...Re8-e3! **34.f5 Rg8** White is in zugzwang -- any move loses material. **35.Re1 Qxf5 36.Re5 Qf3 37.d5 Qg3+ 38.Kh1 Qxe5 39.dxc6+ Kxc6** -10.61/26 White Resigns. Weighted Error Value: White=0.73/Black=0.29 (precise)

[⌓39...Ka6 -#21/23 40.Bf4 Qc5 41.Be3 Qf5 42.Qg2 Rxg2 43.Kxg2 Qe4+ 44.Kf2 Qxc6 45.Bg5 Qxa4 46.Kf3 Qc2 47.Bxh4 Qxc3+ 48.Ke4 a4 49.Bg5 a3 50.Kf5 Qxh3+ 51.Kg6 a2 52.Bf6 c3 53.Bxc3 Qxc3 54.Kg5 a1Q 55.Kg4 Qf6 56.Kh3 Qh1+ 57.Kg4 Qhh4#]

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748 **C50**

☐ **Andres Clemente Vazquez**

■ **Blackburne,Joseph Henry**

Havana (4) 09.03.1891

[Mon Hokmome]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Let's consider what could happen if White doesn't play Ng5 and instead carries on developing. **1.e4** Notes by Blackburne. **1...e5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.d3** The position now is identical with the Four Knight's or Giuco Pianissimo, as it has been called. **6...Bg4 7.Ne2N** -0.30/19

[⌓7.h3 0.03/23 Bxf3 *(7...h5 8.hxg4 hxg4 9.Ng5 g3 10.Nxf7 Nxe4 11.Nxd8 gxf2+ 12.Rxf2 Bxf2+ 13.Kf1 Rh1+ 14.Ke2 Nd4#* 0-1 (14) Roettig,H Sunny Beach 200 Traps In The Opening [Fraser #173]; *7...Bh5 8.Nb1 h6 9.Nbd2 Nd4 10.c3 Nxf3+ 11.Nxf3 Qd7 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 Bxd4 15.Qd1 Bb6 16.Bf4 0-0-0 17.Qb3 Nxe4 18.Bxf7 Nc5 19.Qc4 d5 20.Bxd5 Qxd5 21.Qxd5 Rxd5 22.b4*

4.c3 ♘f6 5.d3 0-0_33306-7. ♘c3 a6 8.e4_59310 (1242) Paks 2023 Gauthier/Tactics [John Watson] 0-1 (44)) 8.Qxf3]

[7.Bg5 Nd4 8.Nd5 c6 9.Nxf6+ gxf6 10.Bh4 Nxf3+ 11.gxf3 Bh3 12.Re1 Rg8+ 13.Bg3 h5 14.Kh1 h4 15.Bxh4 Bg2+ 16.Kg1 Bxf3+ A Powerful Pin [John Emms]]

7...Qd7= 8.Be3 Bb6 -0.10/22

[8...Bxf3∓ -0.49/20 9.gxf3 Qh3]

9.c3 -0.59/21

[9.Nc3= -0.10/22 deserves consideration.]

9...Nh5 0.08/20 It would have been better to take the Knight with the Bishop before making this move.

[Better is 9...Bxf3∓ -0.59/21 10.gxf3 d5]

10.Ng5 -0.31/22

[10.Nd2= 0.08/20]

10...0-0 0.18/20

[10...f6!∓ -0.31/22 11.Bxb6 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Nf4]

11.Bxb6 axb6 12.f3 Be6 13.Qe1 -0.68/20 Threatening an attack on the King, but Bxe6 was sounder.

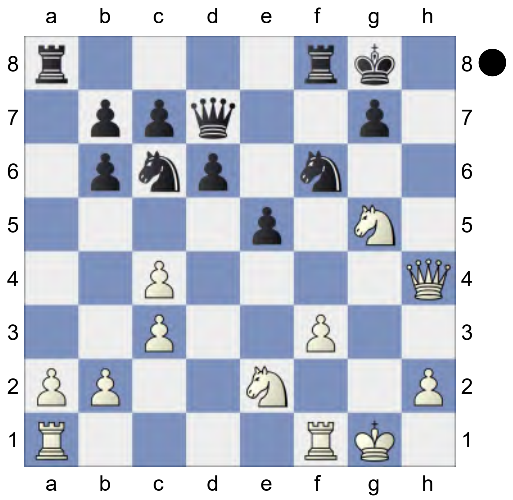
[White should try 13.Nxe6= 0.27/21 fxe6 14.d4]

13...Bxc4∓ 14.dxc4 h6 15.Nh3 f5 16.exf5 Qxf5 17.g4 -0.92/21

[17.Qd2∓ -0.48/21]

17...Qd7 ...Rf8xf3! is the strong threat. &Nero is more active. **18.Qh4 Nf6 19.g5** Seemingly a promising line of attack, but it wanted the preparotory Khi, followed by Rg1. **19...hxg5 20.Nxg5**

(Diagram)



Ne7! 21.Kh1 Ng6 22.Qg3 Nh5 23.Qf2 Nhf4 24.Rg1 Qf5 Threatens to win with ...Qf5-c2. **25.Nxf4 Nxf4 26.Qh4** This attack was useless. Rg3, preparing to double the Rooks, would have led to a fairly even game. **26...Rf6 27.Ne4 Rg6 28.a3 Rf8 29.Rg5 Rxg5** Dancing on a razor blade. **30.Nxg5 Rf6→** Black goes for the king.

[Stronger than 30...Qc2 31.Rg1∓]

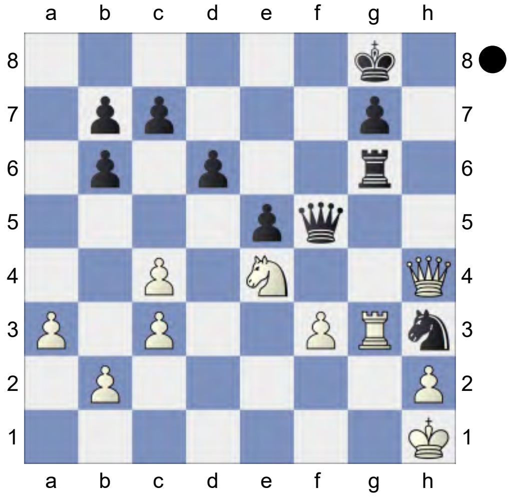
31.Ne4 Rg6 32.Rg1 Inhibits Nf4-g2.

32...Nh3 -0.67/27

[32...Rxg1+∓ -1.10/24 33.Kxg1 b5]

33.Rg3? -#2/6

[33.Qd8+∓ -0.67/27 Kh7 34.Qh4+ Rh6 35.Qg4 Qxg4 36.Rxg4]



33...Qxf3+! Weighted Error Value: White=0.47/Black=0.12 (very precise)
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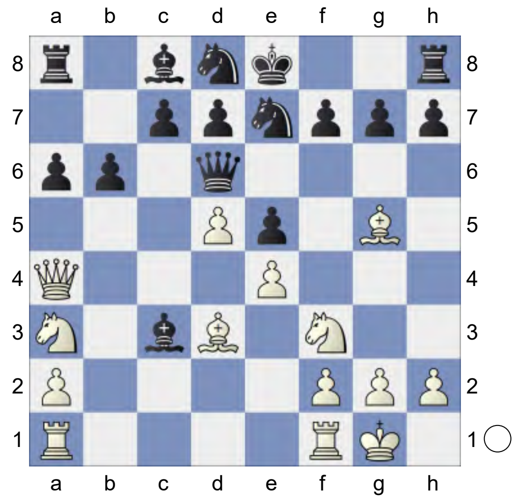
741 **C52**
☐ **Chigorin,Mikhail**
■ **Rubinstein,Akiba**
Lodz Quadringular (2) 1906
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.0-0 Qf6 7.d4 White has compensation. **7...Nge7 8.Bg5 Qd6 9.d5** ChessBase: '!' **9...Nd8** White is slightly better. **10.Qa4** -0.37/20
[White should play 10.Bc1± 0.40/18]
10...b6 0.96/18
[10...f6!∓ -0.37/20 stays ahead. 11.Bc1 Δ 12.d5!± Bb6 Konstantinopolsky/Romanov 12.Na3± Chigorin-Salwe/St.Petersburg/1905/; Chigorin-Salwe (2)/Lodz m/1906/ c6 13.Rd1]
Black is on the road to losing. **11.Na3± a6** Repels Nb5 **12.Bd3N** White has more active pieces.
[12.Bb3 Bxc3 13.Rac1 Qb4 14.Nb5 Qxb5 15.Qxb5 axb5 16.Rxc3 c5 17.dxc6 Ndxc6 18.Bxe7 Kxe7 19.Bd5 f6 20.Bxc6 dxc6 21.Rxc6 Bd7 22.Rxb6 Rhb8 23.Rxb8 Rxb8 24.Rb1 Bc6 25.Re1 Ra8 26.Re2 Ra4 0-1 Ruch,E-Voboril,P 9. ... ♕d4+:_116465 1995 27.Rb2 Rxe4 28.h3 Kd6 29.Nd2 Ra4 30.f3 f5 31.Kf2 Ra3 32.Nb1 Rd3 33.Ke2 e4 34.Nd2 Ra3 35.fxe4 fxe4 36.Nb1 Rg3 37.Kf2 Rd3 38.Ke2 h5 39.Nd2 Rg3 40.Kf2 Ra3 41.Nf1 Bd5 20) Nimzo Indian: 4...c5 5.Ne-5...d5 6. a3 Bxc3+ #9 Lifetime Repertoires: Swiercz's 1. d4 - 2023 42.Rxb5 Rxa2+ 43.Ke3 Rxg2 44.Kd4 Bc6 45.Rxh5 Ra2 46.Ne3 Rd2+ 47.Kc4 Bd7 48.Rg5 Be6+ 49.Kb4 Rd4+ 50.Kb5 Rd3 51.Nc4+ Bxc4+ 52.Kxc4 Rd1 53.Rxg7 e3 54.Rb7 Ke5 55.Kc3 Ke4 56.Kc2 Rf1 ½-½ Chigorin,M-Schlechter,C DSB-15.Kongress_232074 1906 (1)]
12...Bxc3 1.93/20
[12...Qc5± 1.21/18 might work better.]



13.Rab1!+- and Rfc1 should not be overlooked
[13.Nc4 Qb4 14.Qc2 Bxa1 15.Bd2 Chigorin-Salwe (10)/Lodz m/1906/]
13...Bb7 3.52/20
[⌓13...Nb7 2.19/17 14.Nc4 *(14.Bxa6?* is the wrong capture. *Nc5-+)* 14...Qc5]
[13...Qg6! Chigorin-Salwe (8)/Lodz m/1906/ 14.Bxe7 Kxe7 15.Qc4]
14.Nc4 Qc5
[14...Qg6 15.Bxe7 Kxe7 *(15...b5 16.Qa3 bxc4 17.Bxd8 Kxd8 18.Qxc3)* 16.Qa3+]
15.Be3
[15.Ncxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 b5±]
[15.Nfxe5 b5 16.Be3 Qxe3 17.fxe3 bxa4∓]

15...b5 and ...Qxe3 would now be decisive ChessBase: '?'

[15...Bd4 16.Nxd4 exd4 17.Bxd4!± Qxd4 18.Nd6+]

16.Bxc5

[16.Ncxe5 Qd6 (*16...Qxe3 17.Qa3=*) 17.Nc4 bxa4∓]

16...bxa4 17.Rfc1

[17.Nfxe5 Bxe5 18.Bxe7 (*18.Nxe5 d6=*) 18...Kxe7±]

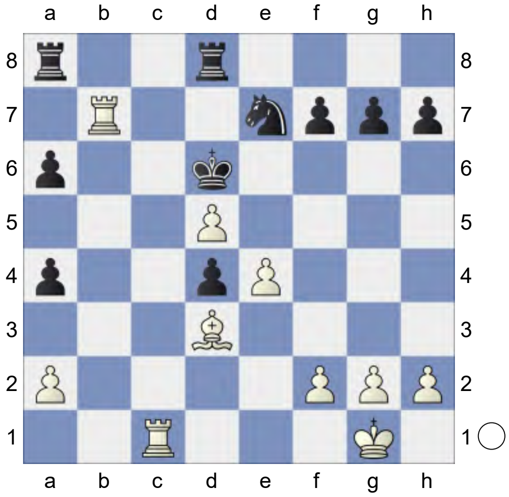
[17.d6 cxd6 (*17...Nec6 18.dxc7+-*) 18.Nxd6+ Δ 22.♖h6]

17...d6 18.Bxd6

[18.Rxc3 dxc5 19.d6]

18...cxd6 19.Nxd6+ Kd7 20.Nxb7 Black is weak on the light squares **20...Bd4 21.Nxd4 exd4 22.Nxd8 Rhxd8 23.Rb7+ Kd6**

[23...Ke8 24.Rcc7]



24.e5+! Discovered Attack **24...Kxd5**

[24...Kxe5 25.Rxe7+]

25.Rxe7 White is clearly winning. **25...Rac8 26.Rxc8 Rxc8 27.f3** ChessBase: '!'

[Less strong is 27.Bxa6 Rc1+ 28.Bf1 Ra1+-]

27...Rc3 7.78/18

[⌓27...f6 4.50/11 28.Be4+ (*28.Bxa6 Rc1+ 29.Kf2 Rc2+ 30.Kg3 fxe5+-; 28.Rxg7 Kxe5 29.Kf2 Rb8+-*) 28...Kc5 29.exf6 (*29.Bxh7 fxe5 30.Rb7 g5+-*) 29...gxf6 30.Bxh7 (*30.Rxh7 Kc4+-*) 30...Kb4]

28.Be4+ ChessBase: ' ±!' **28...Kc4 29.Rxf7** ChessBase: ' ±' **29...Kb4 30.e6** ChessBase: ' ±' **30...d3** Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) / Black=0.57 **31.Rd7** ChessBase: '!'

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740 **C51**

☐ **Andres Clemente Vazquez**
■ **Blackburne,Joseph Henry**
Habana (Cuba) (6) 11.03.1891
[Mon Hokmome]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4** Notes by Blackburne. **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.b4 Bxb4 6.c3 Be7** This is the best square for the Bishop when White Castles before offering the Gambit. **7.d4**

[7.Ng5 0-0 8.f4 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 h6 12.Be3 Bg4 13.Nxf7 Rxf7 14.Qg3 exf4 15.Rxf4 Qd7 16.Bxf7+ Kxf7 17.Nd2 Qxd3 18.Nc4 Be6 19.Nb2 Qg6 20.Qe1 Bd7 21.Rf2 Ne5 10.♘c6 bc6 11. 0-0_7620-Ossig,R Game - 3 1885 ZUS D57 [Wim Pommerel] 0-1 (37)]

7...0-0N

[7...exd4 8.cxd4 Nxe4 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 Nc5 11.Ba3 Nxd3 12.Qxd3 0-0 13.d6 cxd6 14.Nc3 b6 15.Nd5 Nb7 16.Bb2 Nc5 17.Qe3 Ne6 18.Nd4 Bf6 19.Nc6 dxc6 20.Nxf6+ gxf6 21.Qh6 d5 22.Bxf6 Kramnik's Perfect Preparation,J-12. ♘d2 g6 13, ♗d7 ♘d7 14 Chiva 1861 200 Traps In The Opening [Schlosser,Michael] 1-0]

8.d5 The usual move is dxe5. **8...Nb8** Black is slightly better. **9.Qe2 d6** **10.Ne1** -1.20/20

[⌓10.Bd3 -0.76/18]

10...Nbd7 11.Bd3 Ne8 -0.52/20

[11...Nc5∓ -0.97/20 12.c4 c6]

12.f4 -0.93/18

[12.c4∓ -0.52/20]

12...exf4 13.Bxf4 Ne5 14.Nd2 Bf6 -0.40/20

[14...Nf6∓ -0.71/19]

15.Rb1 Senor Vazquez suggested afterwards that Rc1 was better. **15...Ng6** **16.Rb3** -1.10/21

[Better is 16.Be3 -0.73/20]

16...Nxf4∓ 17.Rxf4 Be5 18.Rf2 Nf6 -0.65/19

[18...Qh4?! 19.Nef3 Qe7 20.Nc4∓ *(20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Qe3 b6∓)*]

[18...a5∓ -1.01/21 19.Nef3 a4]

19.h3 -1.16/20

[White should try 19.Nef3∓ -0.65/19]

19...Nd7 20.Nc4 -1.61/21

[20.Ra3∓ -1.18/20]

20...Nc5-+ 21.Ra3 Rather have given up the exchange than moved the Rook out of play. For instance:-21.Nxe5 Nxb3 22.Nxf7 Rxf7 23.Rxf7 Kxf7 24.Qh5+ Kg8 25.e5 and White has a strong attack. **21...Qe7 22.Nf3** -2.09/22

[22.Rf1∓ -1.58/20]

22...f6 23.Ne3 -1.73/20

[23.Nfxe5∓ -1.32/20 was necessary. fxe5 24.Rxf8+ Qxf8 25.Nd2]

23...Re8 24.Nxe5 Qxe5 25.Nc4 Qg5 Strongly threatening ...Bc8xh3. **26.Kh2** -2.75/22

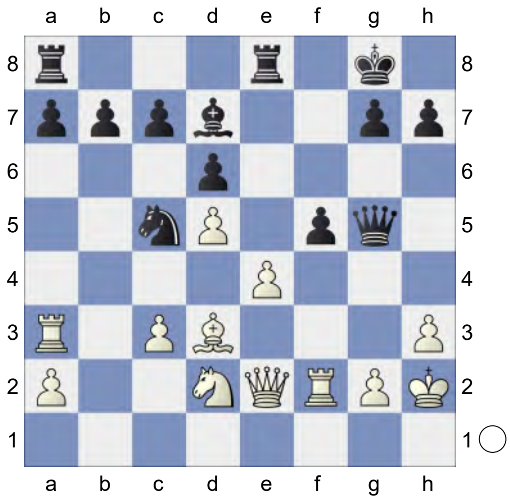
[26.Rf3 -1.82/20 might work better.]

26...Bd7

[Avoid the trap 26...b5? 27.Nd2-+]

27.Nd2 f5

(Diagram)



And now ...f5xe4 would win. **28.c4** -4.28/20

[⌓28.Qf3 -2.80/22]

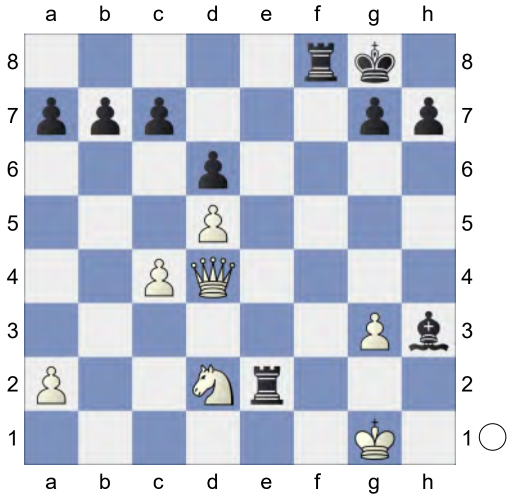
28...fxe4

[And not 28...f4 29.Qf3∓]

29.Bxe4 Qe5+ 30.g3 Nxe4 31.Re3 Nxf2 Black could also have played Nxg3, but the move made is more forcing. **32.Rxe5 Rxe5**

[Weaker is 32...dxe5 33.Qxf2 e4 34.Qe3∓]

33.Qxf2 Rf8 34.Qd4 He has no good move for his Queen. If Qg2, Rfe8 wins easily. **34...Re2+ 35.Kg1 Bxh3**

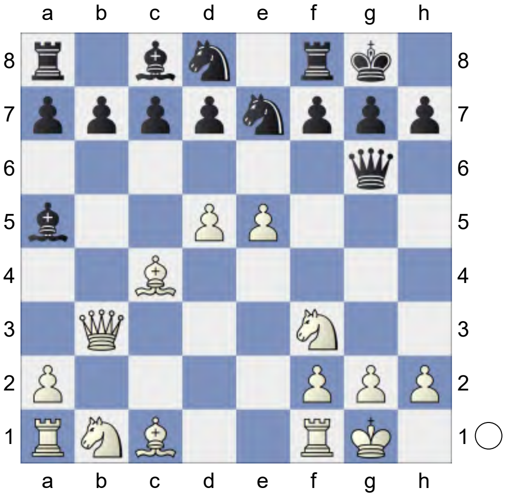


Hoping for ...Re2-g2+. **36.a4 Rg2+ 37.Kh1 Rff2 38.Qh4 Rh2+ 39.Kg1 Rfg2+** Weighted Error Value: White=0.

77/Black=0.13 (very precise)
0-1

742 **C52**
☐ **Alekhine,Alexander**
■ **Watson,A.**
Alekhine sim +29=4-2 28.05.1926
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 ChessBase II: 'La simultanée s'est déroulée sur29 échiquiers et le score est de 23 gains, 04 nulles et 2 défaites'
1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.Qb3 Qf6
[7...Qe7]
8.0-0! Nge7 0.37/20
[8...Bb6!= 0.00/20 was preferable.]
9.cxd4!⩲ White is slightly better. **9...0-0**
[9...b5 10.Bd3 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Bb2 Qa4 13.Bxg7 Rg8 14.Qxa4 bxa4 15.Bc3 Rg5 16.Bxa5 Rxa5 17.Nc3 Rb8 18.Rfc1 Ba6 19.Bxa6 Rxa6 20.Rab1 Rxb1 21.Rxb1 d6 22.f3 Rc6 23.Rc1 f5 24.Kf2 1 0-1 Stronsky,V (2593)-West,J (2671) Saint Louis 1000 GM 2023]
[9...Bb6 10.e5 Qf5 11.Bd3 Qh5 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Nbd2 Nf5 14.d5 Ncd4 15.Qc4 Nxf3+ 16.Nxf3 Ne7 17.d6 Nc6 18.Qe4 Qg6 19.Qc4 Qe6 20.Qc2 g6 21.dxc7 Bxc7 22.Bc4 Qg4 23.h3 Qh5 24.Qc3 1-0 Gara,T (2169)-Nielsen,S (1398) Leon 1995 (11)]
10.e5N -0.13/19
[⌓10.Bg5 0.24/19 Qd6 11.e5]
[10.Bb2 d6 11.d5 Ne5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.f4 Bb6+ 14.Kh1 Qg6 15.Nd2 exf4 16.Rxf4 Bd7 17.Nf3 Qh6 18.Rh4 Qe3 19.Qc2 Ng6 20.Re1 Qf2 21.Qc3 f6 22.Rh5 Bg4 23.Rg5 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Bd4 ½-½ Anderssen,A-Kolisch,I Match/ Friendly Anderssen-Kolisch +5-5=1 1860 (9)]
10...Qg6 0.79/18
[10...Qf5= -0.13/19 remains equal.]
11.d5± White has strong compensation.
11...Nd8 2.20/19
[11...Nb4!⩲ 0.65/17 ChessBase II: '⌓']



12.Ba3 0.79/18 ChessBase II: '⩲'
[12.Bd3+- 2.20/19 Qb6 13.Qc2 Nxd5 14.Bxh7+ Kh8 15.Qe4]
12...d6 13.Rd1 0.55/17
[13.Bd3± 0.93/19 Qh6 14.Qb5]
13...Bd7 1.34/17
[13...Bf5± 0.55/17 14.exd6 cxd6]
14.Nc3 0.85/16
[⌓14.Nbd2 1.34/17]
14...Bxc3 1.53/20
[⌓14...Bg4 0.85/16 15.Ne2 Nf5]
15.Qxc3 b5 2.49/19 ChessBase II: '?'
[15...Re8± 1.46/17 16.Re1 c6]
16.Bd3+- Nxd5 17.Qd2 0.93/19
[17.Qb3+- 2.62/23 is more deadly. Qh6 *(17...Qe6? 18.Bxh7+ Decoy Kxh7 19.Ng5+ Kg8 20.Nxe6+-)* 18.Qxd5]
17...Qh5± 18.exd6

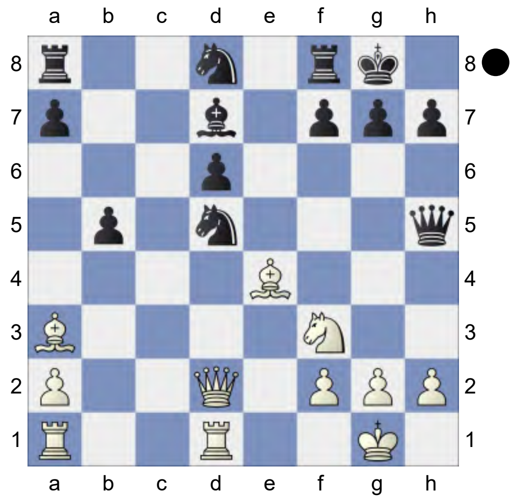
[Don't take 18.Be4 c6⩲]

18...cxd6 3.06/19

[Better is 18...c6!⩲ 0.54/17]

19.Be4!+-

[19.Bxd6 Re8±]



Discovered Attack **19...Nb6 20.Bxa8**

[20.Bxd6 Ne6 21.Bxf8 Rxf8+-]

20...Nxa8 5.49/21

[⌓20...Nc4 3.89/18]

Weighted Error Value: White=0.38/Black=0.84 **21.Qxd6**

1-0

744 **C54**

☐ **Albin,Adolf**

■ **Marco,Georg**

52 Budapest (9) 16.10.1896

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** ChessBase II Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 *(RR 6...d6)* 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 *(RR 11...Qd6)* 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 *(RR 11.b4 Be7)* 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 *(RR 10...Qe7)* 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 *(RR 10...Re8)*

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 *(RR 11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+)* 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 *(RR 12...fxe5 13.Ng5)*

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 *(RR 15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3)* 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+

18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1*) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.e5N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5*) 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6*)]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6

Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus,D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...d5 7.Bb5 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.a4N Hoping for a4-a5.

[9.Nc3 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 (*10...Ba5 11.Qb3 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Na5 13.Qb4 b6 14.0-0 Bf5 15.Rfc1 Rc8 16.Ba6 Rb8 17.Bd3 Re8 18.h3 c6 19.Bf4 Rb7 20.Qb2 b5 21.Qe2 Nc4 22.Ng5 Nxg5 23.Bxf5 Ne6 24.Bg3 b4 25.Qg4* 10.♗a3 b6 11.ba5 ♘h5_7469 (2753)-6. ♘c6 bc6 7.e5 ♘d5_52674 (2740) Andorra 2019 200 Traps In The Opening [List,Paul M] ½-½ (32)) 11.h3 Bh5 12.Qc2 f5 (*12...Ba5 13.0-0 Nxc3 14.bxc3 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Qd7 16.Kh2 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Qxb5* 5. Giuoco Piano: 4. c3 and 4.-Center Attack: 5. d4 with 6.; *12...Bg6 13.Qb3 Ne7 14.0-0 c6 15.Bd3 Nf5 16.Rfe1 Nxe3 17.Rxe3 Ng5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxg5 Qxg5 20.Ne2 Rf7 21.Rf1 Raf8 22.Qc3 Qh4 23.f3 g5 24.b4* 1 Chapter 21-Game 1 Game) 13.Nxd5 Ba5+ 14.Ke2 Nxd4+ 15.Bxd4 Nd2 16.Qc5 Ne4 17.Qc2 (*17.Qc4 Bf7 18.Nf6+ gxf6 19.e6 a6 20.exf7+ Rxf7 21.Rhd1 Nd6 22.Qd5 axb5 23.Bc5 Qe8+ 24.Kf1 Rd8 25.Bxd6 Rxd6 26.Qxf5 Qd7 27.Qc2 c6 28.Qb3 Bb6 29.Nh4 Bd4 30.a4 b4 31.Qxb4 c5* 6.♗d2 ♗f5 7.♗c4 e6 8.î€ (2440)-Gundavaa,B (2150) Philadelphia 2023 CT-1266 [John Watson] 1-0 (48)) 17...Nd2 18.Qc5 Ne4 19.Qc2 1 Chapter C50-Game 1 Game]

9...a6 0.09/22

[⌓9...a5 -0.28/23]

10.Bxc6+= bxc6 11.a5 The position is equal. **11...Ba7 12.b4** -0.77/21

[12.Be3= -0.12/20]

12...0-0 13.0-0 f6 14.Be3 Bg4! White must now prevent ...f6xe5. **15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Be8** -0.16/21

[16...Bg6∓ -0.52/22 deserves consideration.]

17.Nbd2 f5 Threatens to win with ...f5-f4. **18.gxf5 Rxf5** And now ...Be8-h5 would win. **19.Nxe4 dxe4 20.Ne1** -0.90/21

[20.Nh2∓ -0.59/23]

20...Bh5!∓ 21.Qb3+ Qd5 -0.01/23

[21...Kh8∓ -0.72/23 Strongly threatening ...Qd8-h4. 22.Qe6 Rg5+! 23.Bxg5 Qxg5+ 24.Kh1 Bxd4]

22.Qxd5+=

[22.Qa2 looks sharper. Rb8 23.Nc2 Rf3 24.Qxd5+ cxd5 25.Rfc1]

22...cxd5 23.Ng2 c6! 24.Rfc1 Be8 25.Kh2 Rb8 26.Rab1 g5 -0.17/20

[26...Rb7∓ -0.62/20 should be considered.]

27.Rg1 Kf7 28.Ne1 -0.64/22

[White should play 28.h4= -0.01/23]

28...h6 -0.17/23

[28...c5!∓ -0.64/22 29.dxc5 Ba4]

29.Rg3 Ke6 30.h4 gxh4 0.73/22

[30...Bh5= -0.01/22 remains equal.]

31.Rg7± Bf7? 3.09/22

[Black should try 31...Bd7± 0.68/22]

32.Rc1+- Kd7 33.Ng2

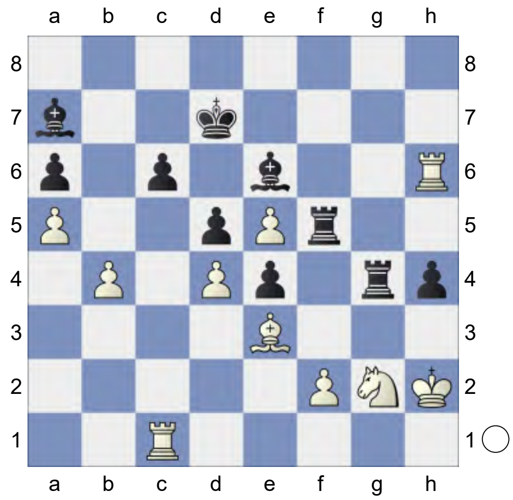
[Less strong is 33.e6+ Kxe6 34.Rxc6+ Kd7 35.Rxa6 Rb7+-]

33...Rg8 34.Rh7 Rg4 6.17/22

[34...c5 3.48/22 35.Nxh4 Rh5 36.Rxf7+ Ke8]

35.Rxh6 Be6

(Diagram)



36.Nxh4 1.86/26

[⌓36.Rxe6! 3.85/24 Kxe6 37.Rxc6+ Kd7 38.Rxa6]

36...Rf7 37.Rg1 Rxg1 38.Kxg1 Bb8 39.Ng2 Rg7 40.Kf1 Bc7 41.Nf4 Bg4 42.Ke1 1.73/24

[⌓42.f3 3.22/23 exf3 43.Nd3]

42...Bd8 43.Rd6+ Kc7 44.Ne6+ Bxe6 45.Rxe6± Endgame KRB-KRB **45...Be7 46.Bd2 Kd7 47.Rh6 e3?** 3.13/24

[47...Rg8± 1.56/25 48.Ke2 Bf8]

48.fxe3+- Rg1+ 49.Ke2 Rb1 50.Rh7 Ke6 4.61/24

[⌓50...Rb2 3.16/27 51.Kd3 Kd8 52.Rh8+ Kc7]

51.Rh8 Rb2 52.Rb8 Kf5 53.Kd3 Rb3+ 54.Bc3 Rb1 55.Rb6 Rd1+ 56.Ke2 Rh1 57.Kd3 0.01/23

[57.Rxa6+- 6.36/23 Ke4 58.Rxc6]

57...Rd1+= 58.Bd2 Bh4 59.Rxc6
Weighted Error Value: White=0.45/Black=0.45

1-0

743 C52

☐ Manko,V M

■ Alekhine,Alexander

corr Shakhovskoi Tourney 1906

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

1.e4 Harding,T Harding,T: 'Myers Harding' **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6 9.e5 Qg6 10.Nxc3 Nge7 11.Re1** -0.63/22

[11.Nh4 Qh5 12.Nf3 0-0∓ *(12...Nxe5 13.Nxe5* Remove Defender *Qxe5 14.Bb2=)*]

[11.Ba3± 0.39/21]

11...Rb8 0.01/22

[11...b6∓ -0.63/22]

[11...b5 12.Nxb5 Rb8 13.Ng5 Rf8 14.Bd3 Qh5 15.Re4 Bb6 16.Qa4 Nf5 17.Nf3 Bb7 18.Bg5 Ncd4 19.Rxd4 Nxd4 20.Qxd4 f6 21.Nxc7+ Bxc7 22.exf6 gxf6 23.Re1+ Kd8 24.Bb5 d6 25.Qe3 Qf7 26.Bxf6+ 1-0 Manko,V-Bode year corr 1904 Kc8 Harding,T 27.Ne5 1-0 Manko,V-Brede/corr RUS 1904/]

[11...Nf5 Harding,T 12.Bd3 Nfd4 13.Nxd4 Qxd3 14.Ndb5 a6 15.Re3 Qg6 16.Nd6+ cxd6 17.exd6+ Kd8 18.Ba3 b5 19.Bc5 Bb7 20.Nd5 Re8 21.Rae1 Re6 22.Nf4 Qg5 23.Nxe6+ dxe6 24.Rxe6 fxe6 25.Qxe6 Qg6 0-1 De Soyres,J-Anthony,E/corr ENG 1872/]

[11...0-0 Harding,T 12.Nh4 Qh5 13.Re4 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qd1+ 15.Re1 Nd5 16.Bxd5 Qxd5 17.Qg3 Qe6 18.Bg5 Kh8 19.f4 Nd4 20.Rad1 Qc4 21.Kh1 c5 22.f5 Rg8 23.f6 g6 24.a3 Qb3 25.Rd3 Qa2 26.Nf3 Ne6 27.Bh6 Re8 28.Ng5 Nxg5 29.Bxg5 d6 30.Bh6 Bf5 31.Rd2 Qc4 32.Rxd6 b6 33.Qe3 Qh4 34.Red1 Kg8 35.h3 Rac8 36.Kg1 b5 37.Bf4 g5 38.Bxg5 Qe4 39.R6d5 Qxe3+ 40.Bxe3 b4 41.Bxc5 b3 42.Bd4 Be6 43.Rd6 a5 44.Bb2 h5 45.R1d2 Kh7 ½-½ Malmstroem,J-Neighbors,T/corr IECG 2004/]

[11...a6!? Harding,T]

12.a4N Harding,T: '?!'

[12.Nh4 Qh5 13.Re4 g5 *(13...Bxc3!?* (Harding,T) Chigorin *14.Qxc3 Qd1+ 15.Bf1 Qd5 16.Bd3 0-0 17.Nf3 b5↑* Myers *)* 14.Nf3 h6 15.Bb2 b5 16.Bd5 Nd8 17.Re3 Bxc3 18.Rxc3 Nxd5 19.Qxd5 Ne6 20.Nd4 0-0 21.Nf5 Nf4 22.Qd2 Bb7 23.f3 Rfe8 24.Ng3 Qg6 25.Kh1 d6 26.Rxc7 dxe5 0-1 Anderssen,A-Neumann,G Baden - Baden 1870 (7) 27.Rd1 Harding,T g4 28.Bxe5 Nxg2 29.Rxb7 Rxb7 30.Qxg2 Rxe5 31.f4 Ree7 32.f5 Qf6 33.h3 gxh3 34.Qf3 Rbd7 35.Rf1 Qg5 36.Rg1 h2 37.Rg2 Rd2 38.Ne2 Rexe2 39.Rxe2 Qg1# 0-1 Anderssen,A-Neumann,G/ Baden-Baden 1870/EXT 2002]

[12.Bd2!? Harding,T]

12...0-0 ...d5! would now be deadly.

13.Ba3? -1.69/21

[13.Nh4!= -0.10/21 and White stays safe. Qh5 14.Re4]

13...Re8? 0.39/23

[13...d5-+ -1.69/21 Harding,T: '!?' 14.exd6 cxd6 15.Red1 Harding,T Rd8 16.Nb5 d5∓ Myers]

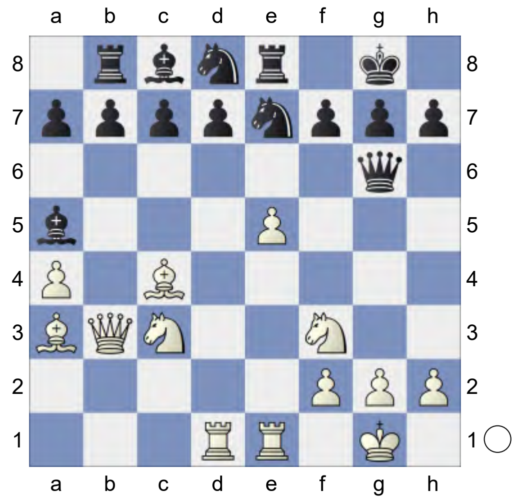
14.Rad1⩲

[14.Nh4!? Harding,T]

14...Nd8? 3.61/21

[14...Nf5!= 0.28/20 Harding,T: '!?']

(Diagram)

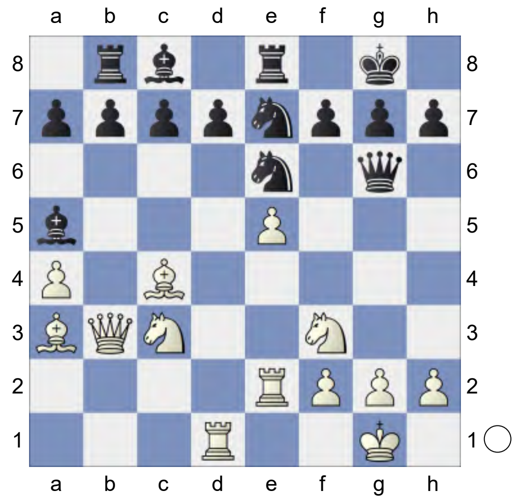


Harding,T: '?!' **15.Re2?** -0.01/19

[15.Bxe7!+- 3.61/21 Harding,T: '!?' Rxe7 16.Nd5 Re8 Harding,T 17.Bd3 Qc6 18.Re4⩲ Myers]

15...Ne6 2.46/24

[15...b5!= -0.01/19 16.axb5 *(16.Nxb5 Ne6∓)* 16...Bb7]



16.Bd3!+- Qh5 2.96/22

[⌓16...Nf5 1.62/20]

17.Bxe7

[17.Re4!? Harding,T]

17...Bxc3? 3.92/23

[17...Rxe7 1.76/24 might work better. Harding,T: ' ⌓' Harding,T: 'Myers' 18.Re4 Ng5 19.Nxg5 Qxg5]

18.Re4 Rxe7 19.Qa3? -0.01/21

Harding,T: '?!'

[White must play 19.Qxc3+- 3.59/22 Harding,T: '!?' g5 20.Bc4]

19...f5=

[19...Re8!? Harding,T]

20.Rh4↑ White has the initiative. **20...Qf7 21.Qxc3** White stays focused until the end. **21...g6?** 4.43/23

[21...b6= -0.27/22 and Black has nothing to worry. Harding,T: '!?']

22.Bc4+- Qe8 23.Ng5 Harding,T: '!'

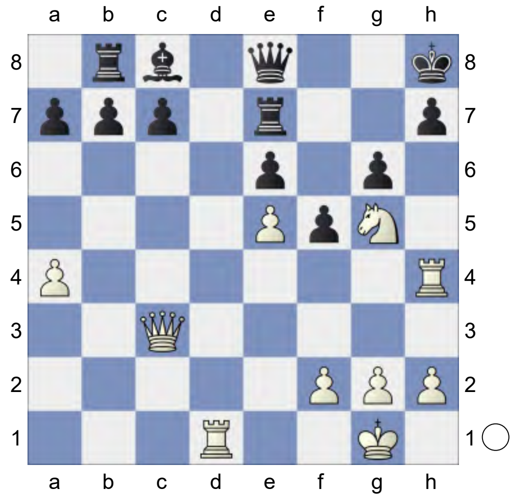
23...Kh8 15.39/25 Harding,T: '?'

[⌓23...c5 4.00/23 24.Rh6 b5 25.axb5 Kh8]

[⌓23...h5 (Harding,T) Harding 24.Rhd4 c5 25.Nxe6 cxd4 26.Nc7+ Kh7 27.Qxd4 Qh8± Myers]

24.Bxe6 White is clearly winning.

24...dxe6



25.Nxh7! Decoy **25...Rxh7 26.Rxh7+** Remove Defender **26...Kxh7 27.Qxc7+ Kh6 28.Rd8 Qxd8 29.Qxd8** Endgame Intending Qh8+ and mate. KQ-KRB **29...g5 30.Qf6+ Kh7**

[30...Kh5 Harding,T 31.h4 gxh4 32.f4 b6 33.Qg5# Myers]

31.Qxg5 b6

[31...b5 Harding,T 32.Qd8 Rb6 33.Qc7+ Kh6 34.a5+- Harding]

32.Qe7+ Kg6

[32...Kh6 Harding,T 33.h4 Rb7 34.Qf8++-]

33.Qc7 14.70/26

[⌓33.Qf6+ 32.37/31 Kh7 34.Qf7+ Kh8 35.Qc7 *(35.Qxa7 Rb7+-)*]

33...Ra8 34.h4 f4 35.Kh2 Threatens to win with Qc2+. **35...Kf5** Weighted Error Value: White=1.18/Black=1.86 **36.f3**

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☐ **Reference & Interesting Games**

■ **Jobava,Ba (2578) - Kaloge**

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.e5 d5 7.Be2 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 f6 12.Nb3N**

[12.a3 Ba5 13.Bb5 Ne7 14.Qc2 Bf5 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Ng6 17.g3 c5 18.b4 cxb4 19.Nb3 bxa3 20.Nxa5 Qxa5 21.Qb3 fxe5 22.Rxa3 Qd8 23.dxe5 Qd7 24.e6 Qxe6 25.Qxb7 a5 26.Nd4 Qe4 15.Nc4 0-0 16.Qe5 Rab8 (2705)-Warlick,J (2723) corr ICCF 2011 CBM 160 Extra [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001] 0-1 (36)]

[12.Rc1 Kh8 13.Nb3 Bg4 14.a3 Be7 15.Re1 fxe5 16.dxe5 Rf4 17.h3 Bh5 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.Rxc5 d4 20.e6 Bg6 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Ng5 Ne7 23.Bxg6 hxg6 24.Ne4 Qxe6 25.Ng5 Qf6 26.Re6 Qf8 Lalitaditaayyanar,B (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Belgrade 2013 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Michalczak] 1-0 27.Rxg6 Rh4 28.Ne6 1-0 (28) Srihari, L (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Skopje 2013 200 Traps In The

Opening [Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]]

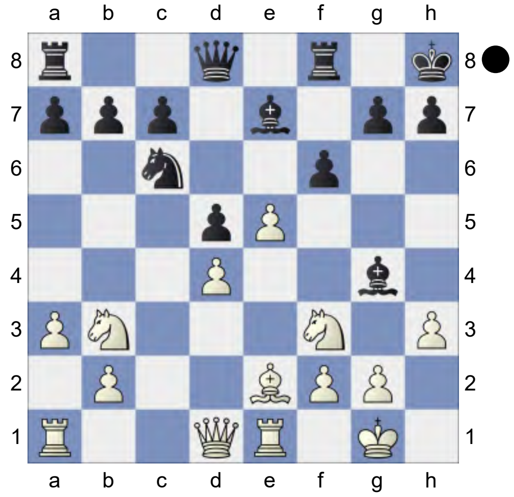
12...Kh8 0.55/20

[12...fxe5= 0.02/18 13.dxe5 Rf5]

13.a3 Be7 14.Re1 Bg4 0.95/19

[14...Qd7⩲ 0.57/19]

15.h3↑



Threatens to win with e5xf6. Keeping Black busy. **15...Bh5 16.Rc1 fxe5 17.dxe5**

[Much weaker is 17.Nxe5 Nxe5 18.dxe5 *(18.Bxh5 Nc4=)* 18...Bf7⩲]

17...Qd7 18.e6 0.64/22

[18.Nc5± 1.05/19 Bxc5 19.Rxc5]

18...Qd6 1.17/20

[Black should play 18...Qxe6⩲ 0.64/22 19.Nfd4 Bxe2 20.Nxe6 Bxd1 21.Rexd1 *(21.Rcxd1 Rfc8⩲)* 21...Rf7]

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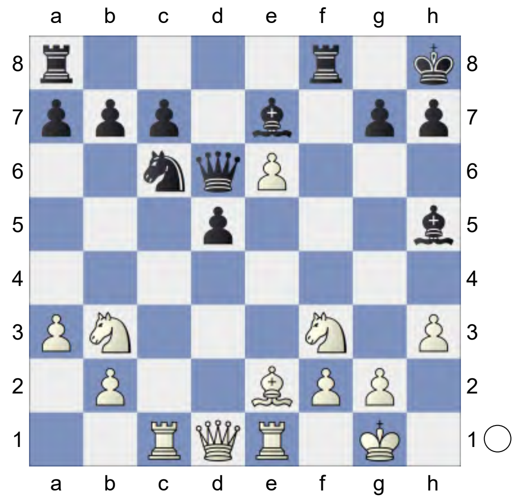

19.Nc5! Rab8 2.40/20

[19...Bf6± 1.14/21]

20.Nd7+- Qxe6? 3.87/24

[20...Ra8 2.26/20 21.Nxf8 Rxf8]

21.Nxb8 Rxb8 22.Nd4 Qf6 5.83/20

[22...Bxe2 3.64/22 23.Nxc6 *(23.Nxe2 Qf6±)* 23...bxc6]

23.Nxc6 White is clearly winning.

23...Bxe2 9.71/23

[⌓23...bxc6 4.53/19 24.Bxh5 g6]

24.Qxe2 bxc6 25.Qxe7 Black did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.58

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☐ **Saint Amant,P.**

■ **Staunton,Howard**

TWIC PLAYER PROFILE No 4 1843

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Inf 53/(310) **1.e4** Abramovic,Bosko Dragan Solak When La Bourdonnais died in 1840 Saint-Amant (1800-1872 was France's strongest player. He was expected to continue France's domination of

European chess. He came from a rich family which was ruined by the French revolution (1789). **1...e5** Staunton (1810-1874) was England's best player in 1843. Later he was to become an influential writer and organiser of chess. **2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4** In 1843 Saint-Amant (1800-1873) visited London and defeated Staunton +3,-2,=1. Here is an interesting game from the match. **3...Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3

(RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.b4N

[RR 5.d4 exd4 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5*) 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5.ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47)]

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1*) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

[RR 5.0-0 d6 6.d4 Bb6 7.h3 0-0 8.a4 h6 (RR *8...exd4 9.cxd4 Nxe4 10.Bd5 Bf5 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.a5 c5 13.Re1 Re8 14.axb6 axb6 15.Rxa8 Qxa8 16.dxc5 bxc5*) 9.d5 Na5 10.Bd3 c6 11.c4 c5 12.Nc3 a6 13.Nh2 Bc7 14.f4 b6 15.f5 Bd7 16.g4 Nh7 17.Nf3 b5 18.b3 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nxc4 Willy,S (2159)-Estrada Nieto,J (2241) Charlotte 2022 0-1]

5...Bb6 6.d3 This Giuoco Piano opening became very popular in the 1980s! White first stops black's expansion on the queenside before attacking black's king. **6...d6 7.Bg5**

[7.a4 a5 8.b5 Ne7 9.0-0 Ng6 10.Nbd2 0-0 11.Ba3 Nh5 12.d4 Nhf4 13.Re1 Bg4 14.h3 Bxh3 15.gxh3 Nxh3+ 16.Kh2 Nxf2 17.Qe2 Ng4+ 18.Kg3 Nf4 19.Qf1 Qf6 Ivanchuk,V (2735)-Khalifman,A (2630) Reykjavik_69360 1991 Inf 53 [RR]]

[7.0-0 0-0 8.a4 a5 9.b5 Ne7 10.Na3 Ng6 11.Bb3 d5 12.Bc2 Re8 13.Be3 Bg4 14.Nb1 h6 15.Bxb6 cxb6 16.Nbd2 Rc8 17.Ra3 Qd6 18.Rb3 Nf4 19.exd5 N6xd5 20.Ne4 Qg6 21.d4 f5 Darini,P (1312)-6.♗d2 ♗f5 7. ♗c4 e6_5238 (1355) Nordisk Cup I 2023 CT-1677 [John Watson] 0-1]

7...a6N

[7...Bg4 8.h3 Bh5 9.Nbd2 h6 10.Bh4 g5 11.Bg3 a6 12.Qc2 Bg6 13.Rd1 Nh5 14.Bh2 Ne7 15.g4 Nf6 16.Bb3 Ba7 17.a4 b5 18.a5 Rc8 19.Qa2 c5 20.Rb1 cxb4 21.cxb4 Nc6 22.Bd1 48: Black Chess Tactics Detection [Volker Schlepütz & John Emms] Nd4 23.Nxd4 Bxd4 24.Nf3 Ba7 25.Qd2 Qc7 26.0-0 0-0 27.Bb3 Qc3 28.Rfc1 Qxd2 29.Nxd2 Bd4 48: White Chess Tactics Detection [Volker Schlepütz & John Emms]]

8.h3 -0.20/22

[⌓8.a4 0.11/21]

8...0-0 0.11/21

[8...h6 -0.20/22 is more appropriate. 9.Bh4 g5]

9.Nbd2= Be6 The position is equal. **10.0-0 Kh8 11.Qb3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Ba7 13.Ne3 Ne7 14.Kh1** 0.09/21 14. Bxf6 followed by Nh4 is better. &Bianco is more active.

[14.Bxf6± 0.66/21 gxf6 15.Rad1]

14...c6 0.69/21

[Better is 14...Bxe3= 0.09/21 15.fxe3 Nd7]

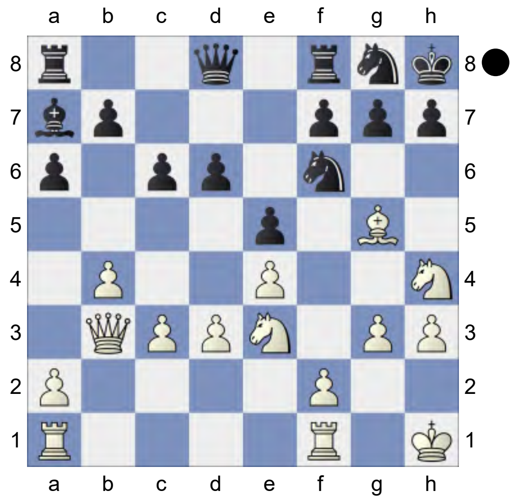
15.Nh4 0.02/21

[15.Bxf6± 0.69/21 gxf6 16.Nh4]

15...Neg8 What would you play as white? **16.g3** -0.73/21

[16.Nhf5= 0.28/20]

(Diagram)



Preparing f4. **16...h6** -0.28/22

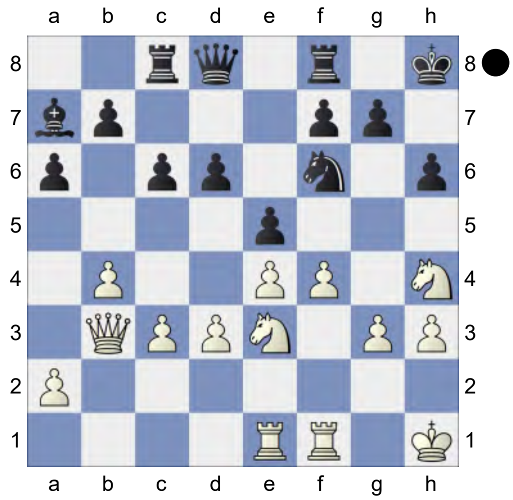
[Black should try 16...Qd7!∓ -0.73/21 17.Kh2 Nxe4 18.dxe4 f6]

17.Bxf6 Nxf6 18.Rae1 Rc8 0.09/18

[18...d5∓ -0.33/21]

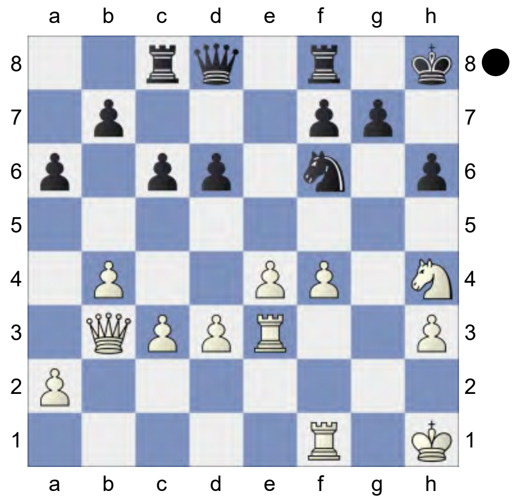
19.f4 -1.18/23

[19.Kg2= 0.09/18]



19...exf4!∓ 20.gxf4 What is Staunton's best move now. **20...Bxe3** 20...Bxe3 stars an excellent combination. **21.Rxe3**

(Diagram)



Can you see Staunton's next move? **21...Ng4!** Did you see this one? **22.hxg4**

[22.Ng6+ fxg6]

22...Qxh4+ 23.Kg2 Qxg4+ 24.Rg3 What should black play next? **24...Qe2+** Black should play 24...Qe6 with the idea of f7-f5. 24...Qe2+ is the turning point in the game. Staunton's queen now is short of squares. **25.Rf2 Qh5** What did Saint-Amant play next? **26.f5** This keeps Staunton's queen trapped. **26...b5 27.Qb2 c5** 0.07/22 What is white's next move?

[27...f6∓ -0.68/22]

28.Rf1!= With the idea of Rh1. **28...Qh4** 28...f6 is better but still not easy for black. What did white play next? Threatening ...Qh4-f6. **29.f6↑** White has good play. **29...g6** 7.03/29 Can you find Saint-Amant's next move?

[29...gxf6= 0.00/27 30.Qf2 Rg8 31.Qxf6+ Qxf6 32.Rxf6 Rxg3+ 33.Kxg3 cxb4 34.cxb4 Rc6]

30.Qd2 With the idea of Rh1. **30...Kg8** What did white play now? **31.Qf2** If 31.Rh1 Qxf6. Threatening mate with Rf1-h1.

[Worse is 31.Rh1 Qxf6 32.Qxh6 Qg7=]

31...Qh5 32.Rh1 Skewer, Deflection **32...Qe5 33.Rxh6 cxb4 34.Rgh3**

[Stronger than 34.cxb4 Rc1=]

34...Qg5+ 35.Kh2 Qxh6 36.Rxh6 Staunton resigned. The first match was a victory to the Frenchman.In the next TWIC PLAYER PROFILE we shall see how Staunton gained his revenge and dominated European chess in the 1840s. Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.64 Staunton resigned. The first match was a victory to the Frenchman.In the next TWIC PLAYER PROFILE we shall see how Staunton gained his revenge and dominated European chess in the 1840s. Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) / Black=0.64

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716 **C52**

☐ **Corzo,Jorge**

■ **Capablanca,Jose Raul**

Match Havana (Cuba) 1901

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5

A87: Dutch Defence: Leningrad System: 5 Nf3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4**

[6...d6 ! 7.0-0 Bb6 =]

7.0-0 d6 8.Qb3 Qe7 1.02/22

[8...Be6!± 0.33/20]

9.e5!± ! White is more active.

[9.cxd4 0.40/17 9.e5 1.00 Bb6!

A) 10.Bb5 Bd7! 11.d5 Ne5? 1.29/21 (*11...Na5!= -0.24/24 12.Bxd7+ Qxd7*) 12.Bxd7+? -0.84/21 (*12.Nxe5± 1.29/21 Qxe5 13.Bxd7+ Kxd7 14.Bb2 Skewer*) 12...Nxd7∓;

B) 10.Qc3± 0.40/23;

C) 10.Bb2 -0.25/21 10...Na5!=

11.Qa4+ -0.61/21 (*11.Qc3= -0.16/23* is superior.) 11...Bd7∓ 12.Bb5 c6∓ 0.35/18 (*12...Nf6∓ -0.77/20*)]

9...dxe5 1.37/22

[9...Nxe5⩲ 0.44/20 10.Nxe5 (*10.cxd4 Nxc4 11.Qxc4 Qd7-+*) 10...Qxe5]

10.Ba3 0.12/19

[10.Re1 0.19/20 10.cxd4 1.50 Bb6 (*10...h6 11.Ba3 Qf6 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.Qb5+ c6 14.Qxa5 b6 15.Qxe5+ Qxe5 16.Rxe5+ Kd7 17.Bxf7 Nf6 18.Re7+ Kd8 19.cxd4 c5 20.dxc5 Kxe7 21.Bg6 bxc5 22.Bxc5+ Kd8 23.Nc3 Bd7 24.Rd1 Rc8 25.Bb4* 1-0 Benci,L (1800)-Kusterle,F (1660) op Portoroz 1995) 11.Bg5? -2.22/21 (*11.Ba3⩲* 0.69/18 *Qf6 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.Bxf7+* Pin, Double Attack *Kd8 14.Qd5+ Bd7 15.Rxe5*) 11...f6 12.Bxg8 fxg5? 0.60/17 (Better is *12...Na5-+* -2.29/20 *13.Qc2 Rxg8 14.cxd4 Be6*) 13.Bd5!∞ '∞']

[10.cxd4!± 1.37/22 e4 (*10...exd4 11.Nbd2±*) 11.Ne5 Nxe5 12.dxe5]

10...Qf6!= 11.Nbd2! The position is equal. **11...Bb6N** 1.98/19

[11...Bxc3 1.36/22 11...Nge7 0.00 !? 12.Ne4 Qf4 13.Nxc3 dxc3 14.Rfe1=∞ 0.43/18 (White should play *14.Bb5!±* 1.42/19)]

[11...Nge7!= 0.12/19 12.Rfe1 0-0 13.Ne4 Qf4 14.Neg5 Bxc3 15.Re4 Qf6 16.Qc2 Bxa1 17.Nxh7 Qg6 18.Nxf8 Kxf8 19.Rh4 Kg8 20.Ng5 Be6 21.Bxe6 fxe6 22.Qb3 Nd5 23.Bc1 Nd8 24.Qh3 Nf7 25.Rg4 Nf6 26.Rg3 Qc2 1-0 Barnes,T (2410)-Anderssen,A (2600) 183961 London 1862 (1)]

12.Rae1? -0.41/22

[12.Ne4!+- 1.98/19 Qf5 13.Ng3]

12...Nge7? 1.94/20

[12...Be6!∓ -0.41/22 keeps the upper hand.]

13.Ne4+- Qg6 3.67/18

[13...Qf4 ? 14.Bc1 Qf5 15.Ng3! Qf6 16.Nh5 Qg6? 3.12/18 (*16...Qd6±* 1.51/20) 17.Nxe5+- Nxe5 18.Rxe5 f6 19.Nf4→]

[13...Qf4 2.14/19]

14.Bxe7

[14.Neg5 !? 0-0 15.Nxf7 Rxf7 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Rxe5 Kf8 Hoping for ...Bh3!. 18.Bxf7 Qxf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.Rxe7+→]

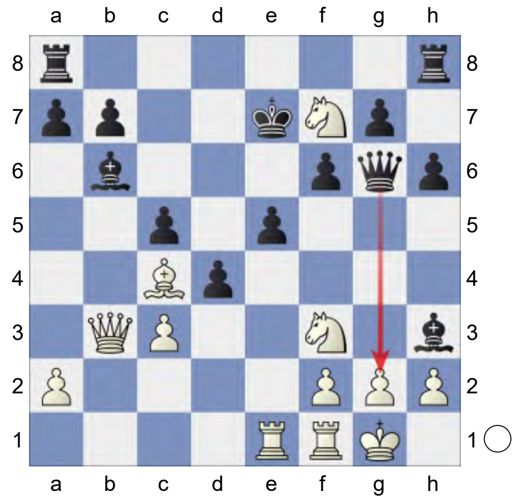
14...Kxe7 15.Neg5↑ White is in control. A dynamic duo of knights. **15...f6 16.Qa3+ Nb4?** 4.87/18

[16...Ke8? 1.06/5 16...Kd7 3.12 17.Bf7+ Qxf7 18.Nxf7 Kxf7 19.cxd4 exd4? 3.72/18 (*19...Nxd4±* 1.50/3 *20.Nxd4 Bxd4*) 20.Nxd4? 0.00/13 (White has to play *20.Qb3+!+-* 3.72/18 *Kg6 21.Qd3+ Kf7 22.Re2*) 20...Nxd4?? 4.58/14 (*20...Bxd4=* 0.00/13 and Black is okay. *21.Qb3+ Kg6*) 21.Re7++- Kg6 22.Qg3+→]

[16...Kd7± 1.50/3 is tougher.]

17.Qxb4+ c5 18.Qb3 h6 19.Nf7 Bh3

[19...Rf8 20.N7xe5 fxe5 21.Nxe5+-]



20.g3 2.25/3 ?

[20.Nh4 ! Qh5 6.78/6 (*⌓20...Qg4* 4.40/2 *21.cxd4 Qxh4 22.gxh3 Qxd4 23.Nxh8 Rxh8*) 21.Nxe5+- fxe5 22.Rxe5+ Qxe5 23.Ng6++-]

[20.Nxh8? Qxg2#]

[⌓20.Nh4! 3.84/6 Qg4 21.cxd4 (*21.Nxh8 Rxh8 22.cxd4 Qxh4+-*) 21...Qxh4 22.dxe5 (*22.gxh3 Qxd4 23.Nxh8 Rxh8+-; 22.Qxh3 Qxh3 23.gxh3 Rhf8+-; 22.Nxh8 Rxh8 23.dxe5 fxe5+-*)]

20...Bxf1? 4.57/3

[20...Rhf8 2.25/3]

21.Nxh8

[21.Kxf1 !? Qg4 6.51/18 (*⌓21...Rhf8* 4.57/16 *22.cxd4 Rxf7*) 22.cxd4→]

[21.Rxf1 Rhc8 22.Nh4 Qg4+-]

21...Rxh8 22.Bxf1 Qf7 4.78/19 ?

[22...Qg4 ! 23.cxd4 cxd4 24.Nh4 And now Bd3 would win. Rd8]

[22...d3 3.41/17 keeps fighting. 23.Nh4 Deflection Qg5]

23.Nxe5 !

[23.Bc4+-]

23...fxe5? 7.03/20

[23...Qxb3 24.Nc4+ Kd7 25.axb3+-]

[23...Qxb3 3.42/19 24.Ng6+ Kd6 25.axb3 Rd8]

24.Rxe5+ Kf8 Black is weak on the light squares **25.Bc4 Qc7**

[25...Qd7 26.cxd4 Threatening mate with Qf3+. Bd8 27.Bb5+-]

26.cxd4 cxd4 Weighted Error Value: White=0.61/Black=1.47 **27.Qf3+**

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718 **C55**

☐ **Arnell,A.**

■ **Nn Unknown Player**

corr 1900

[Kitty Kat]

C56: Two Knights: 4 d4 exd4 5 0-0 Nxe4

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 exd4N

[5...Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4

A) 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 (*9...Qe7 10.Kh1 Be6 11.Bd3 0-0-0 12.Qe1 h6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Nc3 Rhg8 15.Qf2 Qd6 16.Qxf6 Rg6 17.Qf2 Rdg8 18.Rg1 h5 19.Nd1 Rg4 20.Ne3 Rf4 21.Qd2 h4 22.Rgf1 h3 23.g3 Rxf1+ 24.Rxf1* ½-½ Voboril,P-MainSlav/12 5...Bf5 London International 1876 (1)) 10.Na3 Qe7 (*10...Bxc4 11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Ne3 Qd4 14.Qxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxf6 Rd8 16.Raf1 0-0 17.Ng4 Nc6 18.R6f5 f6 19.Nxf6+ Kh8 20.Nd5 Rxf5 21.Rxf5 Rd7 22.c3 Kg7 23.b4 h6 24.Kf2 Ne7 25.Rxe5* 1-0 N,N (2521)-12. ♘e2 ♖c8 13. b4_18566 (2226) Polska (ch) 117/(75) 2013 (1)*)* 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 0-1 Movsesian,S (2723)-Leko,P (2741) Moscow Tal Memorial Blitz 2008 (25);

B) 7.Bg5 d6 8.f4 Ne6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Qxd8+ Nxd8 11.Nc3 c6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rxf6 Ke7 14.Raf1 Rf8 15.Rh6 Rh8 16.Rh5 b5 17.Bb3 f6 18.Rh6 a5 19.a4 b4 20.Nd1 1-0 Margolis,A (2305)-Podolskyi,M (1874) Dubai op 2001

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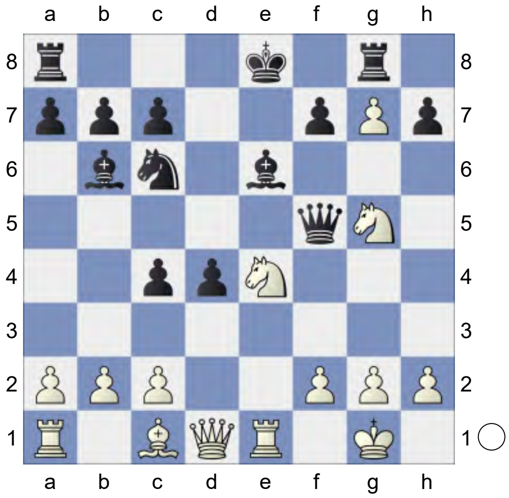
6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4 8.Re1+ Be6 9.Ng5 Qd5 10.Nc3 Qf5 11.Nce4 Bb6 12.fxg7 Rg8



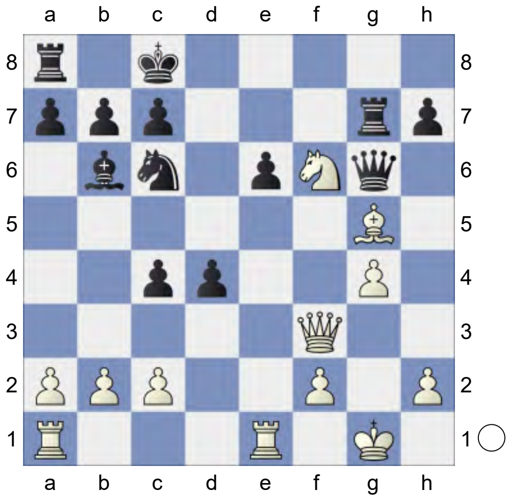
13.g4 0.09/23 White is more active. **13...Qg6=**

[13...Qxg4+? 14.Qxg4 Bxg4 15.Nf6+ *(15.Nxh7 0-0-0±)* 15...Kd8 16.Nxg8+- *(16.Nxf7+ Kc8+-)*]

14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Bg5! White is better. **15...Rxg7 16.Qf3** Strongly threatening Nf6+. Loses the game. **16...Kd7?** 2.70/21

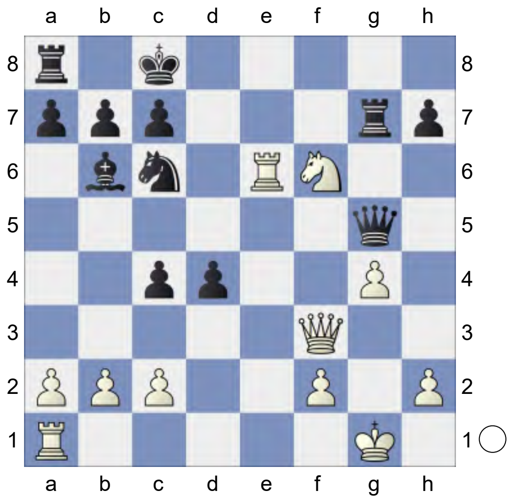
[16...e5!= -0.21/20]

17.Nf6+!+- Kc8



18.Rxe6! Qxg5

(Diagram)

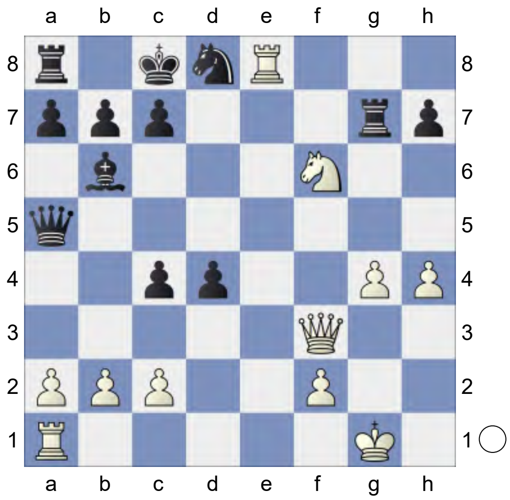


19.h4! Qa5 4.45/20

[Worse is 19...Qxh4 20.Re8+ Nd8 21.Qf5+]

[19...Qb5 2.71/21 was called for.]

20.Re8+ Nd8



21.Nd5! Qf5+ would kill now. White is clearly winning. **21...c6 22.Qf5+ Rd7 23.Ne7+ Kc7 24.Qf4+ Rd6** And now ... Ne6 would win. **25.Nf5** Pin **25...Bc5 26.Nxd6 Bxd6 27.Re7+** Deflection, Double Attack **27...Kb6 28.Qxd6 Qd5 29.Qc7+ Ka6 30.Re5 Ne6 31.Rxd5**

[31.Qxh7? is the wrong capture. Qxe5 32.Qe7 Qe4 33.Qa3+ Kb5-+]

31...Nxc7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.13 (very precise) /Black=0.56

32.Rxd4
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717 **C54**
☐ **Hoffmann,A.**
■ **Petrov,A.**
Match Warsaw 1844
[Mon Hokmome]

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[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

A) RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;

B) RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;

C) 9.c3

C1) RR 9...f6

C1a) RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;

C1b) 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;

C2) 9...Bb6

C2a) RR 10.Bb5;

C2b) RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;

C2c) 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)

C2c1) RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;

C2c2) 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)

C2c21) RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2

C2c211) RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;

C2c212) 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2 21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5*

Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8)* 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8)* 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1)*;

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5)* 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3)*

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2)* 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6)* 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1)* 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.e5N Nowadays 6. cxd4 is preferred.

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5)* 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6)* 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6)*]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus, D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005

[ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...Ne4 0.72/21 More energetic is the counter-thrust 6...d5.

[6...d5= 0.27/22]

7.Bd5± Looking for adventure, but violating principle by moving the same piece twice. Simply 7. cxd4 Bb4 8. Bd2 Nxd2 9. Nbxd2 would give White a peaceful life. **7...Nxf2 8.Kxf2 dxc3+ 9.Kg3** Exposes the king to some danger. Safer is 9. Ke1. But not 9. Be3 Bxe3 10. Kxe3 cxb2. Exposes the king to some danger. Safer is 9. Ke1. But not 9. Be3 Bxe3 10. Kxe3 cxb2. And now Bd5xf7+! would win. White is better. **9...cxb2 10.Bxb2** aiming for Bd5xf7+! **10...Ne7 11.Ng5?** -3.64/24 Too eager to attack instead of thinking about his own safety. It's time to consolidate with 11. h3 to give the king an escape square on h2.

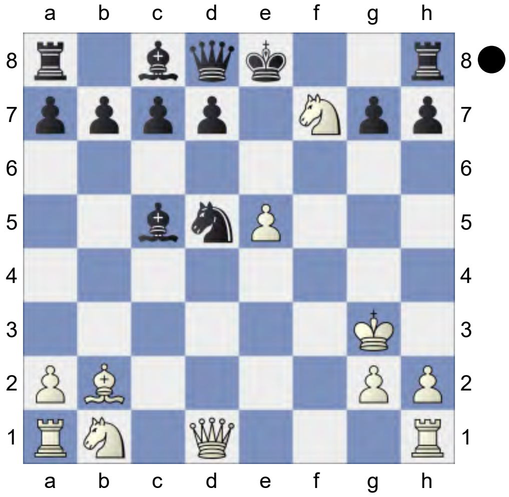
[11.h3± 0.65/21 keeps the upper hand.]

11...Nxd5-+

[Weaker is 11...Nf5+ 12.Kf4 Be3+ 13.Kxf5∓]

12.Nxf7 -6.42/24

[12.h4 -3.55/23 Ne3 13.Qd3]



12...0-0! Giving up an entire queen to control the f-file. White didn't reckon with this sacrifice! **13.Nxd8** There's nothing better. If 13. Nh6 gxh6 14. Qxd5 Rf7 15. Qxc5 Qg5 16. Kh3 d6 wins. Or 13. Qxd5 Rxf7 14. h3 Qg5 15. Kh2 Qf4 16. g3 Qf2 17. Qg2 Qxg2 18. Kxg2 Rf2 followed by Rxb2.

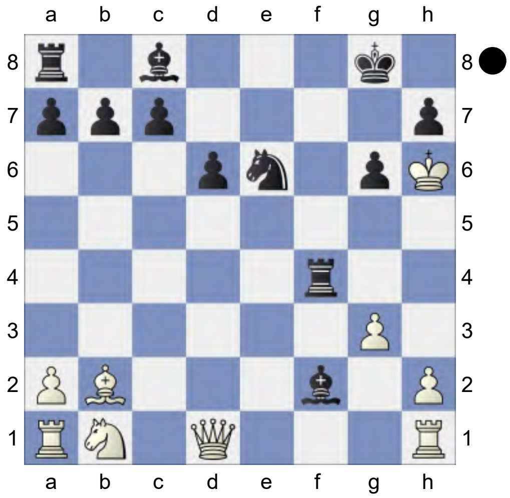
[13.Rf1 Rxf7]

13...Bf2+ 14.Kh3 d6+ 15.e6 Nf4+ 16.Kg4 Nxe6 Threatening mate in two by 17...Rf4 and Rh4. Threatening mate in two by 17...Rf4 and Rh4. Black mates.

17.g3 Nxd8+N

[17...Nd4+ 18.Ne6 Bxe6+ 19.Kh4 Nf5+ 20.Kh3 Ne3+ 21.Kh4 Ng2+ 22.Kh5 g6+ 23.Kg5 Be3# 1 Chapter Alexander Petrov-Game 1 Game]

18.Kh4 Rf4+! 19.Kg5 Ne6+ 20.Kh5 g6+ 21.Kh6



Rh4+!! 22.gxh4 Be3# A pretty king hunt. A pretty king hunt. White did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=1.42/Black=0.02 (flawless) A pretty king hunt. White did not feel at home in the position after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=1.42/Black=0.02 (flawless)

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710 **C52**

□ **Chigorin,Mikhail**

■ **Lasker,Emanuel**

London (17) 21.06.1899

[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
Fischer,J: 'Tartakower: '500 Master Games of Chess by S. Tartakower and J. Du Mont
BOOK 2: SEMI-OPEN GAMES
16. French Defence
# 275
" **1.e4** Fischer,J **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 Bb6**

[7...exd4 Fischer,J]

8.a4 Fischer,J: 'Weiß tauscht seinen Läufer gegen den Springer, und hofft danach von der geschlossenen Stellung zu profitieren.'

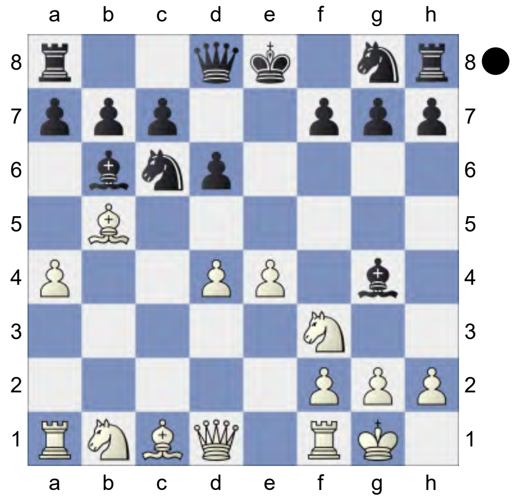
[8.dxe5 Fischer,J]

8...exd4

[8...Nf6 Fischer,J 9.Bb5 a6 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.a5 Ba7]

9.cxd4 Bg4 10.Bb5

[10.Bb2 Fischer,J Qf6 11.Ra3 Qg6]



a5 is the strong threat. Black is slightly better. **10...a6**

[10...Bxf3 Fischer,J 11.gxf3 Qf6 12.Be3 a6]

11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.a5

[12.Bb2 Fischer,J]

12...Ba7

[12...Bxf3 Fischer,J 13.gxf3 Ba7]

13.Be3 Ne7 14.Nc3 0-0 15.Qc2 -1.65/16

[15.h3∓ -0.73/15 Bh5 *(15...Bxf3* Fischer,J *16.Qxf3 f5)* 16.Re1]

15...Bxf3-+ 16.gxf3 f5 -1.22/16

[Black should play 16...Qd7-+ -1.65/18 Hoping for ...Ng6. 17.d5 Qh3]

[16...Ng6 Fischer,J]

17.f4

[17.Ne2 Fischer,J]

17...fxe4 Fischer,J: 'In dieser geschlossenen Stellung erweist sich das Läuferpaar als wenig nützlich. Die Läufer finden keine Angriffspunkte. Schwarz verlegt sich auf's Warten.'

18.Nxe4 Qd7 19.Ng3 Prevents Qf5

[19.Ng5 Fischer,J Qg4+ 20.Kh1 Qf5]

19...Kh8 20.Rac1 Rab8 21.Rfd1 -2.17/16

[21.Qe4 -1.66/17 is a better defense.]

[21.Qc4 Fischer,J Rb5 22.Bd2 d5 23.Qa4 Ng6 24.f5 Nh4]

21...Rb5 22.Qc3

[22.Qe4 Fischer,J]

22...Nd5 23.Qd2 c5 24.dxc5 Fischer,J: 'Die weißen Manöver wirken nicht sehr zielgerichtet. Die Bauernstellung am Königsflügel fordert einen Vormarsch des g-Bauern geradezu heraus.' **24...Nxe3 25.Qxe3** Fischer,J: 'Der Sinn dieser Schwächung, die dem Läufer das gute Feld d4 gibt, bleibt unklar.'

[25.fxe3 Fischer,J Bxc5]

25...Qf7 Fischer,J: 'Tartakower: "!"'

Fischer,J: 'Lasker wittert Morgenluft und gibt seine abwartende Haltung auf, um Drohungen am Damenflügel aufzustellen. '

[25...Rxc5 26.Rxc5 Qd8 *(26...Bxc5? 27.Qxc5 Rxf4 28.Qd5+-)* 27.Ne4∓]

[25...Bxc5 Fischer,J 26.Rxc5]

[25...Rxa5 Fischer,J 26.f5 Qc8 27.Qe7 Bxc5 28.Rc2 Rb5 29.Rcd2]

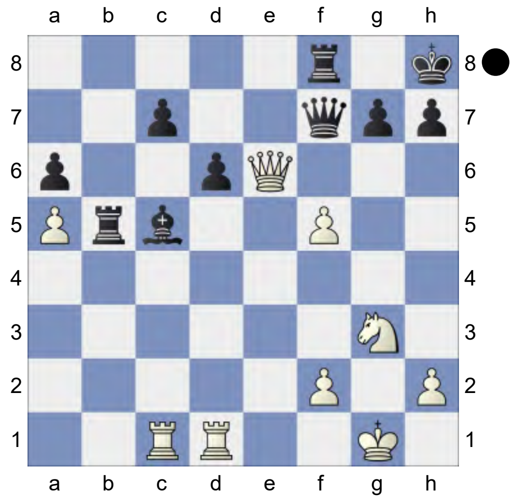
26.f5

[26.Ne4 Fischer,J Rxa5]

26...Bxc5 27.Qe6 -3.50/17

[⌓27.Qe2 -2.17/17]

[27.Qd2 Fischer,J Bb4]



27...Bxf2+! 28.Kh1

[28.Kg2 Bxg3]

28...Bxg3

[28...Rxa5? 29.Rxd6 Bxg3 30.Qxf7 Bxd6 31.Qd7 Raxf5 *(31...Rfxf5? 32.Qxd6 Rad5 33.Qe7+-)* 32.Rg1-+]

29.Qxf7 Rxf7 Fischer,J: 'Tartakower: "!"' **30.hxg3** Fischer,J: '?'Fischer,J: 'Eine Schwächung, die sich im weiteren Verlauf der Partie als fatal erweist. Besser war' **30...Rbxf5** Endgame KRR-KRR. Black is 3 pawns up. Fischer,J: '∓'

[Less strong is 30...Rfxf5 31.Rxd6 h6 *(31...Rh5+ 32.Kg2∓)* 32.Rxa6∓]

31.Rc6 h6

[Don't play 31...Rxa5 32.Rdxd6 h6 *(32...Ra1+? 33.Kg2-+)* 33.Rd2-+]

32.Rxa6 Fischer,J: 'Nur scheinbar stark. Schwarz kann den Bauern c6 leicht verteidigen und profitiert seinerseits von der geöffneten a-Linie.' **32...Rf1+ 33.Rxf1 Rxf1+** KR-KR. Black is two pawns up. Fischer,J: '-+'Fischer,J: 'Tartakower: "!"'Fischer,J: 'Lasker bleibt taktisch aufmerksam und sichert sich mit diesem Zug den Sieg.' **34.Kg2 Rc1** Fischer,J: '!'Fischer,J: 'Auf einmal sind die Läufer fürchterlich stark.' **35.Ra7 Kh7 36.Kf3 Kg6 37.a6 Ra1 38.Ra8**

[38.Rxc7 Fischer,J Rxa6]

38...Ra4 Fischer,J: 'Tartakower: "!"' **39.a7 Kg5 40.Rg8 Rxa7 41.Rxg7+ Kf6 42.Rh7 Ke5**

[42...Kg6 Fischer,J]

43.Rxh6 c5 44.Rh5+ Kd4 Fischer,J: '-+' **45.Rh1 c4 46.g4 d5 47.g5**

[47.Rd1+ Fischer,J Kc5!]

47...c3 48.Ke2 Ra2+ 49.Kf3 c2 50.g6 Ra6 51.Ke2 Kc3 52.Rg1 d4

[52...Re6+ Fischer,J]

53.g7 d3+ Fischer,J: '-+' **54.Kf3**

[54.Kf2 Fischer,J Ra8 Δ♘g6]

54...d2 Black mates. Fischer,J: '-+'

55.g8Q d1Q+

[55...c1R 56.Qc8+ Kb3 57.Qxa6+- *(57.Rxc1 dxc1Q 58.Qxc1 Kb4+-)*]

56.Ke4N Fischer,J: '↑' **56...Qd4+** Fischer,J: 'nebst Tg1, Tg2 macht einen sehr viel logischeren Eindruck als die Partiefortsetzung.'

[56...c1R 57.Qg7+ *(57.Rxd1 Ra4+ 58.Kf5 Rxd1±)* 57...Kc4 58.Qc7+ *(58.Rxd1 Rxd1 59.Qf7+ Kb4±)* 58...Kb5 59.Qe5+ *(59.Qxc1 Re6+ 60.Kf4 Qd4+ 61.Kf3 Rf6+ 62.Kg3 Rg6+* Skewer *63.Kf3 Rxg1 64.Qc7 Qg4+ 65.Ke3 Re1+ 66.Kd3 Qe2+ 67.Kc3 Rc1+* Skewer *68.Kd4 Rxc7*

69.Kd5 Rd7#) 59...Ka4 60.Qe8+ *(60.Rxd1 Rxd1 61.Qc5 Re6+ 62.Kf5 Ree1=)* 60...Ka3 61.Rxd1 Rxd1 62.Kf3=]

57.Kf3 Weighted Error Value: White=0.51/Black=0.12 (very precise) **57...Rf6+** Loss on time!?

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709 **C52**

☐ **Purdy,Cjs**

■ **Goldstein**

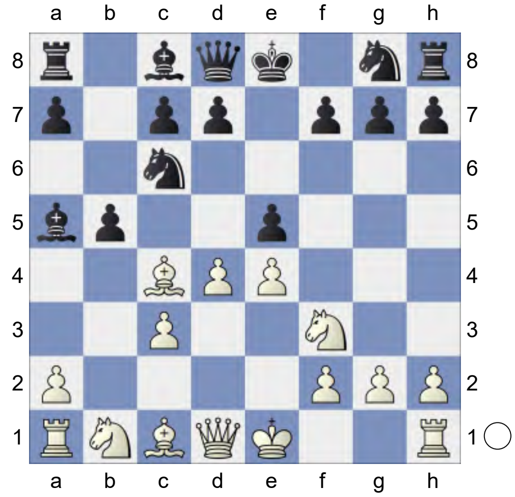
corr 1945

[Kitty Kat]

How Purdy Won C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Western Daily Mercury 29/11/1907: 'Western Daily Mercury 29/11/1907' **1.e4** Adhiban,Baskaran Western Daily Mercury 29/11/1907 **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4! b5**

[RR 6...d6 7.Qb3 Qd7 8.Nbd2 (RR *8.dxe5 Bb6)* 8...Bb6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Qc2 Ne7 11.dxe5 0-0 12.Ba3 Ng6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Nd4 Bc5 (RR *14...Rd8)* 15.Bb4 (RR *15.Bxc5 dxc5 16.Nf5)* 15...Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 d5 18.exd5 Qxd5 19.Rfd1 (RR *19.Rad1 Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Ne3 Qg5 22.Qf2 Bd7 23.f4 Qh4 24.Qxh4 Nxh4 25.f5 Rfe8 26.Rd3 Rcd8)* 19...Bg4 20.f3 Rac8 21.Rac1 Adhiban,B (2665)-Le,Q (2718) Toshkent 2016 CBM 173 [Adhiban, Baskaran] 0-1 (72) (RR *21.Ne3 Qg5 22.Qf2 Bd7)* RR 21...Ne5 22.Ne3]

[RR 6...exd4 7.0-0 Bxc3 8.Nxc3 dxc3 9.Qb3 Qe7 10.Ba3 d6 11.e5 Na5 12.Qa4+ Nc6 13.exd6 cxd6 14.Rfe1 Be6 15.Nd4 (RR *15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Rad1 Rd8 17.Ne5 Nf6 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Qxc6+ Kf7 20.Rxd6 Rxd6 21.Bxd6)* 15...0-0-0 16.Nxe6 Re8 17.Re2 fxe6 18.Rd1 Qg5 19.Rxe6 Nf6 20.Rdxd6 Rxe6 21.Rxe6 Avramoski,A (1449)-Trajkovska,M (1568) Skopje 2024 ½-½]



7.Bd5

[7.Bxb5 Nxd4 8.Nxe5 Nxb5 9.Qd5 Qf6 10.Qxb5 Bb6 11.f4 Rb8 12.Qd3 Ne7∞]

7...exd4

[7...Nf6 8.dxe5 Nxd5 9.exd5 Ne7 10.0-0 h6 11.d6 Ng6 12.Ba3 Bb7 13.Re1 Nf4 14.Bc1 Ne6 15.Nd4 a6 16.Nf5 Bb6 17.a4 Ba7 18.dxc7 Qxc7 19.Nd6+ Kf8 20.Qh5 Nd8 21.axb5 axb5 22.Ba3 1-0 Frayna,J (2306)-Shukhman,A (2061) Wch Blitz (Women) 2022 (3)]

[7...Nge7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bg5 exd4 10.Nxd4 Bb7 11.Nf5 Re8 12.Qh5 g6 13.Nh6+ Kg7 14.Qf3 f5 15.exf5 Ne5 16.Qf4 Nxd5 17.Qh4 Nf6 18.Nd2 Bxc3 19.Rad1 Nf7 20.fxg6 hxg6 21.f4 Nxg5 22.fxg5 1-0 Germanovs,G (2255)-Anandh,V (2046) Titled Tuesday intern op 11th

Mar Early blitz 2025 (4)]

8.Nxd4N -0.57/21 Possibly superior to 8 Qb3 of Breyer-Schlechter

[8.Qb3!?= -0.13/18 Qf6 9.e5 Qg6 10.Ng5 Nh6 11.e6↑ Molina-Molinari/corr/1974/75/]

[RR 8.0-0 dxc3 9.Qb3 Qf6 10.e5 Qg6 11.Nxc3 Bxc3 12.Qxc3 Nge7 13.Bb3 0-0 14.Bb2 b4 15.Qd2 d5 16.exd6 Qxd6 17.Qxd6 cxd6 18.Rfd1 Rd8 19.Nd4 Nxd4 20.Rxd4 a5 21.Rad1 d5 22.a3 a4 Treybal,K-Daniel,A corr 1907 UltraCorrX [Western Daily Mercury 29/11/1907] ½-½ ½-½ Treybal,K-Daniel,A Anglo-Bohemia rematch 1907-8 (13.2)]

8...Qf6 -0.18/22

[8...Nge7∓ -0.57/21 9.Bg5 f6]

9.0-0 Black must now prevent e5.

9...Nge7 Strongly threatening ...Nxd5.

10.Nxb5!

[10.e5 Qg6 11.f4 Bb6? *(11...Nxd4 12.Bxa8 Nc2* is correct) 12.Kh1! *(12.f5? Nxd4 13.fxg6 Ne2+ 14.Kh1 Ng3+ 15.hxg3 hxg6+-+* Leonhardt *)* 12...Nxd4 13.Bxa8 Nc2 14.g4! Purdy in Chess World, 1948]

10...0-0

[10...Ba6 11.a4!]

[10...a6 11.N5a3 Bxc3 might equalise - Purdy]

11.Be3 a6 -0.16/21

[11...Ba6∓ -0.54/18 12.Qa4 Rab8]

12.Nd4= Bb6 0.06/12

[12...Nxd5!?∓ -0.54/11 13.exd5 Ne7 *(13...Ne5 14.Nd2! d6 15.N4b3 Bb6 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.f4 Ng6 18.Qf3; 13...Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Qf5)* 14.c4 Nf5 15.Nxf5 Qxf5 *(15...Qxa1? 16.Bd4 Qxa2 17.Qg4+-)* 16.Nd2 Rb8∞]

13.Nc2!± Rb8 0.06/18

[13...Nxd5∓ -0.31/3 14.exd5 Ne5]

14.Bxb6 Rxb6 15.Ne3 d6 16.Qc2 Be6 0.51/10

[16...Ne5= 0.15/20]

17.Nd2 0.08/15

[17.f4± 0.51/10 is more appropriate.]

17...Rfb8 0.57/15

[17...Ne5= 0.08/15]

18.f4± Rb2 19.Qd3 Na5 Prevents Bb3

20.f5 -0.13/4

[20.h3± 0.48/19]

20...Nxd5= 21.exd5

[21.Nd1 feels hotter. Ne3 22.Qxe3 Nc4 23.Nxc4 Bxc4 24.Nxb2 Bxf1 25.Qa7]

21...Bc8 1.66/18

[21...Bd7= 0.06/15]

22.Rae1 0.23/16

[22.Ne4+- 1.66/18 Qh4 23.Nd1]

22...Qd8 2.22/5

[22...Rxa2 23.Ng4 Qd8 24.Qg3 Kh8 25.f6→]

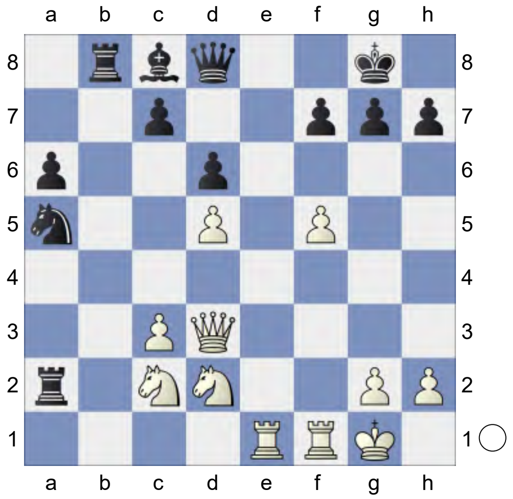
[22...Bd7!= 0.23/16 and Black has nothing to worry.]

23.Nc2 1.14/11

[Better is 23.f6!+- 2.22/5]

23...Rxa2 2.07/19

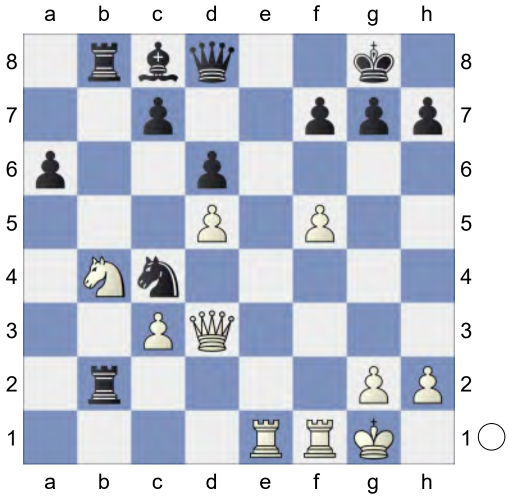
[23...f6± 1.14/11]



24.Nb4!+- Rb2 25.Nc4→ Deflection. White goes for the king.

[25.Nxa6? Bxa6 *(25...Rxd2? 26.Qxd2 Bxa6 27.Rf4-+)* 26.Qxa6 Rxd2-+]

25...Nxc4



26.Nc6 Double Attack **26...Qf8**

[26...Ne5? 27.Nxd8 *(27.Nxe5? dxe5 28.Rxe5 f6-+)* 27...Bd7 28.Rxe5 *(28.Qxa6 Rxd8 29.Qa7 Rbb8+-)* 28...dxe5 29.Ne6 fxe6 30.fxe6+-]

27.Qxc4

[27.Nxb8? perishes. Ne5 28.Rxe5 dxe5∓]

27...Bd7

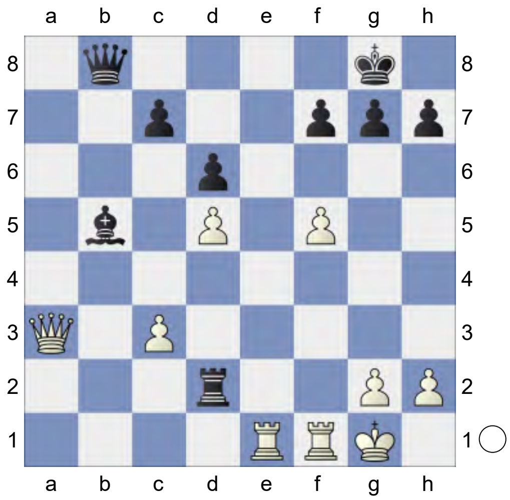
[27...R8b6 28.Ne7+ Kh8 29.Ng6+! hxg6 *(29...fxg6 30.fxg6 Qg8 31.gxh7 Qd8 32.Qd3 Bd7 33.Qg6+-)* 30.fxg6 Qd8 31.Qh4+! Qxh4 32.Re8#]

28.Nxb8 Qxb8 29.Qxa6 Bb5 30.Qa3 Rd2 4.78/18

[Not 30...Bxf1? 31.Qxb2! Bb5 32.c4 Qb6+ 33.Qf2+- Qxf2+ 34.Kxf2+-]

[⌓30...Bd7 3.28/19 31.Qxb2 Qxb2]

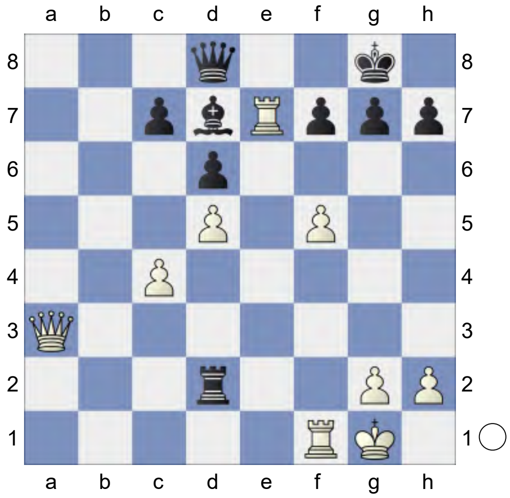
(Diagram)



31.c4! White is clearly winning. **31...Bd7**

[31...Bxc4 32.Qe3+-]

32.Re7 Qd8



Weighted Error Value: White=0.24 (precise) /Black=0.56 **33.Rxd7!** Deflection, Back Rank

1-0

711 **C50**

☐ **Nezhmetdinov,Rashid**

■ **Baskin**

Moldavia 1948

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4** John Watson

Spitzenberger,E Gutman,Lev **1...e5** Opening = C50 - Italienische Partie / Italian Opening **2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4** out of book **5...Bxd4**

[RR 5...exd4 6.e5 d5 7.exf6 dxc4]

6.Nxd4 White gets in control **6...Nxd4 7.f4 d6**

[≤7...Nxe4 8.fxe5 Ne6 9.Qf3±]

8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 c6N

[9...0-0!?∓ 0.00/21 9...Qe7 -0.58]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 (RR *11...Nc6*) 12.Bxf6 (RR *12.Nxc4 Ne6 13.Bxf6 Qc5+ 14.Kh1 Qxc4 15.Bxe5 0-0*) 12...gxf6 13.Nxc4 Qc5 (RR *13...Ne6*) 14.cxd4 Qxc4

A) RR 15.dxe5 Rd8 (RR *15...fxe5 16.Rc1 Qe6 17.Qh5 0-0 18.Rf3 c6 19.Rh3 h6 20.Rf1*) 16.Qg4 Qd4+ 17.Rf2 Qxe5 18.Raf1 Qg5 19.Qh3 (RR *19.Qxg5 fxg5 20.Rxf7 Rd7 21.Rxd7 Kxd7 22.Rf7+ Kd6 23.Kf2 Re8 24.Ke3 Re7*) 19...Qc5 20.Qg4 (RR *20.Qg3 Rd6 21.Qg7 Rf8*) 20...Qg5;

B) 15.Rc1 Qxd4+ 16.Qxd4 exd4 17.Rxc7 0-0 18.Rxf6 Rae8 (RR *18...d3 19.Kf2 Rad8 20.Ke1 Rde8 21.Kd2 Rxe4 22.Kxd3 Rb4 23.b3*) 19.Rf4 b6 20.Rxa7 Rc8 21.h3 (RR *21.e5 Rc2 22.Rg4+ Kh8 23.Rxd4 Rxb2 24.Rdd7 Re2 25.Re7 Kg8 26.h3*) 21...Rc2 22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Kxf2 Rc8 24.b3 Luther,T (2537)-Ovsejevitsch,S (2580) Ditzingen 2009 EXT 2010 [Gutman,Lev] ½-½ (41)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nxc4 Ne6 14.Ne3 (*14.b4 Rd8 15.Qc2 Rg8 16.Ne3 Nf4 17.Rad1 Qe6 18.Qa4+ Qc6 19.Rxd8+ Kxd8 20.Rd1+ Ke7 21.Qxc6 bxc6 22.Kf2 Ke6 23.Kf3 h5 24.h4* ½-½ Engedal,K (2561)-3.♘d2 g6 4.♘gf3 ♗g7 5.e2 (2542) Oklahoma State-ch 2006 (11.3)) 14...Qc5 15.Qe1 (RR *15.Qd2*) 15...0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 (RR *20...Qc4 21.Nxe6 Qxe6*) 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) Burg 2008 Mega2023 Update 09 [Spitzenberger,E] 0-1 (38) Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

[RR 9...Be6 10.Na3 Qe7 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 Nc6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Kh1 Rg8 15.Ne3 Qd7 (RR *15...Qe6 16.Qf3 0-0-0 17.Nd5 Rg7 18.Qxf6 Qg4 19.Qf5+ Qxf5 20.Rxf5 Rd7 21.Raf1 b6*) 16.Qxd7+ Kxd7 17.Rxf6 Raf8 18.Raf1 Nd8 19.R1f5 Re8 20.Nc4 Kc8 21.h3 Rg6 22.g4 b5 23.Rxg6 hxg6 24.Rxe5 9.0-0 ♗e6 10. ♖d1 ♘b4 (2097)-Jaenisch Gambit (2112) England 2023 Steinitz/Chigorin [John Watson] 1-0 (46)]

[9...Qe7 simplifies 10.Qd3 Be6 11.Bxe6 Nxe6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Nc3 c6]

10.Qd3??-+

[⌓10.c3 b5 0.57/25 (*10...Ne6!∓* -0.47/21 *11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bxf6+ gxf6*) 11.Bxf7+!± (*≤11.cxd4* -0.04/24 11.Bxf7+ 0.58 *bxc4 12.Bxf6 gxf6∓*) 11...Kxf7 12.cxd4=]

10...Bg4∓ 0.43/21

[10...Qb6 0.00/22 10...b5 -0.58 11.Kh1 Threatens to win with Nd2. Qxb2∓ 0.87/19 (*11...Be6=* 0.00/22 keeps the balance.)]

[10...b5∓ -0.59/23 11.Bb3 0-0]

11.Nc3 -0.24/21

[11.Qg3± 0.43/21]

11...b5 0.34/21

[Black should try 11...Qe7= -0.24/21]

12.Qg3!± Qb6= 1.00/20

[12...bxc4± 0.34/25 13.Bxf6 Qb6 Hoping for ...Ne2+. 14.Qxg4 0.16/21 (White should play *14.Kh1!±* 0.73/24 *gxf6 15.Qxg4 Qxb2 16.Qh3*) 14...h5!=]

13.Be3± Qc5 1.78/22

[13...bxc4 2.06/15 13...Qb8 1.17 14.Qxe5+ Be6 15.Bxd4 Qxb2? 5.30/17 (*15...Qb8* 1.95/18 *16.Qc5 Ng4*) 16.Nd5 Qxc2? 8.68/15 (*16...Qb8* 3.90/17) 17.Qd6+- cxd5 18.Bc5+-]

[13...Qb8± 0.84/20]

14.Bd5

[14.Bxf7+ Kxf7 15.Qxg4 Rhf8=]

14...0-0-0± 2.31/21

[14...Qe7? 3.26/20 14...0-0 1.63 15.Bxd4

A) 15...Nxd5? 4.42/18 15...cxd5 3.15

A1) 16.Qxe5?! -0.03/19 16.exd5 4.56 Qxe5 17.Bxe5 Ne3= 0.25/20 (*17...Nxc3* -0.12/21 was preferable. *18.Bxc3 f6*);

A2) 16.Bxe5?! Ne3±;

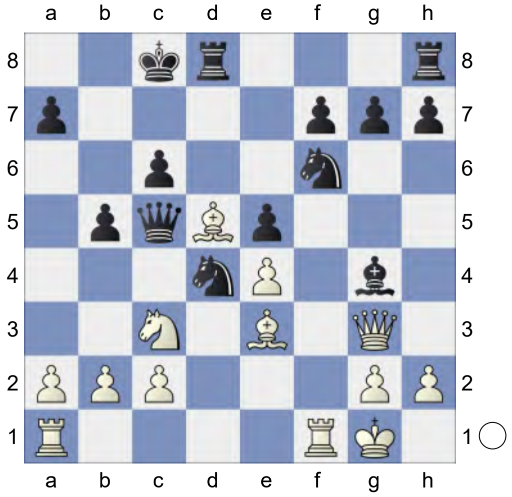
A3) 16.Nxd5 cxd5 17.Qxg4 exd4 18.Qxg7 Rf8 19.exd5 Qe3+ 20.Kh1 0-0-0+-;

A4) 16.exd5 exd4 17.Rae1+-;

B) 15...cxd5 16.Bxe5 Qc5+ (*16...Nxe4? 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Bxg7+-*) 17.Rf2 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Bxg7 e3+-]

[14...cxd5? 15.Qxe5+ Qe7 16.Qxd4+-]

[14...0-0± 1.54/19 15.Rxf6 (*15.Qxe5 Ne2+* Discovered Attack *16.Kf2 Qb4=*) 15...Qxc3 Remove Defender 16.bxc3 (*16.Bxf7+? Rxf7 17.Rxf7 Ne2+ 18.Kf2 Nxg3-+*) 16...Ne2+ 17.Kf2 Nxg3 18.Rxc6 Nh5]

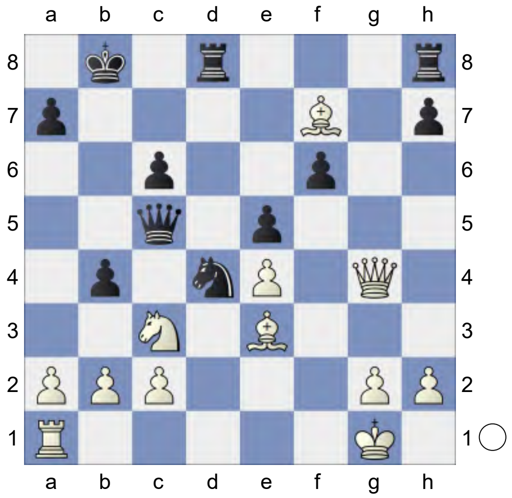


15.Rxf6!+- Remove Defender

[15.Bxf7? Qxc3! 16.bxc3 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 Nxg3+ 18.hxg3 Rd7-+]

15...gxf6 16.Qxg4+ f5+-

[16...Kb8 17.Bxf7 b4 2.26/19 (*17...h5±* 1.45/19 *18.Qg6 b4*)



18.Ne2± 0.78/18 (*18.Na4!+-* 2.26/19 and the rest is easy. *Qxc2 19.Bb3 Nxb3 20.axb3*)]

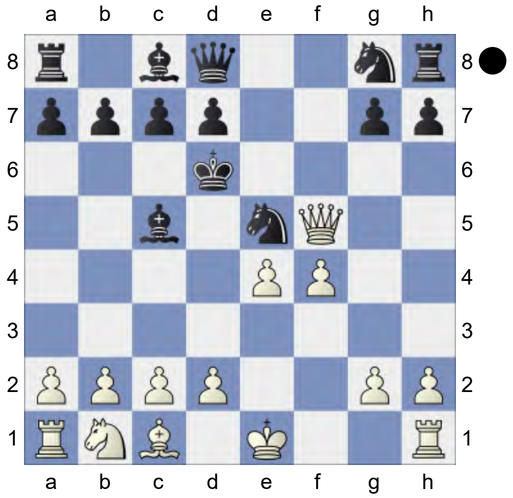
17.Qxf5+!

[17.exf5 cxd5 18.f6+ Kb8∓]

17...Nxf5
[17...Rd7 18.Bb3±]
18.Bxc5 cxd5 19.exf5 a6 20.Kf2
[20.Re1 Rhe8+-]
20...Rhg8
[20...Kb7 21.a4 bxa4 22.Rxa4+-]
21.a4 bxa4 22.Rxa4
[Don't do 22.Nxa4 Kd7 23.h3 Kc6+-]
22...Kb7 23.Rb4+ Kc6
[23...Kc8 24.Rh4 Rg7 25.f6+-]
24.Rb6+! Kxc5 #3/17
[24...Kc7+- 4.93/19 25.Rxa6 *(25.Rf6 Kb7 26.Rxf7+ Kc6)* 25...Kb7 *(25...Rg4+-)* 26.Rb6+ Ka8+-]
25.Na4+ White mates. **25...Kc4 26.b3+ Kd4** White took control after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.20 (precise) /Black=0.79 **27.Rb4#**
1-0

713 **C50**
☐ **Jerome,A W**
■ **Norton,D P**
corr 1876
[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo Main notes are from Melbourne paper but GA MacDonnell also published it in ISDN for 3 Sept 1881 - he has got it from Adelaide Observer. 'A very interesting game played by correspondence a short time ago between Messrs H. Charlick and J. Mann.' The variations preceded by "RR" were given by Gary Lane in an internet article on the Jerome Gambit at www.chesscafe.com in 2008. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.Bxf7+ Kxf7 5.Nxe5+ Nxe5 6.Qh5+ Ke6**
[6...Ng6 7.Qd5+ Ke8 8.Qxc5 d6 9.Qe3 Nf6 10.d4 Qe7 11.0-0 Ng4 12.Qe2 Qh4 13.h3 Nf6 14.f4 Nh5 15.Qf2 Qxf2+ 16.Rxf2 Rf8 17.f5 Ne7 18.c4 c6 19.g4 Nf6 20.Nc3 d5 21.e5 1-0 Charlick,H-Mann,J corr Australia 2004]
7.Qf5+ Kd6 8.f4



Black has a decisive advantage.
8...Nf3+N -0.45/17
[8...Qf6 9.fxe5+ Qxe5 10.Qf3 Nf6 11.d3 Kc6 12.Nc3 d6 13.Bf4 *(13.h3 Qh5 14.Qg3 Be6 15.Ne2 Raf8 16.Nf4 Qe5 17.Qxg7 Bf5 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Qxe5 dxe5 20.exd5+ Kxd5 21.Bh6 Rf7 22.g4 Be6 23.0-0-0 Rf3* Jerome,A-Charles,S corr_167204 1881 *)* 13...Qh5 7. Italian Game: Move 4 Sidel-Jerome Gambit]
9.Kf1? -3.12/18
[Only move: 9.gxf3∓ -0.45/17 Qh4+ 10.Kd1]
9...c6 10.gxf3 Qe7 Inhibits Qe5+.
11.b4

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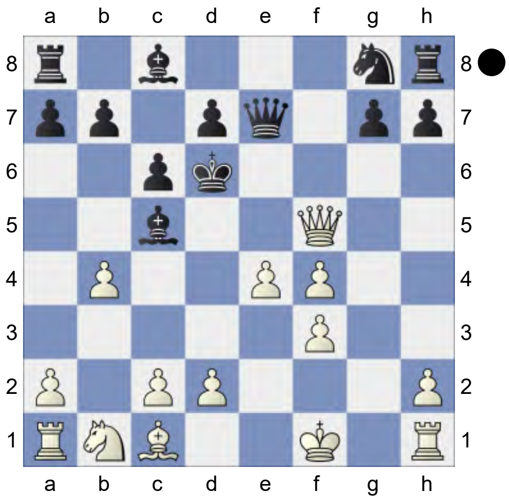


Bb6? -0.89/15

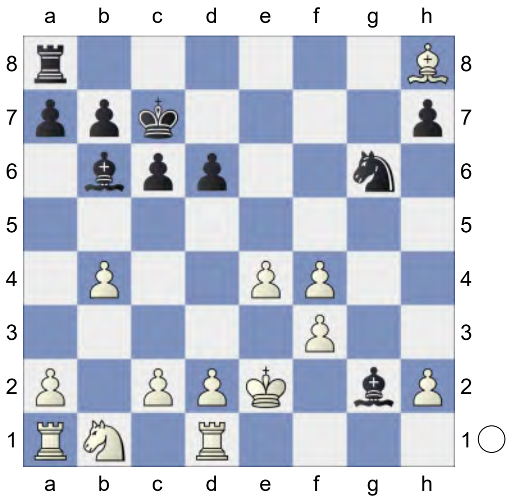
[11...Bxb4 12.c3⩲]

[11...Bd4!-+ -2.64/25 is more deadly. 12.c3 g6 13.e5+ Kc7]

12.Bb2∓ Intending Be5+ and mate. **12...Kc7 13.Qe5+ Qxe5 14.Bxe5+ d6 15.Bxg7 Bh3+ 16.Ke2** and a4! would now be decisive **16...Bg2?** 0.52/21

[16...Ne7!∓ -1.15/25 Threatens to win with ...Rhg8. 17.Bxh8 Rxh8]

17.Rd1⩲ Ne7! 18.Bxh8 Ng6



Double Attack **19.d4! Rxh8 20.Kf2** -0.94/20

[20.Ke3⩲ 0.47/18]

Black continues to play with concentration. **20...Nxf4∓ 21.c3** -1.57/20

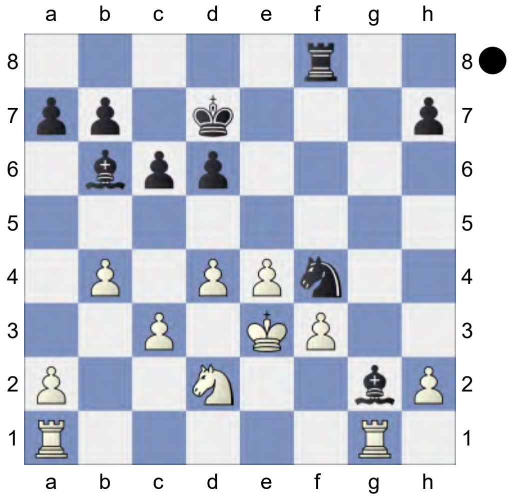
[⌓21.Nc3 -0.85/18]

21...Rg8↑ Black has strong compensation. Keeping White busy. **22.Nd2 Kd7 23.Ke3 Rf8** -1.14/20 Black is much more active.

[⌓23...Nh3 -1.54/19 24.b5 Bd8 *(24...cxb5 25.Rab1∓)*]

24.Rg1 -1.86/19

[24.Rab1∓ -1.14/20]



24...Bd8!-+ 25.Kf2 -2.56/19

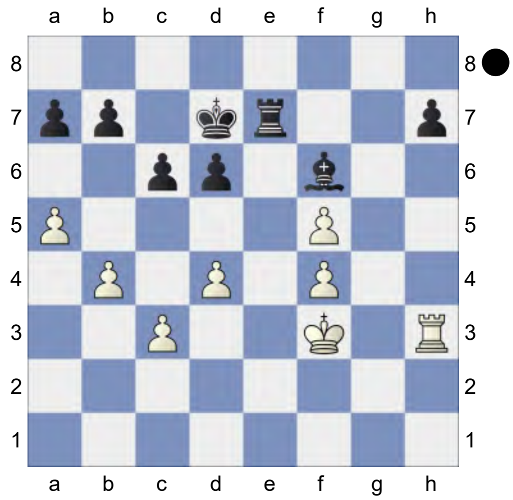
[25.Nc4∓ -1.42/17]

25...Rg8 26.Ke3 Nh3 27.f4 Nxg1 28.Rxg1 Rg4 29.Nf1 Bh3 30.Ng3 Rh4 31.Nf5 Bxf5 Discovered Attack **32.exf5** Endgame KRB-KR **32...Bf6** Wards off Rg7+

[Not 32...Rxh2 33.Rg7+ Kc8 34.Rf7-+]

33.Rg3 Rxh2 34.a4 Rh1 35.a5 Re1+ 36.Kf3 Re7 37.Rh3

(Diagram)



c5! 38.bxc5

[38.Rh6 Rf7]

38...dxc5 Black is clearly winning. **39.Rh6 cxd4 40.cxd4 Bxd4 41.f6 Rf7 42.Ke4** Weighted Error Value: White=0.35/Black=0.37 **42...Bxf6**

0-1

712 **C51**

☐ Tal,Mihail

■ Brakmanis Milijs

Latvia 01.03.1959

[Kitty Kat]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Be7**

[5...Bc5]

6.d4

[6.Qb3 Nh6 7.d4 Na5 8.Qb5 Nxc4 9.Bxh6 Nd6 10.Qxe5 f6 11.Qh5+ g6 12.Qh4≌]

6...Nf6 0.80/21 ?!

[6...Na5= -0.25/18 7.Nxe5 *(7.Bd3 d6)* 7...Nxc4 8.Nxc4 d5 9.exd5 Qxd5 10.Ne3⩲]

7.dxe5± Ng4

[7...Nxe4? 8.Qd5 0-0 9.Qxe4+-]

8.Qd5 0-0 White is slightly better. **9.h3 Nh6 10.0-0**

[10.Qd3 simplifies Kh8 11.0-0 d6 12.exd6 Bxd6]

10...d6 11.exd6 cxd6 1.18/17 ?!

[11...Qxd6⩲ 0.54/16

A) 12.Qxd6 cxd6 *(12...Bxd6)* 13.g4 Kh8 14.Na3 Ng8 =;

B) 12.Qh5 Qg6 13.Qxg6 hxg6 14.Bf4 Na5 ! *(14...Bd6 15.Bxd6 ! cxd6 16.Rd1 Rd8 17.Na3 a6 18.Bd5* 'with the idea' 19.Nc4$16*)* 15.Be2 Bd6 *(15...c5 16.Na3 f5* ?! *17.Bg5±)* 16.e5 !? *(16.Bxd6 cxd6 17.Rd1 Rd8 18.e5 Be6⩱; 16.Bxd6 cxd6 17.Rd1 Rd8 18.g4 Kf8⩱; 16.Bxd6 cxd6 17.Rd1 Rd8 18.Na3 Be6 19.Nb5 Rac8)* 16...Be7 17.Nbd2 Be6 18.Bg5 Rfe8 *(18...Bxg5 19.Nxg5 Rfd8 20.Rfd1 Bf5* ! *21.Nc4* ! *Nc6 22.Bf3⩲)* 19.Rfd1 *(19.Bxe7* ?! *Rxe7 20.Rfd1 Nc6⩱)* 19...Kf8 *(19...Rad8* ? *20.Bxe7 Rxe7 21.Nb3 Nc6 22.Na5±* ! 'with the idea' 22... Rd1 23.Rd1 Na5?? 24.Rd8 Kh7 25.Ng5#*)* 20.g4 Red8 21.Ne4 Bd5 *(21...Ng8⩲)* 22.Nf6 ! Bc4 23.Bxc4 Nxc4 24.Nd7+ Ke8 25.Rd4⩲]

[11...Bxd6 12.Nd4 *(12.Bg5 Qe8* ? *13.Bb5 Be6 14.Qd2 a6 15.Bxc6 Qxc6 16.e5±; 12.Bg5 Be7 13.Bf4 Bd6 14.Bxd6 cxd6* = *)* 12...Qf6 13.Qg5 *(13.Bg5* ? *Qg6 14.f4 Kh8⩱; 13.Nxc6 Be6∞)* 13...Qe5 14.Qxe5 Nxe5 15.Be2 a6⩲]

12.Qh5 Qa5 13.Bd5↑ Keeping Black busy. **13...Be6** Dodges c4 **14.Rd1 Rfe8 15.Bf4** ?!

[15.g4 ?! Bf8 16.g5 g6 17.Qh4 Nf5∓]

[15.Bxh6? ! gxh6 *(15...g6-+)* 16.Qxh6 Bf8 17.Qh5 *(17.Qh4 Bg7*

18.Ng5 h6 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Bxc6 bxc6 21.Rxd6 Rad8 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 ?! *23.Na3* ! *Bxc3 24.Rb1↑; 17.Qh4 Bg7 18.Ng5 h6 19.Nxe6 fxe6 20.Bxc6 bxc6 21.Rxd6 Rad8 22.Rxd8 Qxd8* !) 17...h6 (*17...Bg7 18.Ng5 h6 19.Bxe6±*) 18.Nh4 Ne7 19.Rd3±]

15...Rad8 16.Nbd2 Qxc3 1.84/11

[16...Bxd5± 1.23/6 17.exd5 Ne5 18.Nxe5 dxe5]

17.g4? 0.29/4

[17.Rab1+- 1.84/11]

17...Qf6

[17...Bf8 ? 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.g5+-]

18.Be3 Bxd5 19.exd5 0.59/18

[19.g5!+- 1.61/23 Qb2 (*19...Qe6 20.exd5 Qxd5 21.Nf1=*) 20.exd5 (*20.gxh6 Bxa2 21.hxg7 a5∓*)]

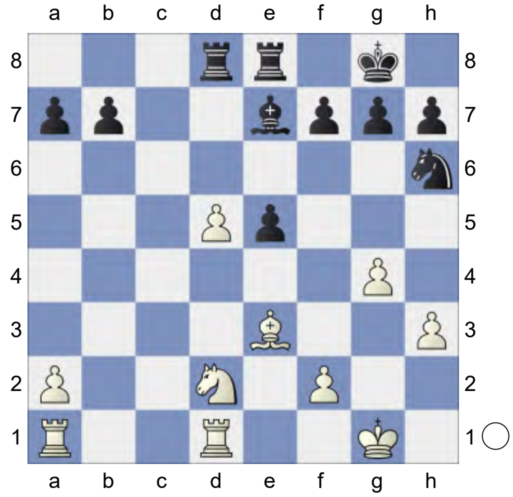
19...Ne5⩲ 20.Nxe5

[20.g5 Nxf3+ 21.Nxf3 Qf5 22.Nd4 (*22.Nh4* ? *Qxh3*) 22...Qxd5]

20...Qxe5

[20...dxe5 ? 21.g5 Qf5 22.Nf1 'with the idea' Ng3$18]

21.Qxe5 dxe5



22.Bxh6! gxh6 23.Ne4=∞ Kg7 ?!

[23...Bg5 ?! 24.d6 b6 25.Rd5 ! 'with the idea' 26.a4$16]

[23...Rf8 24.Ng3⩲]

[23...f5 ! 24.gxf5 Rf8 25.Rac1 Rxf5 26.Rc7 (*26.d6 Bh4* =) 26...Rf4 27.Rxe7 Rxe4 28.Rxb7 (*28.d6 Rd4 29.Rxd4 exd4 30.d7 Kf8 31.Rxh7 Kg8* =) 28...Rd4 29.Rc1 (*29.Rxd4 exd4 30.Rxa7 Rxd5* =) 29...R4xd5 30.Rcc7 (*30.Rxa7 Rd1+* =) 30...a5 (*30...Ra5⩲*) 31.Rg7+ Kf8 32.Rxh7 Kg8 33.Rxh6 R8d7 34.Rxd7 Rxd7 35.Ra6 Rd5 36.Kf1 e4 37.Ke2 Rd3 38.Rxa5 Rxh3 39.Ra7⩲]

24.d6 White has compensation. **24...Bf8** ?!

[24...Bg5 %03'better is' 'with the idea' Kg6, f5]

25.Rac1± And now d7 would win.

25...Rd7 1.56/14

[25...Re6⩲ 0.48/21]

26.Kg2 Red8 27.Rc7 0.89/7

[27.Rc5+- 1.87/19]

27...b6 1.40/2

[27...Rxc7 28.dxc7 Rc8 29.Rd7 Bb4 30.Kf3 'with the idea' 30... Ba5? 31. Nd6 Rc7 32.Ne8$18 Kg6 31.h4±]

[⌓27...Kg6 0.89/7]

28.Rd3 0.64/4 ! White has more active pieces.

[White should try 28.h4± 1.40/2]

Black cannot hold the game after this.

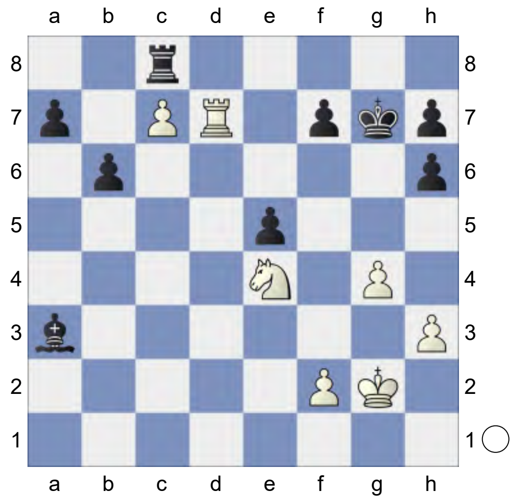
28...Rxc7?? 4.46/3

[28...f6 29.Rxd7+ (*29.Rf3* ? *Rxc7 30.dxc7 Rc8 31.Nxf6 e4 32.Nh5+ Kg8⩲*) 29...Rxd7 30.Rf3 Rf7 31.Rc3 'with the idea' 32.Rc7$18]

[28...Kg6⩲ 0.64/4 29.Ra3 a5 30.Rf3 Rxc7 31.dxc7 Rc8 32.Rf6+ Kg7 33.Rc6 Bb4 34.a3 Bxa3 35.Nc3+-]

29.dxc7 Endgame KRB-KRN. Black is a pawn up. **29...Rc8 30.Rd7 Bb4 31.a3** ! Deflection **31...Bxa3**

(Diagram)



32.Nc3! a5 4.47/21

[32...Bd6 3.08/19 keeps fighting. 33.Nb5 Bxc7 34.Nxa7+- !]

33.Nb5 Bb2 34.Nd6 Rxc7 35.Rxc7 Intending Nf5+ and mate. **35...a4 36.Nf5+N** White mates. **36...Kg6 37.Rc6+ f6 38.Rc7 Kg5** Weighted Error Value: White=0.23 (precise) / Black=0.62 **39.Kg3**

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☐ **Reference & Interesting Games**

■ **Mamedov,Rau (2637) - Smiri**

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.e5 d5 7.Be2 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+**

[8...Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Be3 Nxc3 12.bxc3 f6 13.exf6 Qxf6 14.a4 Rae8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.Ne5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qe6 18.f4 Nf5 19.g4 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Qd6 21.Kg2 c5 22.Rb5 cxd4 23.cxd4 17.Bg5 Bg7 18.Qd2 Qe7 (2591)-Vas,P (2361) Boñar 2023 Schallopp-Riemann [John Watson] 1-0 (56)]

9.Nbd2N

[9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 f6 12.a3 *(12.Rc1 Kh8 13.Nb3 Bg4 14.a3 Be7 15.Re1 fxe5 16.dxe5 Rf4 17.h3 Bh5 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.Rxc5 d4 20.e6 Bg6 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Ng5 Ne7 23.Bxg6 hxg6 24.Ne4 Qxe6 25.Ng5 Qf6 26.Re6 Qf8* Lalitaditaayyanar,B (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Belgrade 2013 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Michalczak] 1-0 *27.Rxg6 Rh4 28.Ne6* 1-0 (28) Srihari,L (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11. ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Skopje 2013 200 Traps In The Opening [Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]*)* 12...Ba5 13.Bb5 Ne7 14.Qc2 Bf5 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Ng6 17.g3 c5 18.b4 cxb4 19.Nb3 bxa3 20.Nxa5 Qxa5 21.Qb3 fxe5 22.Rxa3 Qd8 23.dxe5 Qd7 15.Nc4 0-0 16.Qe5 Rab8 (2705)-Warlick,J (2723) corr ICCF 2011 CBM 160 Extra [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001] 0-1 (36)]

9...0-0 10.0-0 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 The position is equal. **12.Nb3 f6 13.exf6** -0.42/18

[Better is 13.Be3= 0.14/19]

13...Qxf6∓ 14.Be3 Rae8 15.Nc5 -0.70/21 Prevents Qf6-e6.

[15.a3 -0.31/19 deserves consideration. Bd6 16.Nc5]

15...Bxc5

[15...Ng3!? 16.fxg3 Rxe3∓]

16.dxc5 Qxb2 White must now prevent ...Ne4-c3. **17.Qxd5+** -1.46/22

[White should try 17.Rb1∓ -0.34/24 Qxa2 18.Ra1]

17...Bf7∓ 18.Qd3 Nc3↑ Prevents Qd3-b5. Black is really pushing. Pair of Knights!

[18...Bxa2 19.Qb5 Qxb5 20.Bxb5=]

19.Rae1? -4.36/25

[19.Rfb1∓ -1.04/23 Nxe2+ 20.Kh1]

19...Rd8-+ 20.Bc1 Nxe2+

[Weaker is 20...Rxd3 21.Bxb2 Nxe2+ 22.Rxe2∓]

21.Qxe2 Qxe2 22.Rxe2 Bc4 23.Ree1 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Rd3 25.Be3 Ra3 26.Rb1 Na5

[Wrong is 26...Rxa2? 27.Rxb7 Rf7 28.Nd4 Nxd4 29.Bxd4-+]

27.Rd1 h6 28.Ne5 Re8 29.Ng6 Nc4 30.Bf4 c6 31.Rd7 Rxa2 -2.01/20

[⌓31...Kh7 -3.58/22 32.Nh4 Rf8]

32.Rxb7? -3.59/24

[32.Ne7+ -2.01/20 Kf7 33.Nxc6+ Ke6 34.Rxb7]

32...a5 -2.02/20

[⌓32...Kh7 -3.59/24 33.Ne7 Rf8]

33.Ne7+ Kh7 34.Nf5 -2.22/24

[34.g4∓ -1.58/22 was necessary.]

34...Rg8? 0.59/24

[34...Re1+-+ -2.22/24 35.Kh2 Kg6]

35.g4? -1.09/22

[35.Bxh6!± 0.59/24 is the one way to stay ahead. Ra1+ 36.Kh2]

35...a4? 0.42/23

[35...Kh8∓ -1.09/22 Threatens to win with ...a5-a4. 36.Ne7 Re8 37.Ng6+ Kh7]

36.Bxh6!± Rb2 37.Ra7 -0.01/23

[37.Rc7!± 0.45/23]

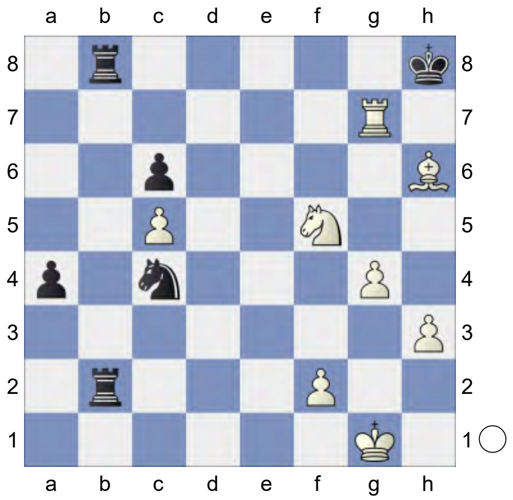
37...Rgb8? 2.53/27

[37...Rb1+ 38.Kg2 Rbb8 39.Bxg7=]

[37...Rb5!= -0.01/23 and Black stays safe. 38.Bxg7 Ra5]

38.Rxg7++- Kh8

(Diagram)



39.Ne7? 0.91/24

[39.Nh4!+- 2.71/23 and the rest is easy. Ne5 40.Re7]

39...Ne5± aiming for ...a4-a3. **40.Rg5?** -6.30/23

[40.g5± 1.10/22 Rb1+ 41.Kg2]

40...a3?? #7/16 **41.Bg7+ Kh7 42.Bxe5**

Weighted Error Value: White=0.75/Black=0.77

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726 **C50**

☐ **Van Scheltinga,Theo D**

■ **Van der Tol,J.**

corr 1941

[Kitty Kat]

C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d4 Bxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.f4 d6 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.Bg5 Be6 10.Bxf6**

[⌓10.Na3!? Qe7

A) 11.c3 Bxc4 12.Nxc4 -0.28/24 (White should play *12.Bxf6* 0.22/24 *gxf6 13.Nxc4*) 12...Ne6= 13.Bxf6 Qc5+!= Mestel-Szmetan, Buenos Aires ol 1978Van der Tak: 'Mestel-Szmetan, Buenos Aires ol 1978';

B) 11.Bxf6! gxf6 12.c3 Bxc4 13.Nxc4 Ne6 see Harris-Isaacs Van der Tak: 'see Harris-Isaacs' *(13...Qc5 14.cxd4 Qxc4 15.Rc1 Qxd4+ 16.Qxd4 exd4 17.Rxc7 0-0 18.Rxf6 Rae8 19.Rf4 b6 20.Rxa7 Rc8 21.h3 Rc2 22.Rf2 Rxf2 23.Kxf2 Rc8 24.b3 Rc2+ 25.Kf3 Rc3+ 26.Kf4 Rc2 27.g4 Rf2+ 28.Ke5* ½-½ Luther,T (2537)-Ovsejevitsch,S (2580) Stuttgart-ch op 2009 (5)*)* 14.Ne3 Qc5 15.Qe1 0-0-0 16.Kh1 Nf4 17.g3 Rd3 18.Nf5 Ne6 19.Qe2 Rhd8 20.Nd4 R3xd4 21.cxd4 exd4 22.Rad1 Qe7 23.e5 fxe5 24.Qxe5 Kb8 25.Qe4 h5 26.Rf5 Qd7 27.Rdf1 Qd6 28.b4 a6 0-1 Nowroozian,N (2723)-Logan,T (2741) 3: St Edmunds 2003 (25)]

[10.Nd2?! Qd7! Van Scheltinga-Alexander, Maastricht 1946 Van der Tak: 'Van Scheltinga-Alexander, Maastricht 1946']

10...gxf6 11.Bxe6 Nxe6 12.Nc3 Black has an edge. **12...Qd4+N** 0.28/23 Van der Tak: '?!'

[12...c6 Threatens to win with ... Qb6+. 13.Qxd8+ Rxd8 14.Rxf6 Rd2! *(14...Ke7 15.Raf1 Rdf8 16.g3 Rhg8 17.R6f5 f6 18.Nd1 Rg4 19.Nf2 Rg6 20.Nd3 a5 21.Kg2 c5 22.b3 b5 23.Nb2 Rd8 24.Nd1 b4 25.R5f2 Rd4 26.Ne3 Rxe4 27.Nd5+ Kd6 28.Nxf6 Re3 29.Nxh7* 1-0 Lange,M-Anderssen,A Breslau m2 1859*)* 15.Rf2 Rxf2 16.Kxf2 Nd4= Kolisch-Paulsen, London match 1861 Van der Tak: 'Kolisch-Paulsen, London match 1861']

[⌓12...c6 -0.25/28]

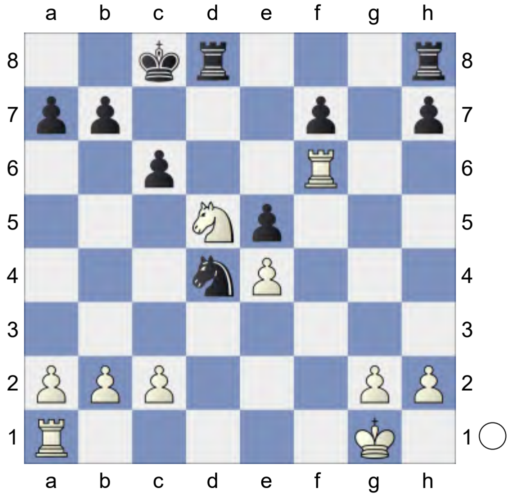
13.Qxd4= Nxd4 14.Nd5 0-0-0 0.81/23

[14...Nxc2? 15.Rac1 *(15.Nxf6+ Kd8+-; 15.Nxc7+ Ke7+-)* 15...Nd4 16.Rxc7+- *(16.Nxf6+ Kd8±)*]

[14...c6= 0.16/23 keeps the balance. 15.Nc7+ *(15.Nxf6+ Ke7+-)* 15...Ke7 16.Nxa8 Nxc2]

15.Rxf6± c6 1.50/25

[Black should try 15...Rd7 0.73/20]



16.Ne3! Van der Tak: ' ±' **16...Ne2+ 17.Kf1 Rd2** 4.10/19

[17...Nd4± 1.50/20 was called for. 18.c3 *(18.Rxf7 Rhf8±)* 18...Ne6]

Black got outplayed after the opening. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.72 **18.Rf2**

[Not 18.Rxf7 Nd4±]

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725 **C54**

☐ **Alexander Steinkuehler**

■ **Blackburne,Joseph Henry**

Manchester - 1863

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4** Notes by Blackburne. **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Bxd2+ 8.Nfxd2N** -0.69/22

A weak move. The other Knight ought to have taken.

[8.Nbxd2= 0.27/23

A) 8...d5 9.exd5 Nxd5

A1) 10.Qb3 Nce7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rfe1 *(12.Ne5 c6 13.Ne4 Qb6 14.Rad1 Qxb3 15.Bxb3 Rd8 16.Rfe1 Kf8 17.f3 f6 18.Nc4 b6 19.Kf2 Ba6 20.g4 Rd7 21.g5 Bxc4 22.Bxc4 f5 23.Nc3 Nf4 24.Ne2 Nxe2 25.Rxe2 Rad8* Italian Game-5.d4 ed4 6.cd4 Bb4+ Survey 2018 Lexikon18 [Ftacnik]*)* 12...c6 13.Ne4 Nb6 14.Bd3 Ned5 15.Nc5 Rb8 16.Rac1 Nf4 17.Bb1 Qf6 18.Ne5 Qg5 19.Qf3 f6 20.Ned3 Nbd5 21.Nxf4 Nxf4 22.h4 Qh6 23.g3 Nd5 24.Be4 Nb6 7.♘g5 e6 8.♘f3 ed5 (2599)-Strick,E (2690) corr LADAC 2004 CBM 158 Extra [Lekander,Rolf] 0-1 (57);

A2) 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bxd5 *(11.Ne5 Nxd4 12.Nb3 Nxb3 13.Bxd5 Qf6 14.Qxb3 Qxe5 15.Rfe1 Qf6 16.Re3 c6 17.Bf3 b5 18.Be4 g6 19.Rc3 Bb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Rc5 Rc7 22.Qg3 Re7 23.f3 Qxb2 24.h4 Qxa2 25.h5 Qb3* 6.♘h3 ♘f6 7.♘f4 ♘bd7 -Brinkmann,W USSR 37/566 1984 ZUS C73 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)*)* 11...Qxd5 12.Qb3 Qh5 13.Ne4 Be6 14.Qc3 f5 15.Qc5 Rad8 16.Nc3 Rf6 17.d5 f4 18.Rfe1 Bf7 19.Qb5 Rg6 20.Kh1 Rxg2 21.Qd3 Qh3 22.Qd4 Bh5 0-1 (22) 6.♘f3 ♕f5 7.♕b3 ♘c6_5-2.c4 e5 (2600) Soviet Union 1851 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne];

B) 8...Nxe4 9.Nxe4]

8...Nxd4 9.0-0 d6

[9...0-0 with more complications. 10.e5 d5 11.exf6 dxc4 12.fxg7 Re8]

10.Nb3 Black is slightly better. **10...Nxb3 11.Qxb3 0-0 12.Re1 Nh5** -0.26/20

[Better is 12...a5∓ -0.74/22]

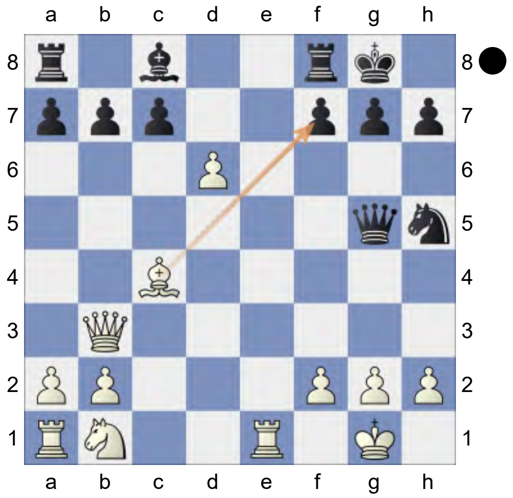
13.e5 -0.74/22

[13.Nc3= -0.26/20]

13...Qg5 0.19/24

[Black should play 13...Nf4∓ -0.74/22]

14.exd6=



Strongly threatening Bc4xf7+! **14...Nf4** 0.80/23

[14...Bd7!⩲ 0.31/24]

15.Bxf7+? -1.87/5 This tempting but unsound move led to all his subsequent troubles. **15...Kh8-+ 16.g3**

[Much worse is 16.Qf3 Bg4 17.h4 *(17.Qxb7? Nh3+ 18.Kh1 Nxf2+ 19.Kg1 Qc5-+)* 17...Qf5-+]

16...cxd6 17.Nc3 Nh3+→ Black wants a kill. **18.Kg2 Qf6?** -0.89/24

[18...Qf5-+ -3.03/26 has better winning chances. 19.f4 Rxf7]

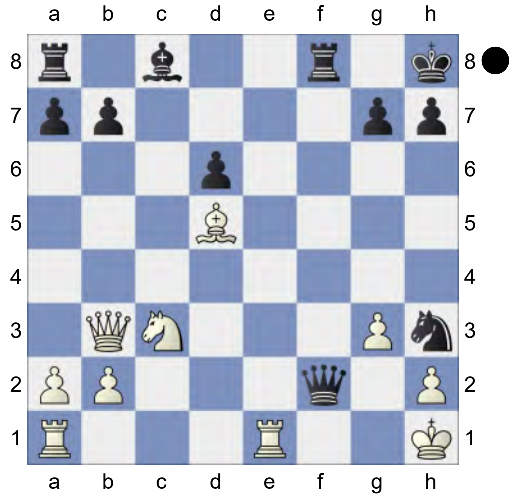
19.Bd5? -#4/10

[19.f3∓ -0.89/24]

19...Qxf2+

[Not 19...Nxf2 20.Qc2∓]

20.Kh1



Qg1+!! Black mates. **21.Rxg1 Nf2+ 22.Kg2 Bh3#** In chess language this is a "clean" mate and is considered one of the most beautiful ever produced in actual play. Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.36

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727 **C51**

☐ **Bird,Henry Edward**

■ **De Riviere,J A**

London 1858

[Naruemon]

C51: Evans Gambit: Declined and Accepted without 5...Ba5 Tartakower, S., & Du Mont, J. (1952). 500 Master Games of Chess. London: G. Bell & Sons, pp. 30-31. Renette, H., & Forster, R. (2016). H.E. Bird. Jefferson: McFarland & Co, pp. 82-84. An interesting feature of the following game is the nonchalance with which White, on two occasions, allows and even challenges the exchange of queens, relying, with good reason, on the asset of the open d-file, which asset, in fact, proves decisive. **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bc5 6.0-0 d6 7.d4 exd4 8.cxd4 Bb6 9.h3** White has compensation. **9...Nf6 10.Nc3 0-0** 0.35/19

[10...Ba5= -0.01/21 is superior. 11.Bb2 0-0]

11.Bg5!⩲ next Nc3-d5 is good for White. **11...Ne7?** 3.11/19

[11...h6= 0.15/21 12.Bxf6 Qxf6]

12.e5!+- dxe5 13.dxe5 Nd7 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxe6+ Kh8 16.Nd5 0.27/22

[16.Bxd7+- 2.50/21 Bxd7 17.Re1 *(17.Ne5 Be6∓)*]

16...Nf6= 17.Bxf6 -0.01/22

[17.Nxb6⩲ 0.41/22 axb6 18.Bb3]

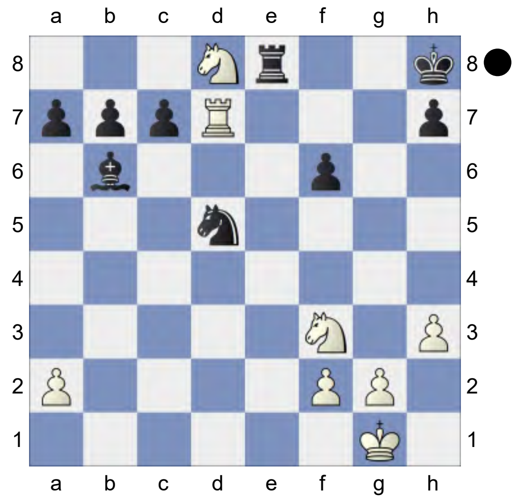
17...gxf6 18.Bxc8 Rxc8 19.Nf4 -1.01/19

[19.Nxb6= 0.01/20 axb6 20.Re1]

19...Qxd1!∓ 20.Raxd1 Rcd8 -0.22/20 Against Rd1-d7

[20...Ng6∓ -1.00/21 21.Nd5 Bc5]

21.Ne6= Pair of Knights! **21...Rxd1 22.Rxd1 Re8 23.Rd7!** Prevents Ne7-d5. **23...Nd5 24.Nd8**



Nf4 0.39/27

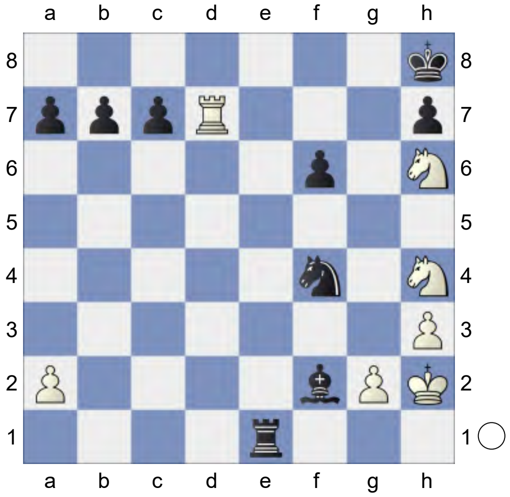
[24...Kg8!∓ -0.33/20]

25.Nf7+⩲ Kg8 26.Nh6+ Kh8 27.Nh4 Re1+ 1.16/25

[27...Ne6= 0.01/20 remains equal.]

28.Kh2± White wants to mate with Rd7-

d8+. **28...Bxf2?** #5/12
[28...Re8± 1.16/25]



29.Rd8+N White mates. **29...Kg7**
[29...Re8 30.Rxe8+ Kg7 31.N4f5+ Kg6 32.Rg8+ Kh5 33.g4# Weighted Error Value: White=0.26 (precise) /Black=0.63 1-0 (33) Bird,H-De Riviere Jules London 1858 [Naruemon]]
30.N4f5+ Kg6 31.Rg8+ Kh5 32.g4#
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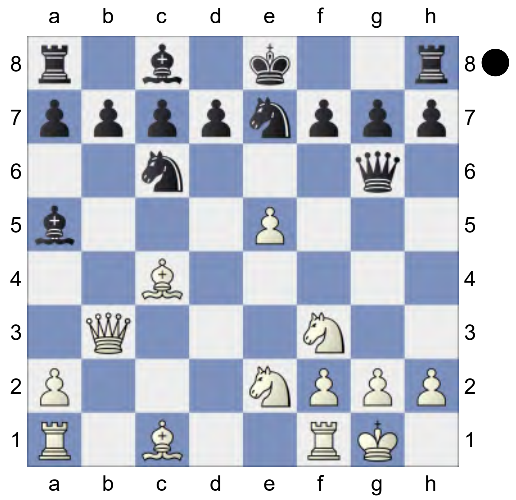
729 **C52**
☐ **Dupre**
■ **Zukertort**
Europe 1886
[Mon Hokmome]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5 Komodo 9.02 64-bit (15s): 'C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
' **1.e4** Komodo 9.02 64-bit (15s) **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 dxc3 8.Qb3 Qf6 9.e5 Qg6 10.Nxc3 Nge7 11.Ne2**

(Diagram)



Threatens to win with Ne2-f4. **11...b5 12.Bd3 Qe6 13.Qb2 Ng6** The pressure on e5 grows. Black is slightly better. **14.Nf4 Nxf4 15.Bxf4 a6N**
[15...h6 16.Qxb5 Rb8 17.Qc5 Rb2 18.Qa3 Rb8 19.Bd2 Bb6 20.Rad1 Bb7 21.Bb1 a5 22.Bc3 Nb4 23.Nd4 Qg4 24.f3 Qf4 25.Kh1 0-0 26.Nf5 Rbd8 27.Nxg7 Nd5 28.Nf5 Rfe8 29.Bd2 Qxe5 30.Nxh6+ 15.♘f2 f5 16.♕d2 ♗d7_15-C 58/02 Montevideo 1875 ZUS D57 [Wolf,Wolfgang] 1-0 (60)]
16.Rad1 h6 last book move. Black has a cramped position **17.Bg3 Bb7 18.Nh4** -1.27/21
[⌓18.a4 -0.83/21]
18...Ne7 19.f4 g5 20.f5 Qb6+ 21.Bf2 gxh4 22.Bxb6 Bxb6+ 23.Kh1

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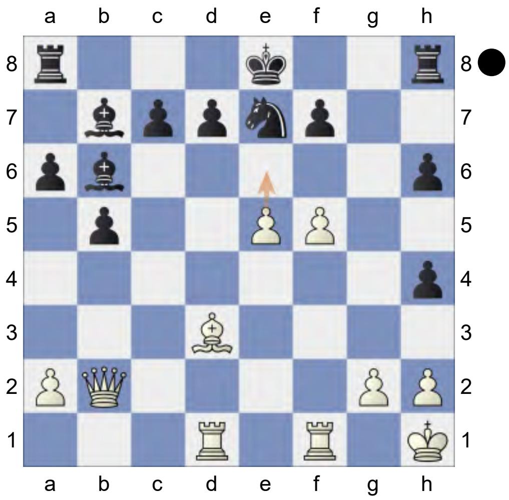

Strongly threatening e5-e6! **23...h3 24.Rd2** -5.88/24 another step towards the grave. Loses the game. Komodo 9.02 64-bit (15s): '??'

[⌓24.Rf3! Komodo 9.02 64-bit (15s): '⌓' hxg2+ 25.Qxg2∓]

[24.Rf3∓ -1.02/25 was the crucial defense. hxg2+ 25.Qxg2]

24...Rg8?→ -2.10/24 Black is out for blood.

[⌓24...hxg2+ and the result of the game is clear: Black will win 25.Rxg2 Rg8-+]

[24...hxg2+ -5.88/24 25.Rxg2 Rg8]

25.Rff2? -3.90/22

[25.Rg1 -2.10/24 0-0-0 26.Qb3]

25...0-0-0-+ Really sharp!

[Don't go for 25...Bxf2? 26.Rxf2 Bxg2+ 27.Rxg2 Rxg2 (*27...hxg2+?* is the wrong capture. *28.Kg1-+*) 28.Qa1-+]

26.Bf1

[26.Qb4 a last effort to resist the inevitable Bxf2 27.Rxf2 Bxg2+ 28.Rxg2-+]

[Much worse is 26.Rfe2 hxg2+ 27.Rxg2 Rxg2 28.Rxg2 Rg8-+]

26...Bxf2 Black is clearly winning.

27.Rxf2 hxg2+ 28.Bxg2

[28.Rxg2 is still a small chance Nxf5 29.Qf2-+ Inhibits Nf5-e3.]

28...Rxg2 29.Rxg2 Rg8 Pin. Weighted Error Value: White=0.80/Black=0.27 (precise)

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☐ **Nimzowitsch,Aron**

■ **NN**

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[Mon Hokmome]

C53: Giuoco Piano sidelines **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6 5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.0-0** Threatens to win with Nd5. **8...Bg4** 1.62/20

[8...0-0!± 0.69/20 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nxe4 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Rxe4 Kf8 14.Bg5 Qd7 15.Rxe8+ Qxe8 16.Qd3 h6 17.Re1 Qf7 18.Qh7 Bf5 19.Qh8+ Qg8 20.Qxg8+ Kxg8 21.Be3 b5 22.d5 Ne7 23.Bxh6 Nxd5 1-0 15.de6 ♗e6 16.♘d5_21371 (1454)-4. dxe5 dxe5 5. Qxd8+ (1039) W-ch M corr 1990 (1)]

9.d5 0.36/21

[9.Nd5!+- 1.62/20]

9...Ne5N 3.48/21

[9...Bxf3!± 0.36/21 10.Qxf3 (*10.gxf3 Bxc3 11.dxc6 Ba5 12.cxb7 Rb8 13.Qa4+ c6 14.Qxc6+ Ke7 15.e5 dxe5 16.Qc5+ Qd6 17.Qxa5 Rxb7 18.b3* 1-0 Hantel,T (2790)-9.♗f3 ♕c7 10.♗e3_70261 (2680) 8/341 Vrsac 1969 (6)) 10...Ne5]

10.Qa4++- Kf8 4.49/20

[10...Bd7 3.11/19 might work better. 11.Qxb4 a5]

11.Qxb4 Bxf3 12.gxf3 Nxf3+ 13.Kh1 Ng4? 1.82/21

[13...Nxe4= -0.01/21 14.Nxe4 Qh4]

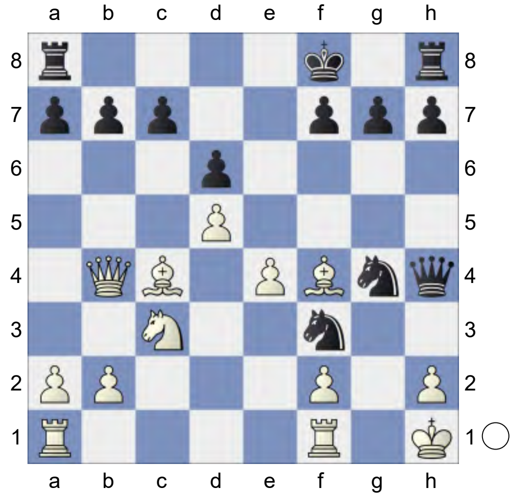
14.Bf4 1.29/21

[14.Qxb7 Rb8 15.Qxa7 Ra8=]

[White should try 14.Kg2+- 1.82/21 Nfxh2 15.f3]

14...Qh4? 3.17/22

[14...a5± 1.29/21 15.Qb3 (*15.Qxb7 Rb8+-*) 15...Nfxh2 Decoy]



15.Kg2!

[15.Qxb7 g5 16.Kg2 (*16.Qxa8+ Kg7∓*) 16...gxf4 17.Kxf3 (*17.Qxa8+ Kg7-+*) 17...Kg7± (*17...Nxh2+? 18.Ke2+-*)]

15...Nfxh2? 5.54/23

[15...Qf6 3.03/21 16.Ne2 (*16.Kxf3 g5+-* Pin; *16.Qxb7 Qxf4 17.Qxa8+ Ke7 18.Qxh8 Ng5*) 16...g5]

16.Bg3 Qg5 17.Rh1

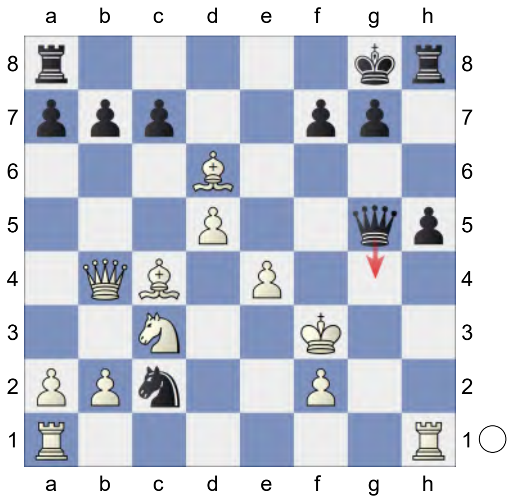
[Stronger than 17.Bxh2 Nxh2+ 18.Kxh2 Qh4+ 19.Kg2 a5= (*19...Qg4+ 20.Kh1=*)]

17...h5 18.Bxh2? -0.01/18

[Better is 18.Qxb7+- 5.24/21 Re8 19.Qxc7 (*19.Bxh2 Nxh2+ 20.Kxh2 Rh6+-; 19.Rxh2 h4+-*)]

18...Ne3+= 19.Kf3 Nc2 20.Bxd6+! Kg8!

(Diagram)

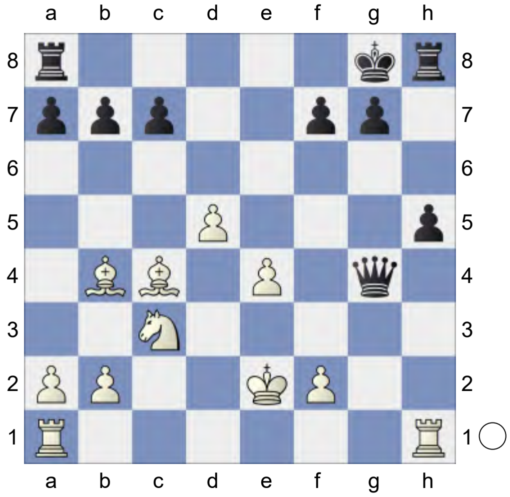


21.Ke2! Nxb4

[21...Qg4+ 22.Kf1]

22.Bxb4 A strong pair of Bishops. Black is weak on the dark squares **22...Qg4+** 0.88/21

[22...h4= 0.27/20 remains equal.]



23.Ke3!± Hoping for Rag1. White has strong compensation. White is more active. **23...Qg5+ 24.Ke2** -0.01/23 Black escapes into a draw. Weighted Error Value: White=0.77/Black=1.09. Loses game: --- Black=3 Missed win: White=1 --- Mistake: White=3 Black=3 OK: White=2 Black=6 Best: White=1 --- Strong: White=3 Black=1 . Sensor Board Error (Ke4/

e5)?

[White should play 24.Kd3± 0.87/22]

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☐ **Reference & Interesting Games**

■ **Moiseenko,Va (2473) - Ahvenja**

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.e5 d5 7.Be2 Ne4 8.cxd4 Bb4+**

[8...Bb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Be3 Nxc3 12.bxc3 f6 13.exf6 Qxf6 14.a4 Rae8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.Ne5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qe6 18.f4 Nf5 19.g4 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Qd6 21.Kg2 c5 22.Rb5 cxd4 23.cxd4 17.Bg5 Bg7 18.Qd2 Qe7 (2591)-Vas,P (2361) Boñar 2023 Schallopp-Riemann [John Watson] 1-0 (56)]

9.Nbd2N

[9.Bd2 Nxd2 10.Nbxd2 0-0 11.0-0 f6 12.a3 *(12.Rc1 Kh8 13.Nb3 Bg4 14.a3 Be7 15.Re1 fxe5 16.dxe5 Rf4 17.h3 Bh5 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.Rxc5 d4 20.e6 Bg6 21.Bd3 Qf6 22.Ng5 Ne7 23.Bxg6 hxg6 24.Ne4 Qxe6 25.Ng5 Qf6 26.Re6 Qf8* Lalitaditaayyanar,B (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Belgrade 2013 FS: The Queen's Gambit [Michalczak] 1-0 *27.Rxg6 Rh4 28.Ne6* 1-0 (28) Srihari, L (2702)-10.Ba3 b6 11.ba5 Nh5_7469 (2786) Skopje 2013 200 Traps In The Opening [Lirindzakis,T; Porfiriadis,S]*)* 12...Ba5 13.Bb5 Ne7 14.Qc2 Bf5 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Ng6 17.g3 c5 18.b4 cxb4 19.Nb3 bxa3 20.Nxa5 Qxa5 21.Qb3 fxe5 22.Rxa3 Qd8 23.dxe5 Qd7 15.Nc4 0-0 16. Qe5 Rab8 (2705) -Warlick,J (2723) corr ICCF 2011 CBM 160 Extra [Olsson; Korrschack 3/2001] 0-1 (36)]

9...0-0 10.0-0 Bxd2 0.52/18

[10...Ba5= -0.08/19]

11.Bxd2± Bg4 White is slightly better. **12.Be3! f6 13.Rc1** 0.28/18

[13.exf6± 0.67/19 Qxf6 14.Qb3]

13...Qd7 1.08/21

[13...f5= 0.28/18]

14.exf6± Rxf6 1.48/20

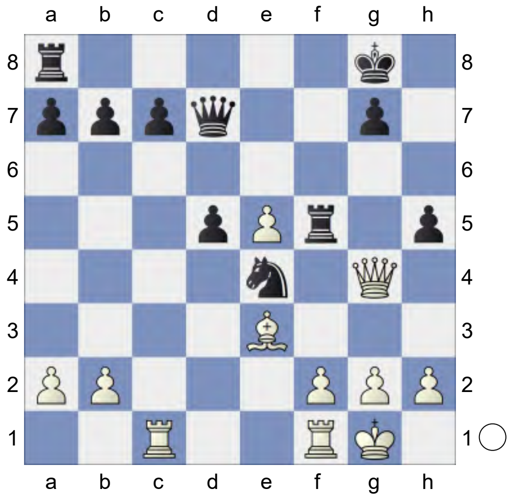
[Black should try 14...gxf6 0.90/19 15.h3 Bh5]

15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Rf5 18.Qg4 0.55/23

[18.f3± 1.46/18]

18...h5? 2.10/23

[18...c6!± 0.55/23]



A mistake that costs the game. **19.Rxc7!+- Qxc7 20.Qxf5 Re8** Prevents Qf5-e6+. **21.e6** Threatens to win with f2-f3.

[Don't take 21.Bxa7?! b6±]

21...Qe7 22.Qxd5 Qxe6 2.67/21

[⌓22...Nf6 1.87/24 23.Qf3 Qb4]

23.Qxb7 Qxa2 24.Qxa7 Weighted Error Value: White=0.18 (very precise) / Black=0.46

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☐ Reference & Interesting Games

■ Ghaem Maghami,E. (2557) - Bai

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d4 exd4 6.e5 d5 7.Be2**

[7.exf6 dxc4 8.fxg7 Rg8 9.cxd4 Bxd4∓]

7...Ne4

[7...d3 looks sharper. 8.exf6 dxe2 9.Qxe2+ Kf8]

8.cxd4 Bb6 9.0-0 The position is equal. **9...0-0 10.Nc3 Bg4 11.Be3 f6**

[11...Nxc3 12.bxc3 f6 13.exf6 Qxf6 14.a4 Rae8 15.Rb1 Ne7 16.Ne5 Bxe2 17.Qxe2 Qe6 18.f4 Nf5 19.g4 Nxe3 20.Qxe3 Qd6 21.Kg2 c5 22.Rb5 cxd4 23.cxd4 a6 24.Rb2 Rc8 25.f5 Rfe8 26.Re2 17.Bg5 Bg7 18.Qd2 Qe7 (2591)-Vas,P (2361) Boñar 2023 Schallopp-Riemann [John Watson] 1-0 (56)]

12.exf6 Nxf6 13.Na4 Qd6N

[13...Qe7 14.Re1 Rae8 15.a3 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Bxd4 Italian with 5.d4-Giuoco Piano,6]

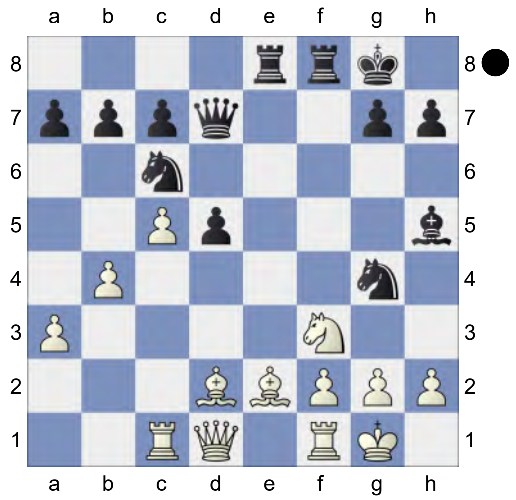
14.a3 Rae8 15.Rc1 Bh5 ...Nf6-g4 is the strong threat. **16.Nc5**

[16.h3 feels hotter. Ne4 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.Qc2]

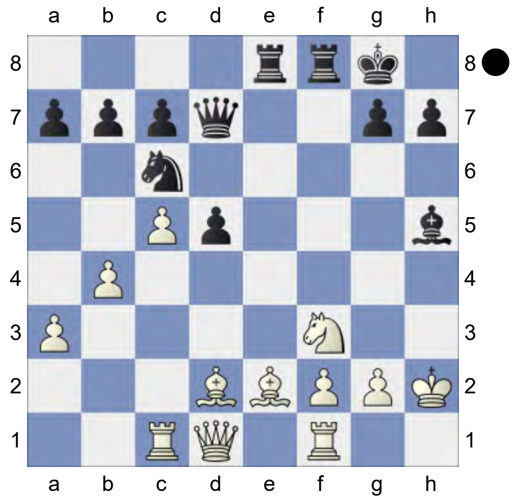
16...Bxc5 17.dxc5 Qd7 18.b4 Ng4 19.Bd2

[19.b5!? Nxe3 20.bxc6! Nxd1 21.cxd7 Rxe2 22.Rfxd1 Bxf3 23.gxf3±]

(Diagram)



19...Nxh2! 20.Kxh2



Strongly threatening Bd2-e3. **20...Rxe2** Remove Defender **21.Qxe2 Bxf3 22.Qe3**

[22.gxf3? Nd4 23.Qd3 Nxf3+ 24.Kg3 h5-+]

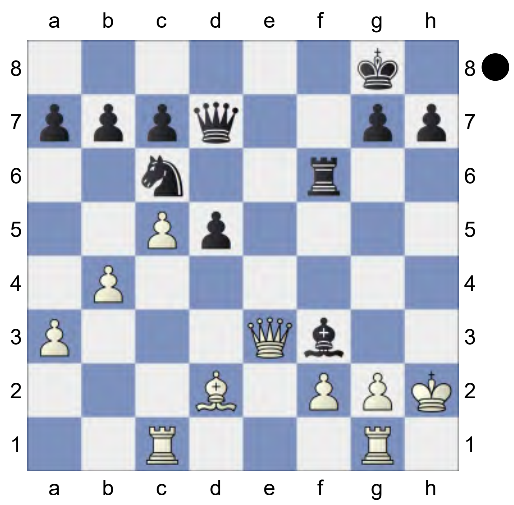
22...Rf6

[22...Qg4 23.Qg5 *(23.gxf3 Rxf3 24.Qe8+ Rf8=)* 23...Qxg5 24.Bxg5±]

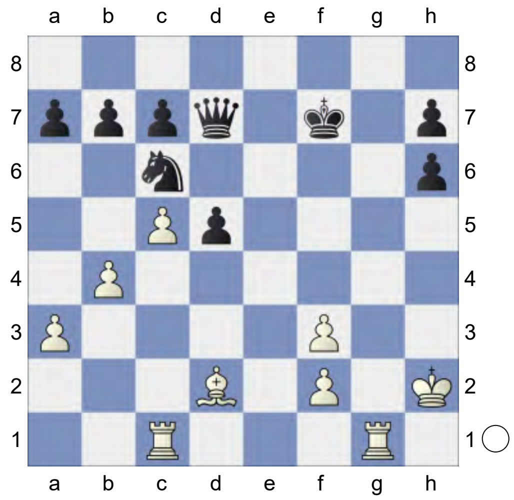
23.Rg1? -3.76/23

[23.gxf3= 0.01/21 Rh6+ 24.Kg1 Rg6+ 25.Kh2 Rh6+ 26.Kg1 Rg6+ 27.Kh2 Rh6+]

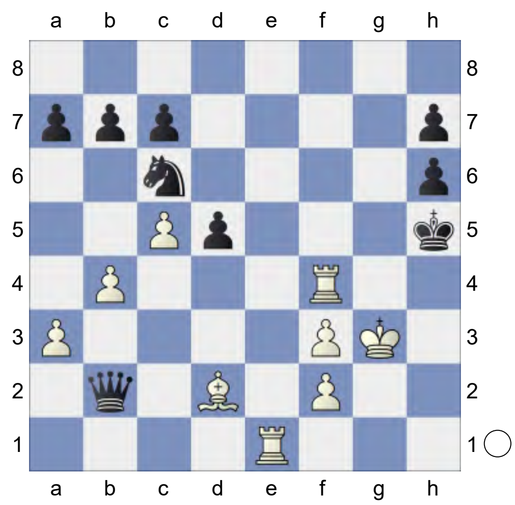
(Diagram)



23...Rh6+? 0.65/5
[23...Rf5!-+ -3.76/23 (→ ...Rf5-h5+) 24.g4 (*24.gxf3? gets mated. Rh5+ 25.Kg3 Qh3+ 26.Kf4 Rf5#*) 24...d4!]
24.Qxh6⩲ gxh6 25.gxf3+ Kf7!



White must now prevent ...Nc6-d4.
26.Rg4↑ Inhibits Nc6-d4. Hoping for Rc1-g1. Black is under pressure. &Bianco is more active.
[But not 26.Bxh6 Qe6 27.Rg7+ Ke8⩱]
26...Qe6? 6.09/26
[26...Ne5= -0.06/21 27.Rf4+ Kg8]
27.Rf4++- Kg6 28.Rg1+ Kh5 29.Kg3 White is clearly winning. **29...Qe5 30.Re1 Qb2**
(Diagram)



31.Rg4! Weighted Error Value: White=0.29 (precise) /Black=0.60
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722 **C52**
☐ **George,William**
■ **Freeman,James Dr**
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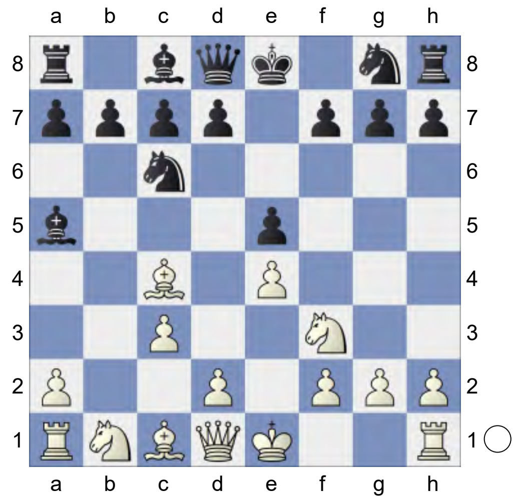
[Kitty Kat]

C52: Evans Gambit Accepted: 5 c3 Ba5
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5



6.Bxf7+N -3.09/19
[6.Bb2 Nf6 7.d3 0-0 8.Nbd2 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Qc2 Bg4 11.0-0-0

Rb8 12.h3 Bf5 13.g4 Bg6 14.h4 b5 15.Bxd5 Qxd5 16.Ne4 f5 17.h5 fxe4 18.hxg6 Rxf3 19.dxe4 Qc4 20.Rxh7 Bxc3 0-1 Engo,A (1800)-Sacripanti,A (1795) corr FICGS CHESS 2007 (1)]

6...Kxf7-+ 7.Nxe5+ Nxe5 8.Qh5+ Black has a decisive advantage. **8...Ng6**

[8...Ke6 9.Qf5+ Kd6 10.d4 Nd3+ 11.Kd2=]

9.Qd5+ Ke8 10.Qxa5 d6 11.d4 N8e7 12.0-0 b6 13.Qh5 Qd7 14.f4 Qg4 15.Qb5+ -2.40/22

[15.Qxg4 -1.95/21 is a better defense. Bxg4 16.f5]

15...Bd7 16.Qd3 Rf8 -0.95/20

[16...d5-+ -2.16/21 has better winning chances. 17.h3 Qh4 *(17...dxe4 18.Qxe4 Bc6 19.Qxc6+ Nxc6 20.hxg4±)* 18.exd5 Rf8 *(18...Nxd5 19.Qe4+ Nge7 20.c4=)*]

17.f5? -2.59/23

[17.h3∓ -0.95/20 Qh4 18.f5]

17...Nh8? -0.48/19

[17...Nh4-+ -2.59/23 18.g3 Nhxf5]

18.Rf4 -1.18/19

[White should play 18.Nd2!∓ -0.48/19]

18...Qh5 19.Bb2 -2.46/22

[19.c4∓ -0.97/18]

19...Bc8? -0.54/17

[19...d5-+ -2.46/22 20.c4 Qg5]

20.d5? -3.01/11

[20.Nd2∓ -0.54/17]

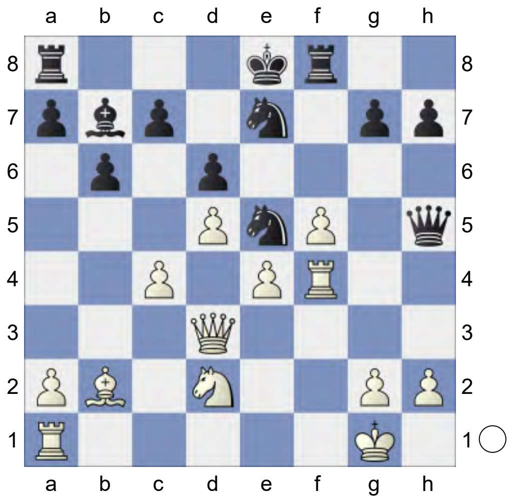
20...Bb7? -0.09/18

[20...Nhg6-+ -3.01/11 21.Rf1 Bxf5 *(21...Ne5? 22.Qb5+ Bd7 23.Qa6-+)* 22.exf5 Nxf5 *(22...Rxf5 23.Rxf5 Qxf5 24.Qxf5∓)*]

21.c4= Nf7 22.Nd2! Ne5 0.73/20

[22...Qg5= 0.00/19 23.Rf2 Qh6]

(Diagram)



23.Bxe5 -0.19/19

[23.Qg3!± 0.73/20]

23...dxe5 24.Rf3 Qf7 25.Raf1 -0.73/13

[25.Rh3= -0.28/20]

25...Qf6∓ 26.g4 -1.83/10

[26.Rh3!∓ -0.62/11]

26...Kd7 -0.94/16

[Black should play 26...Rd8-+ -1.83/10 27.Rg3 c6]

27.Rg3 -1.40/11

[⌓27.R1f2 -0.94/16]

27...Qd6 -0.54/16

[27...Rad8∓ -1.40/11 28.c5 Kc8 *(28...bxc5 29.Qb5+ Kc8 30.Nc4∓)*]

28.Nf3∓ Ba6 -0.44/4

[28...Ng8∓ -1.22/8 29.Ng5 Qc5+ 30.Rf2 Qa5]

29.Qc3! Rae8 30.Kg2 -1.38/17

[30.Nxe5+∓ -0.35/18 Kc8 31.Nd3]

30...Kc8 -0.90/12

[⌓30...h6 -1.38/17 31.Nxe5+ Kc8]

31.Ng5∓ h6 0.05/15

[Reject 31...Qc5?! 32.Rc1 Ng8 33.Nxh7=]

[31...Kb8∓ -1.03/8 and ...Ng6! should not be overlooked 32.Ne6 Rf7]

32.Ne6= Rf7 33.Rc1 c5 0.58/18

[33...Bb7!= 0.16/20 is superior.]

34.Qa3↑ Black is under pressure.

34...Kb7 2.92/20

[34...Bb7!⩲ 0.51/17]

35.Rb3 Bxc4 2.97/17

[⌓35...Rc8 1.90/19]

36.Rxc4+- Ka8 37.Qa6 Black is weak on the light squares **37...Nc8?** 4.40/7

[37...Nxd5 2.00/10 38.exd5 Qxd5+ 39.Kg3 h5]

38.a4 White is clearly winning. **38...Rd7 39.a5** Hoping for axb6. **39...bxa5** 7.38/18

[⌓39...Rde7 4.92/17 40.Rb5 *(40.axb6 Nxb6 41.Rxc5 Rxe6+-)* 40...Kb8 41.Nxc5 *(41.Rcxc5 Rb7+-)* 41...h5]

40.Qxa5 Rxe6 41.fxe6 Rc7 42.Rb5 Nb6 Weighted Error Value: White=0.50/Black=0.77 **43.Rcxc5**

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724 **C50**

☐ **Mainline after 4...Bxd4 6...N**

■ **7...Nge7 #8**

[Mon Hokmome]

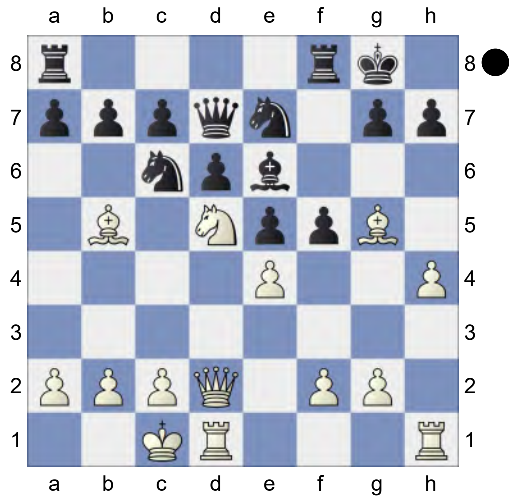
C50: Hungarian Defence and Giuoco Pianissimo **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d4 Bxd4 5.Nxd4 Nxd4 6.Be3**

[Reject 6.Qh5 Qe7 7.Qd1 Nf6∓]

6...Nc6 Compared to 6...Ne6 covered in (Chapter 5) , Black's pawn structure remains nice and tidy, but in return, we have complete control over the a2-g8 diagonal and more active pieces. 6...Nc6 is the most frequent response to Be3, but there are not enough games to draw conclusions about who is more likely to play this move. The vast majority of our opponents will not be too familiar with the position. From my experience, I have concluded that 6...Ne6 will be chosen by more cautious players in blitz and rapid. Contrary to that, more aggressive players in longer time formats will play 6...Nc6 and force you to prove the compensation. **7.Nc3** The most natural and logical move. We're one step closer to the queenside castle and increasing our control over the d5 square. Moves like Qg4 are possible, but they don't offer the same level of flexibility and overall just aren't as good. **7...Nge7** In my opinion, this is the best continuation for Black. Black dodges our g4 ideas and continues his development. I'd expect this move mostly from strong players in games with longer time control. **8.Qd2** -0.41/20

[8.g3= -0.04/20 is more appropriate.]

8...d6∓ 9.0-0-0 Be6 10.Nd5 We're not allowing any simplifications. We plan to attack Black's King or open the position with f4. At first glance, the last two Black moves don’t seem forced and looks like there should be more options, but there really aren’t. The only other plan for Black would be to castle kingside, which we will cover in the following line. **10...0-0 11.h4** Since Black castled kingside, it's time for us to start pushing our kingside pawns. This position might not look that good when you first see it. You could claim that White is a clear pawn down, and Black has no weaknesses. But I'd argue that our pieces are better positioned, we have more space, a bishops pair and a clear plan - attacking the black King. Also, the position is undoubtedly harder to navigate for Black. **11...f5** With f5, Black's taking a more proactive approach in solving his issues. Black's threatening to play both f4 and fxe4. **12.Bg5** We're taking advantage of the weak a2-g8 diagonal. Our threat is to play Nxe7, which would win us a piece. **12...Qd7** Black stops our threat of Nxe7 by defending the e6 Bishop. **13.Bb5**

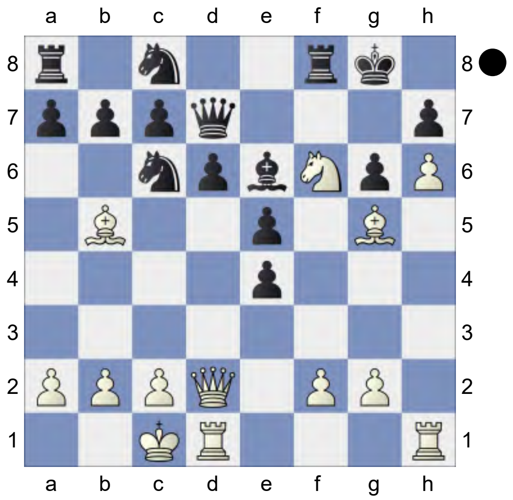


A very strong move after which we're again threatening to take on e7. And now Nd5xe7+ would win. **13...Nc8** The only move for Black. Everything else would lose material. **14.h5** We're continuing with our attacking plans on the kingside. 14...h6 15.Bxh6! **14...fxe4N** This move is Black's best attempt to keep the position dynamically balanced. With active play in the center, Black wants to switch focus from the black King. Hoping for ...h7-h6.

[14...a6 15.h6 axb5 16.hxg7 Qxg7 17.Bh6 Qf7 18.Qg5+ Qg6 19.Qxg6+ hxg6 20.Nxc7 Rxa2 21.Bxf8 #7 Mainline after 4...Bxd4 6...N-7...Nge7]

15.h6 Black must now prevent h6xg7. **15...g6 16.Nf6+**

(Diagram)



Our h-pawn has successfully reached h6 and created long-term weaknesses on the dark squares around the black King. Moves 16.Rhe1 and 16.Rh4 are completely playable, but I decided for Nf6 because it grants clarity in the position and secures an immediate material advantage, which can have a psychological impact on the opponent. **16...Rxf6! 17.Bxf6** At first glance, most players would evaluate this position as much better for White, but CC StartBracket CC un CC EndBracket CC surprisingly, the engine disagrees. The engine's evaluation is 0.00 as per usual. After some thinking, Black's compensation for being an exchange for a pawn down is in the center control. It's not obvious how we will activate our Rooks. Surprisingly, the weird structure on the kingside offers excellent protection for the black King. We would be better off if we could just remove the h6 pawn from the board. **17...Nb6!** Black has to bring the last piece into the game. It wouldn't make a difference if Black started with Qf7 or Nb6 - we would continue with the same move order. **18.Qg5 Qf7** 0.44/21

[18...Nd5= -0.27/23]

19.Bxc6± For the best practical chances, I'd recommend following the concrete line that the course is offering. Alternatively, you can play 19.Rh4 with the idea of controlling the 4th rank and attacking the e4 pawn. Dancing on a razor blade. **19...bxc6 20.Bxe5 dxe5 21.Rd8+ Rxd8 22.Qxd8+ Qf8 23.Qxc7** This position is, in my opinion, almost winning in a practical game. The black King is simply too weak. While the engine evaluation is 0.00, I don't think any human would want to play this position from the Black's side. Our plan is to pick up the weak black pawns, put our Rook on d1 and either win by tactical means or by pushing the pawns on the queenside. Weighted Error Value: White=0.04 (flawless) /Black=0.10 (very precise)

723 **C54**

☐ **Steinkuehler,Alexander**

■ **Blackburne,Joseph Henry**

Manchester - 1863

[Mon Hokmome]

C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'C54: Giuoco Piano: 4 c3 Nf6, main lines with 5 d4 and 5 d3 " **1.e4** ChessBase II Abramovic, Bosko Dragan Solak Notes by Blackburne. **1...e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3**

[RR 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.h3 d5 (RR *6...d6*) 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.Re1 Be6

- **A)** RR 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Qf6+ 12.Qf3 Qxe5;
- **B)** RR 9.Nbd2 f6 10.Nb3 Bb6 11.d4 Bf7 (RR *11...Qd6*) 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Bxd5 Bxd5 15.Be3 c6 16.Qe2 Qh4 17.Nd2 Rf6 18.Qg4 Qxg4 19.hxg4 Ba5 20.a3 Bxd2 21.Bxd2 e4 22.Be3 a5 23.a4 h6;
- **C)** 9.c3
  - **C1)** RR 9...f6
    - **C1a)** RR 10.a4 Qd7 11.a5 (RR *11.b4 Be7*) 11...a6 12.Nbd2 Ba7;
    - **C1b)** 10.d4 Bb6 11.Nbd2 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nf3 Qd6 15.Rxe5 Nxc3 16.Qxd6 cxd6 17.Bxf7+ Rxf7 18.Re6 Na4 19.Rxd6 Rc8 20.b4;
  - **C2)** 9...Bb6
    - **C2a)** RR 10.Bb5;
    - **C2b)** RR 10.Ng5 Qf6 (RR *10...Qe7*) 11.Qf3 Qxf3 12.Nxf3 f6 13.d4 Rae8;
    - **C2c)** 10.Bb3 f6 (RR *10...Re8*)
      - **C2c1)** RR 11.c4 Nde7 (RR *11...Ndb4 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+*) 12.c5 Bxb3 13.Qxb3+ Kh8 14.cxb6;
      - **C2c2)** 11.d4 Bf7 12.dxe5 Nxe5 (RR *12...fxe5 13.Ng5*)
        - **C2c21)** RR 13.Nxe5 fxe5 14.Nd2
          - **C2c211)** RR 14...Bxf2+ 15.Kxf2 Nxc3 (RR *15...Bh5+ 16.Nf3*) 16.Qg4 Bxb3+ 17.Kg1;
          - **C2c212)** 14...c6 15.Ne4 a5 16.Bg5 Bxf2+ 17.Kxf2 Bh5+ 18.Kg1 Bxd1 19.Bxd8 Bxb3 20.Bh4 Bc2

21.Nd6 e4;

C2c22) 13.Bxd5 Bxd5 (RR *13...Qxd5 14.Qxd5 Bxd5 15.Nxe5 Rae8 16.c4 fxe5 17.cxd5 Bxf2+ 18.Kf1 e4 19.Nc3 Bxe1+ 20.Kxe1 e3*) 14.Nxe5 fxe5 15.Be3

C2c221) RR 15...Qd6 16.Bxb6 (RR *16.Nd2 Rad8*) 16...axb6 17.Nd2 Qc6 (RR *17...Rxa2 18.Rxa2 Bxa2 19.Qe2 Bd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Rd8*) 18.Qg4 (RR *18.f3 Rxa2 19.Rxa2 Qc5+ 20.Kh1 Bxa2 21.Re4 Bf7 22.Qe2 Rd8 23.Nf1*);

C2c222) 15...Bc6 16.Nd2

C2c2221) RR 16...Qd5 17.Qb3 (RR *17.f3 Rfd8 18.Qb3 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 Re8 20.a4 e4 21.f4 Rf8 22.g3 g5*) 17...Rfe8 18.f3 Rad8 19.Ne4;

C2c2222) 16...Qf6 17.Qe2 (RR *17.Bxb6 axb6 18.f3*)

C2c22221) RR 17...Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Rad8 19.f3 Qf4 20.Qxf4 (RR *20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.Qxe4 Rd2*) 20...exf4;

C2c22222) 17...Qg6

C2c222221) RR 18.Qf1 Rf5 19.Nc4 Qe6 (RR *19...Raf8 20.Nxb6 axb6*) 20.Nxb6 axb6;

C2c222222) 18.f3 Rad8 Karjakin,S (2785)-Aronian,L (2780) Wijk aan Zee 2017 Chess Informant 131 [Abramovic,Bosko] 1-0 (58)]

4...Nf6 5.d4

[RR 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Bb6 7.0-0 0-0 8.h3 h6 9.Re1 Re8 10.Bb3 Ne7 11.Nf1 Ng6 12.Ng3 c6 13.d4 Be6 14.Bc2 Bc7 15.a4 a5 16.b3 (RR *16.Be3 d5 17.exd5 Bxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Nxe5 Bxe5 20.dxe5 Rxe5 21.Bd4 Rxe1+ 22.Qxe1*) 16...d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.dxe5 Rf8 Dominguez Perez,L (2741)-Liang, A (2687) New York 2024 1-0 (47)]

5...exd4 6.cxd4N

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 (RR *7.e5;* RR *7.e5*) 7...0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 (RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6;* RR *13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Bxf6 Qxf6*) 13...Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4 Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 4.♘g5 ♗c5 / 4...d5 5. ed5 ♘d5-Mecking London 2002 Fritz 12 [Dragan Solak] 1-0 (47) RR 21.exf6 (RR *21.exf6*)]

[RR 6.0-0 dxc3 7.Nxc3 0-0 8.Bg5 d6 9.Re1 Re8 10.h3 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.Nd5 Re6 13.Nxc7 Qxc7 14.Bxe6 Bxe6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Qd2 Bb4 17.Qxh6 Bxe1 18.Rxe1 Qe7 19.Qh4

Nb4 20.e5 Nc2 Snijders,P-Wigboldus, D Hengelo 2002 EXT 2005 [ChessBase II] 1-0 (47)]

6...Bb4+ 7.Bd2 Bxd2+ 8.Nfxd2N -0.69/22 A weak move. The other Knight ought to have taken.

[Blackburne, J. H.: 'A weak move. The other Knight' 8.Nbxd2= 0.27/23 Blackburne, J. H.: 'ought to have taken.'

A) 8...d5 9.exd5 Nxd5

A1) 10.Qb3 Nce7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Rfe1 (*12.Ne5 c6 13.Ne4 Qb6 14.Rad1 Qxb3 15.Bxb3 Rd8 16.Rfe1 Kf8 17.f3 f6 18.Nc4 b6 19.Kf2 Ba6 20.g4 Rd7 21.g5 Bxc4 22.Bxc4 f5 23.Nc3 Nf4 24.Ne2 Nxe2 25.Rxe2 Rad8* Italian Game-5. d4 ed4 6.cd4 Bb4+ Survey 2018 Lexikon18 [Ftacnik]) 12...c6 13.Ne4 Nb6 14.Bd3 Ned5 15.Nc5 Rb8 16.Rac1 Nf4 17.Bb1 Qf6 18.Ne5 Qg5 19.Qf3 f6 20.Ned3 Nbd5 21.Nxf4 Nxf4 22.h4 Qh6 23.g3 Nd5 24.Be4 Nb6 7.♘g5 e6 8.♘f3 ed5 (2599)-Strick,E (2690) corr LADAC 2004 CBM 158 Extra [Lekander,Rolf] 0-1 (57);

A2) 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bxd5 (*11.Ne5 Nxd4 12.Nb3 Nxb3 13.Bxd5 Qf6 14.Qxb3 Qxe5 15.Rfe1 Qf6 16.Re3 c6 17.Bf3 b5 18.Be4 g6 19.Rc3 Bb7 20.Rac1 Rac8 21.Rc5 Rc7 22.Qg3 Re7 23.f3 Qxb2 24.h4 Qxa2 25.h5 Qb3* 6.♘h3 ♘f6 7.♘f4 ♘bd7 -Brinkmann,W USSR 37/566 1984 ZUS C73 [John Watson] 1-0 (37)) 11...Qxd5 12.Qb3 Qh5 13.Ne4 Be6 14.Qc3 f5 15.Qc5 Rad8 16.Nc3 Rf6 17.d5 f4 18.Rfe1 Bf7 19.Qb5 Rg6 20.Kh1 Rxg2 21.Qd3 Qh3 22.Qd4 Bh5 0-1 (22) 6.♘f3 ♕f5 7.♕b3 ♘c6_5-2.c4 e5 (2600) Soviet Union 1851 200 Traps In The Opening [Dorner, Cranbourne];

B) 8...Nxe4 9.Nxe4]

8...Nxd4 9.0-0 d6

[9...0-0 with more complications. 10.e5 d5 11.exf6 dxc4 12.fxg7 Re8]

10.Nb3 Black is slightly better. **10...Nxb3 11.Qxb3 0-0 12.Re1 Nh5** -0.26/20

[Better is 12...a5∓ -0.74/22]

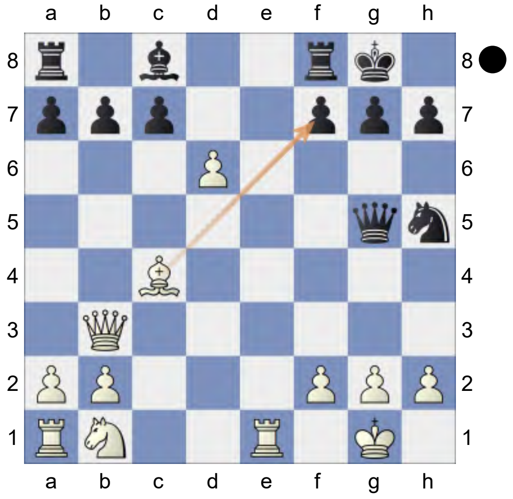
13.e5 -0.74/22 Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'last book move''

[13.Nc3= -0.26/20]

13...Qg5 0.19/24

[Black should play 13...Nf4∓ -0.74/22 Blackburne, J. H.: '⌓∓!?']

14.exd6=



Strongly threatening Bc4xf7+! Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): '='' **14...Nf4** 0.80/23

[14...Bd7!± 0.31/24]

15.Bxf7+? -1.87/5 This tempting but unsound move led to all his subsequent troubles. Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1

64-bit (10s): '??' Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'weakening the position' [This tempting but unsound move led to all his subsequent troubles.]'

[⌓15.Qg3 Qxg3 16.fxg3±]

15...Kh8-+ Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): '-+'' **16.g3**

[Much worse is 16.Qf3 Bg4 17.h4 *(17.Qxb7? Nh3+ 18.Kh1 Nxf2+ 19.Kg1 Qc5-+)* 17...Qf5-+]

16...cxd6 17.Nc3 Nh3+→ Black wants a kill. **18.Kg2 Qf6?** -0.89/24 Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): '??' Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'Black has a mate threat. what a pity, victory was in sight''

[18...Qf5-+ -3.03/26 has better winning chances. Blackburne, J. H.: '⌓' Blackburne, J. H.: 'makes it even easier for Black' 19.f4 Rxf7 Blackburne, J. H.: '-+']

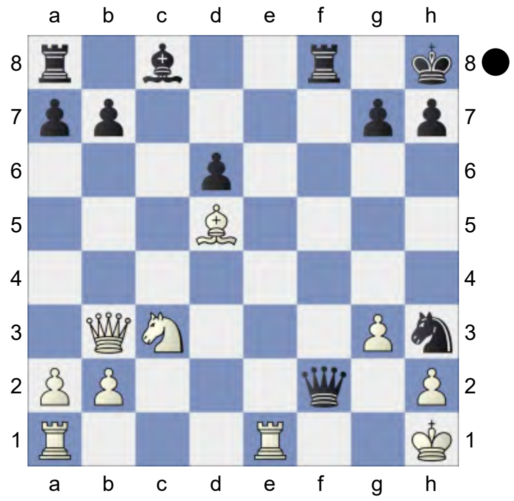
19.Bd5? -#4/10 Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): '??''

[19.f3∓ -0.89/24 Blackburne, J. H.: '⌓' Blackburne, J. H.: 'the rescuing straw' Ng5 20.Bd5 Nxf3 21.Rf1∓]

19...Qxf2+

[Not 19...Nxf2 20.Qc2∓]

20.Kh1



Qg1+!! Black mates. Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): '!!' Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'Mate attack'' **21.Rxg1 Nf2+** Blackburne, J. H.: 'Komodo 9.1 64-bit (10s): 'Mate attack'' **22.Kg2 Bh3#** In chess language this is a "clean" mate and is considered one of the most beautiful ever produced in actual play. Weighted Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.36 Blackburne, J. H.: '[In chess language this is a "clean" mate and is considered one of the most beautiful ever produced in actual play.]'

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